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# PEN



PRIMARY ENGLISH NEWSLETTER

## FOREWORD

Welcome to the final issue of PEN, and an extra-special DOUBLE-ISSUE at that! Could you believe that in as quick as a finger snap, the entire academic year has come to an end. This is a wonderful time to reflect on how much we have learnt and grown over the past ten months. Have we achieved the goals we had set out at the start of the year? Have we made improvements in how we take part in lessons, cooperate with others, show our love and care for our environment and those around us, how we prepared for our assessments and how we take care of our own selves? And soon after, we shall embark on our long-awaited summer holiday. It's very important for all of us to relax, unwind and catch up with our loved ones and pursue our passions. Why not take some time to do something to improve ourselves for school next year? It's always a good idea to read some advanced books, read the newspaper, watch quality films and even go out to visit museums and learn something new about our world. Let's make this a fun and inspiring summer holiday! See you next year!

**BY TEACHER ARVIN ROBLES**  
ACTING PANEL HEAD, ENGLISH

## AT A GLANCE

**BY TEACHER PHOEBE YEUNG**  
DEPUTY PANEL HEAD, ENGLISH

When you read the entries in this DOUBLE-ISSUE, you will find that not only the appearances of the boys and girls have changed, but also the schoolwork shows that they have gained so much knowledge after all this time. It truly is an amazing year for both teachers and students and let's hope for a better year!

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# Grade One: Latest Updates

The Grade One students have spent the past months learning about space and planets. They have a good understanding of the basic characteristics of all the planets in our solar system.

They also explored the planets by comparing them with a Venn diagram. They compared the planets according to the following aspects:

- size
- colour
- special features
- have moons or no moons

They had a great time discussing their information collected and completing a Venn diagram.

Also, the Grade Ones performed during the second term English week! There were singing, role-playing and dancing. They showed confidence and gave excellent performances!





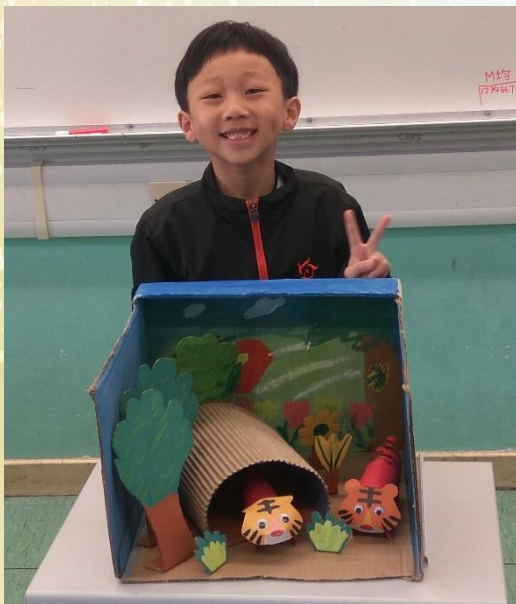
# Grade One: Highlights of the Year

Wow! What a year it has been for our Grade 1 students!

We started the year learning about our very own selves, our fantastic families and our hospitable homes. We then found out about all the creative careers we could do when we grow up.




In the middle of the year, we learnt everything there is to know about our very own world of amazing animals. From the ickiest insects to the mightiest mammals. From the harshest habitats to the prettiest pets.





Then, we counted down ... five, four, three, two, one, blast off! And off we flew on our very own stellar space adventure, to a galaxy right here, the magnificent Milky Way. To our very own spectacular solar system revolving around our very own star, the sizzling sun. Along the way, we lost our very own amicable alien.

**Alien Missing Person** Karlan Lui 1W C187

**Recent Picture:** 

**Alien's Name:** Fire-E

**Last Seen:** Pui Kin College

**If found, please contact:** MTB Karlan

**Description:**

My alien has a no head and a big body.

My alien has four arms and three legs.

My alien has four hands and three feet.


My alien has two eyes and three ears.

My alien has a no nose and a big mouth.

My alien has a no neck and two teeth.

My alien has fire energy!

**Alien Missing Person** Aston W 0327

**Recent Picture:** 

**Alien's Name:** MR ROBOT

**Last Seen:** 2-4-2018

**If found, please contact:** 11223344

**Description:**

My alien has a square head and a triangular body.

My alien has stubby arms and long legs.

My alien has stubby hands and stubby feet.

My alien has stubby eyes and six ears.


My alien has a tiny nose and a great mouth.

My alien has a fat neck and huge teeth.

My alien has three tongues!

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**Alien Missing Person** Mavis

**Recent Picture:** 

**Alien's Name:** Melody

**Last Seen:** at the ice cream shop

**If found, please contact:** 1223344

**Description:**

My alien has a round head and a blue body.

