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FOREWORD

Welcome to the May issue of **PEN**! The month of May comes from the Italian Goddess of spring, Maia. She is known as a nurturing force and brings warmth and plenty. Therefore, it isn't surprising that in this month alone, there are indeed plenty of exciting things taking place.

We have had a week of Live Meets again when our campus was being used for DSE assessments, we have finally switched back to our summer uniforms and we have nine days to celebrate the Second Term English Week. Probably the event we are looking forward to the most is, of course, our Second Mid-Term Break of the year! What a jam-packed couple of weeks indeed! And very soon afterwards, next month, we will have to sit for our Year-End Assessment. Therefore, now is the best time to start preparing for the end of a full year of learning.

How can we best prepare for our YEA? It's a good idea to start our revision early, and go through what we have learnt in Modules 1 to 3. Because there has been a lot of learning, we can go through all the information bit by bit, day after day. Remember to keep your materials neat and organised so you can refer to your notes and corrections easily. And if you have any questions at all, remember you can always ask your teacher in class or on Google Classroom.

With early preparation, good self-management and self-regulated learning, we are sure you all can give your best effort to finish this academic year. We wish you all the best, boys and girls!

TEACHER ARVIN ROBLES

PANEL HEAD, ENGLISH

We had a special week last week as we were all Zooming from home! Did you miss school a lot during that week? I bet you did because it is so much fun at school. There is a lot of learning happening in school, such as the Grade One students sharing their favourite animals and Grade Four students showing their support to protect the Earth on Earth Day while some of them even had a chance to join a workshop called "Story Monster", which was organised by SCOLAR.

TEACHER PHOEBE YEUNG

(DEPUTY PANEL HEAD, ENGLISH)



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GRADES ONE, TWO AND THREE



GRADES FOUR, FIVE, SIX, SIX PLUS AND EPA



FEATURED WRITING: GRADE TWO



BOOK CLUB



STORY MONSTER



TRIVIA AND STRANGE FACTS



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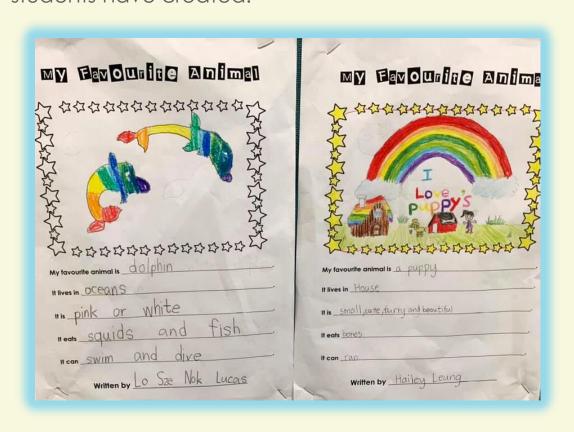
We all love animals! Our Grade One students are having a fantastic time learning about animals. In this module, students will

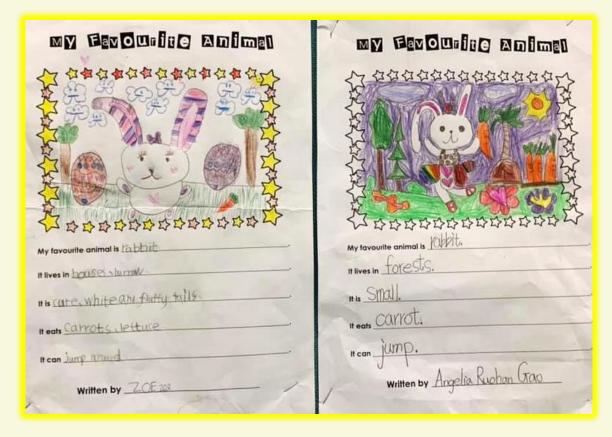
learn about
different animal
habitats such as
the rainforest,
desert, ocean and
tundra. They will
also learn about
the features of
different animals



and how to put them in different groups. Most excitingly, students will be discussing how animals help us and why we should adopt animals instead of buying them.

