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EtonHouse Opens International School with Boarding Facilities in Foshan

Official Opening by Mr Ong Ye Kung

Minister for Education, Singapore, Second Minister for Defence, Singapore

Singapore, August 2017 – The EtonHouse International Education Group has opened an International K-12 School in the city of Foshan in Central Guandong province. The official opening of the school on the 23rd of August 2017, will be graced by Mr Ong Ye Kung, Minister for Education, Singapore, Second Minister for Defence, Singapore.

Invited by the MapleTree Group, the EtonHouse International School is situated in the Nanhai Business City, also nicknamed the “Huanan Singapore City”, in Foshan.

The MapleTree development is a first of its kind in Foshan, comprising premium residential, commercial (retail and office) spaces around the VivoCity mall. The school offers an international curriculum situated on a campus spanning 40,000 sqm. It has state-of-art facilities such as a 200 m track field, swimming pool, indoor gym, specialist studios for Music, Art, Dance and Drama, and a library with the largest collection of English language children’s books in Foshan. The school can accommodate up to 1800 students. It also provides outstanding boarding facilities for families in the surrounding cities. The founding Principal of the school is Grainne O’Reilly, a highly respected educator from the UK who was Principal to more than 10 schools in the UK and abroad including the British School of Houston.

EtonHouse has a successful track record in China with K-12 schools and kindergartens catering to both local and international families in cities such as Shanghai, Suzhou, Nanjing, Chengdu, Wuxi and more. EtonHouse schools in Suzhou, Nanjing, Chengdu and Wuxi are IB World schools. In the Guangdong province, EtonHouse has schools in Zhuhai and Dongguan. Headquartered in Singapore, EtonHouse has a total of more than 30 schools in 18 cities in China.

Globally, there has been a significant increase in the number of international schools and China is no exception. This demand is not restricted to the big cities only. A growing number of local and international families in cities such as Foshan are looking to send their children

to international schools. These schools also enhance the profile of the cities and attract foreign talent.

Mrs. Ng Gim Choo, Founder of EtonHouse said, “We are confident that this campus will attract international communities to Foshan. Education is the cornerstone of a family and the provision of a good quality school can create new opportunities and change the landscape of a city. We are humbled and excited at the same time to be a part of this very significant initiative”.

To learn more about EtonHouse, log on to www.etonhouse.com.sg.

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About EtonHouse

EtonHouse International Education Group is headquartered in Singapore with **more than 100 international schools** spread across Singapore, Hong Kong, China, India, Indonesia, Korea, Japan, Malaysia, Cambodia, Vietnam, Myanmar and Kazakhstan. Together these schools provide high quality education to over 12000 children globally. In 2015, EtonHouse commemorated its **20th anniversary** by launching the EtonHouse Community Fund to support underprivileged children.

Over the last 21 years, EtonHouse has been at the forefront of international education offering innovative pre-schools and K-12 schools across Asia and now the Middle East. In the early years, an inquiry based “Inquire-Think-Learn” curriculum, inspired by the Reggio Emilia approach is followed. EtonHouse International Schools offer the highly successful International Baccalaureate (IB) Programme and the IGCSE qualification in the secondary level. The EtonHouse Group has won several accolades for its exemplary practice such as the “Outstanding Leader” and “Outstanding Teacher” awards conferred by the Ministry of Social and Family Development (MSF) in Singapore in 2011 and 2012. In 2014, the MSF presented EtonHouse with the “Outstanding Centre for Teaching and Learning” Award and the Early Childhood Innovation Award in 2015. The international IB K-12 school in Suzhou was voted as one of China’s best international schools by a research based firm founded by MIT Alumni.

The Group also works closely with the Government in Singapore and China. In early 2014, EtonHouse was selected by the MSF in Singapore to be part of the Anchor Operator (AOP) Scheme to launch E-Bridge Pre-School, providing high quality and affordable early childhood services for Singaporean families. EtonHouse schools in Suzhou, Wuxi and Nanjing were started at the invitation of the Jiangsu provincial government.

The Group is deeply committed to research and professional development and brought the first Reggio Children conference to Singapore. In 2013, EtonHouse became a member of the Reggio Children International Network and launched REACH (Reggio Emilia in Asia for children), the first organization to represent Reggio Children in Asia and continues to offer high quality professional development opportunities on a regular basis to further enhance its standards of practice.