



COMMUNICATION UPDATE

10 September 2007

Dear Parents/Guardians

POST EXAMINATION OVERSEAS LEARNING TRIP TO BEIJING

While our PSLE and GCE N Level students are conscientiously preparing for their upcoming examinations, the school is planning an overseas learning trip for a select few who may be suitable for travel.

We would like to have an indication of whether you are interested to have your child participate in the learning trip to Beijing, China. Please note that the final list of participating students will have to be approved by our Autism Consultants and teachers.

The objectives of this overseas learning trip are to provide students with opportunities to:

- gain life exposure by traveling overseas
- learn to be more independent
- serve the community by rendering help to those in need
- have fun after working very hard for the examinations

The group will be staying at the Hope Foster Home in Shun Yi, Beijing, China which was started in November 2002 by an Australian medical doctor, Dr Joyce Hill and Mr Robin Hill. This home accommodates babies and toddlers who have been abandoned or orphaned. It has a strong medical support network throughout the world. You can read more about it on www.hopefosterhome.com.

Some activities would include:

- Visiting key places of interest in Beijing like the Great Wall of China, Tian An Men Square, Forbidden City.
- Contribute by helping others like painting the home; planting crops; weeding and looking after the children (where appropriate)
- Attending cultural performances

Tentative details of the trip are as follows :

Date	15 to 20 October 2007
Cost of Trip	<p>S\$1200 - \$1500. The cost of trip will cover airfare, food, accommodation and entrance fees to places of interest.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Parents will be informed of the exact cost of trip when confirmed.- Part of the cost can be covered by your child's Edusave Fund (if available).- Subsidies will be offered to students who are on the MILK Fund. Families with financial constraints can contact Ms Teh (Student Affairs). Request for subsidy will be considered on a case-by-case basis.
Teachers-in-charge	Ms Loy Sheau Mei, Mrs Lilian Chai, Ms Linda Chin and other adult volunteers.

Logistical details of the trip will be given closer to the trip. We would appreciate it if you could submit the reply slip to your class teacher by **17 September 2007, Monday**.

If you have any queries, please feel free to email Ms Loy Sheau Mei (Track 2 & 3 Head) at sheau-mei.loy@pathlight.org.sg or call her on 6459 9951.

We look forward to your support!

Yours sincerely,

Ms Linda Kho
Chief Operating Officer

Cc Ms Denise Phua, Ag Principal/School Supervisor
Ms Loy Sheau Mei, Track 2 & 3 Head
Mrs Lilian Chai and Ms Linda Chin, Teachers
Class teachers of Sycamore, Casuarina, Jelutong, Meranti
Mrs Teh Tsui Tsui, Student Affairs
Mr Jason Kwek, Operations

REPLY SLIP: POST EXAMINATION OVERSEAS LEARNING TRIP TO BEIJING

Please tick appropriately:

I would like my child to go for the post-examination overseas trip, subject to final details.

I do not wish my child to go for the post-examination overseas trip.

Child's name/Class: _____

Parent's Name: _____

Parent's Signature _____

Contact number: _____

Please submit to your class teacher by **17 September 2007, Monday**.