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NEWSLETTER

The Official Newsletter of Dream Compassioneers



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Dream Compassioneers

Dream Compassioneers is a joint-school international education and volunteering organisation. It aims to provide schoolchildren in poverty-stricken regions all over the world with daily necessities and opportunities for education, improving their lives in the long term. Dream Compassioneers is a registered charitable body. (IR File No. 91/17842) (Society Ref. No. 1963635)

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends of DC,

Hello! As the summer has come to an end, I believe many of us are preparing hard for the new academic year. Looking back in August, Dream Compassioneers had conducted quite a number of social service and advocacy activities with the support from all of you. Here, I must present my gratitude to all of you who have supported us.

In terms of social service, we have met a new round of Dream Compassioneers Free Tuition Project's applicants. Our new volunteer teachers come from different local universities. Not only did they obtain a flying color in their public examinations, but they also possess a passion for helping local grassroots children, which definitely worth our appreciation. Besides, we have launched the 4th "Grant A Wish" Material Donation Project this month and we welcome all schools to join our program, donating educational materials to orphanages in Cambodia.

In terms of advocacy campaigns, we have hosted the semi-final of the Dream Compassioneers Debate Competition, in which the four competing schools have an in-depth discussion on the benefit and harm of child labour in developing countries. Also, some of the finalists of the Hong Kong Student Service Leaders Award have completed their service projects and fundraising activities. We also invite you to read this month's Read to Inspire to recap the content of last month's webinar.

Moreover, we have started the recruitment for the 4th Dream Compassioneers' student committee members. In the past, our student members have founded different social service and advocacy activities with the great support of community leaders and the Management Board. We welcome you to apply to be our members and contribute to the world through serving others in need. Also, Dream Compassioneers is now recruiting Member Schools to utilize the community's power to contribute to society. We sincerely invite your school to join the Member Schools community and promote service learning together.

Lastly, I would extend my gratitude to all who have supported 3rd DC. Though my term of office as the president of DC has come to an end, I will still continue to stay in DC and serve the children in need. Wish you all a prosperous life.

Sincerely,
Mr. Lin Kai-chun Charlie
President of the 3rd Executive Committee of Dream Compassioneers

OUR AIMS

- 1 This association aims to provide daily necessities and education opportunities for schoolchildren in poverty-stricken regions all over the world, improving their life in the long term.
- 2 This association strives to raise public awareness of the situation and needs of the poor in poverty-stricken regions, encouraging more capable individuals to lend a helping hand to those in need.
- 3 The founders and members of this association should serve with altruism, placing the interest of others over personal gains and benefits.
- 4 This association hopes to enrich the organisational and overseas-service-related experience of Hong Kong secondary students. By widening their horizons, this association hopes to foster the all-round growth of students and to nurture future servant leaders.
- 5 This association embraces individuals of various religious backgrounds and political viewpoints, yet does not participate in any religious or political activities.



REPORT ON AUGUST ACTIVITIES

Dream Compassioners Free Tuition Project

We have finished meeting the volunteer teachers of the new round of Dream Compassioners Free Tuition Project. We sincerely thank all of them for giving out their precious time to teach our future pillars and promote educational equality. This year, we have got nearly 30 new volunteer teachers who come from different local universities. Not only did they obtain a flying color in their public examinations, but they also possess a passion for helping local grassroots children, which definitely worth our appreciation. Some of them are even studying Global Business Studies, Quantitative Finance, Chinese Language, Early Childhood Education and History, showing that they possess a professional level of knowledge and talent. It is hoped that our students can learn from our volunteer teachers in both exam preparation and career planning.

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現正招募義補老師，及接受學生報名

義務老師：必須達到中學畢業或以上的教育水平，且任教科目需於文憑試中獲五級或以上（能教授英文優先）
招募期：24/7 - 20/8
義補學生：高中學生（香港中學文憑試課程）
時間：建議每星期最少一次，每次最少一小時（於新學期開始）
費用：全免
*學生須繳交\$150按金，完成計劃後（最少12小時）將會全數退回
平台：網上

'Grant A Wish' Supplies Donation Project

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2023童夢同行物資捐贈計劃

此計劃旨在鼓勵各位捐贈家中不必要的物品予各地有需要的學童。我們期望透過收集物資，如文具、衣物等，並送至本港及外地有需要院舍，為有需要的學童出一分力。

另外，計劃具教育意義。同學在捐贈過程中，將自己不再需要的物品，轉贈給有需要的人。此舉不僅能夠幫助有需要的學童，更有助宣傳環保與資源分享的理念。同時，計劃更能讓同學明白自己應當感恩生活所有。助人為樂，有所成長。

今期收集物資要求

- ✓ 二手或全新：
 - 文具
 - 夏季衣服
- ✗ 不包括：
 - 冬衣、內衣、損壞或滿墨文具、筆記本及文件夾

收集期限
校本決定

收集地點
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'Grant A Wish' Supplies Donation Project aims to equip under-resourced students around the world with necessities such as clothes, stationeries and masks. After the screening, we will donate them to Cambodian orphanages, New Future For Children and Cambodia Care Centre, and we hope to extend our reach to other centers in need.

Schools can collect supplies according to their schedules. In addition, we encourage participating schools to recruit student ambassadors to assist with the project on campus. Certificates will be presented to all participating schools to express our gratitude. Schools with outstanding participation will also be awarded gold, silver and bronze awards. We look forward to your enthusiastic support!