My alien has long arms and purple legs.

My alien has long hands and four feet.

My alien has two hands and four feet.

My alien has sparkly eyes and small ears.

My alien has a shiny nose and a smiley mouth.

My alien has a short neck and no teeth.

My alien has a pretty kirt!

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Finally, we returned to our very own elegant Earth.

Wow, what a joyful journey!





# Grade Two: Latest Updates

The Grade Two students joined LEAP's Primary Programme in May. Through the interactive games and hands-on activities, students learnt more about our body organs, food & nutrition and how to live a healthy lifestyle.

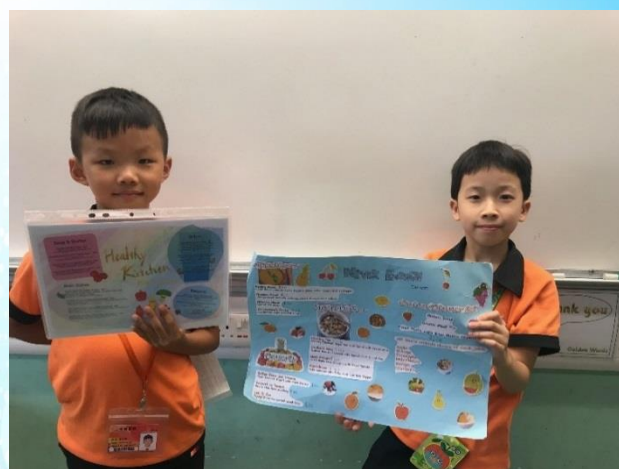


They also made good use of the knowledge learnt during this visit and applied it on their course work. They collected pictures of different food items and arranged them into the main 5 food groups. Then, they created a poster to show the Food Pyramid. Well done! =)





To celebrate the learning outcome of Module 3, students created a menu for a restaurant that promoted healthy eating. Students put lots of effort into this final project and the menus were very attractive. A round of applause to the second graders! =D

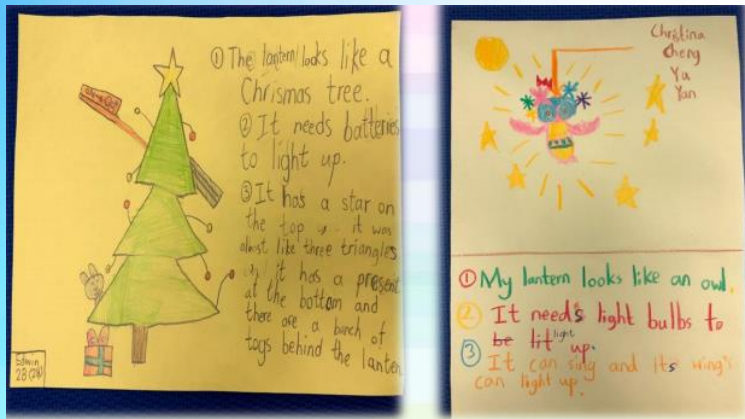




# Grade Two: Highlights of the Year

It's almost the end of the year! Let's take a look what our Grade Two students have learnt this year!

We started from learning the festivals around the world, such as Mid-Autumn Festival, Halloween, Christmas and more. At the end of the module, we even created our own festivals!! It was so much fun!



We then moved on to learn more about Hong Kong. There are a lot of famous food and landmarks in Hong Kong. We even went to the Avenue of Stars to interview the foreigners about their favourite places!

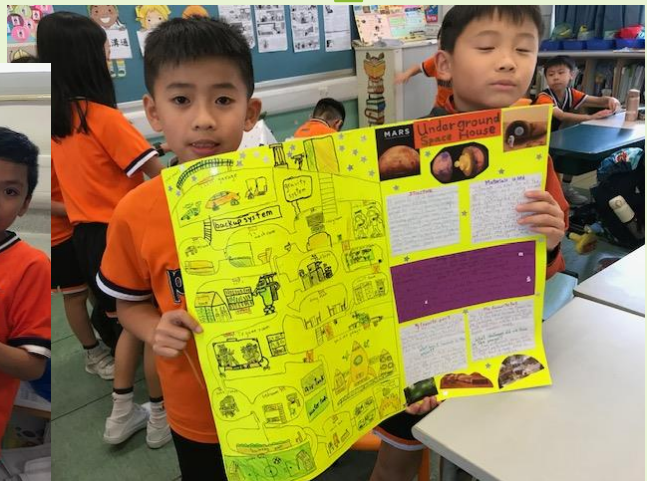
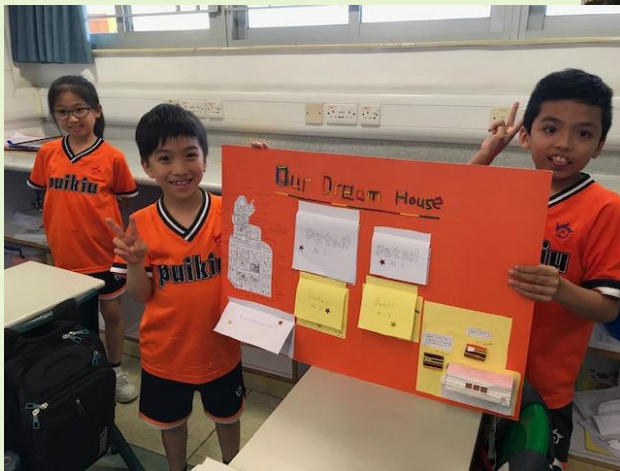


