# Poetry

### A dream is

A dream is like a motor. It generates power for you. A dream is like a street light. It illuminates your way at night. A dream is like a compass. It guides you in the direction. A dream is like drawing paper. It needs you to paint on.

by Chu Hiu Sze Candy, 1D



## FOREVER

Friends are valuable as a billion One in a million Real friends are more important than Everything in the world Value of a friend is unmatched Every day they spend with you Remember your friends by Hung Yu Ching Isa, 1D



## Famíly ís ...

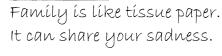


Family is like an ATM. It can give you money.



Family is a heater.

It keeps you feeling warm.



Family is a game. It gives you happiness.



Wong Nok Hin, Donald, 1D

## The mobile phone is...

The mobile phone is like a postman.

It can contact friends from a foreign country.

The mobile phone is like a teacher.

It can search for answers from the internet.

The mobile phone is like a reminder.

It can remind you of things you may not remember.

The mobile phone is like a learning partner.

It can review vocabulary with a learner.

The mobile phone is like the weather forecast.

It can foretell sun and rain before you go out.

by Wong Chí Wíng, Helen, 1D

### Music is...

Music is love. It expresses our inner motions. When we are feeling down, or sad, It will always be there to soothe us.

Music is life, Without it we can't function properly. Some dedicate their lives to music, And some just treat it like a hobby.

Music is here, No matter how you feel, There will always be one to accompany you, And see it through with you till the bitter end.

Music is love, Music is life, Music is here, And music is everywhere.

by Kan Chung Kan, Jason, 3C

# Compositions

### A Day at the Wetland Park

Last year, our class went to the Wetland Park for a school trip. Wetland Park is located near Tin Shui Wai, which provides the habitats for animals, like the birds that migrate from one place to another in winter.

That year, we had to complete a project named 'Protecting Animals'. Out teacher believed that going to the Wetland Park would help us learn more about the rights of animals, or how to protect them and learn various kinds of wetland creatures,

When I first got into the Wetland Park, I vividly remembered an air-conditioned place which has a mini museum inside, and a souvenir shop with souvenirs related to animals. Walking along the museum, we then exited the air-conditioned place-we see the famous crocodile. Everyone crowded around the pool, I really started to feel sorry for the poor crocodile, who looked quite grumpy because we clashed his nap-time. When we walked out and crossed the bridges, we could see the crabs under us scrabbling in the sand. Then, we immediately used the telescope to watch the birds' movement. This way, we could observe and learn about the different birds. Later, when we walked even further, we went to the activity center, Inside, we could learn and make different crafts. Actually, I think that this place is fabulous.

Unlike the other amusement parks like Ocean Park and the Hong Kong Disneyland, it promotes animal rights and also teaches us about wetland animals. Therefore, I think that visiting this place is extremely worth it, and I really would look forward to visiting it again.

Christine Lai 1A

### A Film Review: Sing

### By Emily Cheung, 2A

I have watched different types of films before, such as romances, comedies and science fiction films. However, in this review, I want to introduce a 2016 American 3D computer-animated musical film called "Sing." "Sing" was produced by Illumination Entertainment. It was directed and written by Garth Jennings, co-directed by Christophe Lourdelet. Also, the music was composed by Judy Talbot and the running time is 108 minutes. For the leading actors, there are three dubbings which are Matthew McConaughey as Buster Moon, Seth MacFarlane as Mike and Taron Egerton as Johnny. For the leading actresses, there are three dubbings too which are Reese Witherspoon as Rosita, Scarlett Johansson as Ash and Tori Kelly as Meena. Besides, this film includes more than 60 songs from famous artists and has an original song called "Faith," which was nominated for a Golden Globe.

"Sing" is mainly about a group of anthropomorphic animals (Mike, Johnny, Rosita, Ash, Meena) that enter a singing competition, hosted by Buster Moon to save his theater. Buster Moon told his wealthy friend, Eddie that he would host a singing competition with a prize of \$1000. However, Buster's assistant, Miss Crawly, accidentally appended two extra zeros, and the promotional fliers showing \$100,000 were blown out of Buster's office into the city streets. Animals from all around the city gather for auditions, and finally Mike, Johnny, Rosita, Gunter, Meena and Ash were selected. When Buster discovered the fliers showed a prize of \$100,000, he still remained optimistic. However, when he invited Nana Noodleman to the show, the glass tank full of luminescent squids that Buster got to light up the theater broke under all their weight and the theater was destroyed. Although the contestants visited him and tried to cheer him up, Buster was too despondent to listen to them. He tried to start over by opening a car wash, but he failed. He was totally disappointed with himself, and he wanted to give up. However, the contestants still had dream and they wanted to perform on the stage. Therefore, they went back to the theater with Buster and rebuilt the theater themselves. Would they have a successful performance at last?

Overall, I like this film very much as all the characters have their own characteristics and personalities, so all of this group a fabulous and heart-warming film. Besides, I like all of the parts in this film, especially the music. The actors and actresses sing the songs very well, and the melody is enjoyable and elegant. I like Meena's singing the most because I can feel her emotion wholeheartedly throughout her songs. On the other hand, this film is educational and I have learnt an important thing: when we face difficulties, we must not give up and we should try our best to achieve our target and dream. At the end, because of our hard work, we must be successful.

This film is marvelous, and I recommend it to all of you.

### Design a Brand New Mascot

### Introduction:

The mascot I have designed is called Wavey. It is basically a wave which is blue in colour and it represents many different meanings and attributes.

### **Description**

As I have mentioned above, Wavey is a blue wave. It has a fierce grin on its face, with a big brilliant blue "yes" filled with courage and bravery and a clear, wavy body of water. It is rather stuffed with cotton inside with a blue cloth over to make the wave look real.

### Suggested Usage

There are various kinds of usage on how the mascot will be used on Sports Day. First of all, there will be stickers of the mascot's face, to represent our house, Blue House's logo, and all badges to pin on every contestants' shirts to show that they belong to Blue House. As for the cheering team, there will be balloons in the shape of the mascot, or even the face of the mascot on it. Battles of water can also be labelled with mascot's face on it.

### **Recommendation**

I highly recommend my mascot for Blue House. The mascot, Wavey is a wave which represents fierceness and bravery. In the nature, waves are to be seen all over the world and they never stop. They swallow other bodies of water and become bigger. Blue House is a team and we never stop, no matter how many failures we experience. On the contrary, we become bigger, stronger and braver, learning from our past mistakes and never stepping into puddles again. We are seen everywhere in our school, in the sports field, and we beat the others with the persevering spirit of our members.

1A Christine Lai

#### Picture Writing: Eco Boy

#### By Ken Wong, 2A

It was an ordinary Monday morning with the sun shining brightly. Danny and his classmates were having their first lesson of the regular school day. 'People are cutting a huge amount of trees down every day,' the teacher said, 'and hunters are still killing endangered animals!'

'Eco Boy will stop the hunters!' a student shouted with his hands up. 'Don't be silly,' the teacher replied immediately, 'you can only find "Eco Boy" in cartoons.'

Not many people knew that Danny was Eco Boy, who always stopped hunters and those who cut trees down. He had saved thousands of endangered animals and trees, but not everybody believed that he existed. Suddenly, Danny was called to do his job by a loud 'roar' through the window. However, Danny couldn't just leave the classroom.

'May I go to toilet?' Danny asked the teacher. The teacher allowed him to go and he ran out of the classroom with a loud bang as quickly as he could. Right after he ran outside, Danny turned into the cool Eco Boy. He was in a shiny blue outfit and wore a long red cape with a big logo of the Earth on his shirt. He instantly flew to where the sound came from.

'Soon, these tigers will be ours!' a hunter said excitedly. 'Just imagine how much money we would earn by selling them!' another hunter said loudly with an evil smile. Suddenly, they realized that Eco Boy was in the sky. 'Oh no! Here comes Eco Boy!' a hunter shouted nervously, dropping the gun in his hand. The two hunters then tried to escape from him, but it was too late. Eco Boy told the hunters with an angry look, 'Release the tigers!' One of the hunters attempted to use his gun to kill Eco Boy, but he stopped him just in time.

