



## **COMMUNICATION UPDATE**

**6 March 2007**

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Warmest Greetings! Here are some updates for you as Term 1 draws close.

### **NEW STUDENTS IN TERM 2**

A warm welcome to another 7 new students who will be joining our P4 classes in Term 2. Our student enrolment is now 356. We seek every parent's co-operation to help us shape the school culture together.

### **MOE SPECIAL NEEDS OFFICER (SNO) TRAINEES UNDERGOING PRACTICUM AT PATHLIGHT**

We warmly welcome 16 SNO trainees who are undergoing their practicum at Pathlight School from 26 February to 30 March 2007. They will be attached to classes like Edison, Grevillea, Fernwood, Mahogany, Jelutong, Birch, Tamarind, Maple, Casuarina, Redwood, Cedar, Hawthorne, Mulberry, Banyan, Dillenia and Meranti. The SNOs are MOE support officers sent in to help MOE mainstream teachers and ARC and Pathlight are helping to train them.

We wish them a pleasant learning journey at Pathlight.

### **BIG THANK YOU FOR CNY CELEBRATIONS**

A BIG THANKS to the parents who have helped out at the recent CNY carnival stations and parents who have contributed food goodies. It was fun seeing so many teachers and students dressed in traditional CNY costumes. We were touched by the enthusiasm and the remarkable display of multi-ethnicity. Through the carnival and concert, the students learnt much about CNY customs and traditions.

### **SOCIAL INTEGRATION WITH ANG MO KIO SECONDARY SCHOOL**

Students from Acacia and Tembusu were invited to join AMK Secondary Students for their CNY celebrations on 16 February 2007. Pathlighters had fun interacting with students from AMK Secondary during the Inter-class CNY decoration competition. They especially enjoyed the Lion Dances and also participated in the CNY quiz actively.

### **TERM 2 KEY DATES**

Kindly take note and block out time for the following key events in Term 2:

Key Dates for 2007 Term 2	Key Events	Remarks
1 Mar, 22 Mar, 29 Mar, 5 Apr, 10 Apr and 19 Apr afternoons	Social Integration Projects with PLMGS students	Secondary school students will start from 1 Mar onwards.  P4 & P5 Students will start from 22 Mar 07 onwards
Mar to April	Individual Education Planning (IEP) Exercise	Compulsory attendance for selected parents. All parents must give feedback through the IEP form.
26 Mar, Monday	Pathlight Open House (9-11 am)	By Invitation Only
6 Apr, Friday	Good Friday	Public Holiday
30 Apr to 4 May	Semestral Assessment 1	All Students
1 May, Tuesday	Labour Day	Public Holiday
3 May, Thursday	Pathlight Open House (9-11 am)	By Invitation Only
10 May to 16 May	Annual Health Check by School Health Service	Details will be given closer to date
24 May, Thursday	Term 2 Parent Training and Communication Session	7.30-9.30 pm Compulsory
25 May, Friday	Term 2 School Outing	School hours for all students  7.50 am-1 pm

**TERM 1 PARENT TRAINING & COMMUNICATION SESSION THIS THURSDAY!**

Our Term 1 Parent Training Session and Communication will be held on **8 March 2007 (Thursday) from 7.30pm to 9.30pm.**

You are very important partners in providing a wholistic education for our students. It is important for parents to receive training and updates so that strategies used in school can be applied in the home context. All the teaching staff are staying back to meet you. Be sure to turn up please. Kindly mark your attendance at the reception when you arrive.

The agenda will cover:

- An update on recent Pathlight school events and projects
- MOE Announcements and Impact on Pathlight School
- Parent Training on ***“Important Communication Skills for Your Child”***

Please bring along some **food items** to share with other parents.

### **UPCOMING CCA PLANS**

Please note that in Term 2, we will be starting CCA for P4-P6 students, every Friday from 12 to 1 pm.

<b>Who</b>	<b>What</b>	<b>Where</b>
P4 students	Captain Ball	Basket Ball Court
P5 students	Board Games	Classroom
P6 students	Akido	Room Above Café

### **NOTE: CHANGE IN ASSEMBLY AREA FOR PP STUDENTS ON FRIDAY**

Please note that from Term 2 onwards, PP students will assemble at the School Hall on **every Friday** before school commences.

### **TERM 1 SCHOOL HOLIDAYS**

Term 1 School holidays will commence on **10 March 2007**. Students will return to school on **Monday, 19 March 2007**

Thank you for your cooperation. Please be sure to turn up for the Parent Training and Communication Session **THIS Thursday, 8 March 2007** as the teachers will be staying back for the parents.

Best regards,

Ms Anne Chew  
Head, Students Affairs & Operations

Ms Denise Phua  
School Supervisor/Acting Principal

Cc Ms Loy Sheau Mei, Ms Annie Tan & Mrs Mary Gilbert, Track Heads  
Mrs Jean Koh, Head, Café Operations  
Ms Alina Chua, Head, Outreach Therapy, ARC  
Ms Sylvia Yap, Head, Corporate Services  
All Staff