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2024 SUMMER MENTORSHIP PROGRAMME: BOOK FAIR DAY

On 13 July 2024, many excited and energetic faces greeted the gates of City University as over 20 underprivileged children from Tin Shui Wai and Serene Court Refuge Centre for domestic violence victims visited the University for the first time. Since 2015, the City University of Hong Kong School of Law Students' Professional Development and Public Service Programme ("PDPS") has partnered with the Christian Family Service Centre ("CFSC") in pairing disadvantaged children with volunteer mentors to visit the Hong Kong Book Fair. This year, 36 students and alumni have teamed up to deliver this memorable event.

Event Highlight

Children were gifted the milk produced by the CityU's local cow farm! Over 20 children joined the Pre-Orientation Campus Tour, and 29 children joined the Book Fair Visit!



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A pre-visit orientation meeting is held to help familiarise the volunteers and children with one another. A fresh twist was introduced to this year's preorientation meeting, as it was held on the CityU campus for the first time. The children came and explored the campus grounds as well as the CityU School of Law, giving them a glimpse of university life, which is a new and exciting experience for many of them. Some were even amazed by Festival Walk on the way here, as they had never visited the place before.



The children had a wonderful time touring the SLW!



The children played many fun games to break the ice!

Once gathered, student volunteers met with the children and introduced themselves. Both the volunteers and children bonded with each other by playing ice-breaking games and sharing their favourite books with one another. Towards the end of the event, fresh milk from CityU's local cow farm, with other tasty snacks, were chosen as gifts for the children. Volunteers also gave some of the secondary school participants some valuable advice in preparing for their college applications. All of this was done in hopes that the children would get a lasting impression that would motivate them to pursue a college education in the future.



Their faces lit up with joy as they received their "CityU Milk" !





The children took the time to explore the beautiful campus of CityU.



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Many children couldn't wait to read their books once they bought them!

On the day of the Book Fair, students, alumni, and children alike braved the rainy weather to make it to the Hong Kong Exhibition and Convention Centre. Each child was given \$300 to buy their favorite books as they navigated the breathtaking exhibition space. In the end, the children (and even some volunteers!) left the exhibition center with their bags full of books and with a newfound passion for further reading and learning.

Later in the afternoon, the children were treated to a delicious dim sum lunch. A brief award ceremony acknowledging the volunteers was also held, commemorating the day with several group pictures. After a heartfelt farewell to their mentors, the children returned home happy and fulfilled.

多謝你送禮物給我!

FEEDBACK FROM THE CHILDREN

感謝你和我一起去城

大和去書展

希望下次也有這個活動!





Debriefing session held after the event for feedback



Tasty Dim Sum followed by a group picture to capture the memorable occasion

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