

FEBRUARY 2024 | VOL.38

NEWSLETTER

The Official Newsletter of Dream Compassioners



童夢同行

Dream Compassioners

Dream Compassioners 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 Compassioners is a registered charitable body. (IR File No. 91/17842) (Society Ref. No. 1963635)

VICE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear friends of Dream Compassioners:

Happy New Year! Wish you all the best and success! With the start of the Year of the Dragon, Dream Compassioners continue to prepare and hold different activities to transcend the spirit of service.

In terms of service, some student members continue to participate in our Tutorial Project co-organised with HKSOD. With the theme of "Being a Little Tour Guide" this month, volunteer teachers taught students some knowledge of famous attractions. I believe that the participating student members have certainly gained new insight while volunteering.

In terms of advocacy activities, the application for the 4th Dream Compassioners Debate Competition has now ended. Thanks to the support from schools, this year's competition has over 70 teams participating. The briefing session was successfully conducted on the 16th, with the external round of competitions being held on the 24th and 25th of February. We hope that participating students have deepened their understanding of children-related issues through debating. Additionally, "Read to Inspire" this month brings us through the 25th "Passion to Talk, Talk to Inspire" webinar, where we invited the founder of Light the Rights HK, Clarisse Poon. She shared her experience of creating her own organisation as a secondary student and her service experience. Besides, The Dream Compassioners Charity Ball concluded last month achieved exposure through newspaper articles like Singpao, making it on the school website of Bishop Hall Jubilee School and Yan Chai Hospital Law Chan Chor Si College. We hope that the Charity Ball and such media exposure become an opportunity for more people to become a part of Dream Compassioners.

With the launching of the 3rd Hong Kong Student Service Leader Award (HKSSLA), we hope that it can continue the success of previous years, and encourage more secondary students to contribute to the area of service by appraising their efforts. We welcome all the school to participate by nominating student service leaders.

Lastly, thank you for your continued support throughout the previous Year of Rabbit! We once again wish you a Happy Chinese New Year, and may all your wishes come true.

Sincerely,
Ms. NG Pui-yin, Anne
Vice President of 4th Executive Committee of Dream Compassioners

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 This association hopes to enrich the organizational and overseas-service-related experience of Hong Kong students. By widening their horizons, this association hopes to foster the all-round growth of students and to nurture future servant leaders.
- 4 This association embraces individuals of various religious backgrounds and political viewpoints, yet does not participate in any religious or political activities.



REPORT ON FEBRUARY ACTIVITIES

Servicing Scheme for Hearing-Impaired Students

During February, Dream Compassion continues to send committee members to participate in the Servicing Scheme for Hearing-Impaired Students co-organise with HKSOD. February's lessons surrounded the theme of "Being a Little Tour Guide" by teaching students more about tourism-related information and enabling further understanding of what a job as a tour guide entails. Through joining the sessions, we believe that not only could we accompany the hearing-impaired children, but our student members have also improved their communication skills and fostered better relationships with the children. We look forward to the continuous meetings with the hearing-impaired students in order to brighten their childhood!



The 4th Dream Compassion Debate Competition

The 4th Dream Compassion Debate Competition received applications from over 70 schools, making it one of the largest debate competitions in the territory. We are truly grateful to the support from all the participating schools and we hope the competition can evoke more public attention towards children-related topics through the competition. The briefing session was successfully held on 16th February 2024. During the briefing session, we explained the competition rules and format and, at the same time completed the drawing procedure. We express our sincere gratitude to the representatives of the 72 schools who spared their precious time to attend the briefing.

The qualification round of the 4th Dream Compassion Debate Competition was successfully held on 24 and 25 February. We would like to express our gratitude towards Bishop Hall Jubilee School, Yan Chai Hospital Law Chan Chor Si College, HKMLC Queen Maud Secondary School and St Paul's Convent School for being our co-organisers, sending out staff and judges, and lending their campuses for competition. At the same time, we express our appreciation towards the participating schools for their active participation. The preliminary round of the 4th Dream Compassion Debate Competition will be held on 9, 10, 23, and 24 March. We will look forward to the excellent performance of the debaters!





REPORT ON FEBRUARY ACTIVITIES

Read to inspire

Last month, we were honoured to have Ms. Clarisse Poon, the founder of Light Their Rights HK as the guest speaker for the 25th regular online talk of "Passion to Talk, Talk to Inspire". She shared her volunteer experience with us under the theme of "Childlike Heart, Synonymous with Love and Truth - Inheritance of the Spirit of Righteousness."

Ms. Poon has been passionate about doing volunteer work since childhood, visiting nursing homes and distributing supplies to the homeless. She later volunteered with different NGOs and gained experience in organising events through joining joint-school organisations. She eventually established the volunteer platform "Light Their Rights HK" to provide ongoing assistance to homeless individuals and young people.

Hence, Ms Poon stated her thoughts further by stating the challenges she faced in establishing Light Their Rights HK as a high school student, including identifying suitable beneficiaries, securing sponsors, conducting promotions, and recruiting volunteers. She advised us not to give up easily and bravely respond to challenges.

