

# SRI LANKAN SCHOOL – MUSCAT

## PRINCIPAL'S COMMUNIQUE 13 – (2011/2012)

### A GREAT HONOUR

I am extremely pleased to herald the new year with fascinating news that Sri Lankan School – Muscat has won a highly acclaimed international award for Total Quality Management.

Century International Quality ERA Award (CQE) – Gold Category for Sri Lankan School – Muscat is awarded by Business Initiative Directions , General Yague, Madrid , Spain, will be presented at the International Quality Convention Hall in Geneva, Switzerland on Sunday March 12<sup>th</sup> 2012.

‘Those companies selected are leaders in their areas, their countries or large corporations which demonstrate excellence within each designated sector, increased market share, improved results, as well as sustainability. The prestige of the BID award winners (see [www.worldquality.org](http://www.worldquality.org)) will allow the school to appreciate the value of the BID award worldwide.’

‘BID is the leading private organization focused on the Quality Mix Plan and the International B.I.D. Award for quality through which companies awarded by B.I.D. in the past 26 years in over 100 countries have increased their value and position.’

Please search on the internet for B.I.D. or Century International Quality ERA Award for details.

### TRIBUTE TO A SET OF GREAT MANAGERS

Our dear parents are aware that the tenure of the current Board of Directors is over today and the new Board will take office from 7<sup>th</sup> January. Please allow me to dedicate the great honour of receiving the above international award for good management to the outgoing Board of Directors who have done yeoman service to the Sri Lankan School – Muscat.

I wish to express my gratitude on behalf of the school to this group of individuals who sacrificed their time and energy for the sake of the school in no small measure. Parents are generally not aware of the work done by the Directors as they act as a body and not as individuals. Therefore I consider it my duty to inform you at the end of their tenure the commitment and dedication of each of them.

I salute today:

The Chairman, Mr. S.M.S.H.Bandara for his absolutely non- assuming nature, balanced outlook and unbelievable commitment.

The Secretary, Mr. Althaf Ali for his meticulous and systematic approach to documentation and streamlining of all official matters.

The Treasurer, Mr. Ajantha Madurapperuma for his crystal clear vision of the developmental needs of the school and perseverance at doing things right however difficult they are.

Mr. Yasanga Dewage for tremendous support given to the school by handling all matters that involves technical expertise.

Mr. Sanath Hemachandra for excellent handling of all IT related issues.

Mr. Neville Kospolage for invaluable support in all school maintenance matters.

Mr. Dunstan Sisirakumara for tremendous support in streamlining systems and processes.

On behalf of the staff and students, I wish the new Board of Directors the very best and assure unstinted support from my team and myself in working towards greater glory of the school.

#### **PARENTS' COMMITTEE MEETING**

The PC wishes to meet all the parents of the school at 8.00 p.m. on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December in the school hall. All parents are kindly requested to come for this valuable interaction where you will meet the parents' representative of your child's class. Parents will get an opportunity to address issues of importance to your class reps and in turn the PC members will get an opportunity to build a strong relationship with the parents by this exercise.

I shall be grateful for your attendance at this interaction.

#### **BODY MASS INDEX FOR A HEALTHIER LIFE**

Around the globe the children's health is alarmingly threatened by high blood pressure, diabetes and cardiovascular disorders. According to the WHO these are on the increase and child obesity is closely connected to them. It has been discovered that this is mainly due to uncontrolled diets and parents' negligence on their children's food intake. Unfortunately, tomorrow's generation is at risk.

Accordingly, on Maths Day, S.L.S.M. conducted a one-day workshop on a sample of students in calculating body mass index (BMI). Now we intend to include this measurement in on-line child information data for your personal knowledge and to act upon, if necessary. The necessary equipment has already been installed in the school health centre to facilitate calculation of BMI.

The Foundation Stage children have already being screened and the BMI is indicated in the EYFS Profile. The normal range is 18.5 to 24.9. If your child is out of this range, you are kindly advised to consult a doctor/nutritionist.

#### **IMMUNIZATION**

The following immunization sessions will be conducted on 18 January 2012.

Year 1 – OPV + DT Children's booster

Year 6 – DT Adult

Year 11 – OPV + DT Adult

#### **VISION TEST**

On the request of the Parents' Committee we are taking steps to check the vision of all children in the school in due course.

*Somabandhu Kodikara* - Principal