

## EDUCATION BUREAU CIRCULAR MEMORANDUM NO. 97/2023

From : Secretary for Education  
To : Heads of all Primary, Secondary and Special  
Schools (Excluding ESF Schools and  
International Schools)

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### **The Third Anniversary of the Promulgation of The Hong Kong National Security Law**

#### **Summary**

This circular memorandum aims to inform heads of primary and secondary schools about the activity and the provision of learning and teaching resources consolidated for the third anniversary of the promulgation of the Hong Kong National Security Law.

#### **Background**

2. 30 June 2023 is an important date for the third anniversary of the promulgation of the Hong Kong National Security Law. In order to enhance teachers' and students' awareness of national security and law-abidingness and create a positive atmosphere of safeguarding national security, the Education Bureau (EDB) will organise an activity and provide relevant learning and teaching resources related to national security education. Schools should make reference to the “**National Education - Event Planning Calendar**” to organise appropriate school-based activities for teachers and students around the important occasion of the third anniversary of the promulgation of the Hong Kong National Security Law to strengthen their knowledge about national security within and beyond the classroom, thereby developing a sense of belonging to our country.

#### **Details**

##### *Online Game Competition*

3. In tandem with the important occasion of the third anniversary of the promulgation of the Hong Kong National Security Law, the EDB will organise the “National Security Online Learning Platform: ‘Pat Pat Play’ Online Competition” from 19 to 24 June 2023. For details, please refer to **Annex 1**.

##### *Learning and Teaching Resources*

4. Schools can make reference to the “Key Speaking Points for the Third Anniversary of the Promulgation of the Hong Kong National Security Law” compiled by the EDB (**Annex**

2), and explain to students through morning assemblies, class teacher periods, talks in school halls, etc. on the importance of the Hong Kong National Security Law.

5. In order to assist teachers to incorporate the learning elements of national security education into the teaching of different subjects through “organic integration” and “natural connection”, the EDB has developed the “National Security Articles for Knowledge Enrichment” for teachers’ reference. For details, please refer to **Annex 3**.

6. In addition, to extend students’ learning in the classroom and encourage them to make good use of the summer holidays for self-directed learning, the EDB has developed “National Security Education Summer Self-learning Materials” for schools’ use. For details, please refer to **Annex 4**.

7. The EDB will continue to disseminate a wide array of resources related to Constitution, Basic Law and national security education through the web-based resource platform “National Education One-stop Portal” ([www.edb.gov.hk/en/neosp](http://www.edb.gov.hk/en/neosp)) and “National Security Education Resource Webpage” ([www.edb.gov.hk/en/nser](http://www.edb.gov.hk/en/nser)) to strengthen students’ sense of national identity and the value of law-abidingness, and cultivate their awareness of safeguarding national security. For details, please refer to **Annex 5**.



### **Enquiry**

8. For enquiries, please contact the Moral, Civic and National Education Section of the Curriculum Development Institute, the EDB by phone on 2892 6665 or 2892 5805, or by email at [mcne3@edb.gov.hk](mailto:mcne3@edb.gov.hk).

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for Secretary for Education

cc: Heads of Sections – for information

## National Security Education Online Learning Platform: “Pat Pat Play” Online Competition

### Aims

To enhance students’ understanding of the major domains of national security through online games.

### Categories

Primary Section and Secondary Section

### Competition rules

#### *Enrolment dates:*

- From now to 16 June 2023 (Friday)

#### *Competition dates:*

- Preliminary Round: 19-20 June 2023 (Monday to Tuesday)
- Finals: 24 June 2023 (Saturday)

#### *Competition procedures:*

- Preliminary round:
  - Schools can **encourage all students** to log into the “National Security Education Online Learning Platform” (Learning Platform)<sup>1</sup> during the preliminary round, and participate in the different activities available on the Learning Platform, such as “Daily Challenge”, “Good Article Sharing”, “Multimedia Resources” and “Advancement Challenge” mini-games to accumulate points for schools.
  - There is **no limit to the number of times** students can participate in the activities and mini-games of the Learning Platform during the preliminary round.
  - The **top 32 schools** with the highest cumulative scores in each section in the preliminary round will be eligible for the final. **Each qualifying school can designate one student to participate in the final.**
  - **During the preliminary round, each school can refer to the real-time updated challenge leaderboard to find out the ranking of the top 32 schools and its own ranking. For details, please refer to the figure below:**

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<sup>1</sup> A school-registered teacher account (i.e. a school-based teacher account), and a school-registered student account must be used to access the National Security Education Online Learning Platform. For assistance, please contact the school administrator of your school, or contact HKEdCity at 2624 1000.