At last, we had the module about our bodies. Different body parts and organs work smartly to help us live healthily! How amazing!





# Grade Three: Latest Updates



Our Grade Three students have been learning about houses and homes in Module 3 for almost 3 months. They are already stepping towards the end of the module. And it's the fun time – the project time again. Instead of working with a big group nor individual work, students get to pair up with a friend to create their dream house after learning so much about different types of the house.

Here are some project-in-progress photos. We are sure that students are ready for their presentation in class as well as the preparation for their year-end assessment.

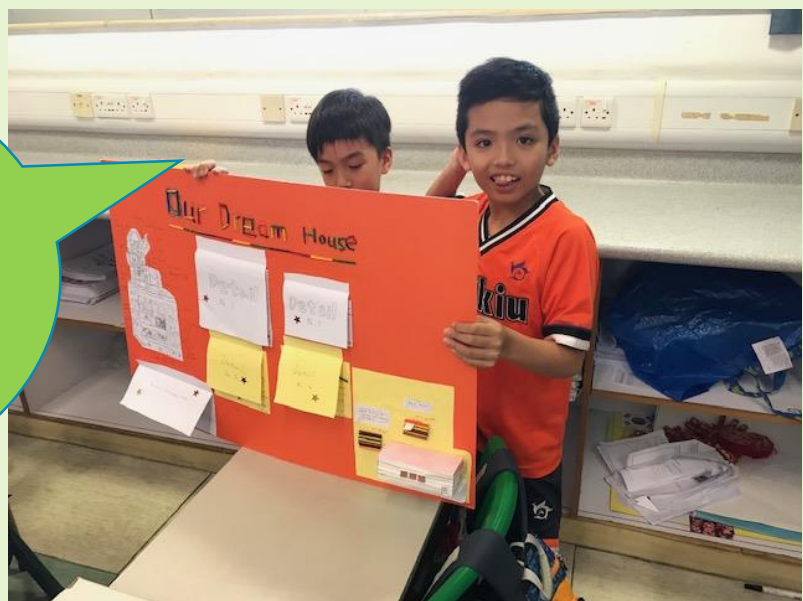






What else can we add here?

I forgot what I should say in my presentation!  
(Check the board!)



We have such a big house, what do we do on this floor?





# Grade Three: Highlights of the Year

Module 3, which is our last module for this year, is almost ending. All of the Grade Threes had a really fun and exciting year learning about countries and continents, different kinds of plants and houses and homes around the world. It is for sure that all grade 3 students enjoyed every English lesson! Just look at the smiles on their faces in the photos! All Grade Threes agree that they love the projects a lot – creating a poster board introducing different countries around the world, making a leaf art and finally, creating and presenting to their class their own dream houses! If you see any Third Graders in the school day, just ask them about their projects and we are sure that they will be more than happy to share with you what they have learnt and show you the products of the project.









# Grade Four: Latest Updates



Look at this criminal. What crime do you think he has committed?

With Module 3 quickly coming towards an end (and the YEA along with it!) the Grade Four students had to complete their Module 3 Project.

In this Project, the students had to demonstrate their creativity and narrative writing skills by creating a "Wanted" poster for a fictional monster or criminal.

On the poster, the students had to create a picture and give a detailed description of the appearance of their criminal using lots of effective adjectives to help members of the public recognise them. The students then had to create a little backstory to explain why the criminal is wanted. And finally, the students offered a cash reward to encourage the public to work with the police to catch their criminal.

Do you have what it takes to create an interesting "Wanted" poster?