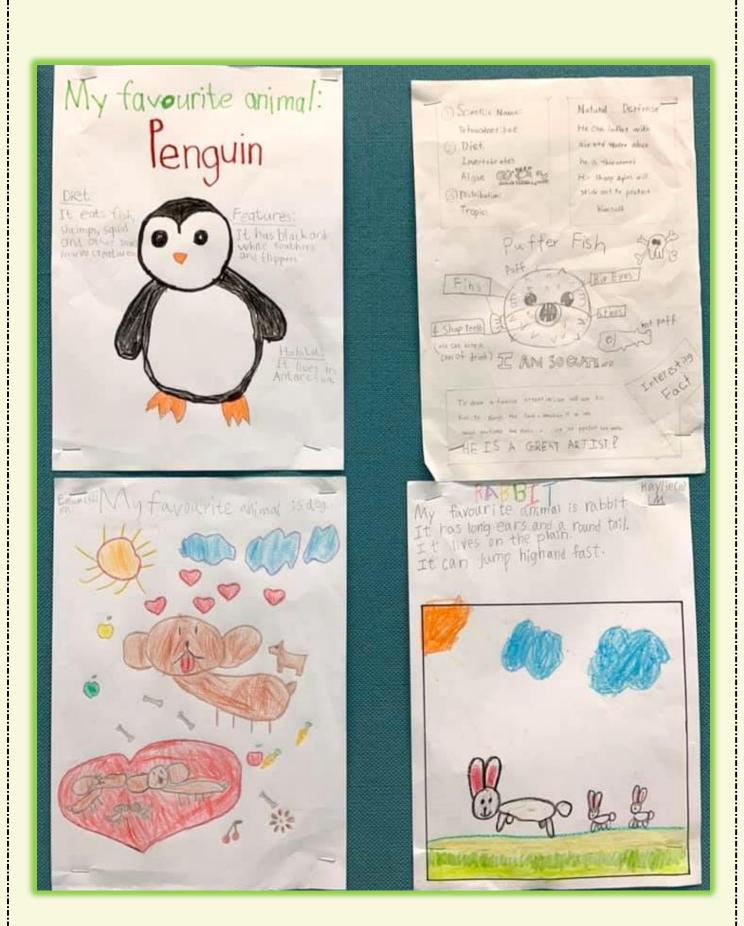
Animals are our best friends and everyone dreams of having his or her own pet! Please enjoy the lovely animal posters that our students have created!











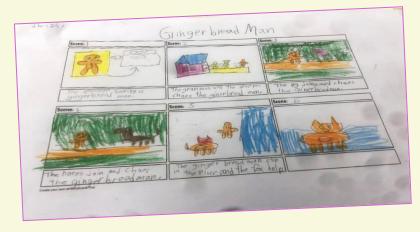


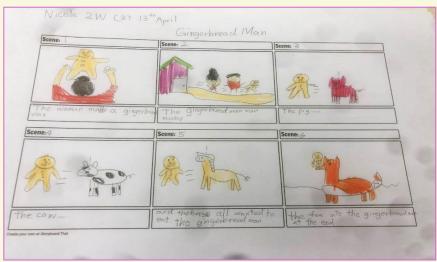
All the Grade Two Teachers are happy to see our wonderful students back in class again. After the Easter holiday, we started working on Module 3, "The World of Stories and Poems".

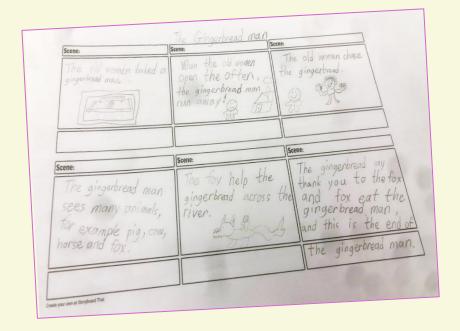
Students are beginning to learn about the differences between stories and poems. Also they have been introduced to the features of stories, such as characters, setting, problem idea and the sequencing of events.

The students are very enthusiastic about the new module, with lots of opportunities to share their favourite books with the class.

