

## SFST visits North District

The Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury, Mr James Lau, visited North District this afternoon (November 30).

Mr Lau first met with the Chairman of North District Council, Mr So Sai-chi, and other members to brief them on the major work of the Bureau. They also exchanged views on issues of concern, including the opening of bank accounts and taxation matters.

He then proceeded to Caritas Fanling Chan Chun Ha Secondary School to take part in the "STEM Education Day cum Open Course" co-organised by the school and the Centre for Information Technology in Education of the University of Hong Kong. He toured the exhibition booths and observed students' work and the school's efforts in STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematic) education. He encouraged the students to actively participate in STEM activities to unleash their creativity.

Mr Lau also observed a barista class conducted by the school in collaboration with the Hong Kong Federation of Youth Groups Jockey Club Cheung Wah Youth SPOT, where he chatted with students to learn about their life planning.

Before concluding his visit, Mr Lau went to Lok Ma Chau Police Station and viewed the Loop from a lookout. He was briefed by officers from the Planning Department and the Civil Engineering and Development Department on the planning for the area. Noting that the Hong Kong-Shenzhen Innovation and Technology Park developed in the Loop area will be the largest innovation and technology platform ever established in Hong Kong, Mr Lau was of the view that it would further promote the development of financial technology in Hong Kong.