'You'll never get to sell the tigers!' Eco Boy shouted as he used his powers. Vines and leaves appeared on the ground and grew around the hunters. The hunters were trapped and they begged Eco Boy to release them. 'Stay there, and you will know how the tigers felt!' Eco boy told the hunters as he released the tigers. The tigers roared happily and walked away.

Eco Boy had done his job well and flew away with a smile. On his way, he remembered something – he was supposed to be having a lesson in school! He was nervous and flew more quickly. By the time he was at school, it was already afternoon. He turned back into an ordinary schoolboy and rushed into his classroom.

'Where did you go, Danny?' the teacher said worriedly to him, 'the whole school was looking for you.' Danny scratched his head and thought for a while. 'See me afterschool today,' the teacher told Danny disappointedly.

'I turned into Eco Boy and saved two tigers!' Danny replied nervously. The teacher did not believe him. 'Stop dreaming,' the teacher was annoyed, 'you have no evidence to prove it.' Danny then told the teacher to follow him. He wanted to let the teacher see the trapped hunters. However, when they arrived, there were only broken vines and leaves on the ground. Nobody was there.

'Where is your evidence?' the teacher asked Danny angrily. Danny knew that he had got into trouble.

#### My Favorite Role Model – Stephen Curry

#### By Chloe SHUM Hoi Yan, 2C

There are many sports players in this world. However, I only like playing basketball so my role model is a NBA player, Stephen Curry. He was born in 1988, on the 14<sup>th</sup> of March in America. He is a point guard of Golden State Warriors. His number is 30.

Curry is extraordinary. He always wins; he is the Most Valuable Player in 2015 and 2016. He is also very hard-working. Although he is extraordinary, he still practices a lot, and never stops. He plays basketball from the morning until night. He usually wins but he sometimes loses as well. He thinks he loses because his skills are not as good as others. He is very humble. After losing a match, he will improve his basketball skills. He says, 'win or learn, never lose. This time you lean, next time you win'. How optimistic he is!

Curry is brilliant. He has won many awards, such as NBA champion, NBA steals leader, NMB Most Valuable Player, NMB Three-Point Contest Champion, and more. He can shoot three-point fast and accurately. He can shoot in 0.4 seconds but others cannot.

I like Curry and choose him to be my role model as he is very passionate about basketball. He wants to be nominated to be the NBA Most Valuable Player again. A determined and optimistic person, why can't I admire him? I am very proud of Stephen Curry. I believe that I will be better than Curry one day. I won't give up!

#### My Favorite Role Model – Taylor Swift

By Rachel SUEN Wing Yi, 2C

I believe that every person has their own role model, such as an adventurer, an athlete, a designer... But my role model is both a singer and a songwriter – Taylor Swift!

Taylor Swift is a famous and well-known singer, songwriter and actress in the United States. Most of her songs are created by herself. For example, *Blank Space, All Too Well, Ready For It, Look What You Made Me Do....* Especially for *Look What You Made Me Do*, she spent almost three years creating this song and I think she is quite hard-working. She started singing when she was twelve years old, she is very talented. Taylor Swift always wins a lot of prizes and awards but she is still very humble, she is never proud of her achievements. I think she is quite stylish too! She often wears clothes with good taste. A lot of people may think that a public figure will not have anything to worry about. However, no matter a celebrity, a public figure or a no0rmal person, they still have to face lots of difficulties. I think Taylor Swift has overcome many difficult obstacles too. She is optimistic, she will never feel sad about those negative comments. Lots of songwriters and singers admire her because she always writes a lot of good songs and she is determined, she will never be satisfied of her own achievements!

Taylor Swift has won a lot of awards too! Such as 10 Grammy Awards, 5 Guinness World Records, 1 Emmy Award ... I think she is strong-willed, because she started to be a singer when she was young. Also she needs to cope with a lot of stress. Taylor Swift is also generous. She donates the money that she earns from her music videos to the orphans and to the people who are sick and poor. Moreover, she donates to the schools that have been affected by floods. Also, Taylor Swift often takes part in voluntary work to visit elderly people. Influenced by her, I sometimes go to do charity work too.

I respect and admire her very much. She also touches my life too. I will keep on learning from Taylor Swift and be generous like her. She reminds me that we have to share happiness with people all around the world!



### Teacher's profile for Ms. Sze



Name:	Ms. Sze Choi Hung
Birthday:	17 <sup>th</sup> July
Hobbies:	Playing sports games, singing
Favourite food:	Japanese food
Reasons for teaching:	When she was young, her classmates in the secondary school said she acted like a teacher, so she became a teacher.
Favourite holiday spot:	Her home

Have you ever been taught by Ms. Sze? If yes, do you want to know more about her? We were honoured to have an interview with her in April. If you don't know who she is, you will know more about this friendly teacher after reading this profile. She is the class teacher of our class 2D. The subjects she teaches are Chinese and Putonghua.

Her full name is Ms Sze Choi Hung and her birthday is 17<sup>th</sup> July. For hobbies, she likes playing sports games and singing. Her favourite kind of food is Japanese food. When she was young, her classmates in the secondary school said she acted like a teacher, so she became a teacher. This decision also matches her favourite holiday spot, which is her home.

Other than the basic information above, we also asked Ms. Sze 5 other questions. First, we asked her about her teaching experience. We asked her how long she had been teaching in this school. Without telling us the answer directly, she wanted us to guess the answer. We thought she had been teaching here for about 15 to 20 years, but we were shocked by the real answer, which was more than 30 years! Next, we asked her what was the most unforgettable experience in her

teaching career. She said her favorite class had held a birthday party for her in a Summer holiday. The third question we asked Ms Sze was what her aim for teaching was. She answered, 'As a teacher, I want to raise your interest in studying. I feel this is my mission. Earning money from this job is another important factor too.' Next, we asked Ms. Sze, 'what do you want our class 2D to improve on?' She thought for a while, and replied seriously, 'the first thing I want 2D to improve on is to hand in homework on time. Next, I want you guys to be more hard-working.' At last, we asked her why she would choose a cat as her pet. She said it was because cats were easy to keep at home and they looked beautiful and elegant. After this interview, we have found that Ms. Sze has many interesting facts we didn't know before. It makes me want to know more about all our teachers.

### Written by Wong Cheung Ching, Jimmy 2D (13)

### Leaflet for shopping mall

### **Animals Shopping Mall**

If you want to have a relaxing holiday, Animals Shopping Mall is a suitable place for you. As the mall is called Animals Shopping Mall, it has a great variety of shops with the same theme – adorable animals.

### **Shopping Mall Layout**

#### Introduction

Animal Shopping Mall is a five-storey shopping mall with a basement and four levels above ground level. Although Animals Shopping Mall is not extremely big, nor does it have many open spaces, it has the largest pet shop in Hong Kong.

In the basement, there is a car park, where you can park your car. On the first floor, there is a bakery and a convenience store. The bakery shop provides a wide range of delicious bread and cakes. A pet shop and a clothes shop are on the second floor. You can find many fashionable and inexpensive options in the clothes shop. There is a gigantic department store on the third floor and it sells many different kinds of daily necessities. Last but not least, a food court is located on the fourth floor. There, you can choose from a list of menus with food which comes from different countries such as Japan and Korea. They are all tasty.

#### **Pet Shop**

This pet shop is the largest in Hong Kong. It is spacious. It sells lots of products about pets, for example, dog houses and cat food. But the most special feature of this pet shop is that there are many pets such as dogs, cats, hamsters and turtles in the shop, and you can play with them as well. They are all lovable. After thinking twice, you can take one or two pets back home for free. However, you must promise to take care of them gently.

#### **Department Store**

This department store has many kinds of products such as furniture, toys, gardening and sporting goods. They are all very useful in our daily life. Also, for most of the products, they look nice.

If you spend more than two hundred dollars, you can have a twenty percent discount. For some of the products, you can pay in instalments, which is more convenient for shoppers with a tight budget.

So what are you still waiting for? Come to Animals Shopping Mall and have a fantastic holiday!

### Written by Wong Tsz Tung, Cheryl, 2D

#### Letter of Complaint

Rm306, Block A 1 Tai Hing Estate Sheung Shui Hong Kong 29th May 2018

Mr Eric Ting Manager PLK Supermarket 40 Shiu Chung Road Tuen Mun Hong Kong

Dear Mr Ting,

#### Re: Unreasonable Food Waste

I am writing to express my strong dissatisfaction at the unreasonable food waste of the supermarket. I find that a large amount of food is thrown away from the supermarket every day, but some of it is still perfectly edible. The edible food items might not look as good as the fresh ones, and the customers might not be willing to buy it, but they are exactly what the food banks and scavengers need.

