<u>Special announcement by Education</u> Bureau

Although the roads and public transport services in the territory have gradually resumed, there are still uncertain factors currently. Also, tomorrow is the first working day after weekend. Classes of all schools (including kindergartens, primary schools, secondary schools and special schools) will remain suspended tomorrow (November 18) for the sake of safety. Schools should also make good preparation for later class resumption.

During class suspension, schools must keep their premises open and parents may send their children to school if needed. Schools should arrange for staff to return to school under safe and feasible conditions to look after students who have arrived at school. They should maintain contact with parents and allow students to return home only under safe conditions.

All parties should immediately put a halt to all violent and destructive activities so that students can return to their normal school life. If the situation allows, schools may resume classes on Tuesday (November 19) the earliest. Schools should pay attention to the Education Bureau (EDB)'s further announcement, make good preparation for class resumption and work out contingency measures for class arrangements to meet various emergency situations.

The EDB reminded students again to stay at home and not to wander in the streets. They should stay away from danger and must not participate in unlawful activities.