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At a Glance

In this issue of PEN, not only you can know more about what students are learning in their regular English lessons, but also a detailed description of EPA lessons across all grades is included. Read the “Joke and Riddles” section and have a good laugh. You may also look at the beautiful pictures about our teachers and students in the “Around the Campus” section.

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WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND PUI KIU COLLEGE:

UPCOMING EVENTS

Extra-Curricular Activities (Term 1)

English Week (Term 1)

School Picnic (G. 1-5)

Team Spirit Training Camp (G. 6)

HKSMSA Speech Festival 2017

ENGLISH ECAs

2017-2018

Zumba™ Fitness Dance for Kids

PKC Drama Team

PKC Debate Team

English Chanters

MAKING YOUR OWN YEARBOOK

FOREWORD

A brand new school year has officially begun! Welcome back, all returning students and parents. And to our Grade One students and parents joining us this year, welcome to the Pui Kiu College family! Let's all get ready for a vibrant and rewarding year ahead!

So what is PEN? The Primary English Newsletter, or PEN, is a monthly newsletter available both online and in print form. PEN keeps parents and students up-to-date on the goings-on among the Primary English Panel. You can discover everything, from the invigorating activities we have during lessons to the enjoyable educational excursions related to the English modules. PEN also displays some wonderful works of writing created by our students, provides introductions to teachers, as well as entertaining features and tidbits... and much more!

Module 1 has already started across all grades, and interestingly, Grades One to Six are learning about various people and places. While Grade One learn about the world they see around them, Grade 5 learn about the covert lives of spies and espionage. Fourth Graders embark on their journey through the rainforests while Second Graders are introduced to the cultural festivals around the globe. Grade Three students learn about countries and continents while Grade Six students learn about diversity and discrimination across cultures. This year, we are thrilled to have growing cultural diversity among our panel, and in the "Teacher Feature", we meet a truly international member of our team, Teacher Andrea. Find out more by reading on this issue of PEN!

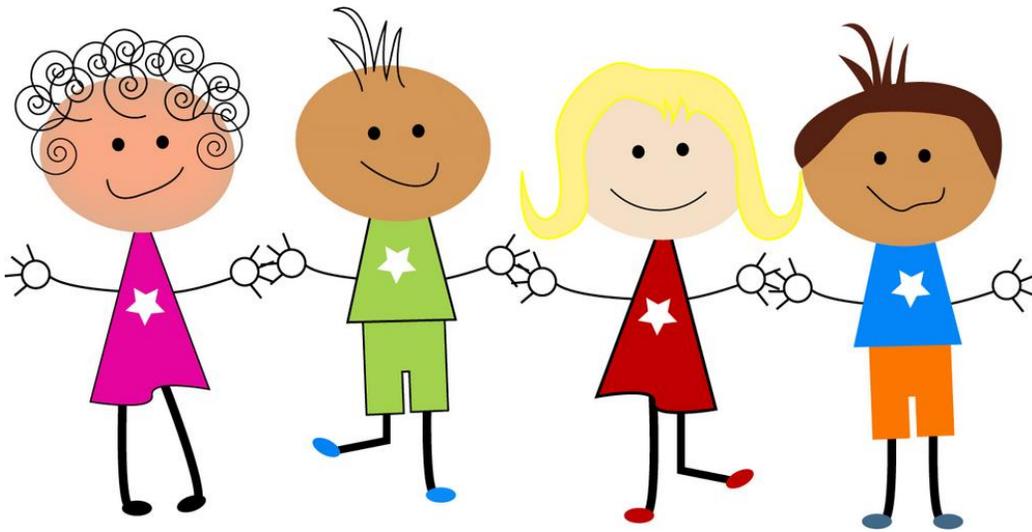
We are looking forward to sharing a year filled with learning, adventure and memories with you all. You can keep track on all our exciting updates in every issue of PEN. Don't miss out!