Also, I find that the staff of your supermarket sometimes pours water or bleach over the discarded packaged food to prevent scavengers from taking it home. Such an action is not just wasteful but also disgraceful. The homeless people have to be constantly worried about their next meal, and there is no reason to destroy the food without making profit from it. Instead of destroying the food, donating them to food banks is a better way to deal with the issue. It does not cost a lot, but many poor families or scavengers can be helped. In the end, it helps the supermarket to build up a good image to the society, creating a win-win situation.

Moreover, the food waste produced by the supermarket has had bad effects on the community's environment. The smell of wilted fruit, vegetables and meat which have gone bad is really unpleasant. However, they are abandoned in the street, which will inevitably create a bad image for the supermarket when the passers-by see them. When the expired food is finally sent to the wasteland, they will increase the load taken up by the wasteland, which will be full in several years. The food should be sorted by their expiry date and donated.

I request you to donate the unwanted but edible food to food banks and check the expiry dates of the food frequently to reduce the amount of expired food. I am looking forward to your improvements.

Yours sincerely,

## Proposal to Introduce "Five Days Work, Friday Sports"

### 1. Introduction

The following proposal is submitted in response to a competition from the Now TV for TV programme designs. In this proposal, a new programme "Five Days Work, Friday Sports" and its features will be discussed.

### 2. Features

### 2.1 Genre

It is Proposed that "Five Days Work, Friday Sports" will be a sports programme, including some elements of a documentary. More details will be discussed in the next section.

### 2.2 Synopsis

It is believed that none of the show that is talking about facts of different sports is being broadcasted in Hong Kong nowadays. Therefore, it is proposed that the present situation, history, information of different kinds of sports, such as badminton, table tennis, wind surfing, swimming and wild cycling in Hong Kong will be introduced in 'Five Days Work, Friday Sports". The show will be broadcasted in the form of an interview. In each episode of this show, only one kind of sports will be introduced, in order to let the audience get the main focus of the show more easily. This show is also aimed to promote sports to Hong Kong people.

### 2.3 Target Audience

In order to meet the main aim of promoting different sports to Hong Kong people, it is believed that everyone, from young to old, who does not have a regular basis of thirty minutes each day of doing sports are targeted as the audience of "Five Days Work, Friday Sports".

### 2.4 Cast

It is proposed that Hong Kong famous athletes and sports tutors of different kinds of sports will be invited to cast "Five Days Work, Friday Sports" based on the kind of sports that is being introduced in that episode.

### 2.5 Length and Show Time

It is proposed that "Five Days Work, Friday Sports" will last for 20 episodes, introducing 20 kinds of sports. Each episode will last for 30 minutes, from 7pm to 7:30pm on every Friday.

### 2.6 Budget and Sponsors

As sponsors will be found, the budget of this show can be reduced to about five hundred thousand dollars. In order to get sponsors, it is proposed that different sports gears of some brands will be introduced in the show.

### This proposal was prepared by Zaki Leung, 3A.

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### How to study well?

Studying well is extremely important for us, as it greatly influences our academic results and determines if we can use our time efficiently. So how can we study well with the least amount of time? Here are tips concluded from my three years of experience studying in this school.

First, the most fundamental method is to pay attention during lessons. Attending lessons at school is the main way for us to learn new knowledge, so if we were distracted or were daydreaming, we would miss a lot of significant contents from our teachers. You should take notes for you to revise in the future, as the contents in the books may not be detailed enough. Active learning during lessons is also a very important key to study well. If you ask and answer questions, the teachers will be able to teach more effectively directing against your weaknesses.

Second, you need to work on your study skills. Everyone in this world had 24 hours per day, but why do someone study better than you do? Time management is the major key. By setting up a timetable to plan your time, you can spend your precious time more efficiently and get the most out of it, like revising for one and a half hours before going to bed. Having a good methods to recite information can also help us a lot. You should not only read the passages over and over again, but also copy the main points and read aloud the passages.

Third, having study partners is also a great way to learn more. Join the Big Brother/ Sister Scheme or a study club. When you have a question, others will answer you immediately, so you do not have to wait to ask the teachers. You and your partners can also motivate each other and cheer one another up when one of you is feeling down. Competing in a friendly way can also push you forward to achieve greater goals.

Fourth, be prepared for exams if you want to get impressive grades. Sleep early the day before the exams. It can help you maintain a clear and critical mind. Don't play intense video games or do too exciting sports before the exams as these activities make you less focused. Remember to keep clam to answer each question carefully. Never panic when you see a question you don't understand, skip it and do it afterwards. Moreover, read every instruction carefully to ensure you miss nothing.

These are all the tips from me about how to study well from my experience. I hope you find these tips useful and if you have any questions concerning the tips, please don't hesitate to ask me, I'll be more than happy to answer you. Thank you.

by Mok Ngai Tang, 3A

### Additional Writing 2 – A Trip to Australia

From : jackiewong1202@gmail.com To : misslai@gmail.com Subject : Activities for the class Australia Trip Date : 3<sup>rd</sup> October , 2017

Dear Miss Lai,

I am Jackie from class 3A. Yesterday you asked me to choose three activities for the class Australia trip. I have come up with some ideas and I am going to tell you now.

First, I would choose to meet Australian animals, such as kangaroos and koalas. We can see them only in Australia. Also, I think it is not difficult for us to find these animals in Australia as they are very famous around the world. I think we can enjoy a safari trip too, so as to learn more about wild Australia.

Second, I would choose to meet native Australians, the Aborigines. We can see them only in Australia, too. Other than that, we can learn how to play a didgeridoo, their traditional musical instrument. Studies have proved that playing didgeridoo helps reduce snoring and sleep apnea. I think this may be a great unforgettable experience to play this health benefiting instrument.

Third, I would choose to visit a museum. As this is a school trip, I think we should learn some knowledge in the trip, like Australian history. This can widen classmates' knowledge.

However, I would not choose to meet Australian students to learn English because we can learn English elsewhere, not only in Australia. And I think that having summer fun on the beach can be done in Hong Kong too, so it is not chosen. Climbing the bridge to see views is also not chosen because I think that it is less special than the three activities I have chosen.

I would not choose shopping and trying Australian food because I think that buying souvenirs and eating would not cost much time, there is no need to be specified as activities.

I hope that you would like my ideas and accept them.

Best Regards,

Jackie Wong

Written by Zaki Leung Sai Ki, 3A

### Composition 1 - Life on the Refrigerator Door

### Mok Ngai Tang, Easton, 3A

Dear Mom,

Hi, Mom! We haven't talked or seen each other for a while since you have a part-time job. How are you doing? Please don't be too exhausted. I really miss the time talking to you. Every night when I sleep, you are still working and every day when I leave for school, you're still resting. This isn't what a normal family should be.

Look, Mom, I understand that you are a diligent woman who gives up your sleeping time to provide for our family so as to have a better and more enjoyable life. I appreciate your contribution and devotion to the family wholeheartedly. You are truly a wonderful woman but it is time to take a rest and stop. It is bad for both of us. If I were you, I would quit the job and spend more time with my children. I would rather find a daytime part-time job. I understand that it might be quite a difficult choice for you to make, but I hope you'll consider it. Time flies, the less we talk to each other, the sooner we might lose our connection. Is it really that hard for a son to talk to this own mother face-to-face?

We used to be a happy family, I am sorry to say but now it kind of feels like you're destroying our bond and relationship. You try to make more money to provide us with a better life, but now you're basically end up doing the opposite job. I feel sort of bad to say that, but the truth is I just want you to know how I really feel deep in my heart. But the way, I'm doing good at school so please don't worry about me. I can handle my homework and dinner. To be honest, I always feel like my heart is losing pieces of something. Everytime I walk from school, I just feel like walking to a cold dark netherworld instead of a real home. The homework is quite easy to do but the real problem is I find it very difficult to get your signature. If I had communicated with you, I would not have been punished by Ms. Fok for the missing signature.

