

## INTOUCH ® Project Smile Volume #7



INTOUCH WITH THE FUTURE

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Project Smile is an initiative by Kossan International Sdn Bhd (KISB) to develop, sustain, and perceive a good relationship between our internal and external community.

Project Smile, initiated in 2013 has helped extend support and contribution to the environment and communities in need. It is 100% run by Kossan employees on a voluntary basis.

We look at many areas in contribution projects from schools, orphanages to animals, environment and the less fortunate.

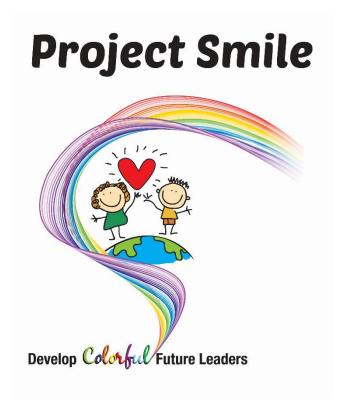
It is also a program about developing future leaders through social awareness and activities.

We believe that children are the hope for a brighter future, and we want to provide them with opportunities and hope for a better life.



## 1.0 HOPE - Embrace Possibilities

KISB organized a motivational & awareness program at SJK (C) Pui Ying school together with the support from The Mouth and Foot Painting Artists Sdn Bhd (MFPA).



## **Living without Limits**

13th March (Monday) 9:00 A.M. to 1:30 P.M., Kossan International Sdn Bhd together with the support from Mouth & Foot Painting Artists Sdn Bhd (MFPA), organized a motivational talk and demonstration at SJK (C) Pui Ying school with the theme – **HOPE: Embrace Possibilities.** 

The headmistress of SJK (C) Pui Ying gave an opening speech to encourage students to identify and develop their own talents and abilities as "We Only Live Once". She reminds the students that hardship is the inevitable process of life, we should grasp every second with hope, and learn how to appreciate life by its value not its length.



Ms. Patricia Louis and Mr. Chan Yee Chong, representatives from KISB spoke about the Power of Positive Thinking and thanked the MFPA artists for taking the time to demonstrate their amazing capabilities under extreme challenges in front of the school children. We hope through this awareness; the students will be able to reflect and make the right choices through the Power of Positive thinking and achieve great success in everything they do.



MFPA is an international, non-profit association wholly owned and run by disabled artists to help them meet their financial needs. Members paint with brushes held in their mouths or feet as a result of a disability sustained at birth or through an accident or illness that prohibits them from using their hands. The publishers reproduce the artists' original paintings as unique greeting cards, calendar and a wide range of other products, which brings vital and financial security to its members.



The artists from MFPA Malaysia; Siti Aisyah and Mohd Khairuddin performed a live demonstration of foot paintings using different painting techniques which wowed the students. We were all amazed with the incredible capability of these artists who can paint so well by just using their feet! During the demonstration, a live Q&A session was held to interact the students with the artists. Each student received an MFPA postcard drawn by disabled artists as a souvenir from Kossan to remember the day and cherish the moment.





The foot and mouth painting activities is inspired by Nick Vujicic, he was born without limbs and was bullied by others at the time of schooling, and even planned to end his life when he was ten. After he stood up again, he stopped complaining, tried hard every day to help more people in need, because he believed: "If you think you don't get miracles, then you can be somebody else's miracle." He travels around the world and encourages others to jump out of depression and sadness and to look forward to the future.

The motivational and awareness event received positive response from the students and teachers as they are able to learn something new which is not found in textbooks but through life's real experiences.