Teacher Arvin Robles

Deputy Head , Primary English Panel

Grade 1

We have started Module 1
and it's called "Our World"!



In the first week of school, the Grade One students were getting to know each other by filling in the personal profiles to talk about themselves in the Learning Activity Books. They shared their likes and dislikes with friends. After that, students learned how to interview each other by asking different questions. Let's have a look at some of their brilliant work!

Write complete sentences using the words *I like*.

★ Remember to use **capital letters** and **full stops**.

1.



I like rabbits.

2.



I like swimming.

3.



I like teddy bear.

4.



I like ice-cream.

Draw pictures and write about **four** things that you like.

Write complete sentences using the words *I like*.

★ Remember to use **capital letters** and **full stops**.

1.

Swimming pool
↓

I like swimming.

2.



I like to eat cake.

3.



I like to eat sandwiches.

4.



I like to play in the park.



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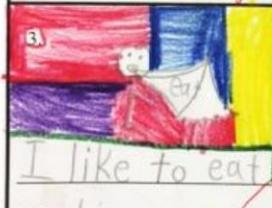
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I like swimming.



I like running.



I like to eat sushi.



I like to read.

Write complete sentences using the words *I like*.

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1.



I like my family.

2.



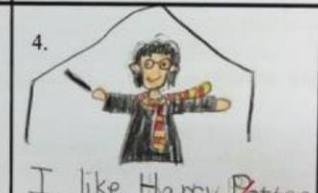
I like swimming.

3.



I like playing
go with my dad.

4.



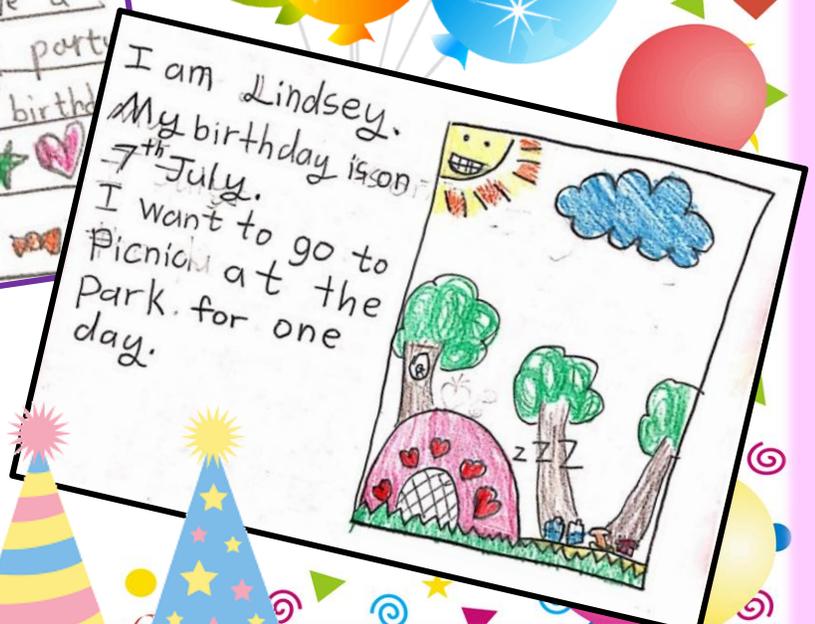
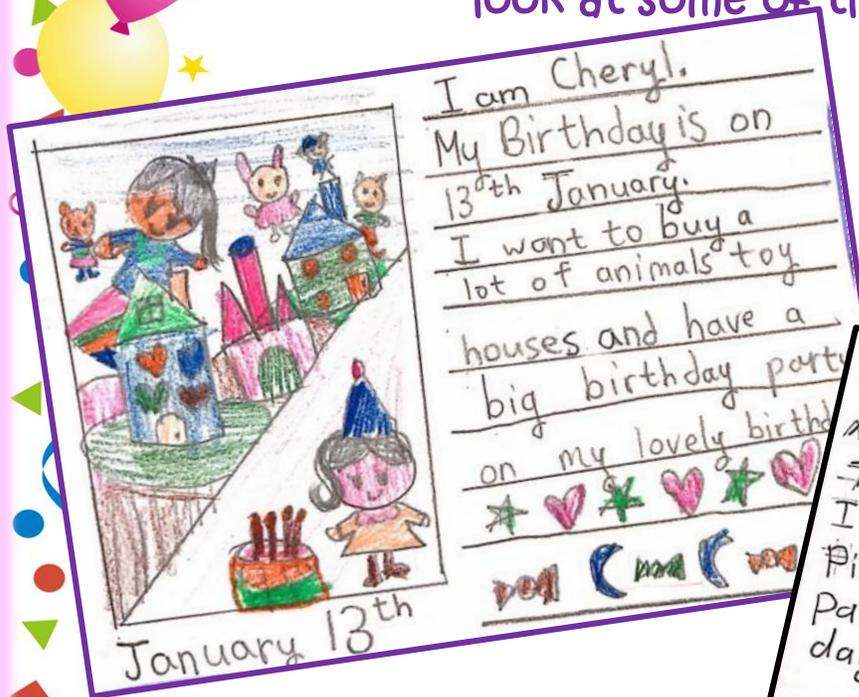
I like Harry Potter.



