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English Round Up



It's been a very busy time in the English Department recently with lots of interesting activities taking place. Let's learn more about some of them...



My Story Creation Workshops

Our P4 and P5 English Ambassadors had the chance to attend two workshops run by the charity Kids4Kids. In the first session, they learnt how to write creative stories by introducing interesting characters and bringing their stories to life by using dialogues. The second session taught them how to illustrate their stories with beautiful pictures.

The instructors told Mr Gavin afterwards that our students were very creative and super engaged and they really enjoyed teaching them.

Later this year, some students will enter their masterpieces in the My Story Creation Competition. So, we hope they can do their best!



The English Ambassadors pay attention and learn how to be better writers.



Some students make a mess! It's ok though because their pictures are wonderful.



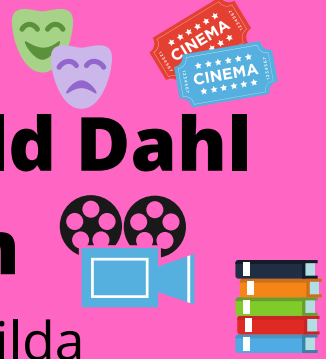
Ashley (5A) learns how to use the software to publish her writing in the E-Writing workshop.

E-Writing in Action Workshops

In these two workshops organised by SCOLAR, our students learnt techniques in writing interesting stories and also used iPads to create an e-book of their stories. Eugenia (5E) said, *"These workshops were so much fun. I loved using the iPads to write because there are many tricks you can use to make it more appealing to the readers."*



P5 & P6 Yan Laap Memorial Students Experiencing Roald Dahl Stories on Stage and in Film



P6 - James and the Giant Peach

This year, the P6 students have been enjoying reading the classic adventure story "James and the Giant Peach" by Roald Dahl. After reading the book, they watched a stage production at The Hong Kong Academy for Performing Arts in Wan Chai. The actors were from the Faust International Youth Theatre. Students said the performance was "amazing" and "fantastic". Oscar in 6A commented that "I loved the book and watching it on stage was very exciting."



Excited to see the show



P5 - Matilda

P5 had the chance to watch the DVD of "Matilda". It is a Roald Dahl book about a gifted but mischievous girl who uses her incredible brain to help her favourite teacher.

The cinema experience was enjoyed by all students. Just look at how excited and interested the students are in the picture below!



All eyes on the movie. We don't want to miss any of it!

Success Stories



The Yan Laap Memorial students are very talented. Let's find out how some of them have been making all the teachers very proud...

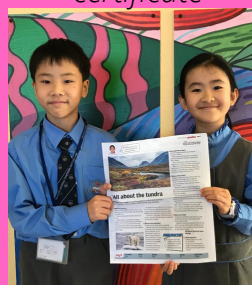
"Posties" voice recording



Posties is a newspaper for children in Hong Kong. Recently, Bethany and Joshua (both 4A) were chosen to be the voice recorders for the newspaper. The students needed to read aloud the information in a very clear and confident way so other children who listen could understand it. Bethany said, "Recording the voice was difficult but great fun. I read some difficult words, like "tundra" and "permafrost" but I did a good job." We think Bethany and Joshua were brilliant. **Well done!**



Yannie with her certificate



Joshua and Bethany with "Posties"

Yip Kei Nam English Writing Competition

Yannie (5A) **won** this competition for her writing "My Ideal School". Yannie's twin sister, Hailie (5A) interviewed her: *What was in your ideal school, Yannie?*

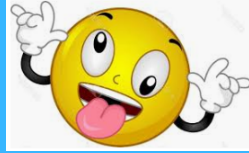
I wrote about an environmentally friendly school with a time-machine that helps students learn about history.

Where did you get the idea of the time-machine?

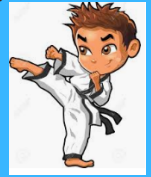
I read a book called "The Strange Box" and this talks about a time-machine. So, I decided to use one in my essay.

Yannie, you're a star - great job!

Fun & Games



Jokes



What kind of key opens a banana?



What do you call a pig that does karate?



A monkey**KEY**

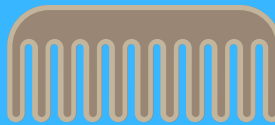
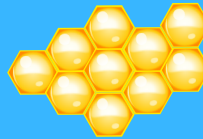
A pork chop



Why did the bee have sticky hair?



Because he used a honey**COMB**



Competition



Can you answer the questions and find the secret word?

All the answers are in this edition of The English Express.



1. What kind of **machine** did **Yannie** write about in the competition? _____
2. **Oscar** thought **James & the Giant Peach** was _____
3. **Mason** is a member of the English Express team. Which class is he in? 5 _____
4. Who is the star student in class **1B**? _____
5. Who interviewed **Yannie**? (Clue: She is her **twin**) _____
6. This newspaper is called "**The English** _____"
7. What did **Joshua & Bethany** do very **clearly** for the "Posties" newspaper? _____

Now put the **first** letters of all your answers in these boxes and find the secret word.

The first student in each level to tell Mr Gavin this secret word will get a special prize.

Good luck!



1	2	3	4	5	6	7
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★ Star Student Awards

Mr Gavin has chosen a star student from all of the classes he teaches. These students always try their best in English lessons and they are polite and hard-working.

Miss Rachel and Miss Claudia will choose their own star students in the coming issues.

1A
Ginger

1B
Cleo

1C
Althea

1D
Dorami

1E
Jeffrey

2A
Maggie

2B
Bella

2C
Weylyn

2D
Gabriel

2E
Lexi

5A
Cinda

5B
Sasha

6A
Jenson

6B
Ezra



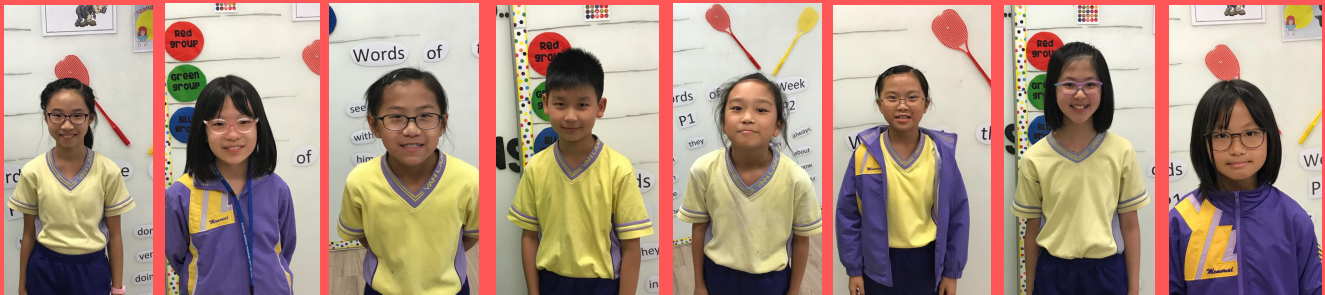
Meet the English Express Team



This issue of The English Express was created through the hardwork of some English Ambassadors. They worked with Mr Gavin to set the questions for the interviews that they conducted. They also researched and wrote the jokes.

THANK YOU

Well done and thank you!



Ashley
5A

Chloe
5A

Hailie
5A

Mason
5A

Rachel
5A

Yannie
5A

Charis
5B

Alice
5C