Title of Support Service:

Quality Education Fund Thematic Network (QTN) – Promoting Wellness in School (2023/24)

1. Objectives

This support service aims to:

- Help participating schools develop into well-being-first schools where the well-being of students is the top priority.
- Incorporate mental wellbeing education into school curriculum so as to nurture and strengthen resilience of students in the biological, psychological and social aspects.

2. Foci of Support

- To promote values education, create a shared vision for wellness promotion with participating schools which forms a Wellbeing First School (WFS) alliance and allows inter-school knowledge exchange with the best practice and experience sharing
- To promote holistic approach for mental wellbeing of students based on biological, psychological and social aspects to nurture and strengthen resilience of students
- To support schools to transform into Wellbeing First Schools (WFS) by developing and communicating the principles of the WFS Guidelines
- To establish a 'Mental Wellness Resource Hub' for wellness education for different stakeholders in the community

3. Modes of Support

• QTN co-ordinator will support and collaborate with teachers of participating schools, details are as follows:

On-site collaboration and Networking Activities	 Around 15-16 activities (including 4 on-site support sessions) Conduct in-depth analysis of school needs, lesson study such as curriculum planning, collaborative lesson planning, lesson observation and post-lesson discussion to enhance teacher professionalism through close exchange Organise professional development activities such as workshops, certificated courses and lesson demonstration etc. Participate in the sharing in learning community activities and territory-wide dissemination seminar for interschool exchange Support schools through lesson observation and post-lesson discussion in response to schools' needs, and provide professional advice
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4. Points to note

- The duration of the support services normally lasts for one year.
- Active engagement of participating schools throughout the support services is expected.
- At least one representative should attend each QTN activity.
- To fully utilise the support services, participating schools should:
 - nominate a contact person to be responsible for the laision of QTN activities.
 - arrange regular timeslots for teachers to collaborate and exchange, e.g. periods for collaborative lesson planning and lesson observation.
 - participating schools has to participate in two Executive Committee (EC) meetings and a territory-wide dissemination seminar to share their successful experiences in

school curriculum development and the learning and teaching materials developed under collaboration.

- Participating schools should comply with relevant laws, such as compliance with the Copyright Ordinance in developing school-based learning and teaching materials.
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5. Enquiries

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