

Education Bureau Circular Memorandum No. 026/2026

From: Secretary for Education

To: Supervisors/Heads/Teachers of all government and aided (including special schools), caput schools and schools under the Direct Subsidy Scheme

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Date: 4 March 2026

2026 National Reading Week –

- i) “Reading Across Horizons” Shared Reading Session cum Joint Primary and Secondary School 30-minute Read**
- ii) “A Voyage with Books Series” Multimodal Reading Resources Exhibition**

Summary

This circular memorandum aims to invite all primary and secondary schools (including special schools) that offer local curriculum to participate in the captioned event.

Details

2. The Education Bureau (EDB) has been supporting schools in promoting reading through diversified measures to cultivate students’ reading interest and habits, and foster a reading atmosphere. In support of the National Reading Week held in the fourth week of April each year, the Curriculum Development Institute (CDI) of the EDB is organising the “Reading Across Horizons Shared Reading Session cum Joint Primary and Secondary School 30-minute Read”, and “A Voyage with Books Series” Multimodal Reading Resources Exhibition. All primary and secondary schools are invited to participate.

- i) “Reading Across Horizons Shared Reading Session cum Joint Primary and Secondary School 30-minute Read”**

3. The event will be held on **23 April 2026 (Thursday) from 2:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.** at Celebration Hall, Kai Tak Stadium, Kai Tak Sports Park. Students and teachers are welcome to attend in person or participate in the online live broadcast at school. The programme includes:

- ✧ Reading x Music – Cross-disciplinary Reading Sharing: Guest speaker will combine music with reading to offer participants a novel reading experience.

- ✧ Multimodal Reading Activity – World Record Challenge: An attempt to challenge a reading-related world record. On-site participating teachers and students who successfully complete the challenge will be awarded a certificate issued by the EDB. Please note that due to verification constraints, certificates will not be issued to online participants.
- ✧ “Reading Manifesto” cum Joint School 30-minute Read: Led by officiating guests, participants online and offline will read aloud the “Reading Manifesto” together and share a tranquil reading moment to foster a cross-school reading atmosphere.

4. There is no limit to the number of participants from each school. However, as on-site places are limited, enrolment will be handled on a first-come, first-served basis. If the number of registrations for on-site participation exceeds the venue capacity, some participants will be arranged to join the event online. Schools interested in participating in the captioned event should complete the online registration form (<https://forms.cloud.microsoft/r/i5PGxs3gVx>), and submit it **on or before 20 March 2026 (Friday)**. Confirmation emails for on-site participants will be issued on or before 1 April 2026 (Wednesday), and the live broadcast link for online participants will be provided via email in due course.



ii) “A Voyage with Books Series” Multimodal Reading Resources Exhibition

5. To extend the reading experience, multimodal reading resources developed by CDI in “A Voyage with Books Series” including articles and news reports from government departments and organisations, a rich collection of photos, trilingual videos, and audio files will be exhibited from 21 April 2026 to 4 May 2026 at Times Square, Causeway Bay. Teachers may make good use of these multimodal reading resources to design cross-curricular reading activities. Schools are encouraged to arrange student visits to the exhibition during the Reading Week to enrich their learning experiences.

“A Voyage with Books Series” Multimodal Reading Resources Exhibition

Date: **21 April 2026 (Tuesday) to 4 May 2026 (Monday)**

Time: **10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.**

Venue: **Times Square Covered Piazza, G/F, Causeway Bay**

“Joyful Thousand-Mile Reading Cruise” Reading Award Scheme

6. Students enrolled in the 2025/26 “Joyful Thousand-Mile Reading Cruise” Reading Award Scheme may accumulate 100 Reading Miles by participating in the “Reading Across Horizons Shared Reading Session cum Joint Primary and Secondary School 30-minute Read” (on-site or online) or visiting the “A Voyage with Books Series” Multimodal Reading Resources Exhibition.

Enquiries

7. For enquiries, please contact Ms NG Pui-ki of the Curriculum Resources Section, CDI, EDB on 3698 4425.

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