We have a few exciting examples of how the students are beginning to work with storytelling with these fun story boards for **The Gingerbread Man**.







We hope to share lots more stories and pictures in the next PEN.

What is **your** favourite story?

Can you tell us why you love it?



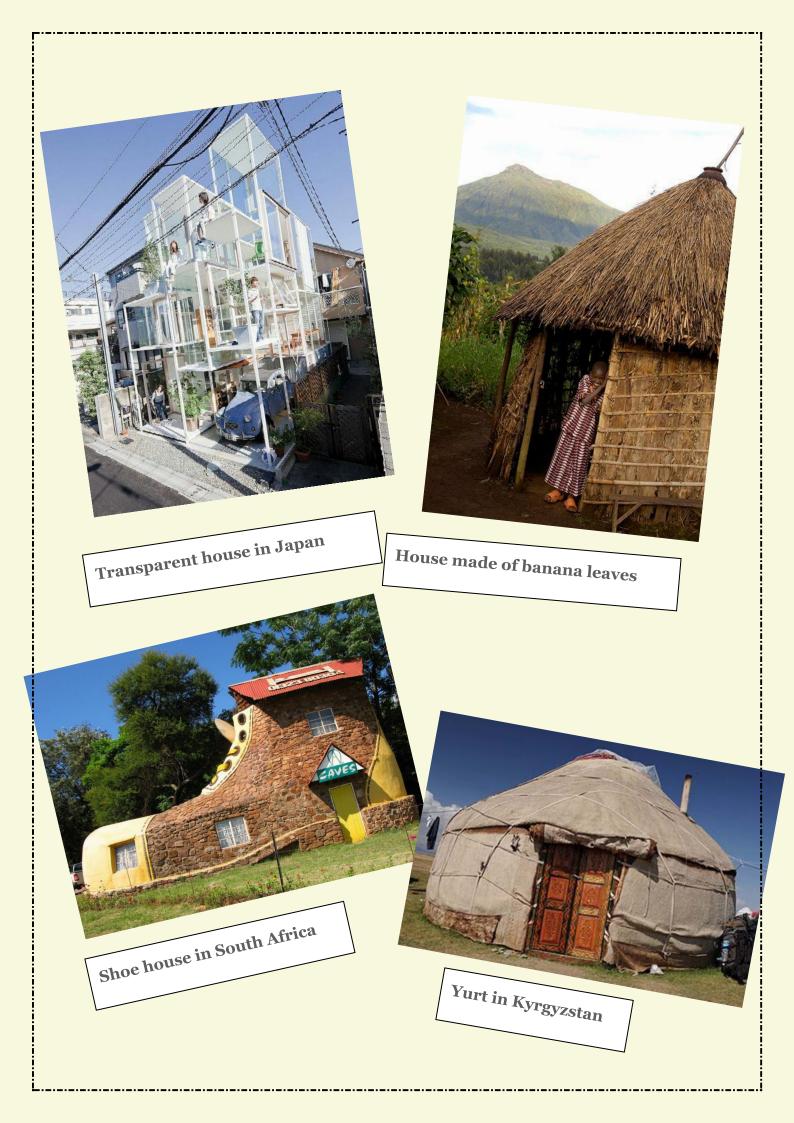
Grade Three students have started Module 3. This module is all about the "Architectural Wonders of the World" - from the world's smallest apartments to massive constructions around the world. This world is full of amazing structures.

For the past month, students have been looking at homes around the world. In Hong Kong, most people live in buildings. People from other parts of the world live in igloos, boathouses, treehouses, yurts, stilt houses, and more.

Students were asked to do research to find a special home.

Take a look at the exceptional homes that our students found.

Which one would you like to live in?





In the past two months, the Grade 4 students have learnt a lot about climate change and how it relates to our lives. They wrapped up Module 2 by reading a very meaningful story "My Earth Day Birthday" (Raz-Kids, level Q). Do you know that people around the world celebrate Earth Day on April 22 every year? It is a day to show our support for environmental protection.

