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STATIONERY SUPERSTARS



Give Write is a not-for-profit enterprise aimed at taking donations of new and pre-loved school stationery to recycle, repackage and re-gift to Western Australian kids in need who starts their school year with no supplies. The organisation's program also focuses on promoting recycling to reduce local encouraging children who may feel excluded or ostracised at school, alleviating the pressure on teachers (who often have to reach into their own pockets), and encouraging philanthropy in children from an early age. Give Write is one of the recipients of a Lotterywest COVID-19 Relief Fund grant, which enables the enterprise in providing school supplies to more WA kids in need.

On January 19, the BHP Technology Asset West Team volunteered their sunny Wednesday morning to assist Give Write with organising and sorting out stationeries received from the general public. The day started off with an introduction about Give Write by the Volunteer Coordinator, Anita Bell. The team had the opportunity to watch a short video where Give Write was featured in a Television Commercial for Lotterywest as part of their grant. After the introduction, the team started their day with cleaning and removing name labels or marks from colour pencils, crayons and pen markers to allow these stationeries to be re-used for kids in need of school supplies. After lunch, the team participated in some healthy competition and were separated into two teams. The challenge was to packaged as many pencil cases, which included the essentials, such as pens, ruler, eraser, highlighter, pencils, crayons, and glue stick in 15 minutes. Team A successfully managed to create 76 cases however Team B came on top with an amazing record of 95 cases. A fantastic effort to say the least. To express their gratitude Give Write finished up the day by presenting a Certificate of Appreciation to the team as their effort goes towards impacting children's lives which is something the team should be proud of!