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Grade 2

The Grade Two students read the story “Mom’s Calendar” at the beginning of Module 1. In the story, Mom put up a new calendar on New Year’s Day and asked the children to start planning their birthday treats and note them on the calendar. After reading the story, we asked the Grade Two students to write down their birthday wishes on a piece of paper and share it with the class. Let’s look at some of their wishes! ☺



I am Carlos Chan. My birthday is on 17th May. I want to go to the beach and swim.



I am Cristiano Fan. My birthday is on 4th December. I want to buy a lot of new clothes on my birthday.

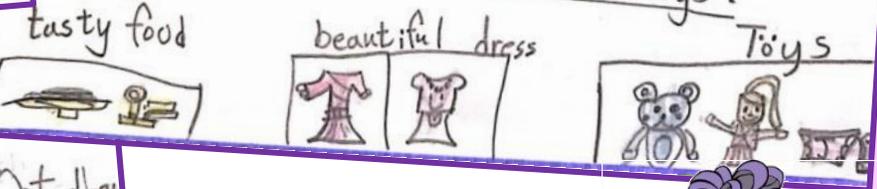


I am Omi. My Birthday is on 19th Aug. I want to play a game on my Birthday.

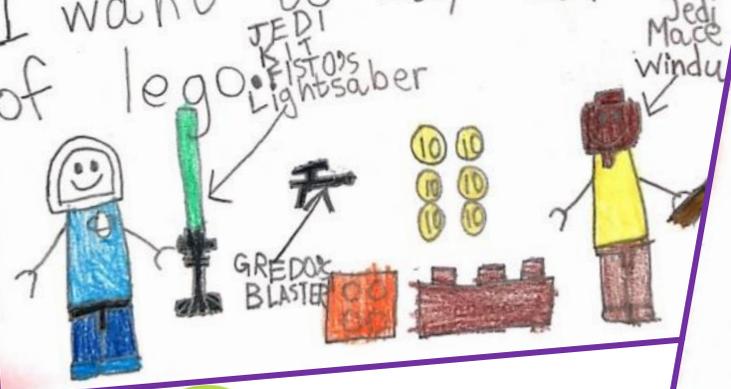


I am Jeanne. My birthday is on 26th January.

I want to travel to Korea and buy tasty food, beautiful dress and Toys.



I am Gymmy Li. My birthday is on 16th October. I want to buy all kinds of lego.



I am Jimmy Leung. My birthday is on 31st July. I want to buy toys on my birthday.

