

**FRIDAY, 25<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2011**



## **ECO DEVELOPMENT**

Ms Ruddy and Mr Woodhams have drawn up a target list of things the School can do to show that we are committed to conservation and improvement to our School environment.



Next term, circulars not requiring a response, will be sent by email as well as be accessible through our website. Some of the tasks can be achieved through constant awareness and will be 'policed' by our ECO monitors e.g. the reduction of energy / electricity / water use.

We are delighted with the interest shown by our parents. One parent (Nursery) is involved with re-cycling and has offered support with the recycling of some hardware items such as old keyboards, computers and monitors.

We wish to thank Mr Leddy (Amreeta's (Y4SG) father) for the donation of a Compost Making Machine. This is so timely as we wish to use some of the perishable waste matter at School to create fertiliser for our garden areas.



## **CHICKEN POX**

We have had a few cases of chicken pox in some of our classes. Please monitor your child for any symptoms. With such cases, the parents will require a medical clearance before the child can return to School. A medical certificate of fitness is also required for siblings.

## **TRAFFIC IN / OUT OF SCHOOL**

The School received an email from a parent with this message about traffic entering our School:

*"We always have very bad experiences when we pick up our daughter each day. We are usual early, arriving before 12 noon and wait in line orderly. Then late comers start to arrive, cut the queue and park wherever they want causing severe blockages and unnecessary tension. To make matters worse they are not only inconsiderate but very rude. We sympathise with your security personnel as they are also verbally abused and helpless in wake of such bad behaviour."*

We even had a driver threaten one of our teachers when she refused to release the child to him as the teacher did not know who he was and wasn't given any notification of a change of collection from the parents. Such behaviour is a concern and we do request that parents, and especially drivers, do show patience, courtesy and understanding when we are all doing our very best to manage such challenging situations.



## **CONGRATULATIONS**

Our Music teacher (Early Years/KS1), Ms Soong Yi Yiing, is getting married and we wish her and her husband to be, Mr Lim Phang Seng, every happiness for the future.

## **FOOTBALL**

The football match against Tenby International School which was scheduled for Tuesday 29th November has been cancelled by Tenby. We hope to rearrange the fixture for the start of term 2. The Inter House football will be taking place each morning at Soccer Experience on the following dates: 9.00 a.m. to 11.45 a.m.

Monday 5th December – Year 4  
Wednesday 7th December – Year 3  
Thursday 8th December – Year 5  
Friday 9th December – Year 6

Children should arrive at school on each of the above days wearing their PE kit with house coloured t- shirt and bring their white t- shirt with them to change into after the football.



## **CONDOLENCES**

We are saddened to hear that Mrs Viveca Wolf, an ex-parent whose husband was an active and committed member of the School's Board of Governors, passed away peacefully last week after a period of illness. Our thoughts and wishes are extended to the family – Martin (husband) and Amelie, Carolyn and Philip (children all of whom attended SCIPS).

## **MONDAY (28<sup>th</sup> November) – PUBLIC HOLIDAY**

School is closed on Monday as it is a declared public holiday for Awal Muharram.

## MOVEMBER

The end of Movember is almost here and it's time to vote. Who will be this year's winner of the coveted Best Moustache Award 2011? Will it be; Mr Jones, Mr Lang (our parent representative), Mr Harding, Mr Woodhams, Mr Watson, Mr Allman, Mr Bowker, Mr Allen, Mr Lamb, Mr Yang or Mr Fletcher? You and your children will decide!!



Voting will commence on **Wednesday 30th November** and the winner will be announced in assembly on **Friday 2nd December**. Votes will cost **5MYR per vote** and multiple and proxy votes **are** allowed! The School Prefects will be going around school on Wednesday selling the voting slips and collecting them in again. Every vote counts and all proceeds will go to Mount Miriam Cancer Hospital, so please support us and get voting! To help you decide; why not see our Movember display board at the front of school, all specimens are on show.



## HAPPY THANKGIVING

This weekend, many of our American families will be celebrating Thanksgiving so we wish them all a wonderful and festive weekend.

## FROM THE PTC

Hello from the PTC!

- We have a lot coming up as we gear up for our Christmas Holiday! Please join us on Tuesday, November 29<sup>th</sup> for our Parents Coffee Morning at 8:15 in the staff room. We would like to thank the mums who worked so hard on making our 2012 calendar! You should have received an order form for the 2012 calendar. Each child is included – so be sure to fill out your order form and return it to the office by Friday, Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>.

We are busy planning our Christmas Celebration that will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 13<sup>th</sup>. Here is a quick summary of events:

- Parents are invited to watch Santa arrive at school! Come and join in carols as we await his arrival! Please arrive at the school at **8:30**
- Following Santa's arrival we will have a Parent Coffee and Christmas Treat Exchange. Bring your favourite Christmas cookies, minced pies or biscuits to share!
- Parents will be able to see and take pictures of their child with Santa in his "Santa's Station" at school. Please do not interrupt your child's classroom, instead join with the other parents at the Parent Coffee. We will join our children's class as they go to see Santa.

