

## **The NGC CAER Art Competition**

### **Preparing our children for any emergency**

#### **NGC's 2010 Safety Art Competition - The theme for 2010 – CAER keeping you safe and sound**

Prize giving Ceremony – November 2, 2010

In the 2010 Community Awareness Emergency Response (CAER) Schools Programme, NGC enjoyed the support and commitment of the principals and teachers of all targeted primary schools in communities that adjoin its critical natural gas installations. However in 2010 NGC expanded its programme to include an art element to assess just how much the children were understanding about being safe and sound in the event there was ever an emergency.

NGC approached Phoenix Park Government Primary, ASJA Primary, Carapichaima, San Francique Presbyterian Primary, Pepper Village Government Primary, Rochard Douglas Presbyterian Primary, Vos Government Primary, Kanhai Presbyterian Primary and Mt. Pleasant Government Primary to bring the message of CAER to its pupils not only through emergency drills but also via a Safety Art Competition.

NGC was enthused to receive 283 entries from the schools. And while it appeared to be a challenging task to choose just 13 winning entries, the task was made easy by the presence on the NGC judging panel of renowned artist, Ms. Pat Bishop TC who was the Chief Judge. Ms Bishop brought to the process not only an eye for the best pieces of work but a joy, kindness and appreciation for the creations of the very young in our society.

Of interest is that all 13 art pieces will be highlighted in NGC's 2011 corporate calendars, planners and diaries. This means that the art will be preserved in print format forever meaning that one day the children will be able to show their own children that they were NGC winners once upon a time. It also means the NGC CAER message can be shared with the NGC family and the wider population.

Why was art chosen as an element of the CAER Programme?

NGC took the decision that through the art medium the primary school children would visually express what they had learned about safety, health, and environmental awareness and put to memory what it means to be prepared in the event there is an emergency.

## CAER 2010

### Safety Art Competition

#### Competition Winners

Artwork assigned	School	Name
Cover	Rochard Douglas Presbyterian Primary School	Meena Sooklal
January	Rochard Douglas Presbyterian Primary School	Veshmatie Ramlokhan
February	Phoenix Park Government Primary School	Zachery Peters
March	Kanhai Presbyterian Primary School	Debra Gooljar
April	Mount Pleasant Government Primary School	Clintia Simon
May	Rochard Douglas Presbyterian Primary School	Naomi Lalchan
June	Rochard Douglas Presbyterian Primary School	Jessica Jagnanan
July	Phoenix Park Government Primary School	Ashminne Arjoon
August	Rochard Douglas Presbyterian Primary School	Darius Ali
September	Phoenix Park Government Primary School	Chelsea Jogie
October	Rochard Douglas Presbyterian Primary School	Sherriza Kurban
November	Carapichaima ASJA Primary School	Mieko Noel
December	Phoenix Park Government Primary School	Ethan Enal