Why don't take a look at some more monster criminals created by Grade Four students and see if you can:

- ✓ *come up with an interesting backstory for the criminal*
- ✓ *give a detailed description of the monster using effective, descriptive adjectives. Try to avoid basic adjectives like "big", "small", "good", "bad", "fine" or "okay"*





# Grade Four: Highlights of the Year

The Grade Four students undoubtedly have had a very fruitful year. From the amazing rainforests that fascinate animal and plant lovers, to the terrifying natural disasters which leave many dumbfounded, our students get to know more about the world and how to be a good global citizen. Our year ends with the module "Mysteries and Monsters", a cryptic module which brings students to the world of many unsolvable mysteries and fabulous creatures such as werewolves and Cerberus.

All in all, the Fourth Graders should be proud of themselves as they have achieved plenty and as teachers, we are very delighted to have witnessed their growth.

Here are some photos that remind us of the joyful and meaningful journey we had together. Enjoy!









# Grade Five: Latest Updates

In Grade Five, we have come to the end of the Module 3: Medieval Ages.

There are lots of interesting topics in this module, from the infamous Black Death, to the wonderful castle drawings that students have made in class.





# Library Event

On top of that, we had our library activity where Grade Five students had the chance to read to younger brothers and sisters from Grade Two! See below for their lovely faces!





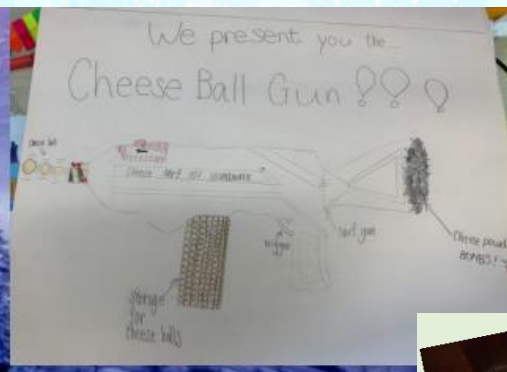
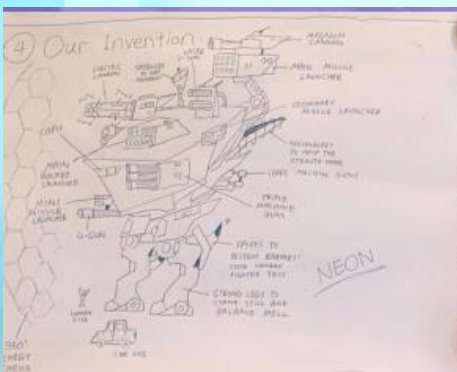
# Grade Five: Highlights of the Year

The Grade Five students have had a fruitful year learning about different modules! Let's share some memorable moments!

The first one is the Disguise Competition we had in Module 1! It was really so fun to make our disguises ourselves! We even make our own board games at the end of this module! See how creative we are!



Another interesting module we learnt was about inventions! We learnt to be creative and never be afraid of failures! A good inventor should also be observant in order to find some solutions for daily life problems. Look at some of our work!



We have also learnt a technique called SCAMPER and we went to the SCAMPER workshop to learn and look at some inventions by young inventors! We learnt that everyone can also be an inventor!

These are the happy moments we had this year! We are looking forward to our next journey!





# Grade Six: Latest Updates

Module 3 is coming to an end and all Grade Six students have enjoyed learning about Ancient Egypt. As the module is coming to an end, they are all preparing for their projects and exams in June. Their project for module 3 involves them putting their drama skills to the test. They will be preparing a video with a small drama play which is related to Ancient Egypt.

Grade Six also went on several trips around the world. They went to several places in Mainland China, Canada, Brisbane and Singapore. All of the students had a good time and took many photos of their adventures. Make sure to ask them about them.

Take a look at a few of the photos from the Singapore Trip.





# Grade Six: Highlights of the Year

## Cool Facts about ancient EGYPT!



A Pharaoh never let his hair been seen- he would always wear a crown or a headdress called a nemes.



Both Egyptian men and women wore makeup.



The ancient Egyptians worshipped more than 1,000 gods and goddesses.



The ancient Egyptians were the first people to have a year consisting of 365 days divided into 12 months. They also invented clocks.



A Pharaoh would marry a several times. He could have more than one wife!



The ancient Egyptians called the Nile, the Great River. Nile is one of the longest rivers of world!



The Great Sphinx is carved out of one solid block of limestone.



A Pharaoh was the human form of the sky god, Horus.



Animals of all sorts were mummified. For example, a cat would be mummified and have little mummified mice placed along with it.





