



## Excellence in Teaching and Learning Honoured

**H**undreds gathered on the joyous occasion of the recognition of outstanding achievements of Science Faculty students and teachers at the Science Faculty



Dean of Science, Prof. Henry N.C. WONG (centre) congratulated the six recipients of the Science Faculty Exemplary Teaching Award 2013.

Exemplary Teaching Awards *cum* Dean's Honours List Presentation Ceremony on 11 January 2014. Six faculty members received the Faculty Exemplary Teaching Award 2013, including **Dr. CHENG Kai Ming** (Physics), **Prof. KWAN Kin-ming** (Life Sciences), **Prof. LEUNG Chi-wai** (Mathematics), **Prof. Dennis K.P. NG** (Chemistry), **Prof. POON Wai-yin** (Statistics) and **Prof. WONG Kam-bo** (Life Sciences), while 230 Science Faculty students earned a place in the Dean's Honours List for their exceptional academic performance in 2012/2013. Also honoured at the Ceremony were six secondary students trained by the Faculty to compete in the 10<sup>th</sup> International Junior Science Olympiad 2013, who earned a total of two gold medals and four silver medals.

**Hearty congratulations to all!**

## CPSE Ignites Students' Interest in Science

**S**ince its establishment in 2000, the Centre for Promoting Science Education (CPSE) has been striving to serve as a platform for the dissemination of science and technology advancements to the public, while advocating for the propagation and advancement of science education in Hong Kong. The Centre's Science Academy for Young Talent (SAYT) has been providing sound training in various sciences to talented secondary students during summers since 2010. In the summer of 2013, more than 300 students enrolled in five university-level credit-bearing courses, and nine academy-level credit-bearing courses. These enrichment courses covered



The SAYT offers summer courses for secondary students talented in the sciences.

a wide range of innovative scientific topics including but not limited to astronomy, biomedical sciences, bionics, chemistry, and mathematics. Furthermore, SAYT co-organized a nanotechnology course with National Taiwan University last summer, which was very well-received by the students.

Besides offering courses for secondary students, the Centre also currently hosts The Learning by Engaging and Teaching (LET) Programme. As part of the programme, a number of our students took part in several training sessions jointly organized by the Faculty of Science and the Summer Teacher AppRenticeship (STAR) Programme of the Physics Department. These sessions included the workshop "Basic Training for New Science Teachers" held at the CUHK Independent Learning Centre and a Training Day Camp at the Tai Mei Tuk Outdoor Activities Centre. At the workshop, students were trained to become competent teachers by improving their time management, presentation, and other soft skills through in-class practice and discussion. At the Training Day Camp, students

