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Dear Colleagues,

It has been some time since I wrote in the last Newsletter. As always, there is AHSS news which I would like to share with you. I hope you would enjoy reading this issue.

1. Annual Conference 2017

The Annual Conference this year will be held on 2 June 2017 (Friday) from 9:00a.m. to 12:30p.m. You are cordially invited to join our Annual Conference as well as the buffet lunch, which will be a very good opportunity for fellowship and support.

The theme of this year's Conference is set as "Aligning System Assessment with Student Learning: Practices and Challenges". We have already invited Professor Cheng Kai Ming [程介明教授], Emeritus Professor, Division of Policy, Administration and Social Sciences Education, The University of Hong Kong and Professor Hau Kit Tai [侯傑泰教授], Choh-Ming Li Professor of Educational Psychology, The Chinese University of Hong Kong to deliver keynote speeches. Please check the details of the [Appendix](#) attached. We encourage you to take a break from your busy schedule and join us. If you have not registered yet, please send us your favourable reply, to our Honorary Treasurer, Ms. Lau Yiu Hung by 24 May 2017.

2. Study Trip to Taichung

13 of our Executive Committee, Co-opted and Task Force members participated in the "Study Trip to Tai Chung: Adaptive Learning @ SRL" in April 2017. During the 4-day trip in Tai Chung, we visited secondary and primary schools of different backgrounds, listened to talks arranged by Professor Bor-chen Kuo (郭伯臣教授) of National Taichung



University of Education. All these helped us understand more about the education system and education reform in Taiwan. We also tried to explore the possibility and directions of the future development of Self-regulated Learning and Adaptive Learning. It was indeed a fruitful trip.

3. Happy Hour Forum

Our Happy Hour Forum, themed "From Adaptive Learning to Learning to Learn 2.0: Reflections and Inspiration from Tai Chung Study Trip", held on 9 May 2017 was well received. Thanks to the good sharing of Mr. Chau Hau Fung and Ms. Lau Yiu Hung on "SRL and Adaptive Learning", Dr. Ho Sai Mun on "Merging SRL with CAT - Lessons and Insights from the Development of Learning to Learn", and Ms. Chan Shin Kwan on "Learning to Learn 1.0 to n.0". Participants had an opportunity to revisit the road we have gone through and our practices in promoting SRL in the past five years. It is also time for us to think about our way forward in bringing high quality teaching and learning. Let's continue to work together for the excellence of Hong Kong education.

4. Retreat for Executive Committee

A retreat for Executive Committee and Task Group members will be organized by the CPD Task Group in June to allow them to have quiet time for self-reflection, team building and mapping ways forward. This would be a precious opportunity for participants to regain strength, insight and fore-sight so that they are better prepared for the further advancement of the Association as a professional body and helping our members to venture onto new grounds.

5. Enrolment for Self-Regulated Learning (SRL) Festival 2017 (23 October-3 November 2017)

The Association will continue to organize an SRL Festival in the new academic year of 2017-2018. The two-week programmes include 'Open-class' sessions from 23 October to 2 November 2017 and a Joint-school Teachers' Professional Development Day on 3 November 2017.

You and your teachers are cordially invited to join this Festival. We are most grateful if your teachers are willing to open their classes for peer observation and conduct the post-observation sharing. Their voluntary participation would certainly provide good opportunities for professional growth of everybody.

Moreover, in response to the requests of many principals, we are planning to accommodate more schools to take part in the Joint-school Teachers' Professional



Development Day on a full-school basis and the details are as follows:

Date : 3 November 2017 (Friday)

Time : 9:00am - 1:00pm

Venue : Ho Yu College and Primary School (Sponsored By Sik Sik Yuen)

If you would like to enroll your school for this event, all you need is to scan the QR code or click this link <https://goo.gl/EMocUC> and complete the form by 30 June 2017.



6. Farewell to outgoing principals

The Executive Committee would like to send our greatest appreciation to those who have served in schools for so many years and will be retiring or taking early retirement in the coming September. While reluctantly bidding you farewell, we earnestly appeal to our continued support by joining us as life / affiliated members. A [Life/Affiliated Membership Registration Form](#) is enclosed and we are earnestly waiting for your registration.

Thank you for taking time to read this newsletter.

Ms. Pang Wai Lan Helena
Honorary Secretary

Encl. - Annual Conference programme and registration
Life/Affiliated Membership Registration Form