Chairman's Circular 11

17 March 2013

Dear Parents,

As you may have observed, the School is now in full force to enrich its students of the examination classes to boost them with the last surge to surpass the challenges ahead with great results. The school has already implemented a two folded action plan to identify and narrow gaps the students still carry while implementing strategies to improve their confidence levels. The School also had planning sessions for the forthcoming examination processes and successfully concluded a simulation programme for the ICT practical examination where two batches (Year 10 and Year 11) will be sitting for the examination. The School will take appropriate action on the lessons learnt to successfully conduct the ICT practical exams. We are confident that the parents would render their fullest cooperation to these actions taken by the School with a view to record glorious results in the forthcoming examination.

1. Office bearers of the Board of Directors

The Board at its regular meeting No. 9 held on 25 February 2013 elected Mr Ravi Dharmawardena as the Honorary Secretary which was vacant due to the resignation of Mr Chaminda Munasinghe and Mr Dulip Rajapakse as the Honorary Assistant Secretary. We wish them all the best to discharge constitutional duties assigned to the positions. We are confident that they will have the courage and strength to perform their duties in the best interest of the School.

2. Office bearers of the Parents' Committee (PC) 2012/13

We are once again disappointed to note that there were only two parents each from year 2 and year 8 present to elect the class representatives for the PC 2012/13. Consequently, following were elected to fill the vacancies:

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Subsequent to the above appointments the PC on 04.03.2013 elected Mr. Lal Gunasekara as the Chief Representative of the PC and Mr. Nandhika Senaratne as the Secretary to the PC. While congratulating them, we also wish them all the very best in discharging the responsibilities of these important constitutional roles. We also kindly remind the parents that they should also show the sense of responsibility in managing and contributing towards the well-being of the School. The PC plays a pivotal role in facilitating the educational programme of the School. We also take this opportunity to remind the parents that when they have grievances or any matters relating to the class room, their initial contact point should be the PC. The parents should not undermine the duty of the PC by overlooking it and approaching the Principal and the Board. In order to speed up resolution the parents may approach the Board and the Principal where applicable while keeping the PC informed.

3. SHRAMADHANAYA (Free & Voluntary Service)

We are happy to inform you that Mr. Palitha Premasiri, Head of Infrastructure Development Committee of the Board had proposed to have a cleaning up exercise in the School premises. As you are aware it is our prime objective to provide a child friendly atmosphere in the School. While taking many actions in this respect, the School also wants to clean up the surroundings of the premises. Keeping this in view we kindly request all parents to be present on Friday, 29th March 2013 at 8.00 a.m. in the School to show solidarity and the unity of the Sri Lankan School family. We are confident that we will be able to take this opportunity to build and strengthen our relationships.

4. Go Green

With the kind patronage of DHL Oman, pioneered by Mr. Intikaf Hafel, parent, in collaboration with the Environmental Society lead by Ms. Thamodini Karunasinghe, Biology Teacher, the School initiated the above project with a view to enhance the awareness of children on the value of the environment. As a first step the School launched an Art competition which will be followed by many other activities. At the grand finale the participants will be awarded appreciation prices by DHL Oman. In this connection Mr. Sarath Lalsiri, the President of Sri Lankan Community Social Club volunteered to re-install the irrigation system of the School which will help the School to enhance the greenery in the School. While placing our sincere appreciation to DHL Oman and to all the individuals who came forward to make this project a success, we kindly request the parents to encourage their children to participate in these activities and teach them to love and protect the environment. Your active participation in this regard will help the School to make it even a better place for your child to learn and live.

5. Under 16 Cricket League

We are proud to inform the parents that the School’s under 16 cricket team ended the recently concluded Oman Under 16 Cricket league 2012/13 in winning style by beating Indian School Darsait by 6 wickets in the final game of the season. The Team won 5 out of 9 matches played, which is the highest in its history of participating in this league. The Board wish to congratulate the Under 16 Cricket Team for their commitment and determination shown during the tournament. The Board is also humble to accept the dedication of Mr. Desmond Berhardt(Head Coach), Mr. Ravi
Dharmawardane, and Mr. Mahi De Silva (Assistant Coaches), for their voluntary services in improving the skills of the young and talented cricketers. Their dedication and guidance within a short time span was a key contributory factor for Team SLSM to achieve this milestone. We are confident that continuation of their services would definitely bring more glory to the School. We also place our gratitude to Mr. Janake Gunathileka, Mr. Bertram Senarathne, Mr. Janaka Somaratne, Mr. Tharindhu Galappaththi and Mr. Gihan De Silva the masters in charge for the sport from the School for their untiring efforts to coordinate the matches and practice sessions.

We take this opportunity to thank all the teachers lead by the able guidance of the Principal, who continuously invest their leisure time for the benefit of our children, showing the pride to be a member of the Sri Lankan School family and accepting the challenge of bringing the best ever results to the School in the forthcoming public examination.

For and on behalf of the Board of Directors,

K K Lalith Kumara
Hon Chairman