RGPS CARES

CARES - Circle of Alumnae to Reach out, Exchange and Support A newsletter by the RGPS Alumni Association

"We shall try to do our best ... always ready to help each other ... Eager to learn from one another ... Grow in wisdom day by day ... We are girls from R.G.P.S, always striving to be the best!"



Dear Members,

Greetings from the RGPS Alumni Association (AA) Committee 2018/9! I am pleased to share some exciting updates about our upcoming activities and developments.

New AA Committee

Elected at the March AGM, our new team of enthusiastic "old girls" is committed to working closely with the School and AA volunteers to help make the RGPS years truly memorable for today's students.



RGPS AA Committee 2018/9, led by Mrs. Julianna Wong (5th from the left)

As the bridge between RGPS and alumnae, the AA organizes various programmes and initiatives that bring the different generations together. We support inclusiveness and sponsor students on the Financial Assistance Scheme for AA activities and, where feasible, engage social enterprises to conduct our workshops.

Starting with the young ones

The first day at primary school might be daunting for new students, but is less so when they see familiar and friendly faces! Our popular Pre-P1 Gathering brings the girls together before the new school year for some fun and games!

While the kids are getting to know each other on the pitch, the parents have an opportunity to mingle as well. AA members with older daughters at RGPS are on hand to share their experiences and it is a fantastic way to create positive experiences as a team.

Those who are interested in attending this year's event – send us an email and we will keep you in the loop!



Pre-P1 Gathering

That's not all! During the first week of school, AA volunteers whose girls are in P1 distribute welcome gifts to the students, to celebrate the beginning of their journey in RGPS. We are currently recruiting AA volunteers to plan this program for 2019, which will involve sourcing for the tokens and giving them out at school.



P1 AA Mummies helped to distribute Welcome Gifts to new students

Adorable Welcome Gifts for P1s (2018)



On a related note, the AA also presented farewell gifts to the graduating class: photobooths for them to take happy snaps with their friends!



Photo booths at the Graduation Party – our parting gift for the P6s

Raffles Experience (RE) Day

In 2017, the School ran its first Raffles Experience Day to expose the P5 students to an interesting and informative array of workshops ranging from self-defence, history, community service, fashion design and sign language, among others.



AA supports the school's efforts to give the students a wellrounded experience

We were pleased to field volunteers to run some of the sessions; our very own committee members helmed the workshops on needlework, Food Science, and the career booth on History. All in all, RE Day was a hit for the students and the School plans to roll out RE Day to the P4 and P3 cohorts progressively.

Do join us in contributing meaningful programmes for the girls' personal development, especially if you have expertise in the areas of financial literacy, leadership or social etiquette.

Focus on AA members

On a similar tack, we would like to expand the number of opportunities for AA members to interact and connect with each other. I urge you to volunteer for our "For AA, by AA" initiative and share your valuable professional expertise with fellow members and our girls.

An AA member sharing tips on choosing secondary schools



Celebrating 2019

RGPS turns 60 in 2019 and will commemorate this milestone anniversary with a homecoming project, Celebrating 2019. We are extremely



honoured to be a part of the festivities and I invite you to join our AA Committee External (ACES) team at

https://goo.gl/forms/uoe84UwxeAGF66613 to support our programs.

Admittedly, RGPS occupies a very special place in my heart. It is where my character was shaped and where my best childhood memories were forged. More significantly, it is the school from which my twin sister, my daughter and I graduated. Memories of my classmates and I squatting by the drains after recess to brush our teeth still make me chuckle, and I will cherish them for a long time to come.

Whether you graduated from the Queens Street, Bras Bash, Holland Grove or Hillcrest campus, we once all donned the same navy pinafore and sang the same school song.

What do you want to see in "Celebrating



2019"? We will start on projects such as RGPS heritage trails, a coffee table book, Homecoming program and a heritage wall. Share your thoughts at

https://answergarden.ch/665592.

I look forward to hearing from you!

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Contact us!



Join our closed FB group to receive quick updates on our activities and connect with other AA members:

https://www.facebook.com/groups/rgpsalumni/

At the March 2018 AGM, AA members shared their vivid memories of RGPS life, which we captured in an idea tree:

