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# Students Put Money Management Into The Picture

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Central Bank of Samoa Governor Afioga Maiava Atalina AINU'UENARI today Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March congratulated winners of the Bank's inaugural Money \$mart Comic Comp and its annual Be Money Wise poster competition.

The "Be Money WISE Poster Competition" and the Money \$mart Comic Comp was the bank's way of celebrating Global Money Week, an event that is coordinated by Child & Youth Finance International. Global Money Week takes place on the 10-17 March and is a worldwide celebration through events and activities to help empower children and youth to be confident and responsible economic citizens.

The Money \$mart Comic competition, which asked budding artists to draw one frame comic on the theme "Why make saving a priority?" aimed for the youth to promote their knowledge of sensible money management. Each of these high school students won a \$150 cash prize and a \$150 towards their school tuition.

The 10 winning cartoon entries were from:

<i>Name</i>	<i>Class</i>	<i>School</i>
Teofilo Molioo	Year 11	Le Amosa Preparatory School
Quenjule Slaven	Year 9	St. Mary's College
Quenjule Slaven	Year 9	St. Mary's College
Jorim Paul Philips	Year 10	Faatuatua Christian College
Jorim Paul Philips	Year 10	Faatuatua Christian College
Cameron Kwan	Year 13	Leifiifi College
Kerren Tala D. Tumua	Year 13	Leifiifi College
Ariel Aiono	Year 13	Le Amosa Preparatory School
Luciellerose Tiatia	Year 11	Le Amosa Preparatory School
Ahava L. Imo	Year 13	Le Amosa Preparatory School

The Be Money Wise Poster Competition was focused on the primary level schools. The primary school entries were divided into 3 categories; Category 1 – Years 3 & 4, Category 2 – Years 5 & 6, Category 3 – Years 7 & 8. The top 5 winners from each category received a cash prize of \$100 tala from the Central Bank plus a \$30 Gift voucher and a stationery pack sponsored by Business Systems Ltd. The top 5 winners (in no particular order) from the three categories are:

**Category 1: Top five winners**

<i>Name</i>	<i>Class</i>	<i>School</i>
David Tuala	Year 4	Vaiala Beach School
Christina Slaven	Year 3	Vaiala Beach School
Christina Slaven	Year 3	Vaiala Beach School
Penina Charity Sakaria	Year 4	St Mary's Primary School
Moetagi Lui	Year 4	Robert Louis Primary School

**Category 2: Top five winners**

<i>Name</i>	<i>Class</i>	<i>School</i>
Faith Fakalogo	Year 6	Vailele Primary School
Jordan WilliamsStowers	Year 5	Samoa Primary School
Alexandria Slaven	Year 6	Vaiala Beach School
Alexandria Slaven	Year 6	Vaiala Beach School
OtesaFinau	Year 6	Apia Primary School

**Category3: Top five winners**

<i>Name</i>	<i>Class</i>	<i>School</i>
AukusitinoPotoi	Year 7	Ah Mu Academy
Hosanna Tiumalu	Year 7	Manumalo Baptist School
Hale Hakai	Year 8	Manumalo Baptist School
Liliolelagi Cassandra Ofoia	Year 8	St Mary's Primary School
Alofatunoa Lima	Year 8	Samoa Primary

The Be Money Wise Poster Competition winners' respective primary schools were also awarded \$100 tala cash prize by the Central Bank for each winning entries. The schools were rewarded for incorporating financial literacy competitions into their lessons.

All winners of the 2015 Money \$mart Comic Comp and Be Money Wi\$e Poster competition, were selected from 520 entries from both Upolu and Savaii.

The Governor acknowledged the parents, principals, teachers and children, for their encouragement to enter and participate in the competition. The Governor also thanked Meilan Meredith for the kind sponsorship of Business Systems Ltd.

The Be Money Wise poster competition and the Money \$mart Comic Comp are two of many more Financial Fitness activities to be expected from the CBS in the near future.