This book is about a girl named Tara and her passion for the environment. She has a special interest in Earth Day, since she was born on April 22, the same day as Earth Day. Tara leads a very successful Earth Day fair that educates others on the different aspects of helping our planet.

What can we do to save our Earth? It doesn't need to be something big. Here are some ideas:

- 1. Turn off the faucet while you brush your teeth.
- 2. Open shades and curtains on cold days so sunlight can heat rooms.
- 3. Tell an adult if you notice a leaky faucet so it can get fixed.

Let's take a look at some other ideas from the 4th Graders!



Turn off electricity supplies when you are not using them.

We can use reusable forks and spoons instead of plastic ones.



We can turn on fans instead of air-conditioners in summer.





Ride a bike or walk instead of riding a private car.

Turn off our computer or put it to sleep when we're not using it.





We can open windows, take off jackets or turn on fans instead of turning on air-conditioners.

Everyone can do our part to make Earth a better place. Let's put our ideas into action and we can all make a difference!





We've started Module 3, "MODERN INVENTIONS"! Students have already started looking at things around us and thinking about how everything was once a new invention! Inventions, like your smart phone, aren't just about items of technology... did you know that pizza was also once an invention?

It was considered food for the poor as they could not afford utensils, so they ate their food on flatbread. A chef, who wanted to impress the queen, decided to present a new recipe inspired by the poor whom he saw every day. He took the colours of the Italian flag and topped them onto a flatbread for the queen. The queen loved it so much that the pizza soon became famous all over Italy, and then the world.



So, anything that didn't exist before is an invention! Maybe you could invent something one day! The key to inventing something is looking into a problem and then solving

it. Think about a fan. The problem was people were feeling too hot; so, we created a tool that combatted the problem!

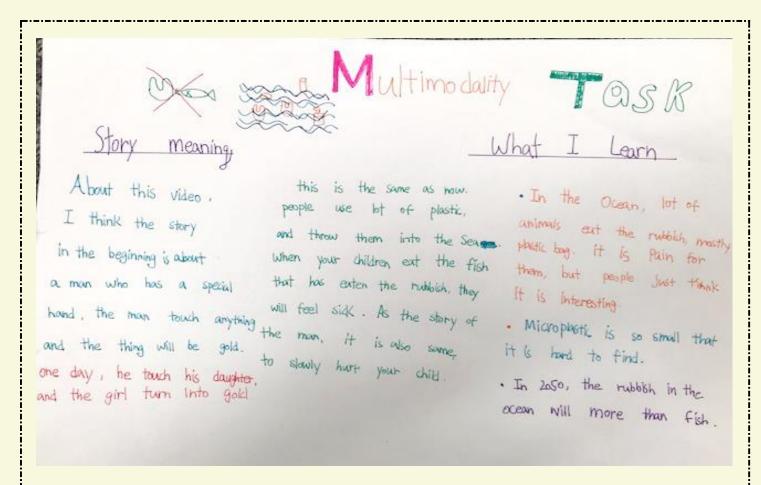


Grade Six students are learning about Ancient Egypt in Module 3. In this module, our students learn more about Egypt through research and reading.

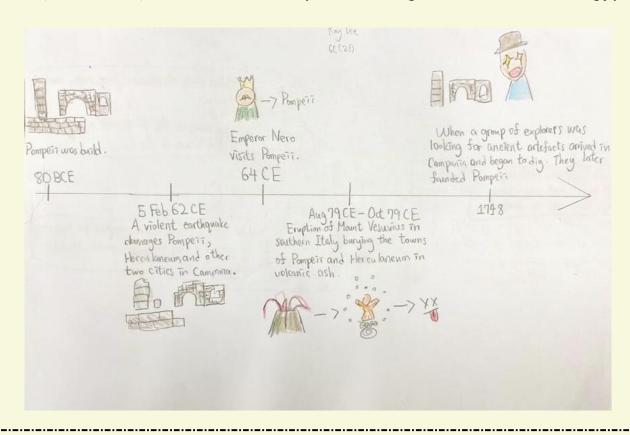
Also in this module, we have been introduced to multimodal learning, which has opened the door to all kinds of different fun and exciting ways to learn. Our students understand that learning at their own pace and through various styles is the foundation for effective learning. Multimodal learning has given them the opportunity to learn in visual, auditory,



written, and kinaesthetic ways that make great learning experiences.



