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SLI Moves to New Home



The SLI community: We're home!

Sekolah Lentera Internasional (SLI) gave a whole new meaning to the word "school" when it opened its brand new home to its parent partners on 27 July 2005 for the Parent Orientation Program.

Work on the building began in February 2005 and after waiting for six whole months, our home was all geared up and ready with our opening salvo- the parents' orientation at the Conference Hall, located on the 3rd floor of the Administration Building. Moms and dads came, tugging along those familiar little feet, who instantly rushed to be with their teachers the minute they caught sight of them. Other parents were engaged in light banter with Ms Vania, the school director, while a number were sharing stories with Mr Edwin, the school principal. Amongst these spontaneous ease were teachers freely and casually milling around, especially among the new parents. The casual and genial atmosphere are everyday sights here at Lentera.

Originally, SLI was planned as SD Lentera Kasih Sunter, Jakarta North's branch south of Jakarta; thus, in 2001 SD Lentera Kasih put down its roots along Jl Pakubuwono 6, continuing its tradition of nurturing education for the past ten years.

Now, with a total student population of 80, the logistics are small, but Lentera dreams big time. Mr Edwin, the school principal

sets a vision of helping students be the best they can be, and as Indonesia's future leaders, give back to Indonesian society the best of what they have assimilated from SLI. Like an expectant parent, Mr Edwin looks forward to the day Lentera graduates its first batch of students, and when that time comes, he dreams of telling the kids, "When you graduate, your prize is not the certificate. Your best certificate is you, the person you would have become- confident, persevering and compassionate."

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Mr Edwin's vision is

echoed in Miss Vania's words— "I have always dreamt of a school that builds character and nurtures the young." Sekolah Lentera Internasional, our new home, is built upon that dream.



The artist and her labor of love

Ms Alice Arianto, shown here doing what she loves doing best— teaching Art to the graders, is an architect by profession. SLI's new building is the handwork of Ms Alice, Lentera's much-loved Art teacher. A mother of four and an architect by profession, Ms Alice conceptualized the school in record two month's time. With husband Ivan, Ms Alice has built countless homes, an international school and a hotel in Medan, but she looks at SLI as her best work — her magnum opus. For six grueling months, Ms Titin and Mr Tedja, watched eagle-eyed as Sekolah Lentera Internasional rose from the ground up.

