



DAILY INFORMATION BULLETIN

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NEW EDUCATION COMPLEX TO TRAIN 500 TEACHERS

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THE NEW COMPLEX FOR THE SIR ROBERT BLACK COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AT CALDECOTT ROAD, PIPER'S HILL, IS EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED ON SCHEDULE AND READY FOR THE NEW SCHOOL TERM IN SEPTEMBER.

AT PRESENT IT IS HOUSED IN A PRIMARY SCHOOL BUILDING IN HOK YUEN STREET, HUNG HOM.

MRS. NANETTE FUNG, ACTING PRINCIPAL OF THE COLLEGE SAID THE NEW COMPLEX WOULD PROVIDE ADDITIONAL AND MORE SOPHISTICATED TEACHING EQUIPMENT IN KEEPING WITH CHANGES IN CURRICULA.

+ALSO, MORE TEACHERS ARE TO BE TRAINED AT THE NEW PREMISES THAN WAS ORIGINALLY ENVISAGED, + SHE ADDED. +WE MUST NOW CATER FOR 500 FULL-TIME TRAINEE TEACHERS COMPARED WITH THE INTENDED 460 TRAINEES.+

THIS IS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT'S PLAN TO EXPAND THE TEACHER TRAINING PROGRAMME TO PRODUCE 6,000 QUALIFIED TEACHERS BETWEEN 1972 AND 1976.

THE NEW COMPLEX WILL PROVIDE A 30-BOOTH LANGUAGE LABORATORY, AN EXPERIMENTAL DRAMA STUDIO, A DARK ROOM IN CONNECTION WITH AUDIO-VISUAL EDUCATION, AND A BETTER-EQUIPPED SCIENCE LABORATORY WITH AN ATTACHED PREPARATION ROOM FOR SPECIMENS.

THE MOST REVOLUTIONARY CHANGE IN CURRICULUM, HOWEVER, OCCURS IN THE DOMESTIC SCIENCE SECTOR.

+WE WILL BE STARTING OUR FIRST MODEL FLAT DEMONSTRATION SCHEME IN THE NEW COMPLEX, + MRS. FUNG SAID.

THE SCHEME INVOLVES PUTTING ASIDE A ROOM TO BE FASHIONED INTO A STANDARD DOMESTIC FLAT, WITH A LIVING/DINING ROOM, A KITCHEN AND LAUNDRY AND WORK AREAS.

+THE MODEL FLAT IS A GREAT HELP IN TEACHING HOME ECONOMICS, DECORATION AND LAUNDRY WORK, AND WILL GIVE THE TRAINEES ACTUAL ON-THE-SPOT TRAINING IN THE 'HOME'.+

MRS. FUNG SAID THERE WERE ALSO PLANS TO START COURSES IN DRESS DESIGN AND TEXTILES.

CONSTRUCTION OF THE NEW COLLEGE COMPLEX STARTED IN APRIL 1972. IT WILL COMPRISE EIGHT BLOCKS OF BUILDINGS RANGING FROM TWO TO FIVE STOREYS, PROVIDING FIVE CLASSROOMS, 22 TUTORIAL ROOMS, FOUR LECTURE ROOMS, 12 SPECIALIST ROOMS FOR ART, DOMESTIC SCIENCE AND HANDICRAFTS, A GYMNASIUM, AN AIR-CONDITIONED LIBRARY AND AN AUDITORIUM.

THERE WILL ALSO BE A STUDENT'S HOSTEL FOR APPROXIMATELY 200 RESIDENT STUDENTS, AND QUARTERS FOR WARDENS AND MINOR STAFF.

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THE CURRICULUM OF THE COLLEGE CONSISTS OF A BASIC TWO-YEAR TRAINING COURSE, AND THERE IS ALSO A SPECIALIST THIRD-YEAR COURSE FOR TEACHERS OF MUSIC.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

----- PHOTOGRAPHS OF A MODEL OF THE NEW COMPLEX
ARE BOXED FOR COLLECTION.

