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those who show you
where to look, but
don't tell you
what to see.



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HONG KONG WETLAND PARK

*An English Class Afternoon Trip With
Class 2B*



Located at Tin Shui Wai, the Wetland Park is just a short trip away from our school. It is a wetland ecotourism attraction that demonstrates the environmental diversity of Hong Kong and highlights the need to conserve wetland areas. This educational and recreational area is sometimes forgotten about in our busy urban lives.



Class 2B visited Hong Kong Wetland Park with their English teacher, Mr. Chan, on a sunny afternoon at the beginning of the school year. They learnt about the ecosystem and conservation of wetland areas in Hong Kong and had a pleasant time on the various walks around the park.

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LAC DAY

Language Across the Curriculum Day

Every Wednesday is LAC Day at school – a day each week for using English around the school, not just in the English classroom. LAC Day involves the whole school working together, with different departments and groups arranging activities that promote English language. The pictures here show the dedication of non-English Language teachers as they interact with students in English. Most of the activities take place in the Covered Playground at lunch-time on Wednesdays at the English Corner / Garden Café, which has become a focal point of English communication.

THE BEGINNING OF THE SCHOOL YEAR



My Pledge - Aims and Dreams for the New School Year



Wednesday morning assemblies feature interesting and engaging topics that students can understand and relate to. Students concentrate and listen attentively to a variety of presentations by teachers and students.

Science - Forensic Crystal Clue



The lunch-time events in the Covered Playground are hands-on and activity-based. Learning-through-doing helps to make sure everyone is using English in an authentic way for communicating with a purpose.

I hear and I forget.
I see and I remember.
I do and I understand.



Civic Education - All About Chinese Cuisine and Drinks



Science - Making Key Chains



Mid-Autumn Festival - With the PTA



THE MIDDLE OF THE SCHOOL YEAR

PE - Tug of War and Basketball Competition



Christmas at C.Y.Ma - Decorating the Garden Café



Chinese Language - Cultural Week



THE END OF THE SCHOOL YEAR



Inter-Class Rowing Competition



Jobs and Careers



Health Issues



Liberal Studies Bingo



Maths Week



There is something for everyone at the LAC Day lunch-time activities. It is always a relaxing way to spend the lunch break. Getting together and using English in a fun way helps to promote a happy, healthy and positive life at school.

School Events

9-12 October 2017

ENGLISH WEEK

Day 1 Inter-Class Singing Contest

This year, the annual English Week was held early on in the school year. It's a fantastic opportunity for students to get together for fun and using English.



Singing along



Class 2C with Miss So



Tansy 6B



Class 6C with Miss Chan and Miss Law



Class 6A

Day 2 Inter-House Quiz



The smartest students were the winners.



Day 3 Inter-Departmental Obstacle Course

For the Inter-Departmental Obstacle Course, 8 academic departments set up booths with tasks for students to complete. Competitors needed to also successfully tackle the obstacles positioned between the booths.



Racing around the course in the school hall.



Challenges set by academic departments.



Day 4 English Garden Cafe



Apple Crumble made by 6C (see recipe Page 12) and ice-cream.

Scary Scary Halloween Show

After a short break last year, back by popular demand ('Why was there no Halloween show last year?'), the ever-slightly scary show made a welcome return to the school hall just in time for Halloween. Each class put effort into preparing costumes and special effects for their mini-dramas and helped make this one of the most fun English activities of the school year.



Students promote the show in morning assembly.



Sophie and Simeon (4A) helped as MCs.

Which one looks the scariest?

Rules

1. Get approval from class teacher / English teacher on your costume.
2. Class representatives have to be dressed up.
3. A PowerPoint presentation is a MUST!
4. Sound effect is optional, and mobile phones of the TEACHERS are allowed only.
5. Be scary, creative and surprising!
6. Dancing, singing, actions and mini-dramas in scary costumes are highly recommended.
7. No harmful objects or rude language in your show.
8. Have a lot of fun using English!



Presentation PowerPoint Slides



They turned into two vampires. No one dared to look for them anymore.



Student Feedback was make it scarier – We Will Try!



