



Principal's Message 2015



Paya Lebar Methodist Girls' School has always held a very special place in my heart. My Primary and Secondary years were spent here and this was where I grew up. It was also the first school that nurtured me when I began teaching. Fifteen years in PL has left an indelible mark upon my life. As a student, I grew up in a happy and loving school environment where my teachers taught not just from the books, but with their very lives. As a teacher, the girls inspired me with their joy for learning and their care for one another. Today, many of them have grown up into well-adjusted ladies who are special sources of blessing to their homes and community.

Many years on, I return to PL delighted to find that the school has grown from strength to strength. Our vision is 'To be an outstanding school of choice producing women of fine character with a passion for life and learning'. We seek to enable each girl to develop her potential and to inspire her to value what is good and enduring. We acknowledge that the world that our girls face will be increasingly diverse and complex. Simulating the real world environment, our girls learn and play with others who may have different talents and strengths from themselves. As our girls honour and care for one other in the PL family, they learn to relate to everyone from all walks of life.

We believe in the holistic development of our girls in an environment that is both supportive and stimulating. Our girls can look forward to a wide range of programmes and activities in areas promoting character development and academic excellence. With the girls at the center of the learning process, we will provide opportunities so that every girl can find her own place to grow and succeed.

In 2014, the PL family got together to review the school values. The result of heartfelt discussions was a revised version of what mattered to us:

A PL-Lite is one who...

Honours God
has an **E**xcellence mindset
is **A**daptable
Respects others
is always **T**hankful

These values will anchor the work that we do and remind us daily of the character we hope to build in our girls.

PL is a distinctively Christian school with a long tradition of excellence. We will be celebrating PL 100, our 100th birthday, in 2016. PL is 99 years old this year and I am privileged to be back to commemorate what so many outstanding PL-Lites have done to build our school. I pray that 2015 will see every PL staff and student remembering the old days and learning to appreciate, all over again, the rich heritage that we have been blessed with. We look forward to having you join us in praise and thanksgiving.

To God be the Glory!

Mrs Quak Li Gek

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