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GUIDANCE PROJECT FOR PRIMARY SCHOOL STUDENTS

ANOTHER GUIDANCE PROJECT FOR PRIMARY SIX SCHOOL LEAVERS, ONE OF SEVERAL WHICH THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT'S COMMUNITY CENTRES HAVE BEEN ARRANGING ON A REGULAR BASIS, WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY (MAY 13) AT THE KWUN TONG COMMUNITY CENTRE.

FOUR HUNDRED PRIMARY SCHOOL STUDENTS FROM THE LOK SIN TONG PRIMARY SCHOOL, OUR LADY OF CHINA PRIMARY SCHOOL, ST. BARNABAS' PRIMARY SCHOOL, HOLY SPIRIT SCHOOL, G.T.C. PAST STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION PRIMARY SCHOOL AND KWUN TONG METHODIST PRIMARY SCHOOL WILL ATTEND.

THE BASIC AIM OF THIS GUIDANCE PROJECT IS TO PROVIDE STUDENTS OF PRIMARY SCHOOL LEVEL WITH INFORMATION ON EDUCATIONAL, PRE-VOCATIONAL AND RECREATIONAL PROSPECTS, SOMETHING WHICH SCHOOL PRINCIPALS AND OTHER SOCIAL WORKERS IN THE AREA FEEL IS MUCH-NEEDED, SAID MR. KUOK NAI-SIK, WARDEN OF THE COMMUNITY CENTRE. HE HOPED THAT MORE PUBLIC INTEREST WOULD BE GENERATED BY BRINGING INTO THE OPEN PROBLEMS FACING PRIMARY SCHOOL GRADUATES.

THREE SPEAKERS HAVE BEEN ARRANGED TO TALK TO THOSE WHO WILL BE ATTENDING. THEY ARE MISS WONG SHU-FAN, SENIOR EDUCATION OFFICER, WHO WILL DISCUSS POST-PRIMARY STUDY; MR. YEUNG SIN-TUNG, SUPERVISOR, STUDENT WELFARE SECTION OF THE KWUN TONG VOCATIONAL TRAINING CENTRE, WHO WILL SPEAK ON PRE-VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND MR. WONG KING-TONG, THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT'S COMMUNITY AND YOUTH OFFICER FOR KWUN TONG, WHO WILL TALK ON THE VALUE OF GROUP LIFE. DISCUSSIONS WILL FOLLOW THE TALKS.

IT IS ALSO PLANNED TO FOLLOW THIS UP WITH AN INTENSIVE GUIDANCE PROJECT DURING THE SUMMER VACATION FOR A GROUP OF SIXTY PRIMARY SCHOOL LEAVERS WITH A VARIETY OF PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES ORGANISED BY VOLUNTEER WORKERS.

NOTE TO EDITORS: YOU ARE WELCOME TO COVER THE TALKS AND
----- PANEL DISCUSSIONS ON MONDAY. THEY WILL BE
HELD IN THE ASSEMBLY HALL OF THE KWUN TONG
COMMUNITY CENTRE AT 17, TSUI PING ROAD,
BEGINNING AT 10 A.M.

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APRIL WETTER THAN USUAL
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HEAVY THUNDERSTORMS ASSOCIATED WITH COLD FRONTS RESULTED IN 231.1 MM OF RAINFALL IN APRIL, MAKING IT THE FIRST MONTH SINCE SEPTEMBER LAST YEAR WITH ABOVE-AVERAGE RAINFALL.

MORE THAN HALF THIS AMOUNT FELL DURING THE THREE-DAY PERIOD APRIL 7-9 WHEN 142.9 MM WERE RECORDED AT THE ROYAL OBSERVATORY. THE MONTH'S TOTAL RAINFALL WAS 95.3 MM ABOVE NORMAL.

THE MONTH WAS ALSO SUNNIER AND WARMER THAN USUAL WITH THE THIRD LOWEST MEAN WIND SPEED, 5.2 KNOTS, ON RECORD FOR APRIL.

SEVEN THUNDERSTORM WARNINGS AND ONE THUNDERSTORM AND HEAVY RAIN WARNING WERE ISSUED DURING THE MONTH. THREE AIRCRAFT WERE DIVERTED FROM HONG KONG INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT DUE TO ADVERSE WEATHER CONDITIONS.