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* The 3rd Dream Compassion Inter-School Service Debate Competition *

The 3rd Dream Compassion Inter-School Service Debate Competition was successfully held on August 19th for the semi-finals. The motion for this round is "Child labour do more good than harm in developing countries." All four semi-final teams had an in-depth discussion on the influence of child labor on children's health and on their families' living conditions. We hope that students can understand and reflect on the issue of children's right.

At the same time, we would like to thank all the cooperating schools, including Bishop Hall Jubilee School, Maryknoll Convent School (Secondary Section), Sacred Heart Canossian College and Good Hope School, for sending out staff members and judges. In addition, we would like to sincerely thank all the judges for attending and providing insightful comments on the competition. We believe that the students have benefited greatly from your participation. Last, We would like to express our gratitude to all the schools for their active support of the 3rd Dream Compassion Debate Competition and enthusiastic participation in the competition. The Grand Final of the competition will be held in October. More details will be announced soon. We hope that we can continue to enjoy the eloquent speeches of the debaters and promote the spirit of service through the debates.





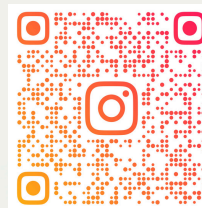
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HKSSLA 2022

In this month, the finalists from Hong Kong Student Service Leaders Award have launched their fund-raising and service activities. They are expected to round up all activities in September.

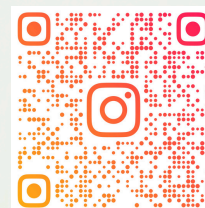
Regarding the fundraising activities, the first group (Agapi) held a Cambodian bracelets workshop and collected registration fees on August 15 at the community center. During the workshop, they incorporated elements of Cambodia to help participants understand the cultural characteristics of Cambodia. They also participated in a market on August 5 and 6 to sell their products and hold mini workshops.

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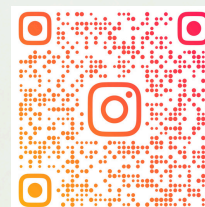
The second group of students (Fluoresco) raised funds through a charity sale. They have designed three products: a laptop bag, a shoulder bag, and an accessory bag, all printed with images related to Cambodia, including the Cambodian symbol and Khmer script. They sold the products at a physical market on August 12 and 13, while promoting their cause online to raise public awareness of Cambodian students. Other products will be sold through online promotions.

fluoresco



The third group (Afterglow) released a series of videos to raise fund. The videos explored the difficulties faced by Cambodian students in their daily lives, including the economy, environmental pollution, and public health, to raise Hong Kong people's awareness of the current situation in Cambodia and extend a helping hand. They will post the videos on various social media platforms to gain more support.

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After deducting the costs, all the funds raised by the three groups will be donated to the Amity Foundation (Hong Kong) to assist in building libraries and water and electricity facilities for Cambodian village schools. We hope that all of you can support the fundraising activities of the three groups!





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Read To Inspire

Last month, we were honoured to have Ms. Florence Lau, the founder and CEO of CantoGather, as the guest speaker of the 22nd regular webinar of Dream Compassioners. She shared her service experience with us under the theme of "The Art Of Neighboring".

Ms. Lau and her team have founded CantoGather, a community that promotes Cantonese language and multicultural integration. They aim to establish a harmonious environment that embraces diversity through Cantonese and various cultures. Ms. Lau, driven by her Christian faith, decided to create this organisation to assist ethnic minority individuals who face difficulties integrating into Hong Kong's local Chinese culture due to language and cultural differences, causing challenges in education and employment.

Ms. Lau shared her organization's work, including volunteer recruitment and providing educational support to ethnic minority children. They also organise regular activities at primary schools, tailored to the Chinese proficiency levels of ethnic minority students, to teach them Chinese and explain the history of Chinese culture. Ms. Lau emphasised that their goal is not only to teach the Cantonese language but also to create a multicultural and inclusive environment that promotes mutual respect. As a result, the organisation frequently holds cultural exchange events to introduce traditional Chinese festivals and celebrations to the ethnic minority community and allows tutors to experience the unique characteristics of Southeast Asian traditions together.





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Recruitment of 4th Executive Committees and Subsidiary Committees

To encourage student leaders to volunteer and learn the spirit of altruism, student committee members of Dream Compassioneers have founded and hosted different social service and advocacy activities with the great support of community leaders and the Management Board. We welcome nominations of students from your school as Executive Committee Members and Subsidiary Committee Members to foster learning through services and contributions to the world.

Interested students can scan the QR code below and fill in the application form on or before the International Day of Peace, 21/9/2023 23:59.



Recruitment of member school

Dream Compassioneers is now recruiting Member Schools to utilize the community's power to contribute to society. No membership fee will be collected, and your students will be prioritized to receive information about us and join our activities, including Dream Compassioneers Debate Competition, "Grant A Wish" Material Donation Project, and more. We sincerely invite your school to join the Member Schools community and promote service learning together. Please scan the below QR codes to access to Member School Partnership Agreement and Member School Application Form.

[Member School Partnership Agreement](#)



[Member School Application Form](#)





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**If you would like to donate and support us, please feel free to contact us via +852 59967501

Note: Please feel free to forward this Newsletter to those who have a passion for service.