



COMMUNICATION UPDATES

4 January 2008

Dear Parents/Guardians.

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

UPDATE

APPOINTMENT OF PRINCIPAL & VICE PRINCIPAL

To start the new year, I am very pleased to announce that Ms Linda Kho, our former Chief Operating Officer, will be the new Principal of Pathlight School.

I will no longer be the Acting Principal, but will continue to be with the School as the School Supervisor from the School Board. I will continue to serve and focus on strategic planning and key projects for the school.

I am also happy to announce that Ms Loy Sheau Mei (former Track Head) will assume the role of Vice Principal - Academics.

We hope that you will continue to support and partner with them as we work together to ensure the best future for our students.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW STUDENTS & TEACHERS

Besides welcoming our students back to a new Academic Year, we also extend a special welcome to 66 new students and 6 new teachers. Our enrolment is now 408, a huge leap from the 41 students we first had in 2004.

New Teachers

Lim Tian Hwa, Jack	Teacher	Maths (Sec School)
Lena Low	Teacher	English (Primary & Sec)
Saranya Elangovan	Teacher	Track 2
Marie Hau (<i>start work in Feb</i>)	Teacher	Track 2
Janice Chui	Asst Teacher	Track 2
Norafidah Mohamed Ali	Asst Teacher	Track 2

2007 PATHLIGHT PSLE & GCE LEVEL RESULT RELEASE

Thanks to the PSLE and GCE students who put in their best, and teachers who toiled and had faith in them, good results were achieved by the Pathlighters!

75% P6 students passed their PSLE and scored well versus the national average. The national overall pass rate is also 75%.

100% GCE 'NA' Level students qualified to Sec 5N to complete their GCE 'O' Levels

100% GCE 'NT' Level students qualified to the local Institute of Technical Education (ITE).

CHARITY FUNDRAISER – ‘Christmas isn’t Christmas until....’

Dance Spectrum International (DSI) presented the dance performance “Christmas isn’t Christmas until...”, on 1st and 2nd December at the Victoria Theatre.

ARC(S) Advisor, Ms Ho Ching was the Guest of Honour at the Gala evening. The event helped to raise funds for the Pathlight School Building Fund.

The concert showcased a spectrum of classical ballet, tap, modern and jazz dance performances by 300 dancers, including some of our very own Pathlight students. Our students danced to 2 items, and received a rousing applause!

Special mention goes out to a team of Primary 6 and Track 3 students who worked behind the scenes to create personalised Invitation Cards as well as hand-made mementos for the Gala Night Performance.

Thanks also to Pathlight teachers Mr Halim, Ms June and Ms Nur who were with our student performers throughout the many rehearsals and performances.

SCHOOL FEES PAYMENT POLICY REMINDER & GST

A gentle reminder – each year’s December school fees is collected in January. Please co-operate so we do not have to use extra resources to chase school fees especially from those who are financially able.

For those who are paying by GIRO, kindly make sure that you have sufficient funds in your bank account for 2 months by 23 January 2008.

A reminder: The School will be absorbing the 7% GST on school fees that parents have to pay. This privilege will be extended until the end of the year, and subject to future financial needs of the School.

NEW AND VIBRANT PATHLIGHT WEBSITE

Check out our new Pathlight Website www.pathlight.org.sg and especially look at our students’ gallery.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Please take note of the following Term 1 Key Dates:

Date	Event	Remarks
14 – 18 Jan (Week 3)	CCA commences	Applicable to Pri 4 – 6 classes, Secondary and Track 3 (Edison, Einstein and Galileo)
6 Feb, Wed	Chinese New Year Celebrations in school	Half-day morning session for ALL students. Details will be given later
7 & 8 Feb, Thu & Fri	Chinese New Year Public Holiday	School will be closed
18 – 22 Feb	Practice Paper	Details will be given later
To be confirmed	Term Outing	
6 Mar, Thu	Parents Communication & Training Night (7:00 – 9:30 pm)	This is a compulsory event for parents. Please make time to attend.

We are thrilled to have our students back. We look forward to your partnership and a fruitful and joyful year ahead!

Warm regards.

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School Supervisor
Pathlight School Board

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All Staff