

PRESS INVITATION

MERCUTM children present “Animal Kingdom”: *a celebration of energy, creativity and talent at this year’s* K2 Graduation Ceremony on 11th November 2006

Be awed with the performances by young MERCUTM students as they unveil their musical talents at the Kindergarten 2 Graduation Ceremony. The event will showcase songs, dance and drama related to the animal theme performed by children from all levels of MERCU Childcare and Preschool Centres.

The event starts off with the opening performance; Kuda Kepang and Spring Festival, which showcases a mix Malay and Chinese traditional dance. Audiences can also expect to enjoy a display of colourful performances like Lion King, Chicken Dance, and even familiar tunes like Pink Panther, Old MacDonald and *Bangau oh Bangau*. Our students will make it a wonderfully unforgettable event.

There will be an exhibition of children’s’ photographs featuring the children engaged in various classroom activities and taking part in events and field trips throughout the year. The exhibition will also feature the new initiatives introduced to the early childhood curriculum and MERCU series of enrichment programmes.

MERCUTM will be inviting parents of graduating students, performers as well as those who have enrolled their children for 2007 in our Pre School and childcare centres.

MERCUTM will also be presenting a cheque to **Association of Muslim Professionals (AMP)** for contribution to the **Ready for School Fund**. This is to acknowledge the effort of our parents and students. The fund is part of AMP’s effort to provide assistance to children of the AFYS families by equipping them with school essentials such as stationery, bags, uniforms, books and shoes. The fund also helps to subsidise school and tuition fees, provide EZ Link and other financial assistance.

Mr Zaqy Mohamad, Member of Parliament for Hong Kah GRC, will grace the event as the Guest-of-Honour.

We cordially invite members of the press to cover the event. The details of the event are as follows:

Date: 11th November 2006 (Saturday)

Time: 1.00pm – 4.40pm (press to arrive latest by 1.30pm)

Venue: Singapore Polytechnic, Convention Centre

(The programme schedule for the event can be found on the 2nd page)

Reception will be served for attending press members. Please RSVP via email by **10th November 2006** to sumarni@merculearning.com to confirm your attendance. We look forward to your presence at the event.

About MERCUTM Learning Point

MERCUTM Learning Point is an education and training provider that offers a comprehensive range of programmes and services to the general public, corporate, grassroots organisations and other Voluntary Welfare Organisations (VWOs). Set up in 1999, MERCUTM has an extensive network of early childhood educational centres, student care centres, learning centres and a career centre.

MERCUTM comprises of one preschool centre and two childcare centres, three student care centres and two learning centres that offer academic and enrichment for students; one Private School offering private GCE 'O' Level programme; and one Career Centre that offers Career Coaching and Employment Assistance.

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Programme

1.00pm	Opening of Concert Hall
1.30pm	K2 Testimonials Slideshow
1.40pm	Welcome address by EC Manager, MERCU TM Learning Point
1.45pm	Arrival of GOH
1.50pm	Corporate Video
2.00pm	Welcome performance - Kuda Kepang / Spring Festival by Woodlands Childcare
2.10pm	Welcome Address by Chairman, MERCU TM Learning Point
2.15pm	Graduation Ceremony/Certificate Presentation
2.50pm	Presentation of Cheque for Ready for School to AMP
3.00pm	Guest of Honour takes his leave
3.05pm	Valedictorian Speech by K2 Graduands
3.10pm	Chicken Dance (N1) by Yishun Childcare Centre
3.15pm	I Just Want to be King (N2) by Pasir Ris Pre School Centre
3.20pm	Tea reception cum Exhibition
3.40pm	Shoo Fly Don't Bother Me / Bunyi Binatang (N1) by Woodlands Childcare Centre
3.45pm	Old MacDonald (N2) by Yishun Childcare Centre
3.50pm	Who's afraid of the big bad wolf (N2) by Woodlands Childcare Centre
3.55pm	Pink Panther (K1) by Yishun Childcare Centre
4.00pm	The Red Riding Hood (MerQ TM Speech & Drama)
4.05pm	Shake Your Paws (K1) by Pasir Ris Pre School Centre
4.10pm	Bangau oh Bangau (K2) by Yishun Childcare Centre
4.15pm	Lion King the Musical by Woodlands Childcare Centre
4.25pm	Monkey's uncle (K2) by Pasir Ris Pre School Centre
4.30pm	Finale – Let's Get Together / Joy to the World
4.40pm	End of Programme