Please don't feel like a terrible mother, I just want you to see from my perspective and help me out. Everyone always says their mothers are their best friends and mentors. I only wish I can say the same thing. Working too hard is not good for your body. Despite all those facts, you are always a heroine in my heart.

By the way, Peter the dog was terrified yesterday because of the thunder. And would you please leave \$100 on the table for my dinner when you wake up?

Love,

Easton (your favourite you haven't talked to in a while)

### Additional Writing

Dear Peter,

Hello! I have received your letter about your questions. I am going to tell you about the English Week. I am sure you will like it.

Before that, I want to remind you of some basic information. The English week will be held next week, from Monday to Friday. Every student is welcomed to join the English Week. It consists of five different activities.

First, there will be English corner. It will be held on every recess and lunch. In the English corner, students can play different kinds of English card games and board games. Also, there will be debating workshops. Winners can get a small prize. Apart from that, oral workshops and writing workshops will be held too.

Second, there will be film shows. The AV group are coordinating to hold two film shows on Tuesday and Thursday after school. The film shows will be held at the school hall, showing two science fiction films. If you want to know more about the films which are going to be shown, you can check them on the school website.

Third, there will be a singing contest. It will held on Friday after school at the school hall. The list of contestants of singing contest has been posted on the corridor. Twenty solo singers, bands, etc. from our school will be performing on stage.

Fourth, there will be a book sale. We have invited the Commercial Press to hold the book sale. According to them, there will be three hundred books displaying, discounting from twenty percent off to forty percent off.

Fifth, there will be a debating competition. Our debating team members will have a debate based on different social issues in English. Apart from improving their English, students can also improve their skills of Liberal Studies and widen their view. That is all the activities of the English Week. If you want to know more, you can check them on the board of English Society on the ground floor. See you!

Best wishes,

Chris

### Written by Zaki Leung Sai Ki, 3A

### 1-sided argumentative essay

Prompt: F.3 students should not attempt all subjects available in NSS.

Someone has recently proposed that F.3 students must attempt all subjects available in NSS. However, I do not agree with the statement. In this essay, I will discuss the disadvantages of forcing F.3 students to attempt all subjects available in NSS.

Firstly, I think that all 20 elective subjects of NSS are too diversified and will greatly increase the academic burden of the students. Hong Kong students are already well-known for the academic stress. Learning some further elective subjects, like German and Japanese are relatively not very helpful for most of the students in the future. It is therefore unreasonable to take away free time from the students and force them to study useless subjects. Moreover, it is extremely time-consuming and inefficient for students to master a subject they are not talented at. I think F.3 students are already mature enough to decide their future path and are able to make the right decision of choosing elective subjects. Studying all 20 subjects can be very distractive, for example learning different languages simultaneously may misguide our brains to mix them up. According to a research conducted by the Indian National University in 2016, a professor concluded that students who focused on studying the subjects. Furthermore, it is too heavy of a burden to add on a student suddenly. During the exam period of our school, most students need to stay up until midnight to finish revising the exam syllabus. Hence, it is impossible to increase the exam syllabus.

On the other hand, the current resources and teachers in most secondary schools are not enough to provide lessons of all the subjects in NSS. It is a difficult problem to tackle. For example, if all the F.3 students needed to hire more teachers who were able to teacher German, Japanese, etc. This would highly increase the expenses of the schools.

In conclusion, I think F.3 students should not be forced to attempt all subjects in NSS. While some people think that attempting all subjects in NSS is better for the F.3 students in the future, I think that it may cause the opposite effects, as attempting so many subjects brings great stress to the students. The current resources of the majority of the schools in Hong Kong are also not enough to provide more lessons of the 20 elective lessons as well.

### Additional Writing 2 – A Trip to Australia

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Dear Miss Lam,

I have chosen three activities for the Australia trip that I would like to do the most. I hope the followings would help you choose the best 3 activities for the students.

Firstly, I would like to go sight-seeing. I would like to visit some popular spots, such as the Sydney Opera House, the Yarra River, the Sydney Tower Eye, the Great Otway National Park, e.t.c. Visiting those famed tourist attractions will be interesting as we can see the gorgeous views of Australia. I would like to climb the Sydney Harbour Bridge too. It would be an unforgettable memory.

Second, I would like to visit a secondary school in Australia. This can give us a chance to communicate with Australian students. Our English will be improved by talking to the students there, which are at the same age as us. I think it will be exciting to find out the differences of education, school environment and activities between Hong Kong and Australia. We can meet new friends too so this is a suitable activity for our class. As you know, we are all outgoing and talkative.

Thirdly, I would like to visit a zoo there. I believe that I can see lots of rare animals. We can see wombats, pygmy possums, rainbow serpents, kookaburras and dingoes there. We can also see the koalas, kangaroos and emus. They are all precious animals. Some of them are even endangered animals. We can meet them closely. To allow us to know more about them, the zookeeper there will teach us the unique characteristics, living habitats and features of the animals. It would be a fantastic experience because we can see the adorable and cute animals that can only be found in Australia.

Although the other activities from the pamphlet are quite good, I think the three activities I have mentioned are the best 3 activities. I think they are more attractive and exciting. I hope my opinions could help you. I am looking forward to seeing your reply and having our Australia trip. ©

Best wishes,

Jackie Lo

Celia Leung Hei Lam, 3A

### Form 6 Writing

#### Inappropriate content

Most businesses, the big ones in particular, are considered cruel and fraudulent as their only intent is to generate profit.

#### **Over-generalisation**

Some of them may have skipped school and waster years of lifetime in jail, so they got limited academic qualifications.

It is because they have seen the harshest side of life and are reluctant to go back anymore. With the positive working attitude of ex-offenders, other employee will be infected and do the same, boosting a more keen, competitive working environment.

### Good work

Firstly, I will briefly introduce the outline of the newly-launched project. Second chance aims to promote an inclusive society for offenders to adapt to life and employment after returning to society. Firms can offer either part time or full time positions to them. There will be a three-month probation period, to each of the recruited reformed criminal, appraisal system can also be applied to them to evaluate their job performance. Meetings will be held before recruitment to discuss on details about the positions, qualities or other things to notice.

### Hong Kong Correctional Services – Second Chance

Dear Sir/ Madam,

I am writing on behalf of Hong Kong Correctional Services to seek your support on our newlylaunched campaign called Second Chance. Our group has always been committed to rehabilitate reformed criminals or drug addicts. The success of the programme lies in your support. Therefore, I sincerely hope that you would take a few minutes to learn more details of our campaign, which you will find it meaningful and at the same time beneficial.

Have you ever thought of any ways to fulfil social responsibility and build corporate goodwill simultaneously? Now, you can achieve the goals simply by enrolling in the 'Second Chance' programme. 'Second Chance' is a project that aims to assist past wrongdoers to reintegrate into the society. Truly, your prospective employees were once criminals or drug addicts, but they have already paid what they have done. Now they realize their mistakes and are willing to take the initiative. It is time for us to care more about them. After joining the scheme, you can show your kindness by playing an important role in making our society better. With proliferation in participating in charitable activities, company's image and reputation can be enhances. This may help businesses attract more customer purchases, resulting in an unexpected boost in revenue.

Not only can your company benefit from potential revenue amplification, you may also derive benefit from your future employees. Chances for ex-offenders are tremendously slim. After being released from prison, there are a vast amount of hurdles for them to leap. As a result, they tend to be much more responsible, motivated and committed to his or her work in return for your kindness, which is actually beneficial to the firm.

To ensure the quality of our members and for the sake of interest of the participating firms, all reformed criminals will pass a six-week training programme before any job is assigned to them. If you wish, we can also arrange a meeting between you and your potential employee before deciding whether to accept their application. If you think that there is room for improvement during his or her probation period, our colleagues are pleased to discuss with you, thinking how we can effect change. In simpler words, member's adaptability, as well as firms' interest, are always the prerequisite of our campaign.

Everyone may make mistakes. More importantly, everyone deserves a 'second chance' if they have reformed. By joining our scheme, you can kill two birds with one stone, helping the less fortunate, as well as raising your business' goodwill. If you support our value and would like to lend a helping hand, please give us a positive reply. Thank you for your kind attention.