# Six Plus: Latest Updates

The final project for Six Plus is a chance for them to reverse our roles in the classroom: Student Teaching! In pairs, the students got to select a topic of their choice and provide a two-day lesson teaching. The topics covered were a tapestry of the themed-based modules they had accumulated throughout their primary English learning at Pui Kiu College. They included:



In their lesson, the Student Teachers prepared a detailed lesson plan for each teaching day as well as comprehensive and diverse activities and materials, including warmup games, PowerPoint slides, fun and informative videos, spelling list and quiz, reading comprehension, listening comprehension videos, final assessment and even lesson extensions. They not only showed their rich content and linguistic knowledge, but also innovative approaches to teaching that actual teachers could learn from.







For example, instead of giving students a review test, why not create an immersive board game? Instead of doing corrections for mistakes made, why not doing sit-ups and other physical activities? Our Six Plus students showed fantastic instincts as Student Teachers by catering to learner diversity, providing engaging learning experiences for verbal learners, solitary and social learners, visual learners, kinesthetic learners, etc.



With such talent among our Six Plus, we won't be surprised to see them inspiring future generations in their futures ahead!





# Six Plus: Highlights of the Year

It's been such a thrilling ride for our Six Plus students this year. Throughout the academic year, they had the remarkable experience of learning together, and from each other, in a small class size.



Six Plus started the year by representing the school, and ultimately winning, in the Improvised Dramatic Scenes event at the HKSMSA Speech Festival. Every lesson, Six Plus to discuss and debate global hot topics, ranging from Brexit to the worldwide measles outbreak, from presidential elections to human rights and equality. Six Plus also learnt about religions and cults, and how 21<sup>st</sup> century citizens need to remain vigilant and critical against possible cult recruitment. Towards the end of the year, Six Plus learnt to appreciate their own inherited traits and their family heritage. At the end of the year, they also enlightened each other as they took on the role of Student Teachers!



After such a whirlwind year, the Six Plus students are ready to embark on the next exciting chapter of their lives. We wish them all the best in their secondary studies!





# ENGLISH PERFORMING ARTS

## Grade Five EPA

# BETTER TOGETHER



Once again it is time for one of the most exciting events in the Pui Kiu College calendar: **The Annual Grade 5 Performance**. Each year we choose a theme for the show and this year we have chosen a theme that revolves around teamwork. It is the idea that in order for us to achieve our goals, we need to work together... that we are "Better Together"! Four exciting and different stories look at how we can work together to realise our dreams.

The first story is **"Showtime!"**. A story where teachers and students have the opportunity to experience a celebration of drama, but also reveal the challenges, the compromises and the complications that actors need to overcome... all to be part of a team.





"Lost Unity" explores opportunity and redemption with students learning about teamwork and new perspectives.



"Make it Work!" shows us a magical kingdom where wickedness has taken over. It takes the efforts of good people to come together and save the kingdom.



"The Honourable Squad" is a story of useless superheroes who cannot work together. Their leader has been kidnapped and they will need to put aside all their arguments and work together as a team in order to save him.



Tickets for the show are hot property so you will need to be quick to get some!

Remember... everything is **Better Together!**



# EPA: English Performance Week

For the second time this academic year we have celebrated English Performance Week. This time the talents of Grade Four and Grade One were on display – singing and dancing, poetry and drama. Despite the wet weather, it proved to be a great success. Well done to all the participants and a big thank you to our wonderful audience!





# Feature Writing

# kids' menu

## main

CHICKEN STRIPS

MEATBALLS

FISH FINGER

CHEESE BURGER

PIZZA

two organic fried chicken fillet

served with gravy sauce, carrot and tomato

two golden cod fillet

cheddar cheese, all beef patty, with lettuce and tomato

8 inch pizza, with pineapple, ham and cheese

grilled chicken strips

chicken fillet

meatballs

fish finger

cheese burger

pizza

## side

MASHED POTATO

RICE

SPAGHETTI

VEGETABLE

mashed potato

rice

spaghetti

vegetable

## drink

JUICE

MILK SHAKE

HOT CHOCOLATE

apple, orange or grape

strawberry, chocolate or vanilla

juice

milkshake

hot chocolate

## dessert

JELLY

MOUSSE CAKE

apple, strawberry or grape

chocolate or mango

jelly

mousse cake

Pick 1 from each item

\$6.00 only

By 2M CHAN Sum Yi, Katie



# The Cake Shop



Have you ever been to a cake shop before? There are different types of cake shops in Hong Kong. There are full of beautiful cakes and bread in cake shops. People like to buy cakes in cake shops.

There are a lot of people in the cake shop. The chefs are wearing clean, white toques and chef uniforms and they all have grins on their faces. The cakes are placed nicely one by one on the shelves and there are Christmas trees in the shop because it is not long after Christmas.