OVERALL WINNERS
2B (Junior Forms)
6A (Senior Forms)
And Well Done to all who took part!

The German Road, Yuen Long

ENGLISH SOCIETY
RESTAURANT REVIEW



Yuen Long is a fantastic food destination with a huge variety of small establishments serving up food from all over the world.

Mr Kenny Chan: 'Small restaurants in Yuen Long are quite timeless. In some other places there are no decent local restaurants apart from some cha chaan tengs.'

After the soup, a selection of 5 types of German sausage arrived. It was a good sharing selection served with sauerkraut (pickled German cabbage) and pickled gherkins with mustard and gravy sauces on the side. All of the sausages were juicy, with the chilli pepper one being a favourite. We would have liked a bit more sauerkraut with the sausages. The 2 teachers said they would go well with beer.

精選德國 GERMAN SAUSAGE

芝士豬 (豬+乳) \$42/PC
CHEESE SAUSAGE (PORK+CHICKEN)
德式辣腸 (豬) \$32/PC
CHILI PEPPER SAUSAGE (PORK)
香茅豬 (豬) \$32/PC
HERB SAUSAGE (PORK)
黑椒黑生仔腸 (豬+乳) \$58/PC
WEISSWURST SAUSAGE (PORK)
黑椒黑生仔腸 (豬) \$48/PC
GERMAN RING SAUSAGE (PORK)

伴餐 SIDE DISHES

德式炸薯條 \$48
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Mr. Chan lives in Yuen Long and recommended The German Road restaurant as one of his local favourites. 4 members of the English Society went along with Mr. Chan and Mr. Gray to sample the food and enjoy a lunch together.



From left: Demon Cheng, Elly Chan (5A), Cheryl Wong, Louis Chan (3C), with Mr Gray.

LOCATION

G/F Yik Fat Building, 11-15 Fung Yau Street North, Yuen Long.

A stone's throw away from Yoho Mall, The German Road is in a fairly underdeveloped part of Yuen Long. It takes just 10 minutes to get there from school by mini-bus.

OPENING HOURS

12:00pm – 11:00pm

TYPE OF RESTAURANT

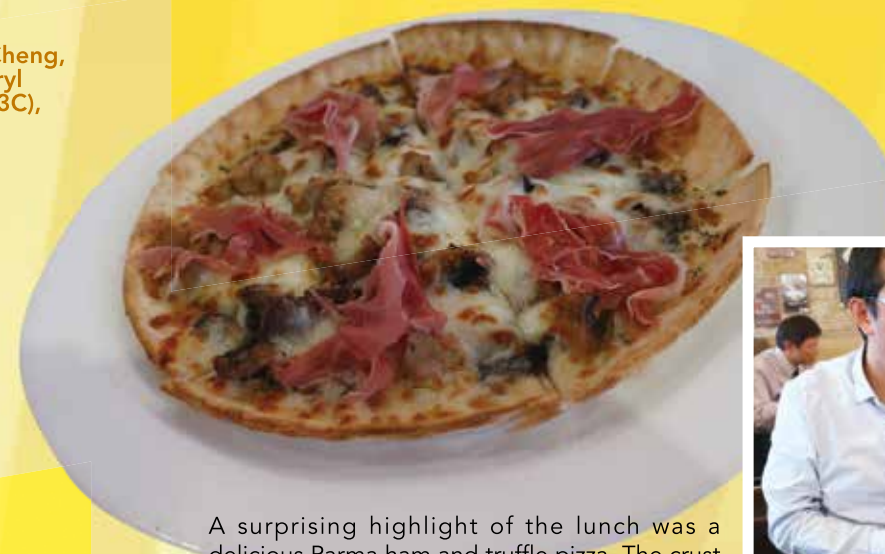
Western. The German Road has quality German food, such as German sausages, pork knuckle, sauerkraut and mashed potato. The menu also features Western food from all over the world.

ENVIRONMENT

The restaurant has a cosy feel which is good for chatting and company. There are only about 20 seats and when we arrived at 12.30pm on a Friday there were already 15 people starting lunch.

