Po Leung Kuk Tin Ka Ping Millennium Primary School

BYOD Policy

I. Background:

In the school years 2011-14, the English Department implemented PLPR/W@eLearning (P.1-3) with the grant ($2,100,000) from Pilot Scheme on e-Learning in Schools, a program launched by the Education Bureau (EDB). With interactive e-Learning activities, students' learning efficiency has enhanced; thus our school extended the implementation of e-Learning with another grant from EDB ($1,200,000) to upgrade our I.T. facilities – Smart Boards and Touch Screens had been installed in classrooms and special rooms and Wi-Fi coverage had expanded across the campus.

Since September 2014, our school has implemented the Pilot Scheme on e-Textbooks – students of P.2-6 are required to "Bring Your (their) Own Device" (BYOD) for e-Learning. In recent years, the policy has been fine-tuned to cater for the different needs of junior (P.1-3) and senior (P.4-6) students. Arrangements are as follows:

P.1-3: BYODO (Bring Your Own Device Occasionally)

Students of P.1-3 use printed textbooks and only bring their own tablet computers (iPad) to school on specific days for e-learning activities.

P.4-6: BYDOED (Bring Your Own Device Every Day)

Students of P.4-6 are required to bring their own tablet computers (iPads) to school every day. The MDM (Mobile Device Management) system will be installed to assist in downloading specific applications for e-Learning.

II. Objectives:

1. Enhance the interactive experience of learning and teaching; expand the depth of student learning.

2. Further improve students' learning motivation and learning effectiveness.

3. Comprehensively develop students' ability to use e-learning and enhance students' information technology literacy.

4. Cultivate students' independent learning, creativity, collaboration and problem-solving abilities through the use of electronic learning materials.

III. Subjects:

Chinese, English, Mathematics, General Studies, Innovative Technology, Putonghua, Music and Visual Arts

VI. Arrangements:

1. Students of P.4-6 have to bring the tablet computer (iPad) to school every day and all e-Textbooks must be downloaded at the beginning of the school year. The iPad has to be submitted to our school for MDM installation.

2. In P.4-6, only e-Textbooks are allowed in class.

3. Printed copies are used for most other reading materials and school-based booklets.

4. Assignments, assessments and examinations are all done with pen and paper.

V. Tablet computer models and accessories:

1. Model: iPad, iPad Air, iPad Pro or the latest model Wi-Fi version (iPad mini is not recommended)

2. Capacity: 256 GB or above

3. Operating system: iOS 18 or above

4. The iPad should be equipped with a screen protector, protective case and earphones

VI. Bring your own iPad or borrow an iPad (Quality Education Fund e-Learning Funding Programme)

1. Under the BYOD Policy, parents have to provide students with an iPad for e-Learning.

2. Families with financial difficulties can apply for the iPad loan service supported by Quality Education Fund e-Learning Funding Programme. Eligible students are those who are receiving Comprehensive Social Security Assistance (CSSA) from the Social Welfare Department, or full/half grant of the School Textbook Assistance Scheme (STAS) from the Student Finance Office. Details of the programme is released in September.

If there is any inconsistency and ambiguity between the English version and Chinese version, the Chinese version shall prevail.