In the cake shop, there are a lot of cakes and bread. They look like yummy pizzas and they smell like some freshly baked bun. I cannot wait so I bought an exquisite blueberry cheesecake. It tastes as wonderful as ice cream and feels as smooth as a pillow! I love the delicious chocolate sauce icing and the sparking blueberries on top of the cake!

There are so many amazing cake shops in Hong Kong. I like cake shops and so do my family.

By 3W Leo Sun ☺





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## A Day at The Zoo

Last week, I had a day at the zoo because it was sunny.

I went to the zoo with my family. First, my brother and I took some photos. Next, we fed the cute hippopotamuses. Then, we saw the brilliant pandas. And finally, we went home!

I felt extremely happy because when my brother and I went home, mum just let us look at our fantastic photos! 😊

By Kate LAU (1B)





## My Birthday

Last April, I had a birthday party at home with my family. First, we ate a yummy birthday cake. Next. We played funny games. Then, we took a lot of crazy pictures. I felt happy. Next year, I want to have a birthday party with my friends.

Written by: Jamie Cheung 1M (5)



Name: Boslo chow

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Date: 1<sup>st</sup> March, 2019

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Mosquitoes!

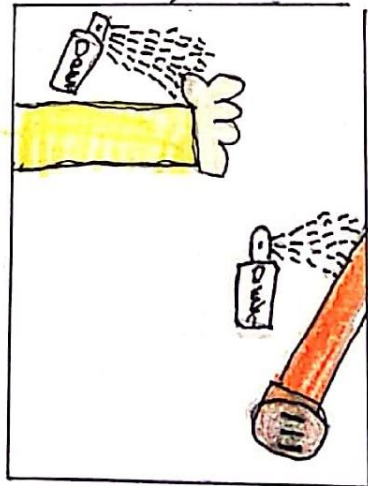
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Tips:



Wear light-coloured  
long-sleeved shirt  
and long pants.



Apply insect  
repellent spray or  
cream which contains  
DEET over exposed  
parts.



Clean the saucers  
under potted plants  
weekly and prevent  
water accumulation.

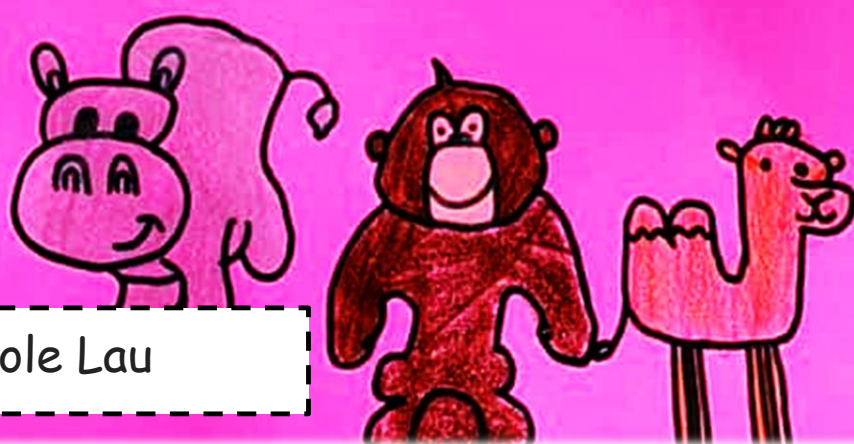




by Nicole Lau  
1C (17)

# A Day at the Zoo

Yesterday, my family and I went to the zoo. First, we fed some adorable animals like gorillas, camels and hipopotamuses. Then, we took photos. It was so interesting. Last, we waved at all cute animals. I felt happy because I learned many things.



By 1C Nicole Lau





A decorative border surrounds the text, featuring various school supplies and fruit. At the top left is a yellow school bus. Along the top are a green crayon, a yellow pencil, and an orange crayon. At the top right is a pair of blue-handled scissors. On the right side, from top to bottom, are a yellow pencil, a red apple, and a blue crayon. At the bottom right is a yellow school bus. Along the bottom are a blue crayon, a red crayon, and a yellow pencil. On the left side, from bottom to top, are a pair of blue-handled scissors, a yellow pencil, a purple crayon, and a red apple.

## My Classroom

My classroom is the place where I learn and play with my best friends. It is on the fourth floor of Pui Kiu College. My seat looks as neat as my closet because I always tidy my closet and my seat.

My classroom's whiteboard is as important as a person's life because we always need to use it. The teachers need to use it every day so it smells like mud.

The students learn with me. Some of them are like clowns. Some of them make noise that I do not like to hear. A few of them make the teachers very angry.

My classroom is as important as my parents because I can learn a lot of new things and play at recess.

