

## **Catherine Tran Birthday Fund Raising July 9, 2011**

*Every year, the beginning of July was our exciting time. Family gathered in our back yard, the cherry tree which bore so much cherry would be a great gift from home to share with all guests. It was fresh and so sweet! It was also the time we preferred to hold Catherine's birthday because we were able to get the maximum number of participants (from here in Canada and from USA). Catherine used to wonder of her true birthday on July 31<sup>st</sup> but would not care since she got more gifts, which usually turned out to be either cash or a Chapter's book gift cards. She would ask, "I still can have my real birthday celebration with you and Elizabeth, right?" and the answer was always, YES! Those days went by so quick but the memory still stayed firmly within each of us. Just thinking of this already sinks our hearts deeply!!!*

*However, we have to stand strong together; we have to learn to face it. We have to find a way, a positive way, to still celebrate her birthday every year, as possible! The cherry tree, unfortunately, is no longer with us but we still want to invite all of you over to show you what has happened since July 2009, her 16<sup>th</sup> birthday. Catherine may wonder why we still celebrate her birthday but will quickly understand that it is all for her wishes.*

*It will not be money for her to buy books that she loved to read but rather to build bridges, wells, to buy bicycles, toys, food and so much more for so many other kids in need.*

*We would like to invite all the family members from here and USA, all the friends who had come to one of her birthday parties in the past, and new friends who knew her and the family through the charity works to come and celebrate with us the growing support of the Catherine Tran Charity in the second year.*

*The family would provide food and drinks, the charity team will set up a lot of games for all the participants to play and enjoy. Parents, please bring your kids. Catherine's friends, bring your brothers and sisters.*

*We will post all the games and prizes for everyone to look over. If you have not been contacted by any of our family or team member please call us at 416 722 3677 for more information.*