



3 May 2007

Dear Parents/Guardians,

## **COMMUNICATION UPDATE**

Warmest Greetings! This letter serves to give you an update of April and other upcoming school events.

### **NEW PATHLIGHT SCHOOL LEADER: MS LINDA KHO, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER**

Let me introduce a new addition to our Pathlight Leadership Team, Ms Linda Kho who has joined us as our Chief Operating Officer. Ms Kho will lead a team in all school matters relating to Student Affairs, Operations, Finance, Human Resource, Communications and External Relations. She will report to Ms Denise Phua, Acting Principal and School Supervisor (Board).

Ms Kho joins us with a wealth of senior management experience in training, consulting, HR and public relations in big local and multi-national firms. She was an active volunteer and donor to Pathlight for several years before she joined us to serve the autism community. We are grateful and honoured to have her in the team.

### **PATHLIGHT IN THE 2007 BULL RUN LAUNCH CEREMONY**

Pathlight School has once again been chosen to be beneficiary of this charity fun run in the Central Business District organized by the Singapore Exchange (SGX) to be held at year end.

Some of our older students and their teachers were invited for the Launch Ceremony and had the thrill of being near the stage for the grand finale item. They sang and twirled umbrellas to celebrate the successful launch with partners and supporters and the SGX CEO. It was an experience with a difference for our students who got to spend time with the business community leaders.

### **SPECIAL LEARNING EXPERIENCE : FIELD TRIP TO BEAN CURD FACTORY**

We constantly aim to help our students gain exposure to the world at large and on 17 April, our Primary 3 students had first hand experience on seeing how bean curd is being processed.

Besides learning about the nutritional value of bean curd , they thoroughly enjoyed tasting the sumptuous bean curd. What a treat for them and their teachers!

## **PATHLIGHTER *KRYSTEL TEH* DID US PROUD @ CHONG BOON SPEECH DAY**

Several Secondary School students joined our Buddy School Chong Boon Secondary to witness their Annual Speech and prize presentation ceremony on April 21.

Pathlight contributed to the Ceremony with our very own Krystle Teh from Tembusu Class giving a piano recital much to the delight of the audience and pride and joy of her mother. Our Congratulations to Krystle!

The ceremony ended with a concert where we were treated to an exciting band performance, uniform groups march pass and dance items put up by the students. To top it off, our invited students enjoyed a very sumptuous lunch.

## **CONGRATS TO OUR STUDENT COUNCILLORS**

April 19 was a very special day for 38 of our Primary and Secondary students who were officially appointed as Student Councillors. They were presented to the entire school during the Student Council Investiture Ceremony.

29 of them were reappointed and 9 were newly appointed. All went up on stage beaming with pride as they received their Student Council badge from our Acting Principal Ms Phua.

They took their Student Councillor pledge reminding them of their important responsibility as role-models to the rest of the students. In fact all students are encouraged to be role models and be leaders of their own lives by “always doing the right thing, even when no one is watching”.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS IN MAY TO WATCH OUT FOR:**

### **TERM 2 SCHOOL OUTING, MAY 25**

This term's school educational outing for our Preparatory and Primary students is to visit the Jurong Bird Park to enjoy the beauty of the many species of birds and study them.

To cater to our Secondary Level students higher needs, they will go on a study tour of Port of Singapore graciously hosted by PSA Corporation on May 25.

Details will be sent out of these 2 school outings in due course.

### **RI DINNER OUTING, MAY 23**

Some of our Secondary level students will again be invited to join the Raffles Institution Boarders for their forthcoming quarterly formal dinner on May 23.

This tradition is much cherished as our Pathlighters enjoy the interactions with their RI friends as well as the fine dining exposure. The evening's highlight will be a sharing by an ex-RI boarder on his overseas University experience in USA. Many thanks to RI Boarding School leaders for inviting us again!

**IMPORTANT REMINDERS:**

**NO SCHOOL ON 11 MAY 2007, FRIDAY: STAFF STRATEGIC PLANNING DAY**

Please be reminded that your child need not come to school on 11 May 2007 (Friday). All staff will be having a school-wide Strategic Planning Session for the whole day.

**COMPULSORY PARENTS' COMMUNICATION AND TRAINING NIGHT:  
25 MAY FRIDAY EVENING**

Please note that the Term 2 Parents' Communication and Training Night will be on 25 May 2007 (Friday) from 7.30-9.30 pm.

More details will be given later.

**'A VERY SPECIAL WALK' FUNDRAISING CARDS**

We are raising funds to build much better school facilities for our students, hopefully to support them even beyond their normal school years. Please do your best to support the fundraising Very Special Walk. The cards are due back on 14 May 2007.

The more you help us raise funds for the school, the more time the school leaders and staff will have to develop and deliver programs for our students. Please help.

*As all our students prepare for their Semestral Assessments starting May, our teachers are doing their best to support them through extra coaching in school. We also urge parents to encourage your child to step up his revision and try his best without over-pressurizing your child.*

We thank you for your continuous support and willingness to partner the school to give your child the best learning experience at Pathlight.

Best regards,

Ms Denise Phua  
School Supervisor/Acting Principal

Cc Ms Linda Kho, Chief Operating Officer  
Ms Anne Chew, Head, Student Affairs  
Ms Loy Sheau Mei, Ms Annie Tan & Mrs Mary Gilbert, Track Heads  
Ms Florence, Mr Calvin Lowe, Ms Wong, Assistant Track Heads  
Mrs Jean Koh, Head, Café Operations  
All Staff at ARC and Pathlight School  
All Pathlight School Board Members and Friends