

Message from the Director of Education

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to the 2nd half of this term. We trust that you have all enjoyed the half term break and we look forward to seeing you and your children tomorrow.

At long last...by the time you return to school, the new playground located at the primary department will be complete. This will be launched officially tomorrow so we would ask that children do not play on it until that time - no sliding down the fireman's pole or doing loop the loops on the monkey bars before school! In addition, the tyres collected and washed by the children are in the process of being painted. These will be used to create further opportunities for imaginative play and two mud kitchens will soon be purchased for both pre-primary and primary children to enjoy.

On a sad note now, I am sorry to have to share with you some news about Meadowbrook teacher Sam Khoo. Please see Barbara's note. I am aware that this news will come as a shock to those who knew Sam, not least because she had asked us to keep the details of her absence private. We will leave those of you whose children knew Sam or were taught by her, to share the news of her passing in your own way with your children. Should you need any support with this, please do let us know.

Best wishes for now,

Serena

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teacher for over four years lost her battle against cancer last week.

Sam passed away in Singapore with her family at her side. She lived to see her eldest daughter Yingmin gain a place at Oxford University and her younger daughter, Yuqi settle happily into Secondary school. Our hearts and thoughts go to her husband John and their girls.



For those who will want to offer words of comfort to her family, please see Barbara for their address.



REMINDERS THIS WEEK @ M'BK...

TUESDAY 31st Oct Halloween Fancy Dress Day.

TUESDAY 31st Oct Clubs lists for Reception and Primary children in pockets. Slips back by Wednesday 8th Nov please.

TUESDAY 31st Oct Celebration of Age Afternoon Friday 10th November. Invites in pockets for Tuesday so please book those grandparents if you

It is with great sadness that we are letting you know that Sam Khoo, Pre-primary

haven't already done so! Remember one grandparent per child due to space. As this is a celebration of *age*, children without grandparents can invite an elderly relative or close family friend instead.

TUESDAY 31st Oct An opportunity to purchase some lovely pictures of swimming lessons at Heathfield. Hi-res downloads or prints can be purchased for £6. Payment please to our school photographer Sally Hitt. Please use the following link:

<http://www.themomentimages.com/v/photos/swimlesson17>

THURSDAY 2nd Nov Preparing for Secondary School Talk 7pm to 8.30pm. PLEASE ARRIVE PROMPTLY OUT OF COURTESY TO OTHER ATTENDEES.

FACEBOOK FAVOURITES....