- Finals:
  - “National Security Pat Pat Play” is adopted as the competition game.
  - The competition will be conducted online.
  - The game is played in groups of four. The rules for qualifying and promotion are as follows: (The rules for the Primary Section and Secondary Section are the same.)

Round of 32	Divided into eight groups, with four players in each group competing against each other, and the top two players in each group with the highest scores will advance to the next round.
Round of 16	Divided into four groups, with four players in each group competing against each other, and the top two players in each group with the highest scores will advance to the next round.
Quarterfinals	Divided into two groups, with four players in each group competing against each other, and the top two players in each group with the highest scores will advance to the final.
Final	The four players will compete against each other to determine the champion, first runner-up, second runner-up and third runner-up.

- **In the event of a tie** in the competition process and the qualifying school cannot be determined, **priority will be given to the school with the higher ranking in the preliminary round.**
- The competition will be broadcast live in real time. Schools should pay attention to the announcement on the Learning Platform.

*Enrolment procedures:*

- Schools must complete the entry form online through the following link or QR code **on or before 16 June 2023.**

Entry Form URL	Entry Form QR Code
<a href="https://forms.gle/vw3yvdJbJympb41B6">https://forms.gle/vw3yvdJbJympb41B6</a>	


### **Awards**

Awards for each section are as follows:

- The champion, first runner-up, second runner-up and third runner-up: trophies and certificates
- Participants in the finals (except for the champion, first runner-up, second runner-up and third runner-up): certificates of participation

### **Points to note**

- Each school must assign a teacher as the contact person to assist in disseminating real-time competition information to the participating student on the final day.
- Competition details and real-time competition information will be announced via email and SMS. Schools are requested to fill in a correct and frequently used email address and mobile phone number during the enrolment.
- Schools can first log into the Learning Platform to familiarise themselves with the “National Security Pat Pat Play” gameplay.
- The EDB reserves the right to change, suspend or terminate the activity at any time. Any changes will be announced on the “National Security Education Online Learning Platform” of the EDB.
- The EDB has the final decision of the competition.
- The EDB reserves the right to change the competition awards without prior notice.
- The EDB has the right to use all or part of the photos and videos of the competition for non-profit-making purposes, and has the right to edit, translate, adapt, use, copy, distribute and upload the photos and videos onto the Internet without the prior consent of the participants.
- Details of the Learning Platform including the link, user guide and login FAQs can be obtained via the following link and QR code:

National Security Education Online Learning Platform	QR Code
<a href="https://www.edb.gov.hk/en/curriculum-development/4-key-tasks/moral-civic/nse/l-and-t-resources/nse-online-platform.html">https://www.edb.gov.hk/en/curriculum-development/4-key-tasks/moral-civic/nse/l-and-t-resources/nse-online-platform.html</a>	

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## Key Speaking Points for the Third Anniversary of Promulgation of The Hong Kong National Security Law (Chinese Version)

(Suitable for morning assemblies / class teacher periods / talks in school halls, etc.)