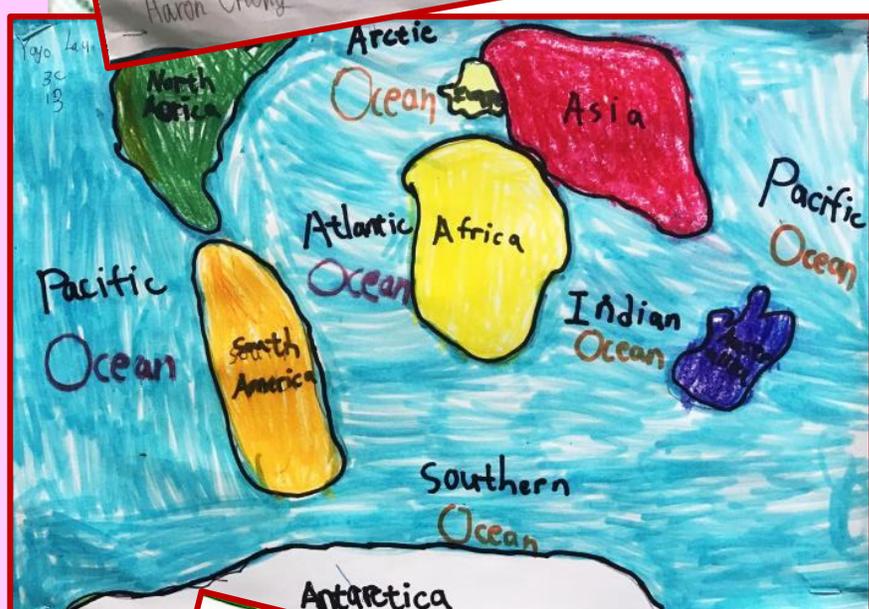


Grade 3

Module 1 – Different Countries

The Third Graders have started their 1st Module, “Different Countries”! Through their researches and classroom learning, students found out how the seven continents were divided many years ago. If you ask them, they can name at least three countries in each continent... except Antarctica :). Isn't that amazing?

The Grade Three Students are reading about **BRAZIL as their first reader. We are learning a lot of interesting information about Brazil. Did you know the currency of Brazil is called Real (ray-AHL) and Samba (a dance form) was originated in Brazil, too?**



Grade 4



Our Grade Four students have been learning about the tropical rainforest in Module 1. Through their research and sharing, they understand that scientists have divided the rainforest to four different layers, each with its own special characteristics. Rainforests provide shelters and food to nearly half of the world's animal species and more than two-thirds of the world's plant species can be found in the tropical rainforests. As the students venture deeper and deeper, they are going to learn about some of the most popular rainforest animals and plants. They are going to find out and discuss the survival traits that these animals and plants possess to help them survive in the rainforest.

Poster Time! The children are making some posters about the different layers of a rainforest:

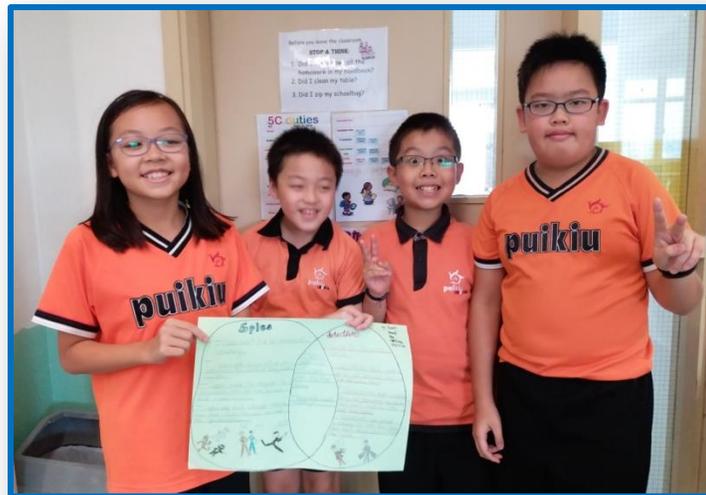


Grade 5

WHAT MAKES A GOOD SPY?