By 3C Avril YIP



## **If I could choose to have a kind of superpower...**

If I could choose to have a kind of superpower, I would like to have the power to produce and control electricity. There are a few reasons. Let me tell you now!

I want to have this superpower because it can help the people who do not have enough money to buy electricity. In some remote villages in China and Cambodia, people are poor and can't afford electricity fee. Therefore, I would like to supply electricity for them, so they can have a better living environment!

The second reason is that the Earth would be better once I had this superpower. Since I could produce electricity, people therefore no need to get electricity by burning fuel. Then, we can have unlimited electricity without polluting the Earth.

The last reason is that if I could control electricity, I could help to prevent people from electric shocks.

Do you think having this superpower is awesome? I do think so! If I could have this superpower one day, please call me "Superboy Alvin"!



By Alvin Lo 2W



# If Your Brain Could Talk, What Would It Say To You?

By Yorik Hon (2P)

I am your brain and I am the boss of your body. Please listen to me and do what I say.



Every day, you must eat healthy food to make me smart. You should eat more grains, such as rice, noodles and pasta because they give me more energy. Also, you need to eat a lot of vegetables and fruit to get fibre and different kinds of vitamins.



Besides, you need to do exercise every day. Running, skipping, playing table tennis and dancing are good exercises for your body. They can make you strong.

It is important to keep me healthy. Remember to eat well and exercise regularly.



# KIDS' HEALTHY MENU



## Entrée

### • Mushroom soup

Button and shiitake mushrooms, milk foam, toasted baguette

### • JY's Favorite Salad

Tomato, mozzarella cheese with balsamic vinaigrette



Mushroom  
✓ Vitamin D  
✓ Boosts immunity

HK \$

110

100

## Main

### • Super Soba noodle soup

Buckwheat soba noodles, miso broth, egg, seasonal greens, corn, seaweed

120

### • Chicken and vegetable rice

Diced chicken, seasonal vegetables, brown rice, soya sesame sauce

130

### • Salmon teriyaki

Oven-baked salmon fillet, quinoa, seasonal vegetables, teriyaki sauce

130



Salmon  
✓ Omega-3 fatty acids  
✓ Vitamin A  
✓ DHA

Brown Rice  
✓ Dietary fiber  
✓ Vitamin E

## Desserts

### • Brownie Surprise (made with dark chocolate)

100

### • Fresh Fruit Platter with Blueberry Yoghurt

100

### • Ice cream or Sherbet

80



Chocolate  
✓ Induces happy hormones ^^

By 2C YIU Yui Lam, Justina

Justina 倪嘉琳



# *The Magnificent Cake Shop*

*by 3W Skyler*



Have you been to a great cake shop? There are full of beautiful cakes and bread. People like to buy and taste delicious cakes in the cake shop.

There are a lot of hungry people in the cake shop choosing their dessert. I can smell the amazing smell of cakes already when I am walking on the street. In the cake shop, there are delicious cakes and desserts which are some nice choices to buy and taste in the cake shop. The cakes look like giant layers of cream. The little boy is choosing his birthday cake. He is as excited as getting his first gift.