With multimodal learning, students have worked very hard to look for information about Egypt using the computer, books, newspapers and magazines. Students will analyse and describe how the social structure, language, arts, music, beliefs, traditions, science, technology, values and behaviour contributed to the development and growth of Modern Egypt.

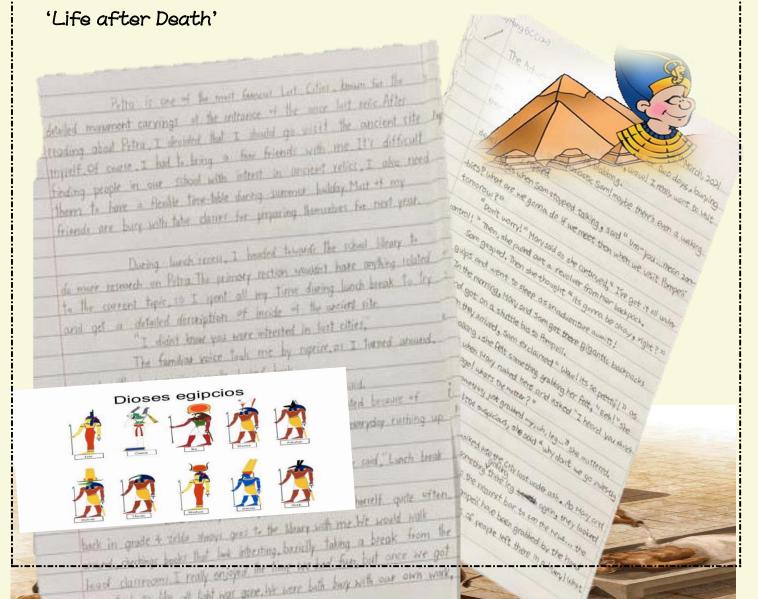


Over the next few weeks, our Grade 6 students will be exposed to different kinds of role playing or skits. Students, in groups, will stage an Ancient Egyptian scene or portray a part of life during Ancient Egyptian times.





They also will create an information poster on the steps of mummification. The most interesting session or discussion will be during students' research on values and their beliefs of Ancient Egyptians. They will develop an understanding of the reasons why the ancient Egyptians believed in





Do you and your parents have similar hair? Can you roll your tongue? Are your earlobes attached or detached? These are some questions Six Plus have been exploring in our final module, "ALL ABOUT ME"; and that's exactly what it is all about! Six Plus students are learning about their unique characteristics and personalities, what their preferred learning style or styles might be, any interesting talents they might have, what traits they have inherited from their parents and what traits they may have cultivated (or acquired) on their own. At the beginning of Module 3, some of our students shared what they have learnt initially about genetics, heredity... as well as what they have discovered about themselves.

I am Joycee Ho from grade 6. I inherited my mom's brown hair and eyes and my height from my dad. I also acquired some abilitio like, swimming , singing, II to drawing to and much dist more! In all of the acquired traits,
I love garaving the most. I am an
lokay' person when coming to occumunicate to new friends. My learning styles are intrapersonal, visual and logical, I like to learn by myself and not in groups for I always Sthink some students do not finnish their part. I am visu | 00 and dear because I like neat and clear notes, and diagrams coo or mindmap. I always sit in my favourite,0 study spot and think and revise. I hope my drawings get betteraby learning Annabelle's drawing style and change it to my style! & THESE ARE THE UNLOWE SPECIALITIES OF MEILL

Hello! I'm Ronny Chan from 6W. I don't think
I'm extroverted, but I'm willing to make friends,

I love gaming using my computer and I'm
ingenious on that. I like to maste the
shills I have and be a professional on that.
I am afraid of insects and spiders, It is
really horrifying to see those creatures When I smile
I have dimples shown on my cheeks. But strangly, only
one side will appear. I like to eat sweets but not
spicy food. Hope you know more of me from this
passage!