Our Fifth Graders are currently going through Module 1, “Secrets and Spies”. In the past few weeks, students have read books and worked on various activities about spies.

After researching, students worked in groups to create a Venn diagram, which shows the similarities and differences between spies and detectives. Then, they shared their findings in their presentation in class.



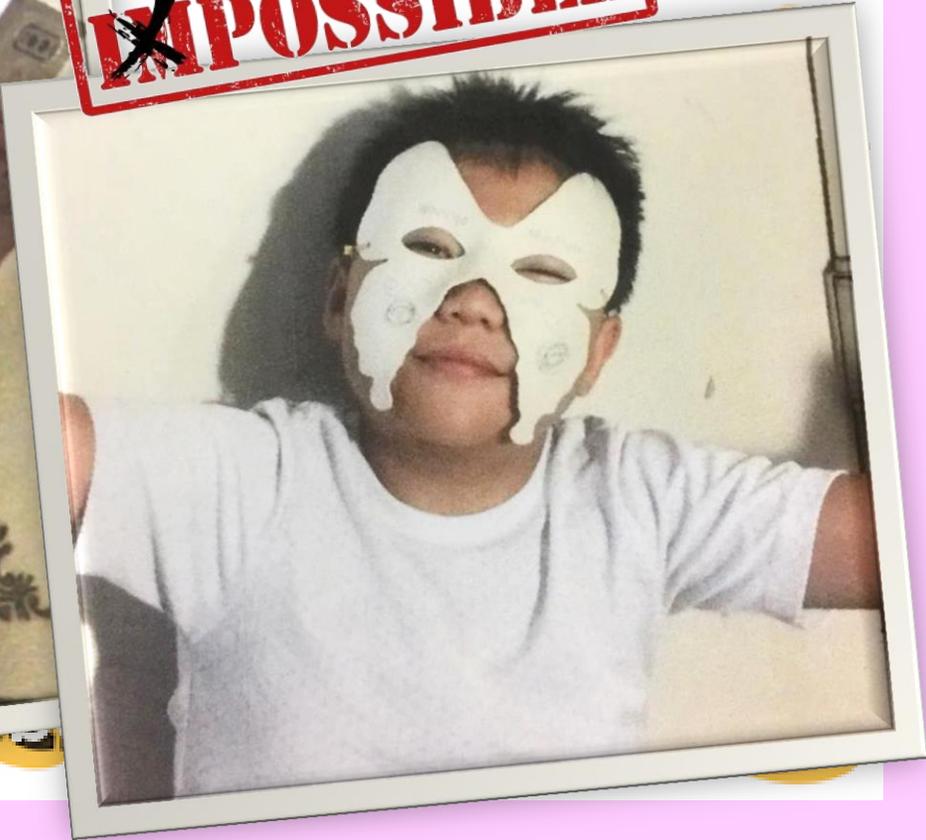
After reading a book called, "How to be a Spy in 7 Days or Less", students discussed ways of disguising themselves effectively, such as changing their hair, using make-up skills, changing the way they move, using different accessories.

The following photos are some spies in our school disguising themselves on their mission. Can you tell who they are? Whom are they tailing? What are they trying to get from us?





**MISSION
IMPOSSIBLE**



Grade 6

Welcome to Grade 6 Module 1 - Different People, Same World

This is a very meaningful module, which involves lots of thinking and discussions. In this module, students will learn about different forms of discrimination and their effects on people and society. It also covers segregation and how people suffer from this act. At the same time, some anti-discrimination activists will be introduced. Additionally, students will learn about aboriginal Australians and how they lived in the past.

It is very important to treat everyone fairly. Every person is entitled to certain fundamental rights, simply by being human. These are called “human rights” rather than a privilege.