ONE RED AND ONE YELLOW FIRE DANGER WERE ISSUED.

THE MONTH'S LOWEST TEMPERATURE OF 11.8 DEGREES CELSIUS WAS RECORDED ON APRIL 1 AND 2, AND THE MAXIMUM TEMPERATURE OF 28.7 DEGREES CELSIUS ON APRIL 20.

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----- A FULL REPORT ON THE WEATHER FOR APRIL IS BOXED FOR COLLECTION.

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STREET IMPROVEMENTS IN KOWLOON
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A NUMBER OF STREETS IN KOWLOON WILL SHORTLY BE RECONSTRUCTED AS PART OF AN ANNUAL MAINTENANCE PROGRAMME BY THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT HIGHWAYS OFFICE.

THE FIRST TWO ARE PEI HO STREET BETWEEN YEE KUK STREET AND TUNG CHAU STREET, AND KWEILIN STREET BETWEEN LAI CHI KOK ROAD AND TUNG CHAU STREET.

THE MINOR RECONSTRUCTION WORK WILL COVER THE CARRIAGEWAYS AND THE PAVEMENTS BUT EXCLUDE ROAD JUNCTIONS. THE ROAD SURFACE WILL BE RE-PAVED WITH EIGHT-INCH THICK REINFORCED CONCRETE SLABS ON A CONCRETE BASE.

THE WORK IS SCHEDULED TO START IN JUNE AND WILL TAKE ABOUT FIVE MONTHS TO COMPLETE.

THE REMAINING THREE STREETS TO BE RECONSTRUCTED IN KOWLOON ARE FUK WING STREET BETWEEN TONKIN STREET AND PRATAS STREET, AND SHEUNG HEUNG ROAD AND LOK SHAN ROAD BOTH BETWEEN PAU CHUNG STREET AND TO KWA WAN ROAD.

RECONSTRUCTION WORK IN THESE PLACES WILL FOLLOW CLOSELY THE WORK IN PEI HO STREET AND KWEILIN STREET.

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PARTIES FOR SAU MAU PING RESIDENTS

THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT'S SAU MAU PING (SOUTH) ESTATE WELFARE BUILDING WILL BE CELEBRATING ITS 2ND ANNIVERSARY NEXT WEEK AND TO MARK THE OCCASION THE AGENCIES WITHIN THE BUILDING WILL BE HOLDING A SERIES OF PARTIES FOR DIFFERENT GROUPS OF PEOPLE IN THE AREA.

THE PARTIES, ONE TO BE HELD ON EACH DAY OF THE WEEK FROM MONDAY (MAY 13) TO SATURDAY (MAY 18) WILL BE FOR RESIDENTS, WORKERS AND LOCAL LEADERS IN THE DISTRICT= FOR THE ELDERLY= FOR VOLUNTEERS= FOR HANDICAPPED CHILDREN= FOR CHILDREN AND FOR YOUNG PEOPLE.

AN ESTATE WELFARE BUILDING IS ONE IN WHICH WELFARE SERVICES IN HOUSING ESTATES ARE CENTRALISED AND IS UTILISED BOTH BY THE GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND VOLUNTARY WELFARE ORGANISATIONS. THESE BUILDINGS, CONSTRUCTED IN ESTATES IN THE RATIO OF ONE FOR EVERY FIFTY THOUSAND PEOPLE, ARE UNDER THE MANAGEMENT OF THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT WHICH HAS AN OFFICE THERE TO CARRY OUT COMMUNITY RELATIONS WORK AND CO-ORDINATE FUNCTIONS SUCH AS THIS ONE.

THE OTHER PARTICIPANTS IN THIS CELEBRATION ARE THE CHINESE Y.M.C.A., THE SAU MAU PING COMMUNITY AND HEALTH CENTRE AND THE KINDNESS DAY NURSERY.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

THE FOLLOWING ARE THE PARTIES WHICH HAVE BEEN ARRANGED DURING THE WEEK AT THE SAU MAU PING (SOUTH) ESTATE WELFARE BUILDING.