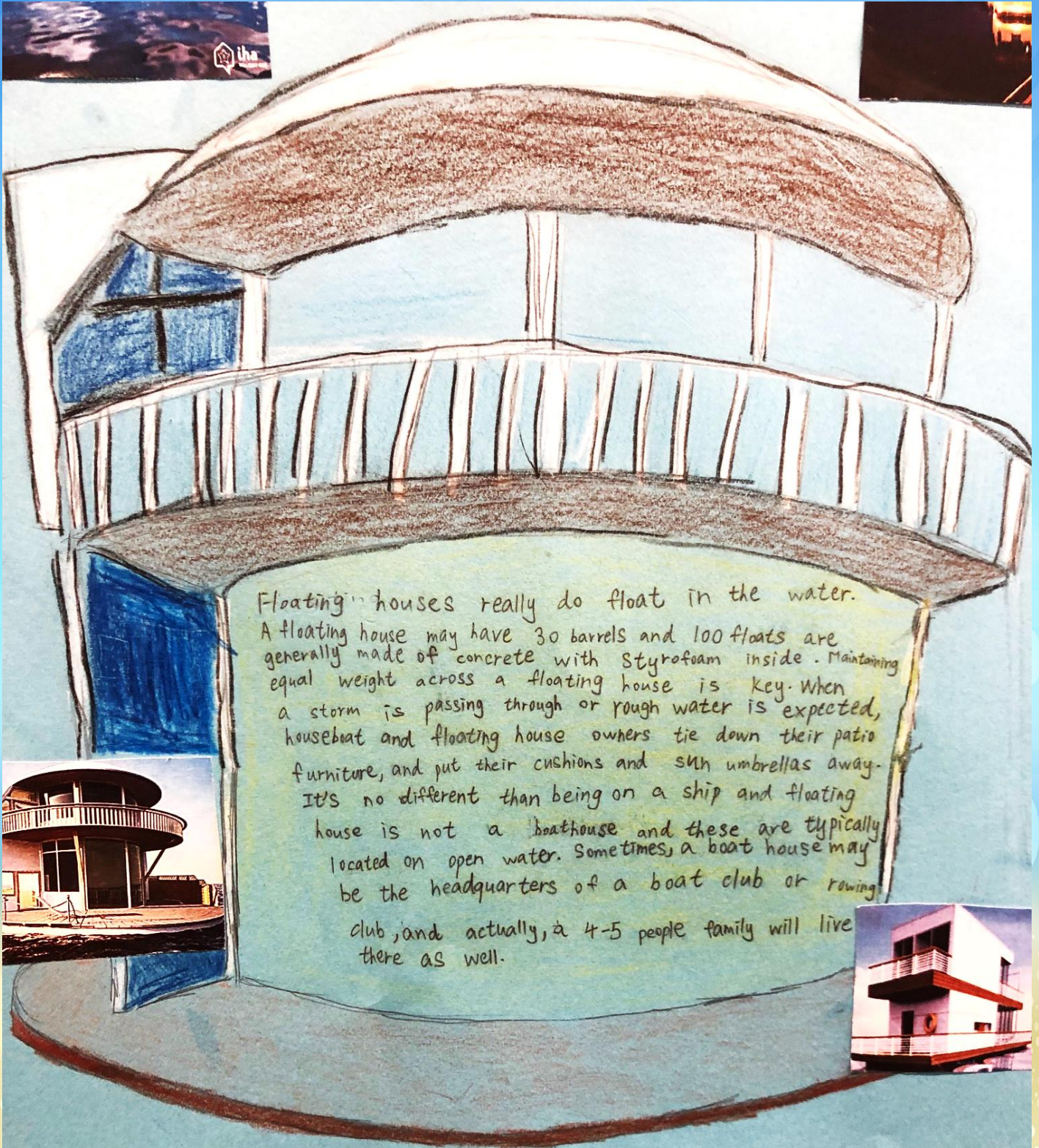
There are different kinds of desserts and cakes in the gigantic cake shop. The cakes are like a special mixture of bread, giant layers of cream, and some healthy fruit. Some cakes have added some special flavor of icing to make the cake and dessert look shinier and more delicious. The cakes are also in different sizes and shapes, some are triangular, some are round and some are ovate shaped. I choose a cake and waited in a line as straight as a ruler. After waiting, I go to a dining area to taste my cake. When I bite on the cake, it sounds like eating white marshmallows, it smells like creamy bread.

There are so many wonderful cakes and desserts in the cake shop. I sure would like to go again!





# 3B Group Work



Floating houses really do float in the water. A floating house may have 30 barrels and 100 floats are generally made of concrete with Styrofoam inside. Maintaining equal weight across a floating house is key. When a storm is passing through or rough water is expected, houseboat and floating house owners tie down their patio furniture, and put their cushions and sun umbrellas away. It's no different than being on a ship and floating house is not a boathouse and these are typically located on open water. Sometimes, a boat house may be the headquarters of a boat club or rowing club, and actually, a 4-5 people family will live there as well.







## The Cake Shop

3M Angus Yip (32)

I was walking towards my home after a hard day at school when I smell the strong scent of butter and the crunchiest smell of caramel ever. I ran as fast as a tiger to the closest bakery, just few steps away from me.

When I burst into the cake shop, I see mountains of cakes in the enormous cake shop. It looked like there was millions of different flavored cakes smiling at me, waving for me to bring them home. I looked at all of the cakes, cupcakes, muffins, fruit cakes; some I have never seen before, some even have special pictures on them.

I even sensed the softness of the colourful cakes. They were as soft as cotton candy, and it had a strong sense of vanilla and cream. I sensed the warmness of the cake, so I thought that cake must be just came out from the oven.

I bought a strawberry and vanilla cake when I left the cake shop. When I got home, I tasted it and it tasted like all the best smells in the world! Now when I walk pass the cake shop, I can still remember that smell of fresh butter and the crunchy caramel.



# RIDDLES

Q1: What letter of the alphabet has the most water?



Q2: What belongs to you but is used more by others?

Q3: Everyone has it and no one can lose it, what is it?

A3: Your shadow

A2: Your name

A1: The letter C



# AROUND THE CAMPUS













