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Heads of primary schools are requested to note the recent establishment by the Education Department of two Mathematics Teaching Centres, one on Hong Kong Island and one in Kowloon.

- 2. Their scope and function are described in the Appendix to this circular. The poster accompanying this circular advertises and gives the addresses of these centres. It is requested that this poster be displayed for the benefit of your staff.
 - 3. A Seminar and Exhibition will be held on Saturday, 28th December, 1974 at Grantham College of Education to inaugurate these centres. For details please see the enclosed programme.
- 4. The Seminar is for heads of schools and will take place in the morning. The Exhibition is for teachers of mathematics and will be open throughout the day. There will be opportunity for heads to visit the Exhibition after the Seminar.
- 5. Heads who wish to attend the Seminar are requested to return the reply form to the Mathematics Section, Education Department before 10th December, 1974.

A.G. BROWN for Director of Education.

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To: Heads of all primary schools

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THE MATHEMATICS TEACHING CENTRES

There are two centres, one on each side of the harbour. Both are housed in existing primary schools. The centre on Hong Kong side is on the third floor of Tanner Road Police Primary School, North Point and consists of two classrooms converted into one large room. Equipment is displayed upon desks around the sides of the room, while the centre of the room is used as a workshop area for teachers. A similar room exists at Ma Tau Chung Government Primary School on Kowloon side. The centre is on the first floor and consists of only one classroom, at the moment; however we still have quite a useful selection of apparatus there.

- 2. These centres have been established in order to promote the use of apparatus by students. We all know that if we do something ourselves we understand it much better than if we are just told how to do it. If we are shown and do it ourselves this is much better than trying to follow some abstract set of instructions. This then, in simple everyday language, is what the centres are all about: to encourage a new attitude of mind in our teachers as regards teaching aids. This is more than using an aid to demonstrate to a class some fundamental concept, it involves a complete rethink of our teaching situation. That is why teachers when using the workshops experiment with the apparatus themselves; they need to know how children react to using apparatus rather than how they as teachers should demonstrate with it.
 - 3. We are promoting a different layout in the classroom where each child has access to apparatus and can see for himself the practical working of some fundamental concepts through activity methods. The method we advocate is not purely free discovery, a better description is guided discovery; the situation is set up so that the child quickly acquires the concept but nevertheless has been involved in the 'doing' process and has the elation and self satisfaction of finding out for himself. We would like to remind teachers of the Chinese proverb "I do and I understand".
 - 4. This is not the sole function of the centres, we would like them to grow into resource centres for information about curricula and overseas projects, and also for equipment which would be open to inspection and loan. Ultimately we hope that the centres will become rendezvous for teachers so that we hold not only workshops and seminars in them but discussion as well, and generally promote teacher involvement. We hope that these centres may prove a key factor in the changing scene and attitude of our teachers.

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SEMINAR AND EXHIBITION

"INTRODUCING THE MATHEMATICS TEACHING CENTRES"

Date : Saturday, 28th December 1974.

Venue : Grantham College of Education, Gascoigne Road, Kowloon.

Time : Seminar : 9.30 a.m. - 11.45 a.m.

Exhibition: 10.00 a.m. - 4.30 p.m.

Participants: Seminar - About 500 primary school heads

Exhibition - Open to all primary heads and teachers

Seminar (conducted in Cantonese):

Convener - Mr. W.C. Wong

9.30 - 9.45 a.m. Opening speech - Mr. N.M. Ho, J.P.,
Deputy Director of Education

9.45 - 10.15 a.m. 'Mathematical activities in primary schools' - Mr. Y. Fung

10.15 - 10.30 a.m. Break

10.30 - 11.00 a.m. 'Mathematics Teaching Centres' - Mr. Y.H. Yang

11.00 - 11.45 a.m. Summing up/Discussion - Mr. W.C. Wong

Exhibition:

- (1) Demonstration of mathematics apparatus by students from Northcote College of Education, Grantham College of Education and Sir Robert Black College of Education.
- (2) Film and slide shows.
- (3) Photographs, posters and books.