

PRE-SCHOOL CHILDREN TO RAISE FUNDS FOR THE ELDERLY SICK

Singapore, 11 November 2009 – A group of pre-school children, aged five and six, from the **Modern Montessori International (“MMI”)** school at Sengkang will do their bit for charity by painting a landscape cow to raise S\$5,000 for the Home Nursing Foundation (“HNF”) today.

HNF is a non-profit organisation providing quality and affordable home nursing services for the elderly patients and their caregivers in Singapore.

Ms Wee Chun Ping, Supervisor of MMI Pre-School at Sengkang, remarked: “I’m very touched to see the spontaneity and enthusiasm of the children to help the elderly and less fortunate. We have decided to take part in this activity to nurture in our young a sense of social responsibility and the importance of helping the community. This painting exercise will help the children at MMI - even at such a young, tender age – to show concern, care and respect for the elderly, apart from their grandparents.”

MMI’s painted cow will be displayed alongside other cows painted by other organizations, including the Health Minister Khaw Boon Wan’s sponsored cow, during HNF’s Charity Walk at the East Coast Park, Dalbergia Green, on 14 November 2009.

Dr T. Chandroo, Chairman and CEO of Modern Montessori International Group, says, “MMI is delighted to support Home Nursing Foundation, which plays an important role in caring for the elderly sick. As Singapore’s population continues to increase in age, the role of HNF will become even more significant and we should therefore all give solid support for this worthy cause.

Through this activity, we would like to cultivate the right values among our students. At MMI, we do not just focus on academic development, but also social responsibility and care for the community we live in”.

In addition to the painting of the landscape cows, MMI has also participated in the sale of badges to help raise funds for HNF’s elderly sick. And doing their tiny bit of “moo” for charity, the children at MMI will also be selling personality cow badges, themed “Rock”, “Sexy”, “Cool”, “Fun” and “Crazy” at their school.

Dr Chandroo will be joining in HNF’s 3km Charity Walk in the morning on 14 November, alongside Guest of Honor, Minister for Health, Minister Khaw Boon Wan.

Dr Chandroo is also involved in eight community and charity organisations including the Sri Mariamman Temple, the Rotary Club of Suntec City Singapore, and the Hindu Endowments Board.

About Modern Montessori International Group (“MMI”):

The Modern Montessori International Group (MMI) is set up in 1989, and it is one of Asia’s leading pre-school education with a truly global brand and presence. MMI currently has over 70 pre-schools and teacher-training centres in the world.

The MMI brand name is equated with a stamp of quality and assurance. MMI achieved many prestigious accreditations like ISO 9001:2000, Singapore Quality Class (SQC), Singapore Quality Class for Private Education Organisations (SQC-PEO), Singapore Franchise Mark, Open and Distance Learning Quality Council Accreditation (UK), British Accreditation Council, (BAC), etc.

Today, MMI has made inroads into more than 10 countries across Asia such as Malaysia, Thailand, Indonesia, India, Sri Lanka, Hong Kong, China and Australia. The vast experience accumulated in the last 20 years has ensured smooth replication of business

and operation models in those countries.

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About Home Nursing Foundation

The Home Nursing Foundation is a charitable and non-profit organisation that offers professional home nursing care to the needy elderly in the comfort and privacy of their homes.

With the mission to contribute to the needy elderly in the community, HNF serves patients from all walks of life. The organisation is involved in the community through active aging and health promotion initiatives to raise funds, to subsidise the cost of providing long term care to their patients.

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