

Maryknoll Convent School (Secondary Section)

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Appointment of Ms. CHAN Shin Kwan, Meimei, as the next Principal

It is with great pleasure that we announce the appointment of Ms. CHAN Shin Kwan, Meimei, as the Principal for Maryknoll Convent School (Secondary Section) commencing 1 September 2023. Ms. Chan will succeed Ms. Melaine Lee who will retire from the position.

The appointment is made through an open and rigorous selection process with in-depth interviews to assess each candidate's suitability against a set of criteria that include personal qualities and values, leadership and professional competencies, vision and insight, contextual fit, and readiness to embrace and promote the Maryknoll spirit, our educational philosophy and Christian values as a Catholic School.

Ms. Chan is a respected educator with over 25 years of experience serving Catholic and Anglican schools, including 10 years as principal. With a Bachelor's degree in Journalism and Communication and Master's degrees in English Literary Studies and IT in Education, Ms. Chan brings unique insights to student and school development. We trust that with her proven track record, passion for walking with young people in their journeys of growth, appreciation of our school heritage and ethos, and openness to new possibilities of development, Ms. Chan will be able to carry forth our vision and mission and lead the school towards our centenary and beyond.

We would also like to take this opportunity to express our sincerest gratitude to Ms. Melaine Lee for her dedication, contribution and service to Maryknoll Convent School. Since 1984, Ms. Lee has tirelessly worked to nurture the faith, values and character development of generations of girls, ensuring that they embrace and live out our school motto: Sola Nobilitas Virtus. Since becoming principal in 2006, she has successfully led the school through the transition to the HKDSE era as well as the changing educational landscape in Hong Kong. Ms. Lee's steadfast devotion is highly appreciated by all and her presence at the school will be dearly missed.

Let us thank the Lord for sending us a new principal, and offer our welcome, prayers and support to Ms. Chan. May God bless Ms. Lee, Ms. Chan and Maryknoll Convent School.

Ophelia Ngan

School Supervisor & Chairperson Incorporated Management Committee of Maryknoll Convent School (Secondary Section) Cordelia Chung

Chairperson

Maryknoll Convent School Foundation Ltd School Sponsoring Body Dear Maryknollers and Members of the MCS Community,

It is with great honor and humility that I accept the appointment as the next Principal of Maryknoll Convent School (Secondary Section). I am thrilled to have the opportunity to work alongside the school's dedicated staff and educators to serve a vibrant community of students and families.

I would like to convey my deep appreciation to Ms. Melaine Lee, who has dedicated nearly four decades of service to this school. We are grateful for her guidance, selfless service, and the foundations she has built. I wish her a happy, healthy, and fulfilling retirement.

As an educator with over 25 years of experience, I have been blessed with the opportunity to serve as a school principal for the past decade, and prior to that, as vice principal and English Literature teacher at a Catholic girls' school. In both schools, I sought to inspire students and cultivate their good character with Christian values. I am excited to continue this work at MCS, helping our girls develop their unique gifts and become women leaders with a serving heart.

Catholic girls' education has profoundly nurtured and shaped me as an educator and an individual. The schools where I have studied or served were founded by selfless missionaries who saw education as a means of empowering individuals and communities to build a better future. These pioneering visionaries continue to inspire me to this day.

MCS is beloved and respected in the community for its tradition of excellence and spirit of service, embodied in the school motto "Sola Nobilitas Virtus." I stand in awe of the mission to preserve and nurture the Maryknoll spirit, enabling the school community to grow and evolve in response to the needs and aspirations of our students and the wider world. With your support, I pledge to keep the flame of this spirit burning brightly into the school's next centenary.

Thank you for your warm welcome, and I look forward to working with each of you in the years to come.

Sincerely,

Chan Shin Kwan, Meimei

