



COMMUNICATION UPDATE

19 June 2007

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Warmest Greetings! We hope that you and your child had an enjoyable and meaningful holiday.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW STUDENTS & TEACHERS

Besides welcoming our students back in Term 3, we also extend a special welcome to 25 new students and 8 new teachers. Our enrolment currently stands at 380, a huge leap from the 41 students we first started off with in 2004. Our team of teachers continues to expand as we partner our students in their learning journey:

Pathlight Preparatory (PP)

1. Ms Safarizah Abu Bakar - PP Track Teacher
2. Ms Tan Kok Lee Julie - PP Track Teacher
3. Ms Hema P Murthi - PP Track (Assistant Teacher)

Track 2

4. Ms Joyce Tay Shu Pei - Track 2 (Assistant Teacher)
5. Mr R. Siva Sai Saravanan - Track 2 (Assistant Teacher)
6. Ms Nurlela Othmanshah - Track 2 (Assistant Teacher)
7. Ms Premalatha Chandran - Track 2 (Assistant Teacher)

Track 3

8. Ms Lim Lay Peng Emily - Track 3 Teacher

SUCCESSFUL TERM 2 SCHOOL OUTINGS

A big thank you to our parent volunteers who had helped out at our Term 2 Outing to the Jurong BirdPark (JBP).

The PP and Primary students who visited the JBP had a whale of a time. Students who watched the Birds 'n Buddies show were wowed by the many beautiful and colourful birds. Those who attended the Birds of Prey show, got to see some of nature's most ferocious flying predators in action.

Our secondary school students who visited the PSA's Tanjong Pagar and Keppel Terminals, gained much knowledge of PSA's operations network. They practiced interviewing skills as they conducted interviews with PSA personnel, for a newspaper article they had to prepare.

Our student, Muhd Noh, also presented his beautiful artwork as a token of the school's appreciation for PSA's fundraising support.

PARENT'S COMMUNICATION & TRAINING NIGHT

The Parents Communication & Training Night on 25 May 2007 was a resounding success. More than 230 parents benefited from the training workshops and school updates.

The workshop by our Autism Consultant, Dr Lam, on 'Making the Most of School Holidays for Your Child', shared interesting tips on how parents can use activities such as watching television to engage their child in a meaningful way. Our Autism Consultant Ms Alina Chua shared with the parents of PP students important considerations they can take in selecting their child's educational pathway.

The next quarterly Parents Communication & Training Night is scheduled for **30 August 2007**. **Please make time to attend this compulsory event.** Besides the parents training workshops, you will also be updated on the school's latest events and curriculum highlights, which will impact your child.

KEY DATES IN TERM 3 (25 June – 31 August 2007)

Key Dates	Key Events	Remarks
1 st & 15 th of each month except during holidays	Fortnightly Student Progress updates for Parents	
2 July	Youth Day Holiday	school holiday for all
Every Thur commencing 28 Jun	PSLE & P5 Remedial and supplementary classes	
Tues & Fris of each week commencing 26 Jun (except holidays and days when there are special events)	GCE Remedial lessons	
3 July	GCE Oral Exams	
5, 12, 19	PLMGS Integration Programme	Selected Pri 4 & 5 students
6 July	Submission of CPA Coursework	
14 July	A Very Special Walk	We need your support in the participation of this event.
20 July	Racial Harmony Day Celebrations	All students to come in ethnic costumes
21 July	National Education Show 2007	Primary 5 students only
2 August	Open House for the public	This is by invitation only

8 August	Sports & Family Day	
9 & 10 August	National Day Holiday	school holiday for all
16 – 17 August	PSLE Oral Exam	
20 August	Submission of Art & Design Coursework	Sec 4 student taking Art
30 August	Parents Communication & Training Night	Compulsory for all parents
30 August	Term 3 Outing	
31 August	Teachers Day Celebrations	
3 – 9 September	School Term Holidays	
3-4 September	GCE Listening Comprehension	
5 September	GCE N Level Exam	

Note: Details of the above activities will be given to parents nearer to the date.

A VERY SPECIAL WALK 2007 (AVSW)

AVSW, our fundraising event dedicated to raising funds for our new building will be on 14 July 2007 from 8am – 10:30am at Bishan Park 2. The event promises to be a even bigger and better one. In addition to the support of Chong Boon Secondary and RI Scouts/Gryphons, our students will also be playing a larger role in the organization this year. Our students will be actively involved in the big warm up before the walk. They will also be showcasing their performing skills in a dance item.

Your support for AVSW: Special Pathlight souvenirs will also be on sale. We require baskets to contain these items. **If you have baskets that we can use for this purpose, we would be most grateful if you could donate them to us.** Please leave them at the General Office by **29 June 2007**.

SCHOOL FEES PAYMENT POLICY REMINDER

A gentle reminder – each year’s December school fees is collected in January. Parents who have yet to pay the school fees for December 2007, please do so by 10 July 2007. For those who are paying by GIRO, kindly make sure that you have sufficient funds in your bank account by **10 July 2007**.

Those who will not be able to pay the December fees upfront, please contact Ms Tsui Teh, Senior Student Affairs Executive at 64599951. Review will be made on a case-by-case basis.

Thank you for your continuous support. Look out for more exciting news in July’s Communication Update.

We look forward to another exciting and enriching term!

Warm regards,

Ms Linda Kho
Chief Operating Officer

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
Ms Tsui Teh, Senior Executive Student Affairs
Ms Mavis Tan, Senior Operations Executive
All Staff