24th January, 2025

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Re: Thanksgiving Ceremony

"Ten were cleansed, were they not? Where are the other nine?" (Luke 17:17)

A life story that upheld the good Thanksgiving tradition began in 1849 - two of the boys whom Don Bosco mentored decided to save some of the pocket money and buy his mentor two silver hearts to express their gratitude. Don Bosco recognized this disposition of graciousness and would then make it an official day in all of his schools and communities with music, song, dance, drama, gifts and a festive meal to express the gratitude to the benefactors, priests, boys and partners in the Salesian family.

As a Salesian Catholic School, the celebration of Thanksgiving is an important tradition to give thanks to God and to one another and share life and communion in our Salesian way. The activities on that day are as follows:

- 1. The Thanksgiving Ceremony will be celebrated on Thursday, 6th March, 2025.
- 2. All S1 to S2 students should arrive at school in full winter uniform before 1.55 p.m. and line up at the football pitch. Class teachers will take the roll-call at 2:00 p.m.
- 3. Students will then proceed to the School Hall for the celebration ceremony.
- 4. Students may leave the school at 4:30 p.m.
- 5. If a Red or Black Rainstorm Signal or Tropical Cyclone Warning Signal No. 8 or above is issued by the Hong Kong Observatory, or the Education Bureau has made a special announcement on closure of schools, the event will be cancelled.
- 6. Your co-operation in complying with the above instructions is earnestly requested so that all may enjoy the occasion.

In the Jubilee 2025, let us step back and receive God's abundant blessings through this trusting act of gratitude by St. John Bosco! May the Love and Peace of the Lord be with you!

"Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." (1 Th 5: 16-18)

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