



**From** : **The Headmaster**  
**To** : **Parents, Teachers and Students of DBS**  
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**Please note the following:**

**1. Resumption of the Garden Fete in 2021:**

The Garden Fete has been a longstanding DBS tradition, first started in 1955 by then Headmaster, Reverend George She. Ever since, the Garden Fete has served other purposes and taken on special meaning to current DBS students, Old Boys and the greater community of Hong Kong. This tradition is crucial for several reasons:

**a. To Serve, Learn & Unite**

Reverend George She first founded this event to help raise funds for the expansion of the school. Following this tradition, the Garden Fete has become one of the most important opportunities for the school to commit to those in need.

This unique event is not like any other in the DBS school calendar. The coming-together of different elements such as running stalls, entertainment in the arts, merchandising of DBS related products, dining and food preparation offers a multi-faceted experience for students. The requisite skills needed to help organize the event further gives students opportunity to learn how to undergo fund-raising and collaborate to put on a large-scale event.

The Garden Fete is an important date on the community calendar knitting closer ties with the community of Hong Kong. It is a joyous day of fun, games and entertainment when people from the community can experience DBS for themselves. All necessary safety precautions will be taken to allow every member to enjoy and become part of this DBS community.

**b. COVID-19 transmission and protective measures**

The school will be adhering to the requirements issued by the EDB and the CHP. All visitors must register at the entrances (either Steps or Drive) using the 'leave home safe' app, or fill in the school's health declaration form, then go through temperature check at the entrances. Visitors will be reminded to maintain social distance and not to gather in groups, to put on face covering, and to wash their hands or use hand sanitiser regularly through announcements and posters. Good ventilation will be maintained in indoor venues.

Compliance with these safety requirements will be constantly monitored. The capacity and seating in indoor venues will be kept in check, as well as the restrictions placed over the number of people present in an indoor venue at any given time. The number of people entering and exiting the campus will be recorded and the school will keep track of the total number of people on campus at any given time. Teachers will patrol the campus to remind people to maintain social distance.

The Garden Fete remains a long-standing tradition and a special event to many stakeholders in our community. With the proper vigilant safety requirements, the Garden Fete can bring joy and fun to those faced with hardship and adversity.

2. **Garden Fete on 14 November 2021:** We cordially invite you to this year's Garden Fete from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, 14 November 2021. Your support for the School is greatly appreciated.

- a. **Lunch** will be served by the Diocesan Boys' School Parent-Teacher Association Limited at HKD 220 per head (free for children aged 5 or below). Hours: 12:00–1:30 p.m. and 1:30–3:30 p.m. Please make cheques payable to '**Diocesan Boys' School Parent-Teacher Association Limited**' and send them to Ms. M.C. Chan at the Library.
- b. **Parking:** To ensure smooth traffic flow at Garden Fete, parents, old boys and guests should note that only drop-off and pick-up is allowed in the school area if no parking space is available, especially from morning till 12:00 p.m. No waiting is allowed to avoid congestion in case of an emergency. We strongly recommend that parents, students, old boys, and guests walk up to the School via the Main Drive from Argyle Street or via the Steps from Prince Edward Road.

We look forward to seeing you all at the Garden Fete.

3. **Other Garden Fete Issues:**

- a. **Flag-Raising Ceremonies:** All guests and students are required to stand and face the School Flag to show respect at the flag-raising ceremony at 9:45 a.m. and the flag-lowering ceremony at 5:00 p.m. When the first note of the School Hymn is played, everyone on the premises should stand in attention. Game stalls will be temporarily suspended.
- b. **Game Stalls:** In compliance with government licensing restrictions, the School observes the following protocol: -
  - The **maximum value** of each prize **should not exceed HKD300**.
  - **Students are not allowed to collect cash**; only teachers-in-charge may handle cash.
  - Unused coupons from previous years are invalid and non-refundable.
  - Parents and students are advised to use up all current coupons at the Fete.
- c. **Housekeeping:** Adhesive tape should not be used on School walls or railings as the sticky residue is extremely difficult to remove. In addition, no spray paint should be used in school.
- d. **Video Recording:** The School has arranged for video recording of the Garden Fete by drones between 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Parents and students are advised to take note of this during their visit to the School, in particular during the opening ceremony.

4. **English Society Book Drive:** Please donate new or used fiction and non-fiction reading books for young readers and adults. All languages welcome, but no textbooks, please. Please deliver them into the marked boxes in the Library or 1/F SIP Staff Room before the Garden Fete. Thanks for your support.

5. **DBS Mentoring Scheme for G11 and G12 Boys:** Career planning is an ongoing process through which young people gain a better understanding of their interests, personality, family, school, community and world and helps them choose their careers and lifestyle. The Careers Office Mentoring Scheme is a great opportunity for students to expand their network and further their personal and professional development. Student mentees will be matched with Old Boy mentors who support, encourage and help them determine the right path for their career aspirations and advise them throughout their academic journeys.

A briefing session for G11 boys will be held on Wednesday, 17 November 2021. Interested students can submit their registration online. G12 boys who did not register last year are also welcome. The registration deadline is Tuesday, 30 November 2021.

6. **Student Council 2021/22:** The Student Council Executive Committee Election was successfully held on 19 October 2021 from 09:20 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. A total of 718 students cast their votes to determine who would lead the council. The results are as follows: the cabinet comprising KONG Chi Ngo (G11D), CHAN Alvin (G11D), CHAN Yin Fung (G11D) and CHOW Pak Yin Brian (G11D) received 255 votes, compared to 205 votes and 192 votes received by the other two cabinets.

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| <b>Executive Committee:</b> | President:                    | Kong Chi Ngo G11D   |
|                             | Vice President:               | Chan Alvin G11D   |
|                             | Secretary:                    | Chan Yin Fung G11D  |
|                             | Treasurer:                    | Chow Pak Yin Brian G11D   |
|                             | Sports and Culture Officer:   | Leung Cheuk Yuen G11T<br>Wong Ka Long G11J  |
|                             | Design and Promotion Officer: | Cheng Tsz Ho G11P<br>Hau Chun Hei G11L  |
|                             | Internal Affairs Officer:     | Chan Ho Tsun Angus G11D<br>Chak Long Hei G11P<br>Lai Wing Shing G11P<br>Heung Ho Yeung G11M |
|                             | Executive Officer:            | Yeung Yat Long G11D<br>Lai Chin Yeung G11G<br>So Ho Cheung Matthew G11G                     |
|                             | Public Relations Officer:     | Chau Yat Long G11S<br>Lam Yau San G11P  |
|                             | External Affairs Officer:     | Tse Hong Wang G11S<br>Heung Yu Ting G11P<br>Kong Chi Long G11P                              |
|                             | Welfare Officer:              | Tong Tak Sum G11S<br>To Hon Ming G11P<br>Wong Ho Ching G11M                                 |
| <b>Teacher Advisors:</b>    |                               | Mr. H.Y. Lai<br>Ms. C.L. Hung<br>Ms. W.K. Ngai<br>Ms. S.M. Chan                             |



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