

Dear Parents

Welcome to our first newsletter from RSH Bukit Timah and the first newsletter of the new decade!

A warm welcome to everyone! Whilst our Repton Schoolhouse Communications App keeps you up to date with the daily life at school, this newsletter provides a little more depth, while both looking ahead and reflecting as we move through the year. RSH issues Newsletters every term to give more in depth coverage of what's been happening, what's coming up and insight in to our programmes.

We are delighted that Repton Schoolhouse Bukit Timah has officially opened with two classes and six dedicated, talented and enthusiastic teachers. The children are thriving in the fresh, green and spacious environment and enjoying the learning experiences and the new playground. Special thanks to Ms Monica and the teachers; you can find more about all our teachers on the school website.

On Thursday January 9th at the Alexandra campus, parents attended a "Getting to Know You" evening which provided them with the opportunity to meet their child's teacher hear about the learning planned for the year ahead. On Friday 17th January, Bukit Timah parents, children and teachers enjoyed a Family Social; the first of what we hope will be many more community events.

At these events, we took the opportunity to launch the Repton Global Initiative. See more about this below.

Looking Ahead

Chinese New Year Celebrations



The school celebrates Chinese New Year with the children on the morning of Friday 24th January. Children can wear Chinese traditional clothes or the colour red. School closes at 12.30 p.m. for the Chinese New Year holidays. We re-open on Wednesday 29th January.

The Library is OPEN!

One of our central aims for the children at Repton Schoolhouse is to inspire ingoing curiosity and a love of learning and what better way to do this than through quality children's literature. Weekly borrowing from the Library has commenced. We wish you hours of enjoyment exploring books with your child!



Repton Founders Day Friday 13th March



The children will participate in a reflection on our inherited history from Repton in the UK and how we are making our own imprint on Repton traditions with the Singapore chapter. With over 460 years of history, we hope to give the children a sense of belonging to the larger growing Repton family both here in Singapore and internationally.



Parent Teacher Conferences-Week of 9th March

Parents are invited to visit school at points throughout the year to discuss progress. Please note, you are always welcome to make an appointment and do not have to wait until the Parent Teacher Conference periods. Look out for announcements late February to book your appointment for March conferences.

Withdrawal

Just a reminder that, if you are withdrawing your child from Repton Schoolhouse, six (06) weeks' notice must be given before the commencement of the new term in writing and/or an official Student Withdrawal Form, which can be obtained from the Office. Verbal notification of withdrawal will not be accepted. The 6-week notification period excludes the school holidays. The notice of withdrawal date for this term is, Monday 3rd February.

Reminders:

Absences

The best way to report an absence from school is by telephoning us on 6573 8441 or by emailing the Repton School House Administrator, Bukit Timah. This address is accessed by several people therefore will always be seen: rshadmin-bt@repton.edu.sg

Nurturing Character, Inspiring Minds

Global Initiative – Lumnamwittaya School Mar La Noi Village



As part of our vision to Nurture Character and Inspire Minds and in line with the Virtues Project, we are excited to be launching our first Global Initiative in 2020 and hope that this will serve to empower our children (and staff) to make a difference to the lives of others. Thanks to Chung Kwang Tong, one of our RSH parents, we have been connected with an exciting project for our community supporting the Lumnamwittaya School in the village of Mae La Noi on the border of Thailand and Burma.

We are so thankful for the generous donations at our recent school events which will enable a Wifi booster to be installed at the village. I am sure we are all aware of what a huge difference being connected to the internet can make to isolated communities such as this.

We will be forming a small committee of staff and parents from Alexandra and Bukit Timah. The committee will meet once a term to plan how we can support the school/village. Please do let us know if you are interested in joining this Global Initiatives Committee by emailing Louise:

louise.grant@repton.edu.sg

In Conclusion...

Thank you for all your support and enthusiasm during these first weeks of school at Repton Schoolhouse Bukit Tinggi! The children have made a great start and we are looking forward to new families joining us over the coming weeks and months and giving them a warm welcome.

Announcements and news are constantly being updated in our RSH app so please do check regularly so as not to miss out on any updates. Please do not hesitate to contact the teachers if you have any questions of areas you would like to discuss.

Wishing everyone a Prosperous and Happy Lunar New Year!

The Repton Schoolhouse Team