

SEN visits Sha Tin District

The Secretary for the Environment, Mr Wong Kam-sing, visited Sha Tin District this afternoon (November 30) to call at the Hong Kong Institute of Vocational Education (IVE) (Sha Tin) and the Jockey Club Home for Hospice. He also exchanged views with members of the Sha Tin District Council (STDC) on environmental issues.

Accompanied by the District Officer (Sha Tin), Miss Amy Chan, Mr Wong first called at IVE (Sha Tin). The institute was awarded the Certificate of Merit in the 2012 Hong Kong Awards for Environmental Excellence under the Public Organisations and Utilities Sector. IVE (Sha Tin) is implementing the Kids' Greenway project funded by the Environment and Conservation Fund and the Environmental Campaign Committee to nurture the environmental awareness of young children through the provision of teaching packs to spread the "use less, waste less" message at the pre-primary level. Mr Wong also visited its Environmental Education Centre and encouraged students to put their learning into practice by applying professional knowledge in waste and carbon reduction initiatives, in order to support the "dump less, save more" initiative, as well as contributing to Hong Kong's sustainable development and combating global climate change.

Mr Wong then departed for the Jockey Club Home for Hospice to understand more about its services and tour its facilities. He also chatted with the staff there to know more about their work.

Before concluding his itinerary, Mr Wong paid a visit to the STDC to meet with its Chairman, Mr Ho Hau-cheung, and members to listen to their views on the Government's environmental policies and learn more about their concerns on district environmental issues.