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NEWSLETTER

The Official Newsletter of 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.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

28th February 2021

Dear Friends of Dream Compassioneers,

Happy Lunar New Year! We wish you the best of health and prosperity during this time.

Dream Compassioneers has been organising various activities in encouraging the public to engage in volunteering. There is an old saying that spring is the best start of a year. We have been planning large-scale volunteering projects for months. After a long time of preparation and discussion, we prepared a large-scaled volunteering project which lasts for one and a half years. The volunteering project includes servant leader training, service trip to Cambodia and Cambodia students visiting Hong Kong, etc. We are trying to communicate with keen sponsors. Hope that we can bring you the good news soon! The projects will be shared later.

In this month, Dream Compassioneers continue to organise different events including "Passion to Talk, Talk to inspire" Webinars, "Dream Compassioneers Debating Cup" and "DCMUN2021" etc. We hope to achieve social advocacy to raise public awareness towards the issue of under-resourced students by organising activities. The collection of supplies of the "Grant A Wish" Supplies Collection Project will resume as the face-to-face class of Secondary School. Furthermore, Dream Compassioneers started the "Dream Compassioneers Volunteer tutoring project", looking forward to providing free tutorial sessions to under-resourced students. Please continue to support us as before. We will try our best to not disappoint you.

Sincerely,

Ms. OR Ka Ying Ice

President of the 1st 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.



1st Dream Compassioners

UPDATED - LIST OF HONORARY ADVISORS

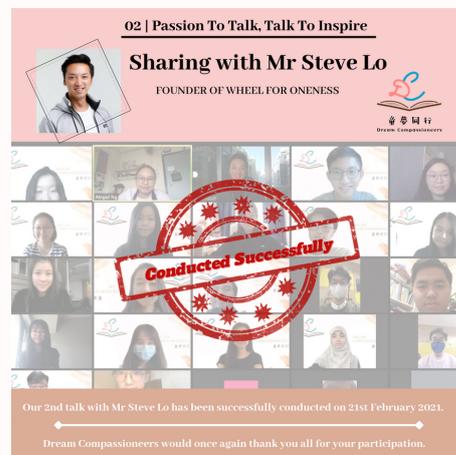
We are truly honoured to have invited Prof. Poon Ming Kay to serve as the honorary advisor of "Dream Compassioners" this month. Professor Poon is an associate professor of the Department of Chinese Language and Literature and the director of Wu Yee Sun College at the Chinese University of Hong Kong. Professor Poon is caring towards students, and in addition to teaching and research, he is also committed to promoting student advocated activities. Professor Poon encourages his students to serve society. Moreover, he also bears insights on the services. Allow us to express our sincere gratitude and give a warm welcome to Professor Poon serving as the honorary advisor of Dream Compassioners.

REPORT OF FEB. ACTIVITIES Advocacy

Feb -- Online Talk

"Passion to Talk, Talk to Inspire"

Our second online webinar "Passion to Talk, Talk to Inspire" has been successfully held on February 21st. We were honoured to have Mr. Steve Lo, the founder of Wheel For Oneness, as our guest speaker for this event and to have him share his experiences working with people of disabilities with us. The webinar allowed us to reflect upon our mindsets, as well as society's attitudes towards the disabled. We had around 50 participants in this event, thank you for all the participation and support! We will be launching our March "Passion to Talk, Talk to Inspire" very soon. Stay tuned!



DCMUN 2021

Aims

- To encourage students discussing issues related to children's rights to achieve social advocacy
- Expect participants to actively engage in global issues, understand the challenges, and come up with innovative resolutions
- To develop negotiation, leadership, and analytical skills

The chair recruitment has finished and the interview will be conducted on March 6, 2021. The delegate recruitment will be opened on March 1, 2021.





