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Dear Parents/Guardians,

COMMUNICATION NOTE TO PARENTS/ GUARDIANS ON AVIAN INFLUENZA A (H7N9) AND NOVEL CORONAVIRUS

With the approaching June vacation, you may be planning holidays to overseas destinations for the family. As some of you could be travelling to countries and regions affected by H7N9 and novel coronavirus (NCoV) ¹, we would like you to note Ministry of Health (MOH)'s advice for travellers to these places. Currently, MOH has advised that travellers should be vigilant and observe measures recommended by the local health authorities, including:

- Observe good personal hygiene at all times;
- Practise frequent hand washing (e.g. before handling food or eating, after going to toilet, or when hands are dirtied by respiratory secretion after coughing or sneezing);
- Avoid contact with poultry or visiting live animal markets, and to eat only well cooked poultry and eggs when travelling to areas where cases of H7N9 have been reported; and
- Wear a mask and seek medical attention promptly if you become unwell with fever and cough while travelling in or within 10 days of being in any of the areas, and inform the doctor of the areas that you have travelled to.

2. As the disease situations remain dynamic, please refer to the MOH website at <http://www.moh.gov.sg> for the latest updates. For the latest global disease situations, you may also wish to refer to the WHO website at <http://www.who.int/csr/don/en/index.html>.

3. Safeguarding the health and well-being of our students is our collective responsibility. At the school level, we would continue to ensure a high level of hygiene to prevent the spread of viruses. On your part, we seek your co-operation to seek medical attention for your children should they develop flu-like symptoms and keep them away from school until they have fully recovered.

4. We wish our students and their families a restful break during this June vacation. Please contact us if you need any clarification.

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Principal

¹ As of 13 May, the World Health Organisation (WHO) has reported cases of H7N9 influenza in areas of China (i.e. Zhejiang, Shanghai, Jiangsu, Jiangxi, Anhui, Henan, Fujian, Beijing, Shandong, Hunan), and novel Coronavirus in Saudi Arabia, Qatar, Jordan and United Arab Emirates. For the latest update, please refer to WHO's website at www.who.int.