Yours truly, Hong Kong Correctional Services (Aki, 6E)

### Hong Kong Correctional Services – Second Chance

Dear Sir/ Madam,

I am writing on behalf of the Hong Kong Correctional Services to invite your company to participate in Second Chance, a new campaign that we have recently launched to encourage employers like you to recruit reformed criminals and drug addicts.

Since its establishment, the Hong Kong Correctional Services has been committed to help exoffenders reintegrate into the society, and Second Chance is one of our pioneering initiatives to achieve this important mission. The programme works like: we will first evaluate and select those who may be desired by your company for your consideration. Then we will organise interviews between them and your company, and if your company decides to take them on board, we will offer them monthly stipends in the three-month employment period, after which you may consider whether you will renew the employment contract.

The benefits to ex-offenders themselves are tremendous. First, research suggests that with a stable job, they are much less likely to relapse or go back to prison. Drug abuse and various crimes may be attributed to poverty, low self-esteem, and negative peer influence; an employment program at your company that would hopefully lead to a stable career would serve as a perfect antidote to all of that. Moreover, the programme would offer our inmates a rare opportunity to gain essential hands-on work experience that they need to get a job after months, if not years, of being isolated by the actual world. While we try to equip them with certain transferable skills, such as some language training, here at the Hong Kong Correctional Services, they would benefit most from being able to apply them in a real business setting, such as your company.

On top of that, companies like yours would also benefit tremendously from hiring ex-offenders. We understand many concerns that some might have about employing them, but our experience is that people who have been incarcerated greatly value their jobs when they get hired. Many of them work harder than other employees: they show up to work early, stay in office until late at night, and tend to ask for more responsibilities. Besides, since finding employment might not be so easy for them, they would very likely become long-term employees, investing their time and energy fully in your company. We are therefore confident that their talents would prove invaluable to your company. And we believe that giving them a second chance would help your company work toward the goal of fulfilling social responsibility, making Hong Kong a much more accepting and inclusive workplace. As a result, your corporate reputation would be boosted as well.

We would be grateful if you could work with us to give reformed criminals and drug addicts an opportunity to turn their lives around. Second Chance may well be their best chance in achieving that. Should you have any concerns, please feel free to write back. We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours faithfully, Chris Wong (Nicholas, 6E)

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Manager Welcome Supermarket Ltd. Shop 101 1/F 2GETHER 8 Wu On Street Tuen Mun Newterritories Hong Kong

Dear Sir/Madam,

#### Unreasonable Food Waste

Recently, there have been various reports of mass dumping of food from your shop. Most of the food has not even passed their expiry date. What is more, there are people witnessing your employees poisoning the food waste to stop scavengers from taking goods that have been abandoned, in other words, rubbish. Consequently, many innocent people and stray animals suffer from serious medical conditions just because they want to get some food that would normally be unaffordable or unobtainable for them. This is also common among ther Welcome shops in Hong Kong.

I am very disappointed to see your company omitting its corporate social responsibility and even deliberately attempting to harm people. Your shop disposes an average of 135 kg of food a day, and one third of which is still edible. Not only does it impose a great burden to the landfills, it would create a lot of harmful effects to the environment. Therefore it is already immoral of you to dispose such a large amount of edible food while you clearly have another option — to donate the food to people in need. All the food would be able to feed thousands of family under the poverty line that are struggling to survive. Hereby I urge your company to adopt a more friendly policy towards scavengers.

I am even more upset with your policy to poison the food waste. It's very unethical of your shop to intentionally harm the scavengers. I understand your shop may want the scavengers to buy the food to increase your shop's revenue. However, your company should have some empathy and understand the situation of the poor and allow them to take the waste.

I suggest you shop can cooperate with charity organisations to distribute your unwanted food that is still safe to eat, such as Oxfam and the Food Bank. These two charity organisations are two of the largest organisations in Hong Kong. It is believed that the two organisations would be able to help distribute the food accordingly and effectively.

Secondly, if you still choose to be a disheartened, money-oriented company, I urge you to at least sell the unwanted food that haven't passed the expiry date yet at a discounted price that is affordable to the poor people price that is affordable to the poor people. In this way both the parties can be satisfied.

I hope that you would accept my suggestions and fulfill your corporate social responsibility.

Yours faithfully, Reand Ryan Shum

Written by Shum Yat Fai, 3A

### Crime story

'A female corpse was found on a hill which was near an abandoned factory. We are still investigating what caused her death, but it was obvious somebody had splashed some corrosive liquid and damaged the corpse,' a police officer said, 'We've got no idea about the criminal. We need your help.'

He was talking to the most famous detective in London, Sherlock Holmes, a man who never cared about wages but always pursued excitement. 'Interesting! I am gonna take this case.' Sherlock yelled in excitement, springing out of his chair.

Immediately, they went to the crime scene. The police officer explained, 'We've found blood stains, a handkerchief with chloroform, shoeprints and some cigarette butts from the nearest dustbin.'

'Cigarette butts?' Sherlock raised his tone and started to look into the dustbin.

'Marlboro?! Looks like the murderer is picky in his daily choices,' he muttered.

Going through every corner cautiously, Sherlock asked the police officer, 'any signs of weapons or fingerprints?

'Or maybe a half-full container of corrosive liquid?' he quickly added.

'No, sir. Why should there be some corrosive liquid left?' the police officer questioned with a puzzled look on his face.

Sherlock didn't bother to take the question. He used his finger to touch the window frame. Unexpectedly, the mark of his finger stayed clearly on the dustless frame.

Sherlock walked out of the factory slowly. He lit a cigarette and asked, 'Do you mind?"

'Be my guest. By the way, what have you found?' asked a sergeant, who had been waiting outside for a while.

'The murderer is a man whose height is about 1.8 meters, and he had smoked before he killed the victim. By the way, based on the posture and position of the victim, the victim tried to fend off the murderer but failed, and she was choked to death. The corrosive liquid poured on her face was just used to make it harder for the policemen to identify what had caused her death. But apparently, that's useless.'

'Are you sure it's a planned murder? Maybe the criminal had just targeted the victim for money because the wallet was taken away.' The sergeant appeared to be curious about the case.

'Gosh! If I want to rob you, I will just use the knife to stab you! Why would I use a rope and some corrosive liquid?' Sherlock sneered impatiently, 'now, please show me the dead body.'

As requested, the sergeant led Sherlock to the mortuary.

'Where's the autopsy report?' Sherlock asked.

'Sorry, Mr. Holmes, this is classified information. I could only tell you the time when the victim died was around 2 hours ago...' the sergeant answered calmly, holding on to the file on his hand.

'Then what do you think about the case?' Sherlock interrupted him.

'Um...I think the criminal and the victim may have some conflicts, and then the victim was killed accidentally,' the sergeant observed, with his arms folded in front of his chest.

'You mean it looks like a case of manslaughter to you?'

'Obviously, isn't it?'

Sherlock sneered when he pressed on the feet of the corpse, which had a deeper colour compared to other body parts.

'Any suspects?' Sherlock questioned the sergeant without taking his eyes off the corpse.

'Yes, sir. The first one is the victim's creditor, Mr. Ng. Since the victim lived extravagantly before her death, she owed Mr. Ng over ten thousand dollars. Besides, he was charged for threatening the victim a month ago. The second one is Mrs. Leung, who looks like a harmless lady. But she should be furious to find out the victim turned out to be her husband's mistress,' the sergeant answered.

The two suspects were summoned for interrogation. Mr. Ng was the first to be questioned. 'Mr. Ng, what were you doing 3 days ago?' Sherlock asked.

'I was watching TV all day,' Mr. Ng replied calmly.

'Any witness can prove that?'

'Sorry, sir. I don't have a witness.'

'Loosen up a bit, Mr. Ng. That's all. Have a smoke?' Sherlock asked, taking out a pack of cigarettes, pretending to smoke.

'Yuck! Don't smoke in front of me. I hate it! '.

Sherlock took a deep breath and said, 'You can go now. Could you please ask the sergeant to walk you out and tell the lady outside to come in?'

As Mrs. Leung just settled down in the room, the door suddenly burst open and the sergeant burst in.

'Um...Sorry, Mr. Holmes. I think I should also be responsible for the interrogation. Would you mind if I join you now?' The sergeant explained.

'Why would I mind? Come and take your seat,' Sherlock said with a grin.

Sherlock was attracted by Mrs. Leung's glittering ruby ring and praised, 'Gorgeous ring, Mrs. Leung.'