Lastly, Ms Poon advised seizing opportunities and gaining experience through volunteer services to prepare for establishing a charitable organisation. She emphasised the importance of making plans, understanding beneficiaries, and creating a unique path of service in life.

The service spirit of Lights Their Rights HK and Ms. Poon has helped numerous groups in society. Through youth workshops and services for the homeless, they have inspired and motivated many lives, deserving of praise and emulation!

25 | 「見賢思齊」 網上講座

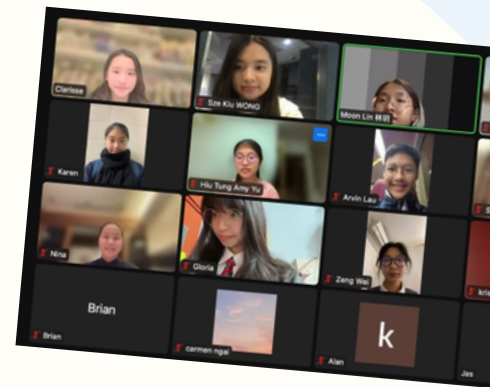


潘浣淳小姐
MS. CLARISSE POON

Founder of Light Their Rights HK
Light Their Rights HK 創辦人

童心同義 傳愛傳真
- 行義精神之傳承

Childlike Heart, Synonymous with Love and Truth - Inheritance of the Spirit of Righteousness





REPORT ON FEBRUARY ACTIVITIES

HKSSLA 2023-2024

Organised by Dream Compassioners, The Hong Kong Student Service Leaders Award 2023-2024 (HKSSLA) aims to commend our student leaders' contributions to social services and motivate them to continue serving. Through various social initiatives and advocacies, we wish to promote the service spirit as well as encourage future potentials to serve and give back to the community. Candidates will design and organize their own service programmes and participate in workshops that are jointly organised by Dream Compassioners to become better service leaders.

Ten "Outstanding Student Service Leader of the Year" and several "Outstanding Student Service Leaders" will be selected in this election. The finalists will be awarded with scholarships, prizes and certificates, and will be invited to participate in the service trip. This election has the honour of having Hong Kong's top community leaders as our honourable judge panel, including Mr. Eugene Fong Yick Jin, Past District Governor of Rotary International District 3450, Prof. Lee Chi Kin John, JP, Chair Professor of Curriculum and Instruction of The Education University of Hong Kong, Prof. Herman Hu, GBS, JP, Co-Chairperson of Board of Governors of the CityU Foundation and Mr. Leung Wai Kwong, IDSM, IMSM, Chief Executive of Yan Chai Hospital Board. The Hong Kong Student Service Leaders Award is also supported by several institutions, including the Agency for Volunteer Service.

Application for this Award closes on March 17, 2024. We welcome school nominations or self-nominations from students who want to give back to society.



HONG KONG STUDENT SERVICE LEADERS AWARD
香港學生服務領袖選舉 | 2023-24

APPLICATION DEADLINE
截止報名日期
2024-03-17

ELIGIBILITY
報名資格
 8.4 to 9.5 / Grade 10 to 12 / Years 10 to 12 students in Hong Kong through School Nomination or Self-nomination
 現任香港中學的學生 (年級10至12歲) / 第10至12年的學生
 經學校提名或自我提名

ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES
精彩活動

- Interview 面試
- Opening Ceremony 開幕禮
- Award Ceremony 頒獎典禮
- Capacity Building Workshops 能力提升工作坊
- Social Services 社會服務

INTRODUCTION
簡介

Hong Kong Student Service Leaders Award, initiated and organized by Dream Compassioners, aims to encourage promising students with outstanding community service. Student leaders award activities jointly held with various professionals and related service projects by DreamCompassioners will provide the spirit of collaboration, motivating the public to act for the good and contribute to society.

HONORARY JUDGES
評判團

主席團成員 Mr. Eugene Fong Yick Jin
 Past District Governor, Rotary International District 3450
 前 Rotary 國際區 3450 區總監

主席團成員 Ms. Wong Lee Lee
 Principal, Sui Chi Shui Shui Tsz Tung Secondary School
 聖慈書院書院校長

主席團成員 Prof. Lee Chi Kin John, JP
 Chair Professor of Curriculum and Instruction, the Education University of Hong Kong
 香港教育大學課程及教學研究中心主任

主席團成員 Prof. Herman Hu, GBS, JP
 Co-Chairman of the Board of Governors of the CityU Foundation
 香港中文大學發展委員會副主席

主席團成員 Mr. Tso Yiu Man
 Principal, De La Salle Secondary School, N.T.
 新時代書院校長

主席團成員 Mr. Leung Wai Kwong, IDSM, IMSM
 Chief Executive, Yan Chai Hospital Board
 仁濟醫院執行總監