- 今天是《香港國安法》頒布三周年的重要日子，讓我們回顧《香港國安法》的立法原意。2020年6月30日，中央人民政府為維護香港長期繁榮穩定，以及保障香港居民的利益，以「決定+立法」的方式制訂《香港國安法》，成功遏止危害國家安全的威脅和行為。
- 中央人民政府對香港特別行政區有關國家安全事務負有根本責任，而香港特別行政區負有維護國家安全的憲制責任。《基本法》第一條列明香港特別行政區是中華人民共和國不可分離的部分；第十二條則列明香港特別行政區是中華人民共和國的一個享有高度自治權的地方行政區域，直轄於中央人民政府，兩者是《基本法》的根本性條款。所以，中央有責任、亦有權力根據香港情況進行相關決定，這是中央準確落實《憲法》及《基本法》的體現。
- 自《香港國安法》頒布實施以來，香港社會回復穩定。最近，香港舉辦多項大型國際盛事，吸引旅客到港，更有助進一步鞏固香港國際金融、貿易和航運中心的地位。由此可見，《香港國安法》頒布實施後，香港已從由亂及治，進入由治及興的新征程，香港的未來一定更加美好。
- 維護國家主權、統一和領土完整是全中國人民的共同義務，所以我們都應該肩負維護國家安全的使命。我們更應該認識總體國家安全觀對維護國家安全的重要性，因為「總體」兩個字提示我們應以宏觀的角度全盤理解國家安全。國家安全絕不僅僅是保衛國土安全、軍事安全，也與我們的生活息息相關。舉例說，網絡犯罪行為威脅我們正常的生活，動輒令我們失去金錢、名譽，甚至危及人身安全，足以影響社會的安穩。作為社會的一分子，我們在日常生活中要守法守規、持守正確的價值觀。希望各位同學能夠做好本分，認真學習。
- 國家安全涵蓋二十個重點領域，包括政治安全、軍事安全、國土安全、經濟安全、金融安全、文化安全、社會安全、科技安全、網絡安全、糧食安全、生態安全、資源安全、核安全、海外利益安全、太空安全、深海安全、極地安全、生物安全、人工智能安全和數據安全。

## National Security Articles for Knowledge Enrichment



### Aims

In order to assist teachers to incorporate the learning elements of national security education into the teaching of different subjects through “organic integration” and “natural connection”, the EDB has developed the “National Security Articles for Knowledge Enrichment” for teachers’ reference.

### Details

2. “National Security Articles for Knowledge Enrichment” shows how the learning elements of national security education can be “integrated organically” into and “connected naturally” with the teaching of different subjects. The resources consist of a teacher version and a student version, both including short articles, multiple-choice questions and reference materials to facilitate learning and teaching. The series will be updated regularly. Teachers can select suitable content for teaching purposes and/or enriching school-based teaching materials. The short articles can also be used as reading materials for students to broaden their learning and cultivate their self-directed learning capabilities.

3. Two articles newly added to “National Security Education Resource Webpage” and “National Security Education Online Learning Platform” are related to homeland security and resource security. Schools can access the webpage and the Learning Platform via the following links and QR codes to download respective resources or browse online:

	<b>Links</b>	<b>QR codes</b>
<u>National Security Education Resource Webpage</u> Provides a teacher version (short articles and multiple-choice questions with answers) and a student version (short articles and multiple-choice questions)	<a href="https://www.edb.gov.hk/en/curriculum-development/4-key-tasks/moral-civic/nse/1-and-t-resources/ns_knowledge-enrichment.html">https://www.edb.gov.hk/en/curriculum-development/4-key-tasks/moral-civic/nse/1-and-t-resources/ns_knowledge-enrichment.html</a>	
<u>National Security Education Online Learning Platform</u> Provides a student version (short articles and a mini-game converted from multiple-choice questions)	<a href="https://www.edb.gov.hk/en/curriculum-development/4-key-tasks/moral-civic/nse/1-and-t-resources/nse-online-platform.html">https://www.edb.gov.hk/en/curriculum-development/4-key-tasks/moral-civic/nse/1-and-t-resources/nse-online-platform.html</a>	

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## **National Security Education Summer Self-learning Materials**


### **Aims**

In order to extend students' learning beyond the classroom and encourage them to make good use of the summer holidays for self-directed learning, the EDB has developed "National Security Education Summer Self-learning Materials" for teachers' reference and use.

### **Details**

2. "National Security Education Summer Self-learning Materials" consists of a teacher version and a student version. The content includes reference materials and multiple-choice questions to enrich students' understanding of our country's conditions and national security. In order to facilitate students' self-directed learning in the summer, the reference materials and multiple choice questions are linked to online forms through which students' answers can be automatically checked and instant feedback can be provided. Teachers should follow up on students' self-learning progress.