'Thank you. It belongs to my husband,' Mrs. Leung answered as her face was beaming. 'Sorry but would you mind I smoke here, Mrs. Leung?' Sherlock asked courteously.

'Anytime you like, Mr. Holmes.' Mrs. Leung replied decorously.

'Um...May I ask why I am...' Mrs. Leung asked. But just when Sherlock took out

a pack of Marlboro cigarettes, she stopped talking. Instead, she stared at the cigarette alarmingly. 'I mind it, Mr. Holmes. I don't like the smell of cigarettes,' the sergeant broke the silence. Sherlock blinked his eyes and smirked.

'You didn't say that last time, Mr. Sergeant. But back to business, Mrs. Leung, may I ask what is the relationship between you and the victim?' Sherlock questioned.

'She is my husband's mistress,' Mrs. Leung answered.

'Do you hate her?'

'Sort of.'

'Alright. You can go now.'

After the suspects left the room, Sherlock walked back and forth in the room, with his head kept low. The sergeant did not bother to interrupt him and left the room quietly.

The second morning, all the people involved in this case except Mrs. Leung and the sergeant were invited to the police office. Mrs. Leung and the sergeant were invited as well, but half an hour late.

Just when almost everyone arrived, Sherlock covered the place near the doorway with a white, plain carpet. Nobody understood why Sherlock did that, but all of them sensed it was not the right time to raise questions. A few minutes later, Mrs. Leung and the sergeant arrived. When they walked in the room, their shoe prints were left clearly on the carpet.

'Today, I am going to tell you the truth behind the crime,' Sherlock observed, 'Two of you have been telling lies.'

Everybody started to feel uneasy, but Sherlock did not hesitate and continued. He turned to the sergeant.

'First, Mr. Sergeant. When you told me about the death time of the victim, you said the victim had been dead for around 2 hours. Nevertheless, when we were examining the victim's body, the colour of the skin on her feet was much deeper than the nearby parts. We call this livor mortis, and medical knowledge tells us that livor mortis only appears 3 hours after a human is dead. You told a lie when I asked you about the time, didn't you? Let me tell you what you did in that hour, Mr. Sergeant. You were busy cleaning up."

The sergeant looked shocked and complained, "Why would I?"

"Apparently, you have a crush on Mrs. Leung. Therefore, when you knew that Mrs. Leung killed somebody, you decided to help her hide the truth."

Sherlock then picked up the carpet which was placed near the doorway, and said, 'Check this pair of shoe prints on the carpet. The grooves of the shoe prints here match those of the shoe prints we found in the crime scene. This is the evidence to show you had been to the crime scene before the investigation.'

'Actually, after you got the phone call from Ms. Leung, you spent an hour to clean up the evidence in the crime scene,' Sherlock observed.

'After you had done all these things, you called the policemen and pretended you were the first witness of this case. This is your second mistake, Mr. Sergeant,' he added.

Everybody was just taken aback.

Sherlock carried on with his analysis. 'And you, Mrs. Leung, I admitted, the shoe prints in the crime scene misled me successfully and almost convinced me that the criminal was a man,' Sherlock now turned his attention onto Mrs. Leung.

Then he took out a handkerchief from his pocket and explained, 'But you carelessly left this in the crime scene, didn't you? And when Mr. Sergeant was cleaning up, he was too rushed and didn't notice it too.'

'Next, I have just realized that the cigarette butts were only used for abusing the victim, which meant the murderer has deep hatred with the victim. I regret asking that silly question, Mrs. Leung. Who will not hate the mistress who stole your husband's love? Now I understand why you were shaking when I pulled out the pack of Marlboro cigarettes. I guess you have intimate knowledge of how the cigarette butts were used. Am I right?' Sherlock asked.

The sergeant shook his head and yelled out, 'You are correct, but only partly. Have you never thought that if I had been the murderer and Mrs. Leung had been the one who cleaned up the crime scene for me?

The room was silent. Everyone was expecting the sergeant to continue to tell the story.

'Actually, I know Mrs. Leung hated the victim very much, so I want to help her to have a negotiation with the victim. But along this negotiation, I got into some conflicts with the victim. I was ... just too furious and killed her accidently. Then I asked Mrs. Leung to come over to cover up the mistake.'

Sherlock interrupted him, 'Stop lying! You cannot possibly strangle a human to death accidentally. The victim would first faint when she ran out of oxygen, but it would not have caused her death if you had stopped strangling her there. Well, pouring corrosive liquid on the body is absolutely a GOOD way to ensure her death.'

'Furthermore, I have already got the critical evidence! Perhaps if Mrs. Leung hadn't worn the ruby ring last time in the interrogation, I might still believe what you just said. But the ruby ring has told us everything.'

'Mrs. Leung, please take out your ring. I know you will carry it around all the time. It feeds your vanity, right? I guess it feels like recapturing your husband's love when you carry it around, doesn't it?'

Mrs. Leung's face turned pale. She slowly and reluctantly took out the glamorous ruby ring.

Sherlock explained, 'we've investigated the source of this ring. The clerk of the jewelry shop had a very good memory, and she said Mr. Leung and the victim had brought this special ring from their shop. Obviously, the ring should be only put on the victim's hand. So how can you get the ring? I guess after you had killed the victim, you got it from her hand, didn't you?'

Everyone remained silent but only Mrs. Leung was weeping. The sergeant gradually approached her and stopped in front of her. He bent over and kissed Mrs. Leung's forehead, and whispered softly, 'Sorry that I could not protect you.' He held back his tears forcefully and walked towards the police officers near the door, who had the handcuffs ready.

Mrs. Leung did not bother to move. The police officers came forward to arrest her. Later, she was convicted of murder and sentenced to life imprisonment.

After that, Sherlock became more famous than before. A reporter asked, 'Mr. Holmes, why would you suddenly consider the ruby ring as the most important piece of evidence to identify the murderer?'

'Once you eliminate the impossible, whatever remains, no matter how improbable, must be the truth,' Sherlock Holmes concluded.

Written by Lau Wing Ching, 2D

### Combat of Dajiao

#### Intoduction

Combat of Dajiao is a strategy card game based on the Dajiao ritual and festival in Hong Kong. THe game is inspired by the famous card game 'Legend of the Three Kingdoms', which has a large player base from all around the globe. Dajiao festival is a ritual held by different traditional communities in Hong Kong, with the most famous one being held once every year in Cheung Chau. During Dajiao festival, people will perform many actions to worship the gods and keep the ghosts and evil spirits away. For example, people will climb the bun mountain for peace and a good harvest in the next year. They will also perform religious drama dramato give thanks to the gods or to appease the ghosts.

In Combat of Dajiao, there are three sides : the Gods, the Evils, and the Unfaithful. Among the Gods, there will be a 'Great God' and some 'Guardian Gods'. Their goal is to eliminate all the Evils and Unfaithful, while the Evils will want to kill the 'Great God'. The Unfaithful wants to be the only survivor in the game, so he will want to kill everybody, except himself. The player will choose one of the Heroes as their character. There are two teams of Heroes: the Buddhists and the Taoists. These two teams will have some effects on the gameplay.

There will also be a checkerboard where the players will play on. There will be random events that will affect the whole game.

Combat of Dajiao can be played by two to ten players. The goal of this game is to promote the Dajiao festival and let the students know more about the customs and features of Dajiao festival through an interesting and fun way.

#### **Rules- Before the game starts**

- 1. There are at least 2 players and at most 10 players.
- 2. Before the game starts, the player will draw a role card to determine the role.
- 3. After the roles have been determined, the 'Great God' must reveal his role while other players must not reveal their roles.
- 4. The players will draw three or five Hero cards from the card pile, and choose one as their Hero, and then choose a Health Point Indicator according to their Heroes.
- 5. Every player draws 4 card, ten the Great God will begin the first round.

#### Phases in a round

1.Initial phase

Certain Heroes have skills that can be activated during this phase. Otherwise, continue to the next phase.