The brown wood, small windows and subdued lighting help create an old-European atmosphere. When we stepped out of the restaurant at 1.30pm into the bright Hong Kong sunshine we felt like we were leaving another world.

The other customers seemed to be mostly local, either living in Yuen Long or having a work-lunch together.

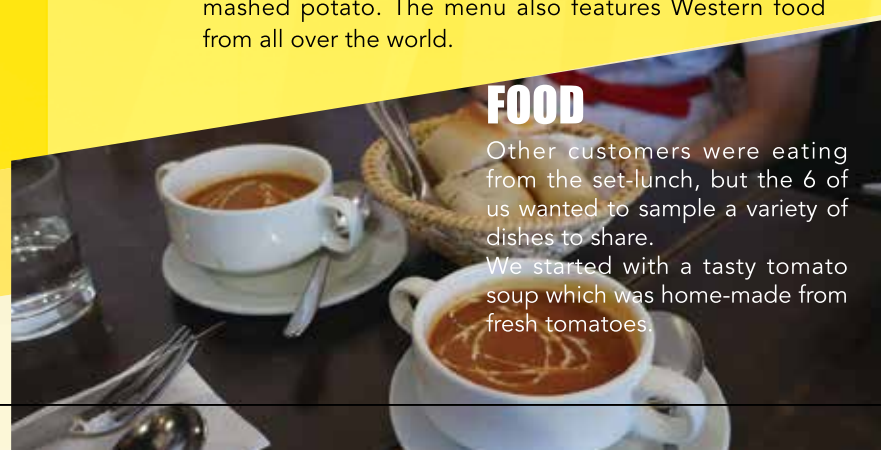


A surprising highlight of the lunch was a delicious Parma ham and truffle pizza. The crust was so thin it was actually one of the lightest dishes. It was conveniently served as 6 slices and enjoyed by everyone. This would make a good simple snack on its own at lunch time.



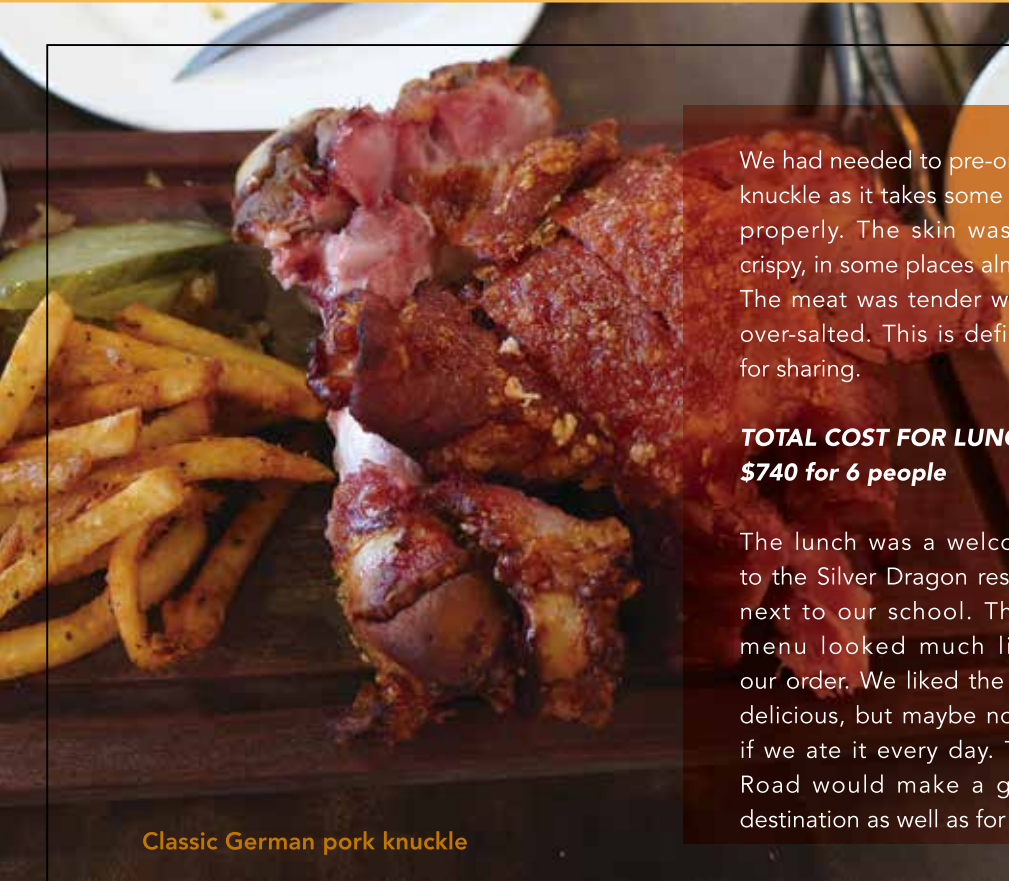
Next came the rest of the food....more meat. It could have been that our eyes were bigger than our bellies when we ordered.

