

# Premier League Superstars delight fans at Sands for Singapore

60 students from The Guardian Academy receive football clinic at Marina Bay Sands

**Singapore** (June 20, 2013) – Marina Bay Sands is proud to host an exclusive football clinic with 18 Premier League Superstars for 60 students from The Guardian Academy.



Mr. George Tanasijevich, President and Chief Executive Officer of Marina Bay Sands and the Premier League football players with students from The Guardian Academy Credit all images to: Marina Bay Sands

As part of **Sands for Singapore**, Marina Bay Sands' Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) programme, the Premier League Superstars football clinic is a Marina Bay Sands initiative to give back to the local community, by allowing young local athletes to be inspired through first hand interaction with world-famous sportsmen.



Held today at the Skating Rink at The Shoppes Marina Bay Sands, the football clinic allowed students to try their hand at juggling, dribbling and taking a penalty with elite professional players John Barnes, Robbie Fowler, Peter Crouch, David Seaman, Ian Wright, Andrew Cole, Rio Ferdinand, Dennis Irwin, Harry Redknapp, Gary McAllister, Ian Rush, Leslie Ferdinand, Peter Reid, John Barnes, Glenn Hoddle, Osvaldo Ardiles Vignoli, Dietmar Harmann and David Ginola.



John Barnes and Peter Reid coaching students on dribbling

The student athletes aged between 6 to 17, were visibly thrilled for this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to learn from the superstars.



David Seaman coaching students on taking a penalty



Local football enthusiast and student athlete from The Guardian Academy, Dawson Shane Elliot, 11, said, "I would like to thank Marina Bay Sands and The Guardian Academy for this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to meet my favourite football stars. I have heard many stories about them from my father and have always watched them play during their matches. Being able to finally learn playing football with them is truly a dream come true for me."



Glenn Hoddle, Ian Wright and Rio Ferdinand coaching students on heading



Andrew Cole signing footballs after the clinic





Premier League Footballers posing with Mr. George Tanasijevich, President and Chief Executive Officer of Marina Bay Sands

In August, **Sands for Singapore** will also launch its inaugural three-day signature charitable event that will be held throughout Marina Bay Sands. The integrated resort will leverage the unique aspects of its property to raise funds for its designated charities and other local non-profit organisations (NPOs). Individuals and corporates can join in to give back to Singapore by participating in the hive of activities from 16 – 18 August.

Marina Bay Sands is fast becoming a hotspot for world famous athletes, having hosted Golf legend, Tiger Woods, boxing phenomenon Manny Pacquiao, ATP players Janko Tipsarevic and Kei Nishikori, football legends Pele, Eric Cantona, Liverpool FC, and NBA player Kobe Bryant.

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