WANTED

Spicy STUFF

Jaycee Ho (6M)

Ronny Chan (6W)

Learning Styles and Subjects

Frenzone has different learning styles
and subject strengths. For me, I like
to learn quietly by myself without
anyone disturbing. I am also very
good at self learning. I also love
all subjects. I am also good at them.
I am always trying to improve
myself.



reading and so on.

Acquired Traits

Acquired traits are traits that you have to learn or practice to acquire. For example, abilities of driving a car. For me I have acquired the abilities of speaking languages.



Inherited Traits

Inherited traits are traits that you cannot change. For example, when you wear high heels, even though you will look higher, your height will not change when you take it off. For me, I cannot change my height,



eye colour and so on

Characteristics

Everyone has different characteristics. Some might be good at mathematics, some might be good at English Some might he good at dancing, some might be good at singing. Some might quiet, some might be talkative. My characterist are that I am good at music, love learning, quiet, participates actively during classes and so on.

Cathy Wang (6W)

My favorite things to do are drawing, reading and doing nothing at all Why? Probably because of genes.

Prawing is because my mother and drawings of my drawings of my drawings are very detailed and pretty. Her genes were passed on to me so I am talented in drawing too (maybe)? At least

Jaycee says so.

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The genes in me that made me love reading was most likely from my father. He reads to books and passage, mostly from the Bible, to finish his speeches for the people at the church. But unlike him, I like to read fictional books such as Percy Jackson and Harry Potter.



My personality was
passed on to me by
my mom When I called my
sister to the have lunch or
dinner, I sound like my mom
My mother is more strict
though.

Annabelle Tsoi (6M)



Grade One and Grade Two students are delighted to be back together and they enjoy the opportunity to dance in a socially distanced way. Here, they are moving to the exciting song 'Follow the Leader'.







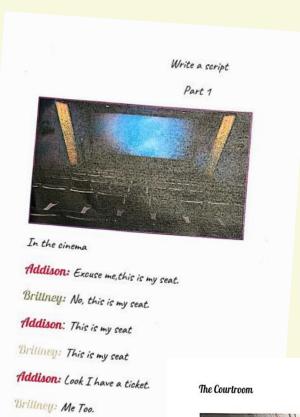








Grade Three and Grade Four created some great scripts which they read aloud to their classmates. Here is an example from 4M:



Addison: Oh just move over Britiney: No, this is my seat





Part two

Everyone:Bang bang! The court has begun!

Judge: today, the crime we judge is about a cinema seat! Two young ladies were bullying a senior lawyer!

Everyone:GASPS from everywhere

Addison: I object , mister lawyer

Credits:
Director: Hoyan Sin
Co-Director: Constance Leung
Scripwriter: Kristy Lin
Production Designer: Natalie Ma





My Easter Adventure

Something exciting happened during my Easter holiday. On Easter Sunday, my tortoise and I, Mooning, went to Easterland. Rainbow fairies created Easterland for kids to enjoy some Easter fun.

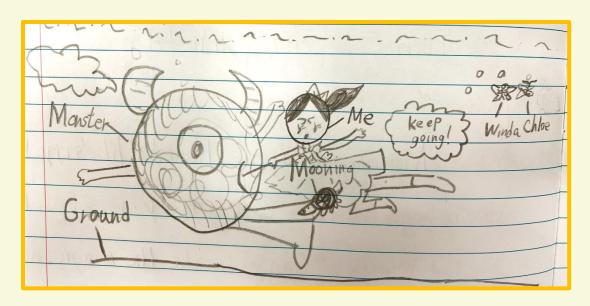
Winda and Chloe were Rainbow Fairies and they worked very hard for Easterland. When they were preparing food, a scary monster came. Then, Chloe cried, "Oh no! A monster! Help, please!"

Mooning and I heard Chloe's cry. We saw a huge monster eating the yummy food. Next, I asked Winda, "Can you make the magic wand bigger?" So, I got a big magic wand.