Both the chicken and steak dishes were tasty and well cooked, with the chicken being more popular. It had been nicely roasted and was well presented on the plate. Both dishes were served with crispy double-cooked chips.



FOOD

Other customers were eating from the set-lunch, but the 6 of us wanted to sample a variety of dishes to share. We started with a tasty tomato soup which was home-made from fresh tomatoes.



We had needed to pre-order the pork knuckle as it takes some time to cook properly. The skin was deliciously crispy, in some places almost charred. The meat was tender without being over-salted. This is definitely a dish for sharing.

TOTAL COST FOR LUNCH:
\$740 for 6 people

The lunch was a welcome change to the Silver Dragon restaurant right next to our school. The set-lunch menu looked much lighter than our order. We liked the food a lot – delicious, but maybe not so healthy if we ate it every day. The German Road would make a good dinner destination as well as for lunch.



Classic German pork knuckle

INTERVIEW

NEW TEACHER: MR. WOODWARD

Mr. Woodward started as a teacher at C.Y. Ma in September 2017 and we see him at school every Wednesday. Here we talk to Mr. Woodward to find out more about him and what he thinks of C.Y. Ma.

Why do we only see you on Wednesdays?

I only come on Wednesdays because on the other 4 days of the week I am busy teaching at other Tung Wah schools.

What did you do before you were a Tung Wah teacher?

I have been working as a teacher in Hong Kong for many years and I previously worked at International Schools in Hong Kong.

Where are you from originally and why did you come to Hong Kong?

I'm from England and I first came to Hong Kong in 1988 when I came here for work. I wanted to travel and experience working in a different culture. Hong Kong is an excellent place to live and work!



In the English classroom



Some students find speaking English difficult. What are the best ways to improve English speaking?

I take some English lessons at C.Y. Ma. We use different activities to encourage students to speak up and not be shy. The students are getting more confident in conversation as they get to know me, and confidence is the key.

You always help on LAC Days. What do you think of them?

I come on Wednesdays, which is LAC Day – I help with the activities, which gives students a chance to learn English in a fun way. I enjoy the activities and chatting with students.



4A learning rugby

Lunch-time Activity: Inter-Class Tug of War



At C.Y. Ma you teach PE and English. PE is a favourite subject for students – why do you think that is?

Students at C.Y. Ma really love PE and especially team sports – they are so enthusiastic at working together.

What's your favorite sport?

My favourite is rugby and I'd like to encourage more students to have a try at this interesting team sport.

Do you think Hong Kong children do enough exercise?

Through PE and sports we like to encourage Hong Kong students to get more exercise. At C.Y. Ma there do seem to be opportunities for students to do sports. It's all about a healthy study-life balance.



Playing cards in the Covered Playground

The German Road RATING	Our Marks from 5
Visual Appeal	4
Taste	4.5
Freshness	3.5
Value for Money	5
Repeat Customers?	Maybe
Overall	4



After The German Road we just had time for a quick ice-cream from Godiva in Yoho Mall.



RECIPE

APPLE CRUMBLE

Western nostalgia food from home, childhood and school, apple crumble is a classic comfort dessert - perfect for autumn days when apples are in season.

Students from 6C joined Mr. Gray and Miss Maggie Chan in baking apple crumble for the English Café during English Week in October. We served it with a big scoop of ice-cream.