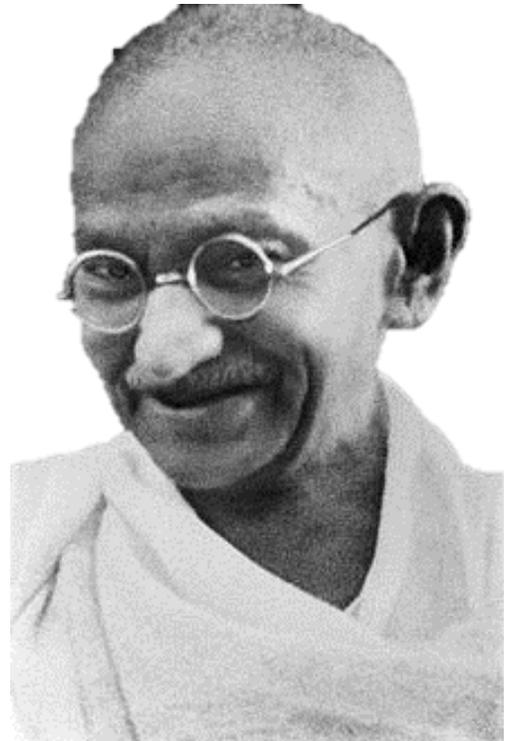
Let's respect everyone and make the world a better place!



Do you know any of the following peace activists?



(1)



(2)



(3)

- 1. Nelson Mandela
- 2. Mahatma Gandhi!
- 3. Aung San Suu Kyi!

EPA

Hello from the teachers!

It's a new school year and a very exciting time for us all. Once again the classrooms ring with the sound of singing, laughing and dance music. During the English Performing Arts (EPA) lessons, Pui Kiu College students gain confidence through expressing themselves in English and having fun at the same time.

We will watch all of our students perform during English Week. It will be a wonderful chance to see the great talent on show at Pui Kiu College.

In Grades One and Two, the students have the wonderful opportunity to learn singing, drama and dance as part of their integrated curriculum. The English language curriculum is linked with the EPA curriculum in both Grades. Grade One songs include 'Bear Hunt' and 'Let's Clean Up'. Grade Two enjoys singing about '5 Little Pumpkins' and acting out a little drama called, 'My First Hundredth Halloween'.



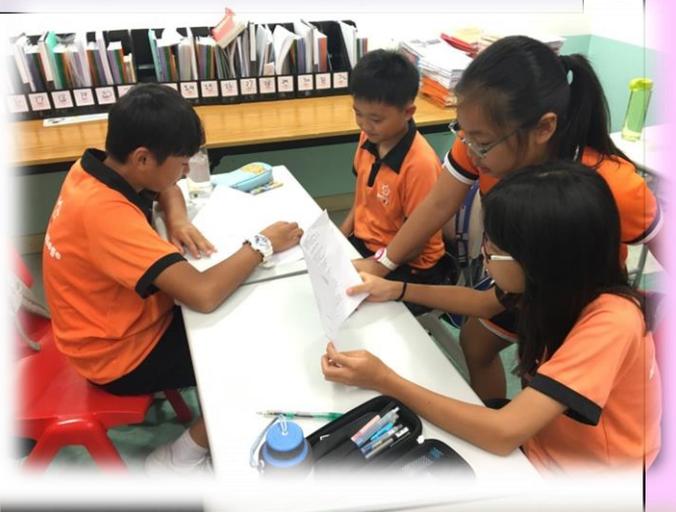
In Grades Three and Four, the students build upon what they have already learned in EPA. They have the opportunity to study Voice, Music, Movement and Drama. They focus on full dances, play scripts and delightful songs, which they share with each other and the school.



In Grade Five, everyone is ready to put all their EPA skills to good use. Students spend the entire year devising, rehearsing and finally performing the Annual Grade Five Performance. Last year, it was "Dream On!", and the students certainly did dream big on their journey towards a great show.