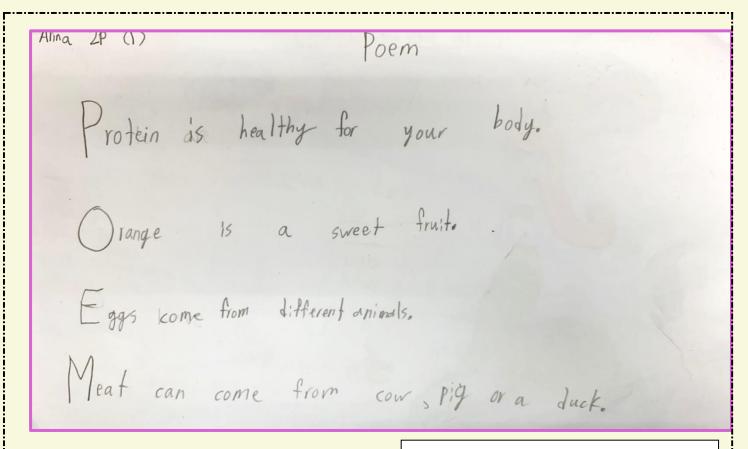
After that, Mooning bit the monster's toes and I hit the monster with my big wand. The monster fell to the ground. We yelled, "Hurray!"

At last, the monster died. Winda and Chloe were thankful. I felt surprised that I was that strong.

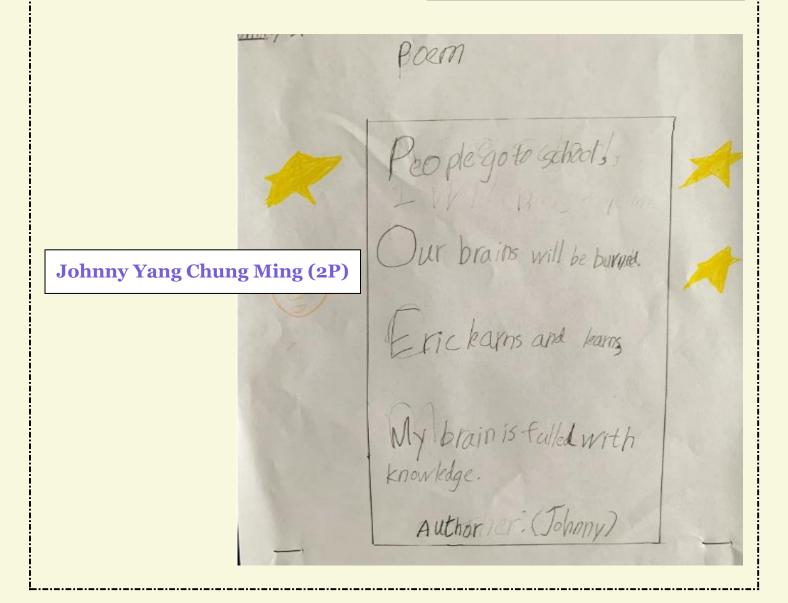
Chesnie Law (2B)



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+	a real one, To be a real angel, she needs to find three
+	Easter Eggs. The first one was Brave Easter Egg, the
+	second one was kind Easter Egg, and the third was
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+	Super Easter Egg.
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ī	t to travel along the long river and finally, she got the
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Alina Cheng Wing Lam (2P)



My Easter Adventure

Today, I went to Tai Mei Tuk with my family. We had lunch in a very, very special restaurant with beautiful artwork. After lunch, we started our adventure!

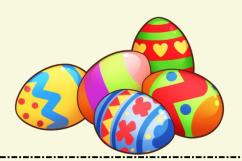
First, we went cycling. We chose a family bike, this was the first time I rode this type of bike. We rode up hills and along an embankment. I hurt my arm accidentally because I rode too fast. But I didn't cry at all!

After that, we went boating on a "Rabbit" boat; my little sister loved it so much! We also enjoyed the scenery with a drink during sunset. Suddenly, we saw a seagull catch a fish successfully, too!