WHICH APPLES?

The best apples for baking are crisp and firm inside, not ones that will turn to mush. Granny Smith green apples are fine, and also firm red ones. A mix of apples can give sweet and tart flavours and keep textures interesting.

Make it!



Better than Starbucks

**TO MAKE 1 TRAY:
Serves 10**



What You Need:

- 9 apples
- 500g plain flour
- 380g unsalted butter (kept very cold in fridge)
- 85g demerara sugar
- 85g caster sugar
- 100g crushed almonds
- 3 tablespoons brown sugar
- About 20 blackberries
- 1½ teaspoons cinnamon
- Zest of 1 lemon



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Peel the apples, core them and chop up into cubes. Put the cubed apples into a large pan with 3 tablespoons of water and the 3 tablespoons of brown sugar. Slowly heat for 5 minutes and stir occasionally to soften the apples. Then add 1½ teaspoons of cinnamon and the zest of 1 lemon.



Sift the flour. Cut the butter up into cubes. Use your fingertips to rub the butter into the flour until you have like breadcrumbs: a lumpy, crumbly mixture.



Tip: The butter should be as cold as possible all the time. The fingertips lightly rub the butter but not so much to rub it all into the flour (which would make dough).

Add the demerara sugar and caster sugar and the crushed almonds to the flour and butter mix. Put the mixture in the freezer for 10 minutes.



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Put the apples into a baking tray and then blackberries over the apples. Finally, lightly sprinkle all of the crumble mixture on top. Keep it quite loose and don't press down. You can add some small lumps of butter to the crumble mix and coat them in flour.



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Bake for 30 minutes at 200 Celsius. The top should be golden, with the apples bubbling.

Serve with a generous scoop of ice-cream or piping-hot custard.



English Drama 2018

The Pork Chop Bun Girl

The Pork Chop Bun Girl was this year's English play. It featured boys and girls from Junior Forms, giving them a chance to develop their acting skills and be involved in a drama production from start to finish. The Pork Chop Bun Girl was our school's entry for the Hong Kong School Drama Festival 2017/18, performed in front of judges and an audience in March 2018.

THE PLOT

Anyone familiar with Cinderella will recognise both the characters and the twists and turns in this local story of a Hong Kong girl called Ella. Two unkind sisters tease Ella as she makes pork chop buns in her father's Hong Kong bakery. What the sisters didn't count on though, was the effect of the delicious buns ('the best ever!') on their charming schoolmate, William, when he holds a farewell party. Will William ever be able to find out where the pork chop buns came from?

THE STORY



The story starts in the bakery that Ella and her family call home. Ella is making pork chop buns but is mercilessly teased by her two sisters, who offer no help whatsoever. Only their father is able to calm down the household, as the 3 girls head off to school.



Ella (right) with her 2 unkind sisters – Toby and Denise – and their father in the bakery.



When the two sisters arrive at school they find invitations to the party of their classmate – the charming William!



CAST

Main Characters	Supporting Cast	Back Stage	Teachers
Ella – Joey Liu William – Arthur Wong Toby (sister) – Phoebe Chow Denise (sister) – Cheryl Wong Father – Jeffrey Chan Fairy Godmother – Sonia Lung	Classmates: Jase Chiu Verdai Kwok Coco Leung Annie Tse	Customers: Henry Kwok Bowie Chui Evan Leung Angel Ho	Setting and Props: Ryan Tang Lights and Sound: Huich Wong Producer – Miss Law Directors – Miss Carol Chan – Miss Sally So Script – Mr. Gray



Ella arrives at school and finds her invitation to William's party; she can't possible go, right? She's just the little pork chop bun girl! Or that's what she thinks, until her Fairy Godmother magically appears and tells Ella that she is so much more!

Finally, the day of the party arrives. William welcomes his classmates – his home is like a palace! The two sisters fight to give William a huge cake each, but as the dancing starts, the only person William is impressed by is Ella. And he doesn't even like cake! He tastes the pork chop buns, not knowing that it is Ella who had brought them. But luckily for him, as Ella runs away at midnight, he finds a pork chop bun wrapper discarded on the floor!



