KEEP CALM AND BE PREPARED

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"We cannot stop natural disasters but we can arm ourselves with knowledge: So many lives wouldn't have to be lost if there was enough disaster preparedness." – Petra Nemcova. The sayings that everyone must bear in mind nowadays. We have to be ready for whatever disaster that may occur, be it natural or human-made or induced hazard and nobody can tell when it happens.

According to DepEd Order 21,s.2015 also called the Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Coordination and Information Management Protocol with references RA 10121 (The Philippines Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Act of 2010 and DO 50,2011 Creation of Disaster Risk Reduction Management Office.) RA 10121 mandates all National Government Agencies to institutionalized DRRM within the basic education system. In connection with this, it is important for each school to have a School Disaster Management Plan so that they are equipped with heightened awareness and consciousness on what to do before and after the occurrence of all forms of possible hazards in their respective areas.

In preparing a School Disaster Management Plan there are steps to be followed: Providing awareness among teachers/ school management, organize a School Disaster Management Team, hazard mapping and safety assessment, organization and training of the School Disaster Management Teams, administer regular mock drill and evaluation of the plan to improve effectiveness.

We can't stop disaster to happen but we alleviate the effects of this. "Laging Handa" is the best motto. It is necessary to be always prepared before, during and after a
disaster. This is the highlights of DRRM program, making pupils and the community aware of the exact things that they should do consider and expect in facing a disaster with that "LIGTAS ANG MAY ALAM."