#### 2.Judgement phase

If the player has been cursed by another player in the previous round, the player must

draw and reveal a card, then immediately dump it. The effects of the curse may or may not be triggered, depending on the result

### 3. Dicing phase

The player draws two cards and rolls the dice and moves his/her chess piece on the checkerboard accordingly. Some special events might be triggered as a result. 4.Action phase

The player can use his/her card in this phase as many times as they want, but there will be a limitation to usage of some cards. The player can also use the abilities of their Heroes. 5.Discard phase

After playing, the player will have to discard cards in his/her hand such that the remaining number of cards is less than or equal to his/her current Health points. 6.End phase

Certain Heroes have skills that can be activated during this phase. Otherwise, the player's turn ends and the game move on to the next player in clockwise direction.

### <u>Death</u>

A player faces imminent death if his/her HP is reduced to or below 0. If no potion is used to recover his HP,he will die and won't be able to continue playing.

### **Other Rules**

1. A player can only use 'attack' once in their action phase, except for some special cases.

A player can use a 'protective talisman' to protect himself/herself from any curses or spells, while other players can also use a 'protective talisman' to cancel out the effect of the same card.

Created by Shum Yat Fai, 3A

### An interview with Mr. Tso Ting Pong

In Po Leung Kuk Centenary Li Shiu Chung Memorial College, there are many teachers. Although some of them are strict, most of them are kind and nice. Do you know the teacher who teaches form 1 and form 2 Mathematics and always takes part in running competitions in our schools' sports day? It's Mr. Tso Ting Pong! He is a really good teacher and always takes care of the students. That's the reason why I like Mr. Tso!

The birthday of Mr. Tso is on 13<sup>th</sup> November. His hobby is just running but I think that's enough because running is already a good sport! His favourite food is beef. I like eating beef too. The reason why Mr. Tso chooses to be a teacher is because he likes to communicate with teenagers. His favourite holiday spot is Japan. There are quite a lot of delicious dishes and the sight-seeing spots there are amazing! First, Chloe Shum asked why

he liked Marathon. Mr. Tso thought for a while and answered, `Because I think Marathon is challenging. Each time before I run, I will set a target and aim to achieve it. Therefore, I will achieve different goals every time!' I think it is really meaningful; this attitude is also suitable for learning. Then Abby Fong asked, `How long have you been practicing for Marathon?' Mr. Tso answered that he had been practicing for Marathon for around four years. I think he is talented and has a great potential. He is full of perseverance! Anna Lam asked what other sports he liked to do in his free time, apart from running. Mr. Tso answered that he liked playing badminton in his free time. I like playing badminton too! I think it is interesting and exciting. After that, I asked Mr. Tso what the advantages of doing sports were. Mr. Tso answered, 'I think it is good for our health and we will not be sick easily!' After I listened to him, I have decided to do more sports and make myself healthier. 'The last question will you recommend Marathon to your friends?' I asked. Then Mr. Tso said that he would recommend it to his friends. He also said although some people might to think Marathon is very boring, you would also get some fun from that and Marathon can make you healthier! Therefore, I think I should do more sports afterwards.

After I interview Mr. Tso, I think he is very sporty and he is very hard-working in doing sports. He never stops participating in marathons! I think I should learn from him and be a hardworking student!

Suen Wing Yi Rachel, 2C

### A Detective Story

It was a sunny day today. But it was not a good day for Ben's family. Ben was murdered by his friends, Sam. The police and the detective were discussing the case.

Sam was a gambler who owed \$500,000. So he borrowed money from Ben. However, Sam kept on gambling and didn't stop. Therefore he didn't have enough money to pay to Ben. Ben told Sam that he could pay the debt one week later. But things were unexpected, one week later, Ben's company had an economic problem so he was in urgent need of money to settle it. Therefore, he went to Sam's house and asked him to pay him back.

When Ben arrived at Sam's house, Sam told him that he still could not settle the debt yet. But Ben needed the money immediately. Then they started to argue and Sam killed Ben accidentally.

After the murder happened, the police found three suspects, Peter, Amy and John. Peter was Ben's business partner. Because of a loss made in the business, he argued with Ben. So the police think he had a motive to killed Ben. However, the police found that Peter had evidence of absence, because he went fating with his girlfriend that night. The Second suspect was Amy. She was Ben's neighbor. Before the murder happened, Ben had argued with Amy

because of the noise problem. The security guard- Jayden witnessed that they had physical disputes during their argument. But Amy said that she had gone to the park at that time and that was real. The suspect was John. He met Ben at that night, but John claimed that he just had dinner with Ben. Therefore, the police and the detective needed to keep on finding the criminal.

One the next day, a pedestrian called Tommy said that when he had been doing sports on the day of murder, he saw Sam taking a big bay onto the hill Furthermore, the detective found that there were some precious evidence in Sam's house. And the blood stain belonged to Ben after checking the DNA. After that, the police went onto the hill and found the corpse of Ben. And they found out it after a moment.

At last, the police went to Sam's House. Since the police and the detective had protected the evidence, they could catch the criminal Sam admitted he had killed Ben by mistake. At last, Sam was caught by the police and was sentenced to life imprisonment.

by Suen Wing Yi Rachel, 2C

### Speech Writing (Fashion)

Hello everybody. My name is Rachel Suen and this is Chloe Shum. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank you for inviting me to speak to you this afternoon. We have designed a collection of outfit for Alan Walker. I think the clothing items are also suitable for young people. I hope all of you will like the outfit.

The first item introduced is a navy cap. Also, I have designed a small, black, cotton mask for him. I think it is quite suitable for Alan Walker's style. Then, the upper body item is a loose, grey, cotton hoody, with the word 'FADE' printed on it I think it's quite handsome! The lower body item is a pair of comfortable, black, cotton pants. The black pants match quite well with the grey hoody. At last, Alan Walker is wearing a pair of comfortable, green-white, striped trainers. He can wear it when he is having a show!

The hoody and pants are made of cotton. Cotton is used as the fabric as it dries quickly and it is comfortable. It can also keep you cool in even the hottest, most humid days. Cotton is definitely a good material for making cloths. The black mask is very special and it makes Alan Walker look cooler. The word 'FADE' printed on the hoody makes the hoody more special, personalized and suitable for Alan Walker! He is a DJ, therefore he has to attend a lot of shows. So I have designed a pair of trainers for him. He can wear it for concerts and shows Alan Walker loves the colour black very much because he thinks it's very cool! Therefore, I hope he will like this collection!

Thank you very much for coming tonight. We all wish you every success in the future.

by Suen Wing Yi Rachel, 2C

# **Creative Writing**

### A Memory Hole

My pen fell and rolled to the corner of the classroom.

The story began in the English lesson.

The hole was big enough for a person to go in. It was covered with small stones. I pretended nothing had happened because I didn't want to have people's attention.

When all lessons had finished and my classmates had left, I went close to the hole and took out my prepared torch. The hole was dark. Therefore I must turn on the torch. When I walked forward, I felt I had treaded on something. When I picked it up, I realized it was a book and a letter!

Then I went to another classroom. I read the book and the letter. They were written by a F6 student. It was about the student promising her friend that their friendship would last and the photos of them. After reading, I was touched so I decided to give them back to the owner. I left a little note 'Hope your dream will come true! Fighting!' with those things in her drawer. Then I went back home. I hope she will keep the promise.

Hung Yu Ching, Isa 1D

### The Futureland

Chan Ting Chai 4C (2)

Bryant opened his eyes and found himself lying on a stretcher. He tried to lift his arms, but he was too weak. The lights overhead were bright, the lamps fixed on the ceiling flashed above her. He knew that they were bringing him to somewhere, a place that he had been waiting for his whole life. He recalled his excitement when he saw his name on the screen. Finally, it was the day. They stopped, leaving him alone. "Have we arrived?" he used all his strength to shout. There was no answer, what he could just hear was the beeping sound from the surroundings.

"Sample GN9815, blood pressure, heartbeat, everything is in good condition." "Great, let's us begin." Two men dressed in white were looking at him and talking to each other. Bryant felt a sudden pain, someone had plugged something into his arm. He tried to figure out what was going on, but he was too tired. He wanted to sleep, without knowing that it was the last time for him to close his eyes.

"Ling...Ling...Ling..." It was 7 a.m., the time for Calvin to get up. Calvin reset his alarm clock and stretched. He was a little bit exhausted, as he helped to send his father who had broken his leg to hospital yesterday. "Calvin! There is a signal again, come down immediately." Calvin changed his clothes and went to his mum. "Calvin, we must go to the screen right now!" mum said it in high spirit. "Mum, you know I am totally not interested at it, I just want to live in our world with you and dad." Calvin murmured.

