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## DENTAL CARE SERVICE FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN

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ALL CHILDREN ENTERING PRIMARY ONE FROM SEPTEMBER NEXT YEAR WILL BENEFIT FROM THE SCHOOL DENTAL CARE SERVICE, A VOLUNTARY SCHEME ESTABLISHED BY THE MEDICAL AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT AS PART OF ITS DEVELOPMENT PLAN TO EXTEND DENTAL CARE TO THE PUBLIC.

BEFORE THE SCHEME IS OFFICIALLY IMPLEMENTED IN 1980, OVER 10 000 CHILDREN WILL BE INVITED TO TAKE PART IN A TRIAL PROJECT NEXT MONTH.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE MEDICAL AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT SAID: +WE INTEND TO INVITE PRIMARY SCHOOL PUPILS FROM 13 SCHOOLS IN THE VICINITY OF THE MACLEHOSE DENTAL CENTRE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE TRIAL SCHEME SO THAT WE CAN MEASURE ITS ACCEPTANCE RATE AND IDENTIFY THE PROBLEM AREAS.+

HE SAID UNDER THIS SCHEME, SCHOOL CHILDREN WOULD BE GIVEN SIMPLE ROUTINE DENTAL TREATMENT BY DENTAL OFFICERS AND DENTAL THERAPISTS.

THE TREATMENT WILL INCLUDE A FULL DENTAL EXAMINATION, FILLINGS, SCALING, CLEANING OF TEETH AND IF NECESSARY, EXTRACTION.

+LIMITED ORTHODONTIC TREATMENT MAY ALSO BE PROVIDED,+ HE ADDED.

FOR ALL THESE SERVICES, ONLY A NOMINAL FEE OF \$5 A YEAR WILL BE CHARGED.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID: +THE EMPHASIS OF THIS SERVICE IS ON PREVENTION. APART FROM THE APPLICATION OF MODERN PREVENTIVE METHODS, SCHOOL CHILDREN WILL ALSO BE TAUGHT THE BASIC PRINCIPLES OF DENTAL HEALTH AND ORAL HYGIENE SO THAT THEY WILL ADOPT GOOD ORAL HYGIENE PRACTICE TO PREVENT DENTAL DISEASES DEVELOPING IN LATER LIFE.+

THE SERVICE WILL BE EXTENDED TO ALL PRIMARY ONE PUPILS IN THE NEXT ACADEMIC YEAR WHEN THE FIRST BATCH OF THE STUDENT DENTAL THERAPISTS COMPLETE THEIR TRAINING.

IT WILL FURTHER BE EXPANDED PROGRESSIVELY TO INCLUDE ALL CHILDREN IN THE PRIMARY CLASSES. THE SERVICE WILL BE IN FULL SWING WITH THE COMPLETION OF FOUR MORE CLINICS IN THE NEXT FIVE YEARS -- TWO IN KOWLOON AND TWO IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

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## MORE SWIMMING POOLS FOR NEW TOWNS IN NT

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THE GOVERNMENT IS TO BUILD SWIMMING POOLS IN EACH OF THE SIX NEW TOWNS IN THE NEW TERRITORIES, THE SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES, MR. DAVID AKERS-JONES SAID TODAY (SUNDAY).

HE WAS OFFICIATING AT A CEREMONY AT THE FOURTH ANNUAL NEW TERRITORIES SWIMMING GALA AT FANLING SWIMMING COMPLEX.

/MR. AKERS-JONES .....

MR. AKERS-JONES SAID THAT SINCE THE FANLING SWIMMING COMPLEX OPENED A YEAR AGO, IT HAD ATTRACTED NOT ONLY RESIDENTS OF FANLING BUT ALSO PEOPLE FROM OTHER DISTRICTS.

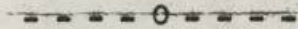
IN JULY THIS YEAR ALONE, HE SAID, MORE THAN 90 000 PEOPLE HAD ENJOYED SWIMMING IN THE POOL.

+THIS FIGURE INDICATES THE NEED AND THE ENTHUSIASM FOR SUCH FACILITIES,+ HE SAID.

+IN RESPONSE TO THIS DEMAND,+ MR. AKERS-JONES SAID, +WE PLAN TO BUILD SWIMMING POOLS IN EACH OF OUR NEW TERRITORIES TOWNS.

+WORK ON THE SHA TIN COMPLEX HAS ALREADY STARTED AND SITE PREPARATION FOR THE YUEN LONG SWIMMING POOL AND GARDEN IS IN PROGRESS,+ HE SAID. OTHER POOLS WERE ALSO PLANNED FOR TAI PO, TUEN MUN AND NORTH KWAI CHUNG.

A TOTAL OF 350 SWIMMERS TOOK PART IN THE GALA WHICH WAS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE HEUNG YEE KUK, THE NEW TERRITORIES SCHOOLS SPORTS ASSOCIATION AND THE GOVERNMENT'S RECREATION AND SPORT SERVICES.



