

Red flags hoisted at Clear Water Bay Second Beach

Attention TV/radio announcers:

Please broadcast the following as soon as possible:

Here is an item of interest to swimmers.

The Leisure and Cultural Services Department announced today (February 17) that due to big waves, red flag has been hoisted at Clear Water Bay Second Beach in Sai Kung District. Beach-goers are advised not to swim at the beach.

Fatal traffic accident in Mong Kok

Police are investigating a fatal traffic accident in Mong Kok today (February 16) in which an 83-year-old woman died.

At about 1.30pm, a medium goods vehicle (MGV) driven by a 65-year-old man was travelling along Fuk Tsun Street eastbound. When approaching the junction of Fuk Tsun Street and Fir Street, it reportedly knocked down the 83-year-old woman who was crossing the road.

The woman was trapped under the MGV and was rescued by firemen. Sustaining serious leg injuries, the woman was rushed to Queen Elizabeth Hospital in semi-conscious state where she was certified dead at 2.52pm.

The MGV driver was arrested for dangerous driving causing death. He is being detained for further enquiries.

Investigation by the Special Investigation Team of Traffic, Kowloon West is underway.

Anyone who witnessed the accident or has any information to offer is urged to contact the investigating officers on 3661 9062.

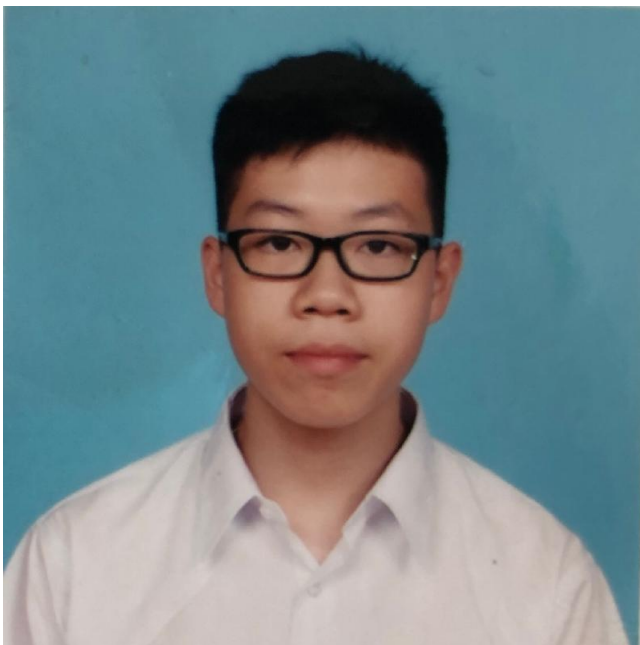
Appeal for information on missing boy in Kwai Chung (with photo)

Police today (February 16) appealed to the public for information on a boy who went missing in Kwai Chung.

So Tsz-wang, aged 14, went missing after he left his residence in Kwai Chung Estate on February 14 morning. His family made a report to Police on the same day.

He is about 1.75 metres tall, 63 kilograms in weight and of medium build. He has a square face with yellow complexion and short black hair. He was last seen wearing a pair of black-rimmed glasses, black sports shirt, black trousers, black sports shoes and carrying a black backpack.

Anyone who knows the whereabouts of the missing boy or may have seen him is urged to contact the Regional Missing Person Unit of New Territories South on 3661 1173 or 6331 8151 or email to rmpu-nts-2@police.gov.hk, or contact any police station.



IPCC chairman inspects passing-out parade at HK Police College (with

photos)

The Chairman of the Independent Police Complaints Council (IPCC), Dr Anthony Francis Neoh, inspected the passing-out parade for 34 probationary inspectors and 222 recruit constables at the Hong Kong Police College today (February 16).

Speaking at the ceremony, Dr Neoh said that this year marks the 175th anniversary of the Hong Kong Police Force and Hong Kong has remained one of the safest and most stable cities in the world. The number of crimes in the city even dropped to a new low last year. He attributed these to the professional training of the Hong Kong Police College and the Force's commitment to serve the community.

Dr Neoh pointed out that as the society is rapidly changing with increasing public expectations, Force members inevitably face with a growing number of challenges. He added that the IPCC and the Force share the same goal of enhancing the service quality of the Force. The IPCC had put forward recommendations to improve police work from time to time.

Dr Neoh hoped the graduates would be able to gain public confidence in the Force, be compassionate to others, always abide by the law and discharge duties in accordance with the law so as to serve the community and maintain law and order of the city.





Special traffic arrangements for race meeting in Sha Tin tomorrow

Police advise motorists that special traffic arrangements will be implemented in Sha Tin to facilitate the race meeting tomorrow (February 17).

The arrangements will come into effect two hours before the start of the first race and will last until the crowds have dispersed after the race meeting.

Appropriate traffic signs will be put up and police will be on hand to guide motorists.

The Police also appeal to people going to Sha Tin Racecourse for the race meeting and to Happy Valley Racecourse for cross betting to make maximum use of public transport.

Parking spaces at the two racecourses are available only to holders of appropriate permits issued by Hong Kong Jockey Club and any vehicles illegally parked will be towed away.