

Wednesday, February 4, 2009

Dear Parents,

Before the Christmas break, we shared some news regarding the possibility that Julia Burks and her family would be leaving Seoul at the end of this school year.

We are now in a position to inform you that whilst Julia has not officially tendered her notice she has informed us that she will not be returning to ECLC in August 2009.

In anticipation of this we advertised the position of Head of School both locally and within the international educational community overseas. In response to our advertisement, we have received many resumes that show potential to fill the position.

Having reviewed the applications we have commenced a first round of telephone interviews with the most promising candidates. Within the next few days we hope to narrow the field down to a short list of 2 strong candidates. At that point, we will then invite the candidates to Seoul to participate in a more comprehensive interview process.

We believe it is important to involve as much of the school community at that point as possible. We have asked the teachers to put a committee together to spend some time on the interview panel. We would also like to give the parent community an opportunity to be involved.

We would like to set up a committee of parents that are interested. From this committee possibly a panel of 4 or 5 parents that would actually like spend time interviewing the candidates from a parents perspective. They would then provide the board with their recommendations and why.

We therefore invite anyone interested in being a part of this committee to contact Patti Dobson, our PTA President at boriley123@yahoo.com. She will help set up and guide the committee.

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If you have any questions regarding any of this, please feel free to contact myself or any member of the Board.

To avoid rumours spreading as a result of misunderstandings or misinterpretations of what is taking place we feel it is very important that we keep you clearly informed of what is taking place in order. So please contact any member of the board with any questions or concerns that you may have.

Thanks for your continued support.

On Behalf of the school board,

Kelly McGinnis
School Board President