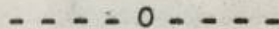
NOTE TO EDITORS:

LADY MACLEHOSE TO INITIATE  
SCHOOL HALL DEMOLITION CEREMONY  
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LADY MACLEHOSE WILL INITIATE THE DEMOLITION CEREMONY OF THE HALL AND ANNEXE OF THE ST. PAUL'S CONVENT SCHOOL IN CAUSEWAY BAY ON TUESDAY (OCTOBER 16) MORNING.

THE BUILDINGS WILL BE PULLED DOWN TO MAKE WAY FOR A NEW SCHOOL PREMISES.

YOU ARE INVITED TO SEND REPORTERS AND/OR PHOTOGRAPHERS TO COVER THE CEREMONY. MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE REQUESTED TO ASSEMBLE IN FRONT OF THE CHAPEL OF THE SCHOOL VIA THE ENTRANCE AT COTTON PATH NOT LATER THAN 9.30 A.M. G I S OFFICERS WILL BE ON HAND TO ASSIST THE PRESS.



FUN AND LESSONS IN CAMPS FOR PRIMARY STUDENTS  
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PRIMARY SCHOOL STUDENTS CAN PLAY AND LEARN AT THE SAME TIME IN OUTDOOR EDUCATION CAMPS ORGANISED BY THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT'S PHYSICAL EDUCATION SECTION.

THE OBJECTIVES OF THESE CAMPS ARE TO PROVIDE SCHOOL CHILDREN WITH EXPERIENCE IN SOCIAL LIVING IN A NATURAL OUTDOOR ENVIRONMENT AND TO PROVIDE THEM OPPORTUNITIES TO LEARN THEIR SCHOOL SUBJECTS UNDER CAMPING SITUATIONS.

/THE CAMPS .....

THE CAMPS ARE CONDUCTED AT SIX SITES FROM MONDAYS TO FRIDAYS INCLUSIVELY BETWEEN TOMORROW (MONDAY) AND JULY 4, 1980.

THE SITES ARE THE GAUDETE HOUSE AT CHEUNG CHAU RUN BY CARITAS HONG KONG- THE SILVERMINE BAY OUTDOOR RECREATION CAMP RUN BY THE HONG KONG PLAYGROUND ASSOCIATION- THE YWCA YOUTH CAMP ON LANTAO ISLAND- THE WU KWAI SHA YOUTH VILLAGE RUN BY THE CHINESE YMCA- THE MA WAN YOUTH CAMP RUN BY THE SALVATION ARMY AND THE CHRISTIAN ALLIANCE SUEN DOUH CAMP IN SHEUNG SHUI RUN BY THE CHRISTIAN AND MISSIONARY ALLIANCE.

THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT WILL PAY BOARD AND LODGING FEES FOR ACCOMPANYING TEACHERS AND 40 PER CENT OF THE TOTAL CHARGES FOR ALL STUDENT-CAMPERS.

EACH ACCOMPANYING TEACHER IS RESPONSIBLE FOR LOOKING AFTER 40 STUDENTS.

AT THE CAMPS, THE STUDENTS WILL ATTEND LESSONS IN THE MORNING SPECIALLY DESIGNED BY THE ACCOMPANYING TEACHERS.

IN THE AFTERNOONS THEY CAN JOIN EXCURSIONS, EDUCATIONAL VISITS, BALL GAMES, SWIMMING AND OTHER ACTIVITIES. FOLK DANCING, RECREATIONAL GAMES, CAMP FIRES, FILM SHOWS AND OTHER FUNCTIONS WILL BE HELD IN THE EVENINGS.

THE AFTERNOON AND EVENING PROGRAMMES WILL BE CONDUCTED BY THE CAMP STAFF WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF TEACHERS.

BEDDING, BLANKETS, BED SHEETS AND PILLOW CASES WILL BE PROVIDED AT EACH CAMP. CAMPERS SHOULD BRING SUITABLE CLOTHING, PERSONAL HYGIENE KITS AND THEIR PHYSICAL EDUCATION GEAR.

APPLICATIONS FOR BOOKINGS CAN NOW BE MADE TO THE PHYSICAL EDUCATION SECTION, AND ENQUIRIES BE DIRECTED TO MR. SUN HOI-YAM AT TEL: 3-884111 EXT. 276.

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#### TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF QUEEN'S PIER

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THE MARINE DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED TODAY (SUNDAY) THAT THE QUEEN'S PIER WILL BE CLOSED TO NORMAL MARINE TRAFFIC ON FRIDAY (OCTOBER 19) BETWEEN 2 P.M. AND 6.30 P.M. FOR THE GALA OPENING OF THE FESTIVAL OF ASIAN ARTS IN EDINBURGH PLACE.

DURING THE CLOSURE OF THE QUEEN'S PIER, ALL SMALL CRAFT ARE ADVISED TO USE BLAKE PIER.

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