By fax and by post

7 December 2010

Dear Principal/HOD (English) of EMI School,

2011 English Drama Fest

I am very pleased to invite your school to take part in the '2011 English Drama Fest'. This is our fifth year organizing this event that has proved to be immensely popular with EMI schools. Drama Fest is a stress-free activity that brings together students and teachers from different schools to share the fun and joy of English drama.

This year we are very happy to offer a drama workshop for teachers.

Date of Drama Workshop: 8 & 15 January 2011 (2:00 – 4:30 pm) Fee: No charge for schools participating in the 2011 Drama Fest. \$100 per person for schools NOT participating in the Drama Fest

Closing date of application: 20 December 2010

Our drama instructor, Mr. William Yip, Founder and Artistic Director of Theatre Noir, will give 2 identical workshops at the Theatre Noir Studio. Please refer to the attached outline of the workshop and bio of Mr. William Yip. Schools may send 1-2 teachers to attend the workshop. Enrolment will be on a first-come-first-served basis, so please ask your teacher(s) to complete and fax the enrolment form as soon as possible. The workshop is open to English teachers of ALL EMI schools, whether their school takes part in the Drama Fest or not.

2010 Drama Fest DVD and 2011 Drama Fest Fact Sheet

Schools that attended our Drama Fest briefing session on 8 October 2010 received a DVD of the 7 Outstanding Performances recorded at the finals at the Tsuen Wan Town Hall on 12 May 2010 with Professor Cheng Kai Ming, chairman of SCOLAR, as Guest of Honour. If your school wishes to have a copy of this DVD, please write to our Drama Fest coordinator Liliana Kung at liliana@netvigator.com or call 9888 3150 after 12 December 2010. I attach a copy of a newspaper article that Professor Cheng wrote after seeing the 7 outstanding performances. This will give you an idea of how valuable and meaningful it is for us to provide opportunities for our students to engage in drama activities.

As in previous years, we ask schools NOT to use elaborate sets and costumes and to limit their performance to not more than 15 minutes. If your school is entering this event for the first time, I urge your teachers to visit our website (www.emi.edu.hk) for details concerning the Drama Fest. All queries concerning the Drama Fest should be directed to Liliana Kung via email.

Venues and Prizes for 2011 Drama Fest

This year we are offering schools a choice of 4 venues over 7 days, from 7 to 19 April 2011 (except 12 and 13 April). We expect to have 6-7 schools per session and each session will be from 2:00 - 5:00 pm with a live audience from the host school and schools participating in that session. Each session will be judged individually with up to 9 trophies to be awarded.

The prizes for each session are as follows:

- 1 Outstanding Performance
- 2-4 Outstanding Performers
- 1 Outstanding Teamwork
- 1 Outstanding Spoken English
- 1 Outstanding Script (original or adapted)
- 1 Outstanding Creativity (in the use of props and costumes)

All participants, including backstage helpers, will receive a certificate of participation issued by our Association.

Please make sure that you return the Entry Form as soon as possible as allocation to the venues will be strictly on a first-come-first-served basis.

Drama Workshop Enrolment Form (Deadline: 20 December 2010)
Drama Fest Entry Form and Entry Fee (\$500 per school) (Deadline: 7 January 2011)

First, fax the completed Drama Fest Entry Form and Drama Workshop Enrolment Form to: Principal, Shau Kei Wan Government Secondary School Fax No: 2568 9708

Then, write a cheque for the total amount payable to the "Association of English Medium Secondary Schools" and send it by post, together with the Entry Form and Workshop Enrolment Form, to:

Principal

Principal
True Light Girls' College
54A Waterloo Road
Kowloon

Lastly, I take this opportunity to wish you, your staff and students a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. I hope to see you at Drama Fest in April 2011 and/or at the finals in May 2011.

Yours sincerely,

Clara Lau Chairperson