3. Schools can access the "National Security Education Resource Webpage" via the following link and QR code to download relevant resources or browse online:

	<b>Link</b>	<b>QR code</b>
<u>National Security Education Resource Webpage</u> Provides a teacher version and a student version (with reference materials and multiple choice questions) and online forms	<a href="https://www.edb.gov.hk/en/curriculum-development/4-key-tasks/moral-civic/nse/1-and-t-resources/self_learning_materials.html">https://www.edb.gov.hk/en/curriculum-development/4-key-tasks/moral-civic/nse/1-and-t-resources/self_learning_materials.html</a>	

### **Enquiry**










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## Reference Materials and Websites

The reference materials and websites listed below are for reference only. Teachers and students may also adopt other suitable resources for learning and teaching purpose.

Reference Materials and Websites	QR Codes
<p><b>The Constitution of the People’s Republic of China (Full text)</b>  <a href="https://www.basiclaw.gov.hk/en/constitution/index.html">https://www.basiclaw.gov.hk/en/constitution/index.html</a></p>	
<p><b>The Basic Law of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People’s Republic of China (Full text) and related documents</b>  <a href="https://www.basiclaw.gov.hk/en/basiclawtext/index.html">https://www.basiclaw.gov.hk/en/basiclawtext/index.html</a></p>	
<p><b>The Law of the People’s Republic of China on Safeguarding National Security in the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (Full text)</b>  <a href="https://www.isd.gov.hk/nationalsecurity/eng/law.html">https://www.isd.gov.hk/nationalsecurity/eng/law.html</a></p>	
<p><b>National Flag and National Emblem Ordinance</b>  <a href="https://www.elegislation.gov.hk/hk/A401">https://www.elegislation.gov.hk/hk/A401</a></p> <p>[Remarks: Regarding Specifications for the National Flag and National Emblem of the People’s Republic of China, please refer to Schedule 1 and 2.]</p>	
<p><b>Regional Flag and Regional Emblem Ordinance</b>  <a href="https://www.elegislation.gov.hk/hk/A602">https://www.elegislation.gov.hk/hk/A602</a></p> <p>[Remarks: Regarding Specifications for the Regional Flag and Regional Emblem of the People’s Republic of China, please refer to Schedule 1 and 2.]</p>	
<p><b>The website of the Basic Law</b>  <a href="https://www.basiclaw.gov.hk/en/index/index.html">https://www.basiclaw.gov.hk/en/index/index.html</a></p>	
<p><b>Basic Law 30th Anniversary Legal Summit Proceedings – Back to Basics</b>  <a href="https://www.doj.gov.hk/en/publications/pdf/Basic_Law_30th_Anniversary_Legal_Summit_Proceedings.pdf">https://www.doj.gov.hk/en/publications/pdf/Basic_Law_30th_Anniversary_Legal_Summit_Proceedings.pdf</a></p>	
<p><b>Pamphlets titled “The Law of the People’s Republic of China on Safeguarding National Security in the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region” and “Q&amp;As on Legislation for the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region to Safeguard National Security”</b>  <a href="https://www.isd.gov.hk/nationalsecurity/eng/pamphlets.html">https://www.isd.gov.hk/nationalsecurity/eng/pamphlets.html</a></p>	