3 years pass. One day, William walks by the bakery, now the signature shop of a chain: 'Ella's Bakery'. He can't believe his luck when he sees the pork chop bun wrapper he has kept matches the wrappers of the buns in the shop! And they were first made by Ella and her father! William instantly decides to join the family business. It's a fairy tale ending!



Father finishes off the pork chop buns and prepares to sell them, at a very affordable price, to his regular customers.



Drama Festival Judge Feedback

The judges highly praised the students' passion in the performance. They also liked the theme and local setting of the play. They discussed with students ways of becoming involved with the character's personalities, apart from relying on the guidance of the directors.

Drama Festival (2017/18) Awards

- Outstanding Performer: Phoebe Chow
- Outstanding Stage Effect
- Outstanding Script
- Commendable Overall Performance



STUDENT WRITING

Linda Cheung 4A

Hungry for Photos

Smartphones – they're everywhere! Before smartphones, when people went to restaurants they simply started eating when the food arrived. Imagine how simple that must have been! But these days it seems we must all take photos before eating and then instantly upload our pictures to social media platforms such as Instagram, Snapchat and Facebook. Or how about taking videos of the food and uploading them to YouTube for the whole world to see! Whatever made us start this strange craze?

However, some people worry that the trend will bring more harm than good to us. Nowadays, people look at their phone all the time, and many of us have seen people in restaurants staring at their phone, taking photos and uploading photos instead of talking to each other. Snubbing others in favour of our phones can severely disrupt our actual, present-moment, inter-personal relationships, which also tend to be our most important ones.



'I sincerely hope people can put away their phone so they can actually talk to the person sitting next to them.'

The trend coincided with the rise of social media in the 2000s and smartphones getting smarter with built-in cameras. As people began sharing everything about their daily activities, various bloggers started to write food reviews and shared their photos of food online. We can see an enormous number of food videos on YouTube and food reviews on Instagram. People began to love to see these reviews and then wanted to have a try after reading the posts.

Just eat it!



'Good' food photo

Food photography has become very popular with young people. They share experiences with friends and family, including showing what is unpalatable at a restaurant. For restaurants, photos of meals on social media means more business. It could be an advertisement for the restaurant. If some famous blogs recommend the restaurant, people will rush to try out the restaurant after reading the blogs. This helps the restaurant to make more profit and become famous.

I think food photography will continue as a trend as we are all living in an information age. However, I sincerely hope people can put away their phone so they can actually talk to the person sitting next to them. Cell phones were originally designed to foster interpersonal connectedness not to hinder it. Let's start talking again!



'Bad' food photo

SCHOOL FEATURE

ENGLISH GARDEN CAFE

ENGLISH CORNER



Decorating the English Corner and the two Christmas trees.



CHRISTMAS AT SCHOOL

A meeting place for informal chat and games.



The English Garden Café opened at C.Y. Ma in 2016. For the last 2 years, students have gathered here for English activities on many occasions. Highlights include Christmas and Chinese New Year celebrations, and of course Café Days when food and drink is served.

Food and Drinks.



19 - 29 October 2019

SAN FRANCISCO

TUNG WAH STUDENT AMBASSADORS SAN FRANCISCO STUDY TOUR

24 student representatives from all 18 Tung Wah Secondary Schools in Hong Kong went on a memorable trip together to San Francisco in the USA in October 2017. Accompanying them were Secondary School Principals, Tung Wah Board of Director members and the Chairperson of the Tung Wah Group. Elly Chan from 5A was the student selected to represent our school and here she describes what she calls an amazing journey in her own words.

We prepared for the San Francisco trip for half a year. We learnt about Chinese immigration to America and researched who we would meet and places we would visit. We learnt how to shake hands and how to act in front of people. After each gathering before the trip, we had to do homework – reflections. This was quite tough. For this trip, the main part was a project on the immigration of Chinese into America. We are designing a book for publication.



