

## Power Karate Academy and the Traditional Karate-Do Children's World Cup

The Festival World Karate-do Renaissance will be held on October 22 to the 28th, at Mile One Centre. The two main events will take place simultaneously: World Traditional Karate-do Championships and **Traditional Karate-do World Children's Cup.** 

Our Karate Kids on the World Stage

Dear parents and guardians:

The Power Karate Academy has been operating for just over a year and a half now, and as I sit back and reflect on what we have accomplished, I am very pleased and impressed with our progress and our achievements.

Supported by my father and I, as well as a strong contingent of senior Black Belts, we have kids who have not only progressed successfully in rank, but also in confidence and in self-esteem. Learning traditional karate takes discipline, determination, teamwork and focus, and Power Karate Kids have met the challenge repeatedly. We have juniors now who will soon be testing for Purple Belt under world renowned Sensei Toru Shimoji, and from there will enter our Deshi, or young mentors program.

As a team, we have competed at regional and provincial karate competitions with hundreds of competitors and we have come out victorious both in medal contention as well as in team spirit and sportsmanship. Traditional karate is about refining your own character and I am honored to see the developmental strides our kids are making. These competitions give the kids a sense of accomplishment, team spirit and confidence.

I am excited to announce that this October, the Power Karate Academy, with the support of our coaches as well as parents and guardians, will display our karate aptitude on the world stage as we have been invited to participate in the *Festival World Karate-do Renaissance* right here in our home province.

This is a once in a lifetime opportunity for our selected team, and will be an event that highlights some of the very best karate from around the world! Our intention is to have members participate in Embu (two person forms or demonstrations), Kata and team Kata.

In order to make this a reality, we will need your continued support. As we will need extra team training, world championship attire, etc., we will be undertaking some fundraising activities.

My coaching team and I are currently in discussions about the details of the championships as well as the way forward, and I will be communicating regularly with you regarding this amazing opportunity.

Thank you in advance for your support. It has been a pleasure to work with your child.

Sincerely Brian Power, & Brian Power Sr., Power Karate Academy.