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SGL Group Takes Students from Xingguang Primary Touring Shanghai Museum of Animation

Shanghai, November 1, 2016. SGL Group – The Carbon Company – recently organized a visit to the Shanghai Museum of Animation for 40 students of the Xingguang Primary School in the Fengxian District of Shanghai. This is the second extracurricular activity in 2016 that SGL Group organized for the school.

On October 28, volunteers from SGL Group and teachers from the Xingguang Primary School took students to visit the Shanghai Museum of Animation located in Zhangjiang Hi-Tech Park of the Pudong New District where they toured the museum's Manga Hall, Animation Hall and Animation Development Hall under the guidance of a gallery narrator. Vivid cartoon characters, classical animated scenes and fantasy stories reunited the students with their favorite cartoon figures, allowing them to appreciate the enduring glamour of the famous animations and to learn more about the excellent domestic animations and the development of animation arts and technologies at home and abroad. At the end of the event, students experienced the pleasures of being little cartoonists by making paper crafts and learning sand painting.

"As a good corporate citizen, SGL Group has always been proactively devoted to the fulfillment of its social responsibilities, starting with the providing of services to surrounding communities," says Piotr Jaskierski, Managing Director of SGL Group in China. "This event featured the favorite animations of the students, in the hopes of enriching their knowledges, bringing them joy in the colorful world of animation while also helping them understand how the skilled professionals behind all these works keep pursuing new levels of excellence in their own field. We hope that this experience can offer them some unique inspiration toward their interest and future development. Our relationship with the Xingguang Primary School in recent years has been greatly appreciated by the school. In the future, we will continue to offer what we can to support to the school's education activities."

SGL Group also donated a set of new audio equipment to the school to improve its facilities. "The audio equipment previously used by the school was old and shabby or even out of commission," officials of the school expressed with gratitude and pleasure. "We are very grateful for the donation and we are looking forward to using the new equipment in upcoming events and meetings."

The Xingguang Primary School is a whole-day school in the Fengxian District of Shanghai that mainly serves the children of rural migrant workers. Since SGL signed a sponsorship agreement

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with the school in June 2014, the company has been providing regular and diversified support in the form of extracurricular and practical activities with a goal of enriching the content of its all-around liberal education.

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