

Hong Kong Public Libraries commends awardees of Reading Programme for Children and Youth (with photos)

The Hong Kong Public Libraries (HKPL) of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department held a certificate presentation ceremony at Hong Kong Central Library today (November 20). Over 30 members of the 2020-21 Reading Programme for Children and Youth received awards for their active participation in the reading programme.

The programme continues to receive an overwhelming response and has recruited over 6 000 new members this year. Twenty-four members received Star of the Month awards with their reading reports, among which the six best were awarded Reading Supernova. Seventeen members of the programme participating in the most sessions of the Monthly Meeting of Joyful Reading were awarded Elite of Joyful Reading medals.

The HKPL is committed to promoting reading and hopes that schools can encourage students to register for the programme. The Most Active School in Promoting Participation awards were presented to schools that successfully nominated the largest number of members in the year. This year's awards went to Hong Kong Baptist Convention Primary School, South Tuen Mun Government Secondary School, W F Joseph Lee Primary School, SKH Yan Laap Primary School and SKH Tin Wan Chi Nam Primary School.

Five schools with the highest total number of books read by their nominated members received the Most Active School in Promoting Reading awards. The winning schools are SKH Yan Laap Primary School, W F Joseph Lee Primary School, SKH Tin Wan Chi Nam Primary School, Hong Kong Baptist Convention Primary School and Hong Kong and Macau Lutheran Church Ming Tao Primary School.

Targeting children and youth from kindergarten to Secondary Six, the Reading Programme aims at arousing their reading interest, cultivating their reading habits, and encouraging them to share their reading tips and the joy of reading with other people. To promote paired reading, children from kindergarten to Primary Three can join the family category with their parents. People interested in participating in the Reading Programme may contact any public library or visit www.hkpl.gov.hk/rp.

This year's Reading Supernova winning works are on display from today until November 24 at the foyer of the South Entrance of Hong Kong Central Library. A roving exhibition will also be held at various public libraries.

