

Department of Education Region VI – Western Visayas

DIVISION OF THE CITY OF KABANKALAN

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HON. JOHN R. RIVAS
Honorary Consul General

Darwin NT, Australia

Sir:

The Division of the City of Kabankalan is forever grateful for your generosity of donating books for our school children.

We are very glad to tell you that your books are widely used by our learners from the central schools up to the far-flung schools in Kabankalan. Through mobilization, the books are transported from one school to the other. In this way, everyone benefited from this program. Everyone was given opportunity to read wide array of reading materials.

We are happy to tell you that your effort of donating books for our children is very timely and beneficial because the City Division of Kabankalan recently launched the program called ESAC or Enhancing Speed and Comprehension. This program aims to encourage pupils to read with accuracy and speed. We have very limited books for our children and sometimes two or three pupils shared a book during reading time but through the support of some generous people in the community and because of the arrival of the books that we received from you, we were able to expose our school children to various types of reading materials. The books you've given are enjoyable to read. They really helped a lot in the realization of the program.

We also heard good comments from the parents about the great improvement in terms of the functionality of the Library Hub. From an ordinary building it became a friendlier place welcoming our children to read especially during their vacant or spare time.

The next time you visit our school, you will be able to see the big improvement because the books are properly arranged and managed for the usability and easy access of our young readers. We also tapped the parents. We are very glad to tell you that there are some volunteer

parents who read short stories for our kinder and grade one pupils.

Sir, we are also proud to tell you that the good impact of books to our children is very

visible. The results of our Achievement Test and Phil IRI, a Reading Inventory for the children showed that the children progress. As compared last year, children's academic and reading

performances truly increased.

From your simple initiative and generosity, today, you can see the admirable and positive

impact of a more functional and rich library for our young learners. The investment of kindness

that you extended is truly worthy because it reaps improved learning outcomes.

No exact words could articulate our deepest appreciation and sincerest gratitude to the

relentless assistance and support that you have extended to us, Kabankalanons.

May the good Lord will continue to bless you!

Thank you so much!

Very truly yours,

LEO M. MANAGUIT

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