REPORT OF FEB. ACTIVITIES

Advocacy

1st DC Debate Competition

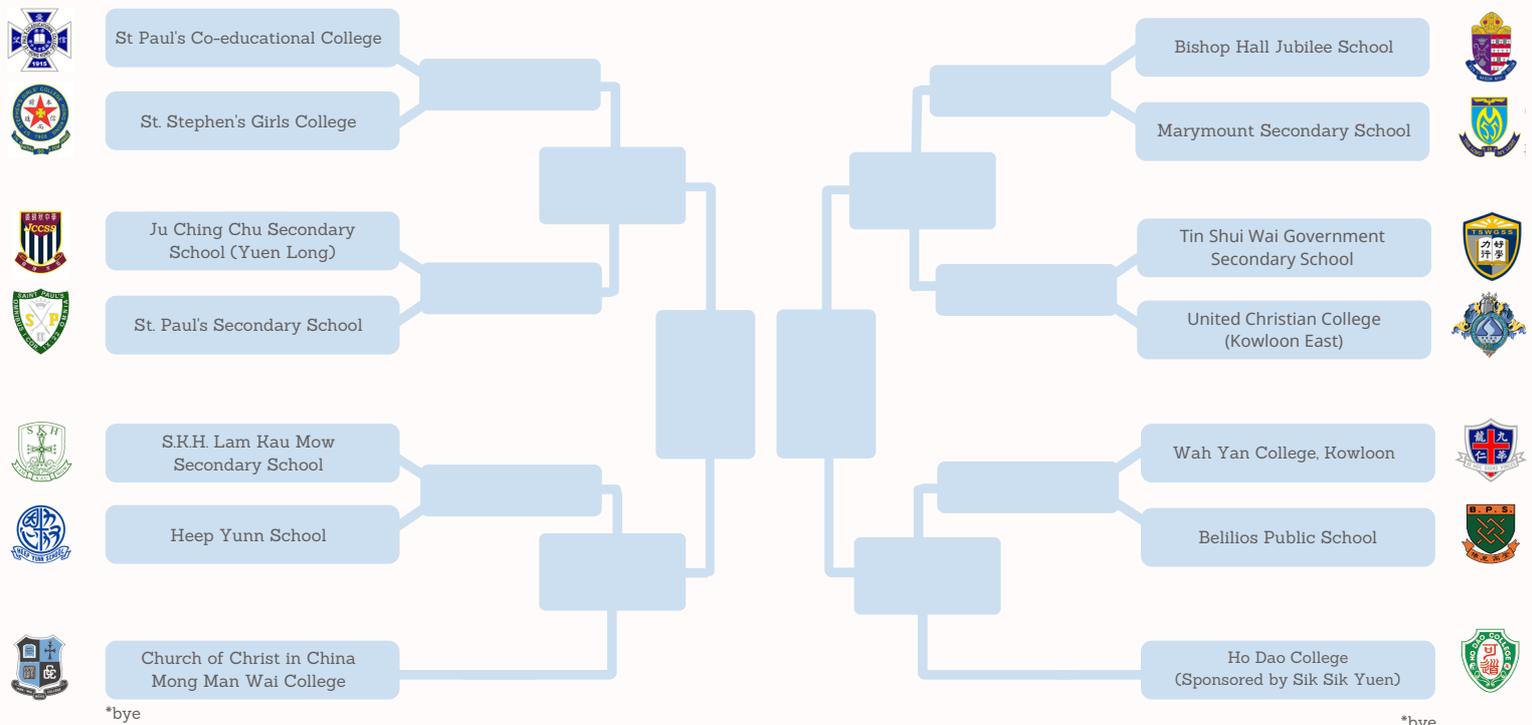
The 1st Dream Compassioners Debate Competition Briefing was held successfully on 20/2/2021. Due to the keen support of our participants, the number of competitors is now expanded from 8 schools to 14 schools, all in hopes to raise awareness regarding topics such as poverty and volunteering services. The explanation of competition rules, format, and the drawing of sides were discussed and completed in the briefing. We would like to express our sincere gratitude to those who attended the briefing. The formal competition will begin on 6th March, 2021. Let's enjoy the upcoming exciting debate and spread the spirits of volunteerism.



Motions (Preliminary)

- Developing Countries should legislate against child labour
- Globalisation has done more good than harm in regards to alleviating poverty in developing countries
- Secondary Schools should offer a service learning subject

Competition Schedule



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REPORT OF FEB. ACTIVITIES

Social Services

“GRANT A WISH”

— Supplies Collection Project

On November 20, 2020, United Nation's World Children's Day, we launched a material collection program - "Grant A Wish". Through this project, we hope to equip under-resourced students with donated supplies, and thus, achieve their dreams. We hope to gather every bit of strength to provide students in underdeveloped countries with necessary educational materials, such as stationeries, clothing, etc. After processing, we will donate the collected supplies to those in need, e.g. Cambodian orphanages. Some of our member schools have been invited to participate in this event, however, due to the suspension of physical school as a result of the pandemic, we have decided to extend the collection deadline and continue after classes are resumed. Hopefully, through a little contribution from each of us, we will be able to achieve the dreams of the underresourced school children.



DREAM COMPASSIONERS FREE TUITION SERVICE

WE ARE NOW RECRUITING VOLUNTARY TEACHERS APPLICATIONS FOR STUDENTS ARE ALSO OPENED

Target students: Senior secondary school students (undertaking the HKDSE syllabus)

Target teachers: students who have obtained a high school diploma, level 5 or above in HKDSE (or other equivalents) per subject.

Time: Suggested 1 hour of tutoring per week

Fee: Free of charge

Mode: Online voluntary teaching

Deadline for Phase 1: 28/3/2021

DREAM COMPASSIONERS FREE TUITION SERVICE

We are beyond excited to announce the launching of our free tuition project! It has been long awaited for underprivileged students across Hong Kong to gain access to free tuition services, reducing the unequal opportunities received by students of different family backgrounds.

The free tuition project aims at facilitating senior form students following the DSE curriculum. Students who demonstrate specific financial needs, such as receiving the Comprehensive Social Security Assistance (CSSA) will be prioritized throughout the application process.

Volunteering teachers would have to complete their senior secondary education or above (curriculums other than DSE are also accepted). Teaching subject(s) is/are required to achieve level 5 or above in HKDSE (or other equivalent). Once committed to our three months time slot, volunteering teachers will be required to spare one hour a week tutoring one student.

Our phase one application of students will end on the 28th of March, 2021. We will then pair up the students and teachers. Further applications will be opened once our program develops. If you would like to support us, please do not hesitate, share the project with your friends, and join us!

Should you have any inquiries, please send an email to dreamcompassioners@gmail.com, or contact +852 9300 5815 (Miss Feifei Hung). Thank you!

「童夢同行義補計劃」

DREAM COMPASSIONERS FREE TUITION SERVICE

- 本計劃期望為有經濟需要的學童提供針對性的免費補習，長遠提升生活，將來回饋社會。
- 本計劃期望為熱心義工提供服務與交流平台，使其運用所長，幫助有需要學童，貢獻社會，同時累積人生經驗。
- 本計劃通過義務補習，服務他人。希望能推廣服務精神，為善最樂，呼應「童夢同行」宗旨。

宗旨

Aims

- To provide pertinent, free tuition service to students in need, in order to improve their living standards in the long term so they may dedicate themselves to society in the future.
- To introduce a service and communication platform for enthusiastic volunteers to help students in need, contribute to society and obtain life experiences.
- To serve through providing free tuition service to students in need. We hope to promote the server-oriented culture in line with the spirit of Dream Compassioners.



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Thank you for supporting us!

**If you would like to donate and support us, please feel free to contact our President, Ms Ice Or via +852 51192252.

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

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