



Communication Update

25 May 2006

Dear Parents/Guardians,

A VERY SPECIAL WALK 2006

For the future of our children, we are raising funds to build our new school at Ang Mo Kio Ave 1. This will ideally comprise facilities for even youths especially from our Pathlight alumni. We urge you to help make this dream come true.

One of the key activities to do so this year is a Very Special Walk to be held in August.

This year, three like minded organizations, which to many are as different as can be, have come together for A Very Special Walk 2006. They are:

Pathlight School, started by Autism Resource Centre (Singapore), provides a unique blend of mainstream and life skills education for students with autism

Chong Boon Secondary School opened its doors and championed the inclusion of Pathlight School students into its community; and

01 Raffles Scouts/Gryphons Alumni, present and former scouts of Raffles Institution who have volunteered to help make A Very Special Walk 2006 happen.

We are very privileged to have Mr Tharman Shanmugaratnam, Minister for Education, who has very kindly consented to be our Guest of Honour for the event. Details of the event are as follow:

Date : 5 August 2006 (Saturday)
Time: 8.30-10.30 am
Venue: Pasir Ris Park Amphitheatre (near Carpark C)

Through the event, Pathlight School hopes to raise \$300,000. Your donation will go towards the School Building Fund and the Poor and Needy Fund.

To help us achieve our target, we would be issuing your child with 2 donation pledge cards, through his/her form teacher. Please ensure that your child return the pledge cards to his/her Form teacher by **26 June 2006 (Monday)**. Please submit the attached reply slip by **26 May 2006 (Friday)**.

Please note the following with regards to the donation pledge cards:

- There is a unique serial number of each card. No cancellation or deletion of words or numbers on the card is permitted without proper signature.
- Seeking donations on the streets or door to door is not allowed.
- Any loss of cards would have to be reported to the Police. Original copy of the police report has to be submitted when the cards are returned.

If you have any queries on the walk or the donation pledge cards, please contact Mr Benjamin Chew from the Autism Resource Centre at Tel : 6323 3258 Ext 24.

In many ways, the three organisations tread very different paths but they have chosen to come together for a common goal to promote the spirit of integration of students with autism into mainstream society. Your generosity will be much appreciated.

Many Paths One Goal.

Yours sincerely,

Ms Denise Phua
School Supervisor/Acting Principal
Pathlight School

Cc Ms Loy Sheau Mei, Track 2 Head
Ms Annie Tan, Track 1 & 3 Head
All staff

**REPLY SLIP FOR A VERY SPECIAL WALK 2006
(Please return to Form Teacher by 26 May 2006)**

Name of Child : _____ Name of Class: _____

Please tick below:

? I have read and agree to comply with the notes in the letter above. I acknowledge the receipt of the 2 pledge cards. I will ensure that my child returns the pledge cards to his/her Form teacher by 26 June 2006 (Monday).

For the Very Special Walk on 5 August 2006, I will join in the walk. The expected number of family members (including Pathlight Student) is _____

Name of Parent: _____ Signature of Parent: _____

Contact of Parent: _____