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CLP GREEN^{PLUS} School Programme Doubles Up Energy Saving Target to Over 800,000 kWh Electricity

CLP Power Hong Kong (CLP Power) today hosted an award presentation ceremony for the School and Home Energy Saving Scheme 2014 and launched an exciting new environmental education challenge called Energy Saving's Got Talent 2015 under the CLP GREEN^{PLUS} School Programme.

The 2014 scheme, involving 28 secondary and primary schools, successfully achieved a remarkable saving of more than 800,000 kilowatt hours (kWh) of electricity – equivalent to the annual energy consumption of around 200 households.

CLP Power has in recent years organised a variety of innovative environmental education activities under the GREEN^{PLUS} School Programme, encouraging young people to develop lifelong energy saving behaviour. A series of 85 activities for schools including seminars, visits to CLP Power facilities and energy audits were held between October 2013 and September 2014 to make students more aware of energy conservation issues.

At today's ceremony, three categories of awards – the Energy Saving Award (School and Home), the Innovative Energy Saving Promotion Award and the Energy Saving Participation Award – were presented to recognise the most outstanding participants in the scheme. (Please refer to Appendix I for full details). Winning students shared details of their energy saving methods, such as setting air-conditioning rules in classrooms, appointing prefects to remind classmates to save energy, and organising energy saving competitions between classes.

CLP Power Managing Director Mr Paul Poon said, "CLP Power is committed to environmental education and we strongly believe it should start at an early age. The School and Home Energy Saving Scheme is the first initiative in which CLP Power has joined hands with both schools and students' families to engage in energy saving. It aims to encourage students to put into practice what they learn and set an example for their families to follow."

Mr Tsoi Kim Tung, Principal of A.D. & F.D. of Pok Oi Hospital Mrs Cheng Yam On School, which was Gold Award winner in the Energy Saving Award (School and Home) category, said, "The School and Home Energy Saving Scheme not only encourages students and teachers to join forces to save energy but also raises the awareness of their family members about energy efficiency.

Their concerted efforts contributed to reducing 10 per cent of our total energy consumption over the course of the scheme. It also demonstrated how students can gain green knowledge from energy saving seminars and visits, helping them to adopt a greener lifestyle."

The Energy Saving's Got Talent 2015 programme is now open for enrolment. It is co-organised by CLP Power and the Business-School Partnership Programme under the Education Bureau. The programme offers secondary school students the chance to show their ingenuity and green awareness by submitting entries in creative formats such as drama and dance performances, short films and songs on a theme of promoting energy saving.

Mentoring support will be provided by experts from the Hong Kong Institute of Engineers and the Institute of Engineering and Technology Hong Kong Branch. A judging panel made up of representatives from the Environment Bureau, the Education Bureau, the Electrical and Mechanical Services Department, the Hong Kong Observatory, the World Green Organisation and CLP Power will select winners based upon the projects' originality, practicality and cost effectiveness. Winning students will get the chance to take up a one-week work experience placement with CLP Power.

For details of the programme, please refer to Appendix II.

About CLP Power Hong Kong Limited

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Photo caption

(Photo 1)



At the Award Presentation Ceremony of the School and Home Energy Saving Scheme 2014, CLP Power Managing Director Mr Paul Poon said the result was encouraging that 28 primary and secondary schools had saved 800,000 kilowatt hours (kWh) of electricity in the year-long energy saving competition, which was a double of the original target.

(Photo 2)



Energy Advisory Committee Chairman Professor Raymond So highly appreciated the efforts of CLP Power in fulfilling its corporate social responsibility in the promotion of energy efficiency and conservation, and to encourage teenagers to participate in environmental protection activities.

(Photo 3)



All participating guests joined hands to promote the 2015 new environmental education challenge - Energy Saving's Got Talent Programme, hoping to have more secondary school students to make use of their creativity to promote energy saving.

(Photo 4)



A.D. & F.D. of Pok Oi Hospital Mrs. Cheng Yam On School (left) and Kowloon True Light School (right) won the Gold Award in the Energy Saving Award (School and Home) and Innovative Energy Saving Promotion Award respectively.

(Photo 5 and 6)



A.D. & F.D. of Pok Oi Hospital Mrs. Cheng Yam On School encouraged students' families to join the School and Home Energy Saving Scheme 2014. The combined efforts of the school and students' families achieved to reduce 10 per cent of their total energy consumption.

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Appendix I:

Winning Schools in the School and Home Energy Saving Scheme 2014

Energy Saving Award (School and Home)	
Gold Award	: A.D. & F.D. of Pok Oi Hospital Mrs. Cheng Yam On School
Silver Award	: SKH Fung Kei Millennium Primary School
Bronze Award	: Tung Koon School
Innovative Energy Saving Promotion Award	
Gold Award	: Kowloon True Light School
Silver Award	: Jordan Valley St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School
Bronze Award	: Ling Liang Church E Wun Secondary School S.K.H. Mung Yan Primary School
Energy Saving Participation Award	
Gold Award	: Jordan Valley St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School
Silver Award	: HKFEW Wong Cho Bau Secondary School
Bronze Award	: Kwai Ming Wu Memorial School Of The Precious Blood

Appendix II:
School and Home Energy Saving Scheme 2015 – Energy Saving’s Got Talent

CLP Power is launching a brand new challenge titled School and Home Energy Saving Scheme 2015 – Energy Saving’s Got Talent and is inviting all secondary school students to participate. The project allows students to convey messages about energy saving through creative channels such as singing, short films and dance performances.

The programme is co-organised by CLP Power and the Business-School Partnership Programme under the Education Bureau, taking students out of the classroom to promote energy saving and the importance of green thinking. Mentoring will be provided by the Hong Kong Institution of Engineers to help students with electrical engineering aspects of their projects and to help them evaluate energy saving measures and to come up with ways to change people’s consumption habits. Winning students from the higher years of secondary school will be offered the opportunity to take up one-week work placements with CLP Power to further broaden their horizons.

Target Participants

Junior Section: Form 1 and Form 2 (2014/15 academic year)

Senior Section: Form 3 and Form 4 (2014/15 academic year)

Content

Convey messages about energy saving through creative channels such as singing, short films and dance performances

Application

- Students between Form 1 and Form 4 in the 2014/15 academic year can put together teams of up to five members.
- Teams taking part should submit a draft of their creative energy saving method by 15 July 2015.

Application Deadline

30 June 2015

Date of Finals

November 2015

Assessment Criteria

Originality, feasibility, cost effectiveness and communication techniques.

Prizes

Gold, Silver, Bronze, Merit and Most Participating Prize for both Junior and Senior Section each