They arrived at the screen which was located in front of the Central Tower. As the only link between the world and outside, the Central Tower was here before anyone did. No one knew who had built this tallest building in the world, why or when it started to operate. The piazza was jam-packed wherever Calvin's sight reached. They squeezed through the crowds in order to read the words on the screen. Under the golden banner "The Holy Journey", it showed "Peter Chan", a name that they had never seen or heard before. "Is he an old man? Someone said that people who were older or sickly may have a higher chance to be elected," mum said despondently. It was a piece of good news to Calvin and the chosen one, while it was the opposite to the others. Despite their disappointment, Calvin returned to his home satisfyingly. "Why are people looking forward to something that they don't even know where they are going to be sent and what is there? They don't find it strange that people are selected at irregular periods and they have never come back for their love ones and families? Pointless!" Calvin said to himself. People were all looking at him with weird sights, as if he came from another planet. They conjured up Calvin, his best friend, who was used to be one of them. Calvin had no idea why they decided to pick him and took his friend away from him. Was it God's ideas? He still remembered Bryant's elation when people from the Central Tower came to take him there, while he was waving to his friend reluctantly. Calvin wiped his eyes, convincing himself that his friend had gone to a better world.

Calvin took out his ID card and put it on the scanner. "No! Not egg salad sandwich again!" he received his lunch from the counter. "Why can't we choose what to eat? I have got tired of the selections by the computer!" "Kid, just shut your mouth up or give your food back to me!" the cook stared at Calvin angrily. Calvin went back to his seat with resentment and took out his mobile phone. His schedule had been generated by the computer and was sent to his phone. Calvin looked at his little metal box, he decided to help his father to finish his job instead of staying at home which he was supposed to do today. When Calvin finished his meal and arrived at the loading area, he saw Leo, the manager there. "Hi, Calvin. How is your father? It is good to have you today, we have

got tons of work to do." Leo laughed and handed over a box of goods to Calvin. Calvin carried his stock onto the truck. He was drained and he fell asleep.

Calvin woke up and found himself still inside the truck. There was nobody except himself. He got off the truck and realized he had been taken to another place. The walls were painted in silver, which helped to reflect light and made the whole place looked surreal yet holy. He looked through the window in front of him, all of the buildings were far below him. He felt like a giant standing between a group of dwarfs. He couldn't believe he was at the Central Tower! The place that everyone had been dreaming of! Calvin took a deep breath and kept moving along the corridor. The rooms were of the same size, the whole place was like a maze! He peeked inside the room, what he could see were beds with people sleeping on them peacefully. Calvin couldn't tell whether they were alive or not. Suddenly, he heard footsteps outside. Calvin hid behind the door and saw three men walking towards him. They were carrying some scalpels and scissors in a tray. The clothes that they wore were very similar to the ones that he used to wear when he were doing experiments in class. Calvin sneaked out without being discovered by them. He followed a bearer who led him to the exit of the tower. Calvin was confused by what he saw, he threw away all his worries and ran back to his home.

Calvin rang the doorbell with a beating heart, but no one answered. If he was the one at home as usual, he would stay in his room instead of opening the door for his parents. Calvin went inside with his keys. Dad's and mum's sneakers were at the doorway. His parents had gone out. He missed his bed so much and went upstairs to his own room. When he opened the door, he saw a man sitting on his chair and playing with his pen. There was an uneaten egg salad sandwich on his cluttered table. "Who are you? What are you doing in my..." Calvin went speechless. The man stood up and turned around, he looked exactly the same as Calvin. There were no differences between their height and faces, even their hairstyles were the same. Both of them stared at each other in astonishment. Calvin felt like spinning around, everything in his world started getting blurred. The other him could not bear his panic and he started to scream. "What is going on? What...What do you want?" he shouted at Calvin in a trembling sound. Calvin's mind went blank; he was overwhelmed and didn't know what to do. "Calvin?" mum and dad appeared at the door. "Calvin, keep quiet and don't move!" dad cried. Calvin saw mum picking up the phone with tears in her eyes.

They looked at each other without saying a word until a man came. He was the tallest person that Calvin had ever met, there was a gun strapped round his waist. "Sir,

please don't do this." Mum wailed emotionally and held his arm while he was passing through. "You need to understand that one of them has broken the rules. We must do something to ensure the safety of people in our world. And it is impossible for us to distinguish between your son and the other one." He said calmly. He ran his eyes over Calvin and the other himself. "It's them. Take them away!" Four armed soldiers stepped inside and forced them into a car. Calvin recognized they were heading to the Central Tower. He discovered something was missing. "Where is the screen? What have you done to me?" Calvin started to howl. "Kid, this place is not where you belong to. At first, you shouldn't exist here. Now? It makes two of you."

The room on the top floor of the Central Tower was enveloped with a smell of sweat. There was nothing but an old bench. Calvin was sitting next to himself. How long had they been staying here? Two hours? Or, six? Calvin was bewildered by what had happened today. Calvin recalled what the tall man had said, he came to know something. What if there were two worlds that looked exactly the same, including the people there?

He heard the sound of the doorknob. "Let me introduce myself. I am Jonathan, the person-in-charge. May I ask who and how you get in here?" the tall man squinted his eyes. "I fainted on the truck. What is happening here? When will you send me back?" Calvin was frightened. "I knew it! Those porters. But it won't happen again." Jonathan left with a smirk on his face. "No! You haven't answered my question!" shouted Calvin. Jonathan turned to them. "You are the replica of his, so that your organs can be used to save his life when he has serious injuries as you two have the same genetic combinations. We provide an environment which is completely identical to his for you to grow, so that nothing will affect you from being different from him. But it doesn't matter, as no one can help him or you now." He winked at the man standing next to him. "Finish it quickly; we still need to deal with the aftermath." The man nodded at Jonathan and closed the door. Calvin saw that there was a scar on his nose when he took out his pistol and pointed it at Calvin. Calvin was falling apart, he was going to die! Before the man managed to shoot, he lost his balance and bumped on the bench. He lost his consciousness. Someone had jumped on him. Calvin looked at the other himself, who was gulping with his mouth and lying on the floor. "I think I am going to call you Ivan. And thanks for saving me, Ivan." said Calvin. "We must leave now or we will be perished." Ivan whispered and glanced outside from the door seam. "What have they done to people who went on the 'Holy Journey' after harvesting their organs?" Calvin realized something was wrong. "Listen, I am so sorry. I have heard from the others that

we create people like you by DNA-replication technology by using the people in our world. But I can't believe that it is true and you live behind the Central Tower! Your people, who know about this, must be killed to ensure the program will not be disclosed. They can't differentiate between me and you, so we are going to become one of them!" What he had been worrying for years was true: he could never see his friend again.

Ivan picked up the pistol on the ground and put it into his breast pocket. "You have done this once. Let's get out of this freaky place together." Ivan clenched his fist. They crept along the corridor and walked stealthily to the ground floor. There were full of machines which kept making noises that would drive people crazy. "But how can we know where the exit is?" Calvin muttered. "What are you doing there!" the guard roared and pressed the alarm button. "Warning...Warning..." Buzzing sounds pierced the tower. Calvin and Ivan ran as fast as they could, their ears were stunned by the crashing sound of metals. Someone was firing at them! "Don't look back, Calvin!" Ivan gabbled. Terrified, what he could only do was moving his legs. They passed through a door with a banner on it, "The Futureland".

They were here, Calvin had finally returned to where he came from. However, the army from the Central Tower were still chasing after them. They were getting closer and closer. "Help!" Calvin and Ivan shrieked at the people who gathered around the screen. They were stunned and speechless when they saw two people having the same appearance were coming to them. They came out of their trace and thwarted the soldiers from the Central Tower.

"It was all a lie. The Central Tower, the Holy Journey, the screen, all of us have been deceived by them!" Calvin snarled at the Central Tower in front of everyone. Today, everyone was here to hear the truth, the truth that kept them in the dark for hundreds of years. All the people grabbed their weapons. They destroyed the screen and pulled down the word on it. They rushed into the Central Tower. The people in the Futureland were going to fight for their future, and take revenge on the people for what they had done to them. The wars between two worlds had begun.

# The End