



Communication Update

15 September 2006

Dear Parents/Guardians of _____,

ORIENTATION BRIEFING FOR 2 HOUR WORK ATTACHMENT AT STARBUCKS

Our valued partner, Starbucks Coffee has once again involved Pathlight in one of their community projects. We are touched by their enthusiasm to include us in their events time and time again.

This time, the collaborative event on **27 September 2006, 4.30 to 6.30 pm** will tie in with the celebration of the Mid-Autumn Festival.

The programme consists of:

- Launch of the "Beautiful Minds" book, compilation of selected Pathlight students' writings.
- Pathlight Art Exhibition cum Competition, a showcase of the best-budding talents that we have at Pathlight School. 3 Winners will walk away with the Starbucks Young Talent Award which is a scholarship of about \$1000 per student to help them enhance their creativity through art-related workshops.
- 2 hour work attachment for Pathlight job coachees at the Starbucks Café itself. They will be rotated on half hour shifts to work in the respective roles of customer service, beverage preparation and bussing that they have been assigned in.

Congratulations! Your child has been selected to work alongside Starbucks partners for 2 hours during the actual event. This provides a very good opportunity for them to practise the skills learnt at their weekly job coaching sessions, subject to your support. It will be great exposure to work in a Starbucks Café which caters to about 100 invited and walk-in guests that day!

To prepare your child for the event, there will be an orientation briefing prior to the actual event. Details are as follow:

Date: 19 September 2006 (Tuesday)
ASSEMBLE AT PATHLIGHT CAFÉ area at **2.30 pm sharp**

Time: 2.30-4.30 pm

Venue: Starbucks, Cathay

Please help to ensure that your child turns up for the orientation briefing and has pocket money/food for lunch. Teachers will be taking their lunch break as well and will not be available to look after your child before the training begins. Please arrange for support for students who are not independent during their lunch time.

Kindly arrange for the necessary transport to pick your child up after the training ends at **4.30 pm** at Pathlight School.

We would appreciate it if you could complete the attached reply slip to your class teacher by **Monday, 18 September, 2006**. For further enquiries, you may contact Ms Alina Chua, Head, Job Coaching Unit at 6459 1343.

We hope you will give us your support as this is a very good platform to showcase our job coachees. It will also help to create greater awareness that people with autism are very able too.

More details of the actual event will be given in a separate letter.

We look forward to your cooperation.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

Ms Anne Chew,
Head, Student Affairs & Operations

Cc Ms Denise Phua, School supervisor/Acting Principal
Ms Annie Tan & Ms Loy Sheau Mei, Track Heads
Ms Alina Chua, Head, Job Coaching Unit
Class Teachers

Response Slip (Please complete and return to Class Form Teacher by Monday, 18 September 2006)

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I, _____, parent/guardian of student _____
of Class _____ permit my child to attend the above event and
agree to abide by the conditions stated in the above memo.

Name and Signature

Date

Parent's signature _____