



瑪利諾中學 MARYKNOLL SECONDARY SCHOOL

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各位校董、教職員、家長、同學及校友：

瑪利諾中學辦學權於 2023 年 9 月 1 日由瑪利諾學校有限公司交還天主教香港教區

上世紀五、六十年代，由於本港人口激增，對學校教育的需求甚為殷切，天主教香港教區（「教區」）有見及此，曾多次向香港政府申請撥地興建學校。

教區當年的撥地申請獲香港政府批准後，時任白英奇主教將部分土地委託美國天主教傳教會（「瑪利諾神父」）創辦多所學校並成為那些學校的辦學團體，其中包括於 1957 年創立的瑪利諾神父教會學校、瑪利諾神父教會學校（小學部）、於 1966 年創立的瑪利諾中學及於 1969 年創立的天主教柏德學校。

在創立學校時，瑪利諾神父與教區簽訂協議書，說明所有由瑪利諾神父取得、興建及發展的學校，全是以教區名義持有；在協議書期滿或終止時，所有學校須即時交還教區直接管理。

在過去的五十多年，瑪利諾神父為專注傳教工作，曾先後將十餘間屬校的辦學權交還教區。近年瑪利諾神父鑒於會士人數遞減及年事日高，沒有足夠人力兼顧管理餘下的學校，經總部議會於 2020 年議決及獲總會長批准，決定將現仍由其營辦的四所學校的辦學權交還教區，以專注在香港的其他牧民服務。瑪利諾神父於 2020 年 5 月致函天主教香港教區湯漢樞機，表明交還四校辦學權的意願。教區明白瑪利諾神父面對的困難，批准有關申請。

教區讚賞瑪利諾神父在過去六十多年來對四所學校所作出的無私奉獻，並應允在接收辦學權後，除轉換辦學團體外，其他有關四校的校名、校訓、辦學宗旨、辦學精神等辦學要項均維持不變。

瑪利諾神父及教區於 2020 年 5 月分別去函教育局申請交還及接收辦學權事宜，並於 2022 年 9 月將有關辦學權轉換事宜諮詢四校各持分者，包括法團校董會、教職員、家長教師會執行委員會及校友會執行委員會，並且獲得他們的一致支持。教育局於 2023 年 8 月 2 日正式通知教區及瑪利諾神父批准有關申請，並於 2023 年 9 月 1 日正式生效。

如欲查詢有關上述轉換辦學權事宜，請致電學校聯絡賴永春校長（電話：2758 3102）。

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11th August 2023

Dear School Managers, Staff, Parents, Students, and alumni,

Transfer of School Sponsorship from Maryknoll Schools Ltd to the Catholic Diocese of Hong Kong, w.e.f. 1st September 2023

The surge in population in the 1950s and 1960s prompted an urgent need to provide education to a fast-growing number of children. In response to the pressing demand, the Catholic Diocese of Hong Kong (“the Diocese”) applied to the Hong Kong Government for allocation of lands to construct schools during that period.

The then Bishop Lorenzo Bianchi entrusted some of the government-allocated lands to the Catholic Foreign Mission Society of America, Inc. (“Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers”) to build and operate schools under its name. The Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers thus became the School Sponsoring Body (“SSB”) of several schools, which included Maryknoll Fathers’ School and Maryknoll Fathers’ School (Primary Section) in 1957, Maryknoll Secondary School in 1966, and Bishop Paschang Catholic School in 1969.

The Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers is bound by an agreement with the Diocese that all schools it acquired, erected and developed are under the Diocese’s entrustment - they are to be returned with immediacy to the direct administration of the Diocese upon the expiry or termination of the agreement.

In the past 50 years, the Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers decided to focus more on direct pastoral services and has since returned school sponsorship of more than ten of its schools to the Diocese. In recent years, the Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers found it difficult to continue management of the aforementioned four schools under its sponsorship due to the diminishing number and advancing age of its missionaries. Its General Council resolved, and the Superior General approved the return of their sponsorship to the Diocese. Cardinal John Tong Hon accepted its transfer request made in May 2020.

The Diocese acclaims the Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers’ altruistic contribution to the four schools since their founding. The Diocese pledges that upon takeover of the school sponsorship, matters related to the school name, school motto, school vision and important school management conditions will remain unchanged.

The Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers and the Diocese wrote to the Education Bureau in May 2020 to apply for the transfer of the school sponsorship. In September 2022, they consulted the stakeholders of the four schools, including the Incorporated Management Committee, the staff, the Executive Committee of the Parent-Teacher Association, and the Executive Committee of the Alumni Association, on the school sponsorship transfer and obtained their concordant support. The Education Bureau formally notified the Diocese and the Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers of its approval of the school sponsorship transfer on 2nd August 2023 w.e.f. 1st September 2023.

For any inquiry on the SSB change, please contact the school principal, Mr Lai Wing Chun (telephone: 2758 3102).



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