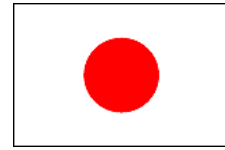


Newsletter (～20～)



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Dear Friends in Samoa & Japan,

October is a busy month for Samoa students. Students at Year 8 sit SPECA (Samoa Primary Certification Assessment) while students at Year 4 and 6 sit SPELL (Samoa Primary Education Literacy Levels). SPECA and SPELL are national examinations which assess children's aptitude and level of achievement at the end of the year.

As for PMSP, Mr. Honda (Mathematics expert) came to Samoa again and conducted three workshops on Problem-Solving Learning in Mathematics and observed seven demonstration classes by Samoan teachers. This means Mr Honda was able to visit and observe several teachers from different schools.



Mr. Honda gave an advice to students.

Ms. Inipene(MESC) added some information.

Gratefully we observed many teachers applying the problem solving method and using the PMSP lesson plan while teaching Mathematics and Science. This was appreciated by the experts and the team.

In addition PMSP has spread its methodology to more non project schools. Teachers were very keen and have shown their commitment to PMSP work by implementing the problem solving approach in their classroom activities. I must commend the collaborative work by the expert and PMSP team for we have seen transformational change gradually evolving.

The Oct.6th workshop was broadcasted on TV3 evening news.



Mr. Honda explained PMSP style lesson plan.



Mr. Savelio(MESC) demonstrated an experiment.

Likewise in Japan, Mr. Mitamura(Science expert) shared his experience in Samoa with his students at Sapporo Primary School affiliated to HUE. Now Samoa is their closest foreign country in the world. He conducted three workshops both in Upolu and Savaii in August.



Mr. Honda completed his job by doing a workshop for three divisions in MESC namely CDMD, TDAD and MERD. PMSP invited 4 divisions to the workshop.

However the AED's busy schedule at the time unable them to attend the workshop.



Staff also studied PMSP lesson plan.



Ms. Leota (ACEO) & Ms. Inipene(PEO) enjoyed.

(By PMSP Team)