<p><b>National Security Education Exhibition Boards (The First to Third Set) (Chinese version only)</b>  <a href="https://www.edb.gov.hk/en/curriculum-development/4-key-tasks/moral-civic/nse/l-and-t-resources/primary_game-and-others.html">https://www.edb.gov.hk/en/curriculum-development/4-key-tasks/moral-civic/nse/l-and-t-resources/primary_game-and-others.html</a></p>	
<p><b>National Security Education Online Learning Platform (Chinese version only)</b>  <a href="https://nse-online.edb.edcity.hk">https://nse-online.edb.edcity.hk</a></p> <p>[Remarks: Login with “school-based teacher account” or “student account”]</p>	
<p><b>National Security Articles for Knowledge Enrichment (Chinese version only)</b>  <a href="https://www.edb.gov.hk/en/curriculum-development/4-key-tasks/moral-civic/nse/l-and-t-resources/ns_knowledge-enrichment.html">https://www.edb.gov.hk/en/curriculum-development/4-key-tasks/moral-civic/nse/l-and-t-resources/ns_knowledge-enrichment.html</a></p>	
<p><b>National Security Education Summer Self-learning Materials (Chinese version only)</b>  <a href="https://www.edb.gov.hk/en/curriculum-development/4-key-tasks/moral-civic/nse/l-and-t-resources/self_learning_materials.html">https://www.edb.gov.hk/en/curriculum-development/4-key-tasks/moral-civic/nse/l-and-t-resources/self_learning_materials.html</a></p>	
<p><b>“Basic Law” Online Course for Secondary School Students’ Self-directed Learning</b>  <a href="https://www.edb.gov.hk/en/curriculum-development/kla/pshe/basic-law-education/student-onlinecourse/index.html">https://www.edb.gov.hk/en/curriculum-development/kla/pshe/basic-law-education/student-onlinecourse/index.html</a></p>	
<p><b>Q&amp;A from National Laws Applicable to HKSAR: A Student Guide (Chinese version only)</b>  <a href="https://cbleportal.edb.edcity.hk/upload/%E8%AD%98%E6%B3%95%E5%B0%8E%E8%88%AA_%E5%B0%8F%E5%AD%B8%E7%89%88.pdf">https://cbleportal.edb.edcity.hk/upload/%E8%AD%98%E6%B3%95%E5%B0%8E%E8%88%AA_%E5%B0%8F%E5%AD%B8%E7%89%88.pdf</a>  (primary version)</p> <p><a href="https://cbleportal.edb.edcity.hk/upload/%E8%AD%98%E6%B3%95%E5%B0%8E%E8%88%AA_%E4%B8%AD%E5%AD%B8%E7%89%88.pdf">https://cbleportal.edb.edcity.hk/upload/%E8%AD%98%E6%B3%95%E5%B0%8E%E8%88%AA_%E4%B8%AD%E5%AD%B8%E7%89%88.pdf</a>  (secondary version)</p>	 
<p><b>Getting to Know the National Flag, the National Emblem, the National Anthem and the Regional Flag</b>  <a href="https://www.edb.gov.hk/en/nationalsymbols">https://www.edb.gov.hk/en/nationalsymbols</a></p>	
<p><b>Exhibition of the Second Anniversary of the Promulgation of the Hong Kong National Security Law</b>  <a href="https://nsexhibition.hk/?lang=en&amp;sid=7">https://nsexhibition.hk/?lang=en&amp;sid=7</a></p> <p>[Remarks: This website will be updated on 30 June 2023.]</p>	

<p><b>“Let’s Learn about National Security” (Audio Picture Book)</b>  <a href="https://emm.edcity.hk/media/1_vbukjhmxx">https://emm.edcity.hk/media/1_vbukjhmxx</a></p>	
<p><b>“Our National Flag, National Anthem and Regional Flag” (Audio Picture Book)</b>  <a href="https://emm.edcity.hk/media/1_mh1zs4tu">https://emm.edcity.hk/media/1_mh1zs4tu</a></p>	
<p><b>The Display of the National Flag and the Regional Flag (Chinese version only)</b>  <a href="https://emm.edcity.hk/media/1_yyqhr3da">https://emm.edcity.hk/media/1_yyqhr3da</a></p>	
<p><b>《我們國家及香港特區的象徵：國旗、國歌和區旗》教育短片 (Chinese version only)</b>  <a href="http://emm.edcity.hk/media/1_2qo3akfs">http://emm.edcity.hk/media/1_2qo3akfs</a></p>	
<p><b>The Constitution and the Basic Law learning and teaching resources (Chinese version only)</b>  <a href="https://www.edb.gov.hk/pshe/constitution-basiclaw">https://www.edb.gov.hk/pshe/constitution-basiclaw</a></p>	
<p><b>Teaching Resources on the Constitution of the People’s Republic of China [Junior Secondary Curriculum of the PSHE Key Learning Area] (Chinese version only)</b>  <a href="https://www.edb.gov.hk/tc/curriculum-development/kla/pshe/basic-law-education/constitution_chi/index.html">https://www.edb.gov.hk/tc/curriculum-development/kla/pshe/basic-law-education/constitution_chi/index.html</a></p>	
<p><b>The Constitution and the Basic Law Education Wall-chart Resources (Chinese version only)</b>  <a href="https://www.edb.gov.hk/tc/curriculum-development/kla/pshe/basic-law-education/cble_wallcharts/index.html">https://www.edb.gov.hk/tc/curriculum-development/kla/pshe/basic-law-education/cble_wallcharts/index.html</a></p>	
<p><b>Infographics Series: National Flag, National Emblem, National Anthem (Chinese version only)</b>  <a href="http://www.edb.gov.hk/en/nationalsymbols_infographics">www.edb.gov.hk/en/nationalsymbols_infographics</a></p>	
<p><b>Learning and Teaching Resources on Constitution, Basic Law and National Security Education: “Little National Affairs Experts” (Chinese version only)</b>  <a href="http://www.edb.gov.hk/ne">http://www.edb.gov.hk/ne</a></p>	