主席團成員 Mr. Chan Yik Tsang
 Co-Chairman, Dream Compassioners
 夢想同行(香港)創辦人

主席團成員 Mr. Chan Pak Hong
 Founder of Yee An in 2023
 2023年香港新區區議會區議員

主席團成員 Dr. Wilson Chan Fung Cheung
 Adjunct Professor and MBA Academic Director of Outreach, City University of Hong Kong
 香港中文大學商學院及工商管理學院協理主任

主席團成員 Prof. Poon Ming Kay
 Professor of Department of Chinese Language and Literature, Associate Master of The Yee Tin College, The Chinese University of Hong Kong
 香港中文大學中國語言及文學系教授、怡信書院副院長

主席團成員 Mr. Siu King Wai
 Chairman of The Honors and Volunteer Development Committee and Council Member, Hong Kong Red Cross
 香港紅十字會榮譽委員會主席、區議會成員

AWARDS
獎項

- The successful applicants will be awarded a Certificate of Participation
- 成功申請者將獲頒發參與證書
- The 10 successful candidates will be awarded a Certificate of Merit
- 10名獲獎者將獲頒發優異證書
- The 10 winners will be selected as Outstanding Student Service Leaders
- 獲獎者將獲選為香港學生服務領袖
- The 10 Outstanding Student Service Leaders
- 獲選10名傑出學生服務領袖

Supporter 支持者
 Sponsoring Organizations 贊助機構
 Election Results 選舉結果
 Contact Us 聯絡我們

www.dreamcompassioners.org



REPORT ON FEBRUARY ACTIVITIES

Dream Compassionners Charity Ball

學界「同·夢」慈善舞會 協力同心幫助學童



「同·夢」為童夢同行主辦，何明華會督銀禧中學協辦。慈善舞會於二零二四年一月二十七日（星期六）假何明華會督銀禧中學禮堂順利舉行。本次慈善舞會為東埔寨學童籌款，同時富有教育意義。舞會獲數十學校、逾百同學參加，當中尤其以英華書院及仁濟醫院羅陳楚思中學的同學熱心公益，踴躍參與。幸得各界大力支持，舞會成功籌得理想善款，捐予愛德基金會（香港），為東埔寨有需要學童建設淨水、供電等設施。

「同·夢」慈善舞會旨在讓參與同學更明白世界學童需要，並出一分力，共同為同學奮鬥。舞會富有教育意義，特別邀請曾代表香港前往南極考察、現積極倡

議環境保育的黎琇瑋與楊卓煒同學，拍攝宣傳短片。另外精心設計「閃舞環節」，結合聯合國十七個可持續發展目標，讓同學加深了解。舞會中亦播放關注世界兒童短片等，讓參加同學享受舞會之餘，了解世界需要。舞會籌備委員會主席陳韋霖同學表示「希望同學參與慈善舞會後，能與志同道合的朋友一同服務他人，回饋社會！」

舞會節目豐富，嘉賓均為義務表演，為慈善不遺餘力。如胡學軒先生等多位富有才華的表演者獻唱多首悅耳動人歌曲。舞團The Notch等亦獻上精彩舞蹈，協助籌募善款。中學生亦積極表演，如仁濟醫院羅陳楚思中學的黃可泳同學與拍檔表演了精彩的自創歌曲。每個表演者為慈善施展渾身解數，為慈善出一分力。

本次舞會收益全數捐予愛德

基金會（香港），於東埔寨興建圖書館及水電設施及本地與兒童相關的慈善計劃。負責舞會財務的許怡彤同學表示「感謝大家對舞會的鼎力支持，籌得五位數理想善款，幫助更多東埔寨有需要的小朋友。」是次舞會得到何明華會督銀禧中學免費提供場地，扶輪少年服務團協辦，才讓活動得以成功舉行。扶輪少年服務團負責老師王穎蓮表示「是次活動是我們的新嘗試，希望可以在讓同學認識志同道合的朋友，同時為東埔寨兒童出一分力。」團長方凱彤表示「今次舞會既可以讓樂熱心服務的同學，幫助世界各地兒童，意義非凡！」相信這次富有教育意義的慈善舞會可以帶來行善新方向，大家出一分力，讓世界變得更好！



第十屆傑出義工團傑出青年義工團團董夢同行

■籌備師生合照。

本報逢周日刊出 義人世界



“Dream Compassionners Charity Ball” which concluded successfully last month was participated by nearly 100 secondary students from different year levels, and we successfully raised more than HKD10000 by the flower-selling and polaroid-taking booths during the day. After the deduction of costs, all of the funds were donated to the Amity Foundation, Hong Kong. We sincerely thank the participation of all students, the guests who presented astounding performances and Bishop Hall Jubilee School for providing their precious venue. The event has been reported by the media and presented on the school websites of Bishop Hall Jubilee School and Yan Chai Hospital Law Chan Chor Si College. We look forward to seeing you in the future events of Dream Compassionners!



Contact Information



✉ : info@dreamcompassioners.org

📷 : [dream_compassioners](https://www.instagram.com/dream_compassioners)

f : 童夢同行 Dream Compassioners

in : [Dream Compassioners](https://www.linkedin.com/company/dream-compassioners)



童夢同行

Dream Compassioners

Thank you for supporting us!

**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.