PRESS RELEASE

Ms Lucilla Leung is appointed as new headmistress of SPCC Primary School

HONG KONG, 18 February 2011 – The Council of St. Paul’s Co-educational College announced today (18 February) that it has appointed Ms Lucilla Leung Lai Mei as Headmistress of St. Paul’s Co-educational College Primary School (pending approval from the Education Bureau) with effect from 1 September 2011, following the retirement of current Headmistress Ms Lydia Lee Tuen Yee.

The appointment was a result of a comprehensive and rigorous recruitment process. A Search Committee was formed by the College Council to undertake the search and recruitment exercise. Members of the Search Committee include Professor Tam Sheung-wai (Chairman), the Hon Andrew Li (Vice-Chairman), Mr Chien Lee (Supervisor of the College), Dr the Hon Marvin Cheung (Hon Treasurer), Dr Michael Mak (former Supervisor of the College), Dr Anissa Chan (Principal of the College and Supervisor of the Primary School), Professor Roland Chin (an SPCC alumnus and Deputy Vice-Chancellor and Provost of the University of Hong Kong). International executive search firm Odgers Berndtson was appointed to assist in the search.

Professor Tam remarked on the appointment: “Ms Leung’s passion and devotion to education has impressed us most. And given her wealth of knowledge and experience in curriculum, school administration and management, we have confidence that she will lead our primary school to scale new heights in the coming years.”

Ms Leung, a seasoned educator with over 30 years of experience, is currently Deputy Headmistress of SPCC Primary School. She joined St. Paul’s Co-educational College Primary PM School in 1982. She was Deputy Headmistress of St. Paul’s Co-educational (Kennedy Road) Primary School before its merger with St. Paul’s Co-educational (MacDonnell Road) Primary School. She was presented the Chief Executive’s Award for Teaching Excellence in 2006.
Externally, Ms Leung serves on the General Studies Textbook Review Panel under the Education Bureau, and was formerly a member of the Curriculum Development Council Committee on Science Education. She has a master’s degree in Educational Leadership and Administration from the Chinese University of Hong Kong.

Dr Anissa Chan expressed her support for the appointment, saying: “Ms Leung has proved herself a valuable asset to the school over the years. She has played an important role in the school’s recent developments, including the merger of our two primary schools, development of the primary school curriculum in the new, state-of-the-art campus in Wong Chuk Hang, and the integration with the secondary school.

“Ms Leung understands our history and culture and shares our vision, and more important, she is ready to take on challenges. This is a quality that we believe will be instrumental in our pursuit of a holistic education of the highest quality for students.”

Ms Leung will succeed Ms Lydia Lee who will retire from the position after 12 years of service as Headmistress.

Dr Chan extended her gratitude to Ms Lee for her leadership and commitment to the school throughout the years.

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