- MONDAY, MAY 13 - PARTY FOR LOCAL LEADERS, WORKERS AND RESIDENTS AT 3.00 P.M.
- TUESDAY, MAY 14 - BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR THE ELDERLY AT 3.00 P.M.
- WEDNESDAY, MAY 15 - PARTY FOR LOCAL VOLUNTEERS AT 3.00 P.M.
- THURSDAY, MAY 16 - PARTY FOR HANDICAPPED CHILDREN AT 10.00 A.M.
- FRIDAY, MAY 17 - CHILDREN'S PARTY AT 8.00 P.M. AND,
- SATURDAY, MAY 18 - A YOUTH EVENING AT 8.00 P.M.

YOU ARE WELCOME TO COVER ANY OF THE ABOVE.

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ANTI-POLIO DRIVE CONTINUES

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A TOTAL OF 15,148 DOSES OF ANTI-POLIOMYELITIS VACCINE WAS ADMINISTERED IN THE THREE WEEKS ENDING ON APRIL 27 IN CONNECTION WITH THE SECOND PHASE OF THIS YEAR'S CAMPAIGN AGAINST THE DISEASE.

DURING THE PERIOD, 3,350 DOSES WERE ADMINISTERED AMONG CHILDREN ON THE ISLAND, 8,459 IN KOWLOON, AND 3,339 IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

OF THESE, 5,413 WERE FIRST-DOSE, 5,860 SECOND-DOSE, AND 3,875 BOOSTER-DOSE.

THE SECOND PHASE BEGAN ON MARCH 18 AND LASTED ABOUT SIX WEEKS. THIS WAS INTENDED AS A FOLLOW-UP TO THE FIRST PHASE, WHICH WAS CARRIED OUT EARLIER THIS YEAR.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE MEDICAL AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT SAID TODAY: +ANTI-POLIOMYELITIS VACCINE IS AVAILABLE FREE THROUGHOUT THE YEAR AT ALL THE DEPARTMENT'S MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH CENTRES, AND THE ANNUAL CAMPAIGNS ARE INTENDED TO REMIND MOTHERS OF THE AVAILABILITY OF THIS SERVICE, AND TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF IT.+

HE EXPLAINED THAT CAMPAIGNS ENABLED MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH CENTRES TO DEAL WITH CASES THAT +DO NOT COME UP DURING NORMAL SESSIONS.+

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A.M.S. TO DONATE BLOOD

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ABOUT 200 HONG KONG ISLAND OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE AUXILIARY MEDICAL SERVICE WILL DONATE BLOOD TO THE RED CROSS BETWEEN 9 A.M. AND 1 P.M. TOMORROW (SUNDAY) AT ST. JOSEPH'S PRIMARY SCHOOL, WOOD ROAD, WAN CHAI.

ON MARCH 31, 144 KOWLOON MEMBERS OF THE SERVICE DONATED BLOOD AT THE KING GEORGE V SCHOOL. DURING THE PAST SIX MONTHS, 112 MEMBERS OF NEW TERRITORIES TEAMS MADE A SIMILAR VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTION.

NOTE TO EDITORS: YOU ARE INVITED TO HAVE THE OCCASION COVERED.

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CLEARWAY RESTRICTIONS FOR GOODS VEHICLES REVISED

NEW CLEARWAY RESTRICTIONS FOR GOODS VEHICLES WILL COME INTO EFFECT FROM 10 A.M. ON TUESDAY (MAY 14) IN SAI YEE STREET BETWEEN PRINCE EDWARD ROAD AND ARGYLE STREET, AND IN YIM PO FONG STREET BETWEEN WATERLOO ROAD AND ARGYLE STREET.

THE NEW CLEARWAY RESTRICTIONS WILL BE FROM 7 A.M. TO 10 A.M. AND FROM 4 P.M. TO 7 P.M. DAILY.

GOODS VEHICLES WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO STOP ALONG THESE TWO SECTIONS TO LOAD OR UNLOAD GOODS DURING THESE HOURS.

TRAFFIC SIGNS WILL BE POSTED TO INDICATE THE CLEARWAY HOURS.

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