In Grade Six, the students are preparing themselves for life in secondary school. With an EPA curriculum once again integrated to their English curriculum, the Sixth Graders consolidate all the performance skills learned in primary school in preparation for the creative, communicative and collaborative skills needed for secondary school and beyond.



Feature Teacher

A Little about Me



Hi, everyone! I am Teacher Andrea. I am so happy to be part of the Pui Kiu College community this year. I was born in Singapore and raised in different places. So, I studied in different places: Hong Kong, Taiwan, Santa Monica (The United States), Brisbane (Australia) and Beijing. I was lucky to learn about different cultures from a young age. As a result, I have friends in different countries whom I can visit during holidays.



Among all the places that I have studied in, Santa Monica, USA, is my favorite. The Santa Monica pier, which is often shown in many Hollywood movies, is beautiful. There is a roller-coaster ride, a Ferris wheel and many game stalls at the pier! I like the roller-coaster ride the best as it feels like you are about to fall from the sky to the ocean! It is exciting. I enjoy being in the sun a lot so I often walk along Venice Beach. It is the best place for people watching. Come to me and I will share more little interesting things about the place!



We are global citizens, so it is important to know cultures, histories and lifestyles, etc. around the world. I would be happy to share the few places that I am familiar with and I would be very happy if you share with me the places you have been to and the things you learnt about in those trips! Learning is not only in the classroom. I hope that you can acquire the skills you need here in class for self-learning in your free time.

Trivia and Strange Facts

- You may have heard someone say, "**It's raining cats and dogs.**" There have been actual documented cases from all over the world of fish, frogs, dead birds, snakes, snails, beetles, worms and jellyfish raining down from the sky in great numbers, but no reports of showers of cats or dogs.



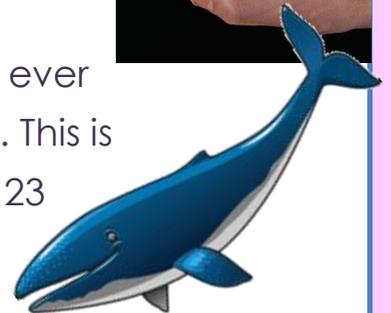
- The fastest bird is the **peregrine falcon**. It can fly at a speed of 168-217 miles per hour.



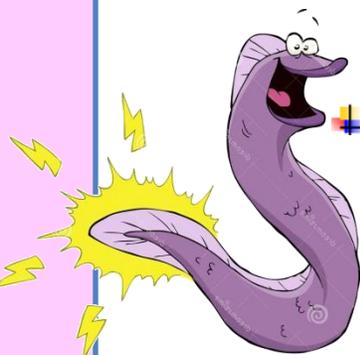
- The largest egg laid by a living bird is that of the **North African Ostrich**. It is 6 to 8 inches in length and 4 to 6 inches in diameter. The smallest is that of the **hummingbird**. It is less than 0.39 inches in diameter.



- The **blue whale**, the largest animal to have ever existed, is 96 feet long and weighs 125 tons. This is as much as 4 large dinosaurs (Brontosauri), 23 elephants, 230 cows or 1800 men.



- An **electric eel** can produce a shock of 600 volts. That's enough to stun large animals and even knock a horse off its feet.



Jokes and Riddles



ANIMAL JOKES

These critters are sure to crack you up.

Q: Why did the cat go to Minnesota?

A: To get a mini soda!

Q: Where do orcas hear music?

A: Orca-stras!

Q: Why did the cow cross the road?

A: To get to the udder side.

Q: What do you call a fish without an eye?

A: Fsh!

Q: What do you do if your dog chews a dictionary?

A: Take the words out of his mouth!

Q: How do you make a goldfish old?

A: Take away the g!

Around the CAMPUS



Yahoo!



Yummy!



PREFECTS Commencement Ceremony

National and Moral Ambassadors



SPORTS DAY!





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DON'T
GIVE UP

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One Team beat
One Team
Quitters Never
WIN!
And WIN!

Sports Day!!!

Sports Day



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