<p><b>Learning and Teaching Resources - Knowing our National Anthem “March of the Volunteers”</b>  <a href="https://www.edb.gov.hk/attachment/en/curriculum-development/kla/arts-edu/resources/mus-curri/NA-PPT-comprehensive-e.pdf">https://www.edb.gov.hk/attachment/en/curriculum-development/kla/arts-edu/resources/mus-curri/NA-PPT-comprehensive-e.pdf</a> (Comprehensive Version)</p> <p><a href="https://www.edb.gov.hk/attachment/en/curriculum-development/kla/arts-edu/resources/mus-curri/NA-PPT-simplified-e.pdf">https://www.edb.gov.hk/attachment/en/curriculum-development/kla/arts-edu/resources/mus-curri/NA-PPT-simplified-e.pdf</a> (Simplified Version)</p>	 
<p><b>《我和我的祖國》 Learning and Teaching Resources (Chinese version only)</b>  <a href="https://www.edb.gov.hk/attachment/tc/curriculum-development/kla/arts-edu/resources/mus-curri/mycountry_lnt_ks12.pdf">https://www.edb.gov.hk/attachment/tc/curriculum-development/kla/arts-edu/resources/mus-curri/mycountry_lnt_ks12.pdf</a> (Lower and Upper Primary)</p> <p><a href="https://www.edb.gov.hk/attachment/tc/curriculum-development/kla/arts-edu/resources/mus-curri/mycountry_lnt_ks3.pdf">https://www.edb.gov.hk/attachment/tc/curriculum-development/kla/arts-edu/resources/mus-curri/mycountry_lnt_ks3.pdf</a> (Junior Secondary)</p>	 
<p><b>“Wonders of the Stars”</b>  <a href="https://www.nsed.gov.hk/booklet.php?b=picture_book_en.pdf">https://www.nsed.gov.hk/booklet.php?b=picture_book_en.pdf</a></p>	
<p><b>National Security Education Picture Book (Chinese version only)</b>  ISBN 9789620451652  <a href="https://www.nsed.gov.hk/assets/pdf/2023_picture_book_tc.pdf">https://www.nsed.gov.hk/assets/pdf/2023_picture_book_tc.pdf</a></p> <p>[Remarks: This book has been given to primary schools.]</p>	
<p><b>Picture Book on National Security Education “Our Country, Our Security” (Chinese version only)</b>  ISBN 9789620449659</p> <p>[Remarks: This book has been given to kindergartens, primary and secondary schools offering local curriculum. For details, please refer to the Education Bureau Circular Memorandum No. 103/2022. Besides, an excerpt from the picture book is displayed in the Exhibition of the Second Anniversary of the Promulgation of the Hong Kong National Security Law (<a href="https://nslexhibition.hk/nsl/kid/">https://nslexhibition.hk/nsl/kid/</a>).]</p>	
<p><b>《總體國家安全觀學習綱要》 (Chinese version only)</b>  ISBN 9789620450709</p> <p>[Remark: This book has been given to primary and secondary schools (including special schools) offering local curriculum. For details, please refer to the Education Bureau Circular Memorandum No. 34/2023]</p>	