At last, we went home. After dinner, we played "Easter Egg Hunt". We also ate chocolate eggs for dessert, they were so yummy!

Do you like Easter? Why or why not? I like it so much!

Cheung Tsz Lok (2M)





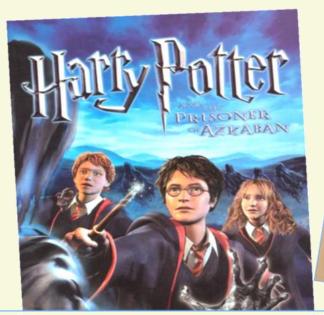


Two of the most popular protagonists in fantasy fiction are our students' picks for this month's "Book Club"!

Are you familiar with the world of wizardry inhabited by Harry Potter? Have you read the third book in J.K. Rowling's series of Potter's adventures, also considered by many fans as the best in the entire series?

Percy Jackson is the young fictional demigod from Rick Riordan's book series. He narrates a collection of short stories in which he gives his own humorous take on beloved Greek myths.







This book report was done by <u>Alice</u> from class <u>6W</u>.

Title: Harry Potter and The Prisoner of Azkaban

Author: JK Rowling

My rating:

Helicopter

FLAMY

(7)



Characters:

What are the characters in the book?

What characters do you like or do not

Characters - Harry Potter, Sirius Black, Remus Lupin, Albus Dumbledore

My favourite character is Sirius Black. He is kind and he is nice to his friend

Also , he (in other book) sacrificed so he saved bridge himself to sove Harry Potter.

Plot: ISPOTLER ALERT!

What happened in the story?

This story is about Harry
going to Hogwarts for his

third year. And he learned

betrayed his parents. He

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My Opinion:

What is your favourite part of the book?

Would you recommend it to your friend? Why or why not?

My favourite part is that Hongy met Sirius and Remus Lupin transformed in to a werewolf, [1]-Hi!

DFCOURSE I WILL! I AMINTRO DUCING NOW!

It is quite exciting to Read!



Story Monster

In order to help our Fourth Graders write creative stories better, some of them joined a writing workshop – STORY MONSTER – which was organised by SCOLAR, in April.

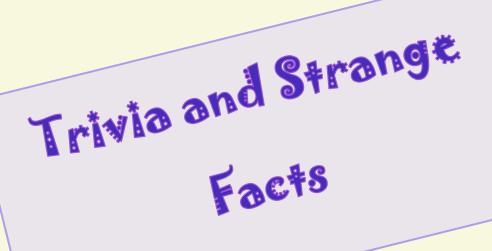
The workshop aimed at equipping students with the skills to:

- describe a scene, location, general appearance and feelings of characters better
- express their views and create a story in a team
- learn how a story develops

The students were having so much fun and were so engaged when they were creating their characters, setting the scene and sharing their story with their classmates as well as the animated character, Ziggy. You will be surprised at how creative and imaginative our students are when you read their writing pieces. Let's enjoy some pictures ©







Did you know the tongue is the strongest muscle in the human body?



Did you know all apes laugh when they're tickled?





You can hear a blue whale's heartbeat from more than 2 miles away.

The world's largest animal's heart weighs approximately the size of a small piano.

Coca-Cola was the first soft drink in Space.

The Coca-Cola Company has made more the ten billion gallons of syrup since the formula's invention in 1886 by Atlanta pharmacist John Pemberton.

That's a lot of sugar!

Jokes and Riddles

- 1. I come once in a minute, twice in a moment, but never in a thousand years.
- 2. I always run, but never walk. I have a bed, but I don't sleep. I have a mouth, but I don't eat.
- 3. The more I dry, the wetter I get.
- 4. I follow you all day long, but when the night or rain comes, I am all gone.





What's the difference between a fish and piano?

You can't tuna fish.

What do you call an exploding monkey?

A Bab-boom.

Where do library books like to sleep?

Under their covers.

Why did the melon jump into the lake?

It wanted to be a watermelon.

Riddle answers: 1. The letter "M" / 2. A river / 3. A towel / 4. Shadow













School is so much fun!