Research in Hong Kong



Training Workshops in Hong Kong

Elly Chan 5A

It was a very good trip. It was intensive but this helped us to learn. We learnt all kinds of things. I learnt to be on time, this was valuable – I learnt how it affects others. I organised A Capella singing. We had a group with a teacher in Hong Kong and he helped us to sing in English. Our song was Flashlight by Jessie J. We performed in San Francisco at dinners and meetings and people liked it.



The hotel we arrived at was old-fashioned and the people around were quite strange. The area had many different kinds of people, like homeless and people on the streets.



Hotel Arrival

DAY 1



Departure from Hong Kong Airport

DAY 2



Exploratorium

The food was excellent. One place we ate was Pier 39, it's well-known in San Francisco. We ate fish and chips, crab and hamburgers – it was all delicious.



Asian Art Museum

Golden Gate Bridge

The Golden Gate Bridge was stunning. I have been dreaming about it for a long time and it felt unreal to be there. I had worked hard to get there, yet I felt blessed. The bridge is made of metal and so it can rust easily. They need to run electricity through it so that the positive and negative charges of the metal are balanced and then it won't rust and it keeps its red colour.



Lunch

DAY 3

Locke is where the Chinese immigrants had a community centre and a school and a small casino. They are not used now, but are where the Chinese people first settled. It's interesting as it's vintage history and shows the old style of Chinese people.



Locke



At the Railroad Museum we saw some of the trains made in America. The Chinese helped to build the railroads and many people died. The Chinese people in America were not treated the same as white people. It was a tough life in San Francisco.



Railroad Museum



DAY 4

When the Chinese wanted to move to America, Angel Island was the immigration centre. They were asked questions – why do you want to move to America. It was a small space but many people wanted to go. Many sad stories have been told, it was like a jail for many people. There's a poem written on the wall – about how sad and depressed they felt.

Angel Island



DAY 5

China Town is a small area like China. The food is not delicious. We went to the Chinese People's Association and had a ceremony there. The Association can speak up for the Chinese, it helps people.



China Town



This was a grand dinner with the Tung Wah Board.

DAY 6

City Hall is very beautiful. It has many statues and lots of art. It's an impressive building and people like to use it for wedding photos.



City Hall



Dinner

DAY 7



Stamford University



Stamford is an interesting university. We had a sharing session with some students from Hong Kong. They told us it was difficult to get in and that it's well-known for Mathematics and Engineering. I felt it wasn't for me. I remember it was a sunny day. The university has a huge campus and we walked around.

Google was quite mind-blowing. The company has really good facilities like bars, food trucks and games. We can't see that in Hong Kong. Google is part of Silicon Valley which has many computer companies like Yahoo. Some staff were Tung Wah students in the past. It was interesting to meet Hong Kong people working in America. It would be good to work in a flexible place you can enjoy.



Google

DAY 8

At the Economic and Trade Office we had a talk about feelings of working in that office and the changing role of Chinese in the USA.

Hong Kong Economic and Trade Office



Episode-Requiem



DAY 9

At the City Council we met some counsellors. They gave us a run-down of their daily schedules and how they deal with cases in their city.



City Council

The Episode-Requiem was our last night dinner and a big A Capella performance for us. There was an Art Show Case made by Summer Lee. She's an American-born Chinese from Mainland China. She talked about how she felt about her Grandpa who left her and how she learnt more about her past and Chinese culture.

I think without the hard work of the Chinese people, the USA and San Francisco would not be so great. They really contributed. Now there are many happy Chinese doing many different things in America.

I really wanted to go to America. It was a once in a life-time chance. Really precious. I chased my dream and my dream came true.



The trams in San Francisco are very famous. The tram was so small – not suitable for taking many people. We had so many teachers and students and we had to stand there. It was as crowded as a ding ding in Hong Kong. It moved slowly but went through popular down-town areas in San Francisco.

FLASHLIGHT – JESSIE J

Elly Chan 5A



Tung Wah Student Ambassadors San Francisco Study Tour A Cappella Singing Group

During our trip to San Francisco (see pages 18-21) we performed this song. A Cappella is singing without any musical instruments. It just uses the voice and was good for performing. It wasn't easy though. I was the lead singer of the group. Me and my teammates practised for over half a year.

The song is about somebody stuck in the dark and someone helps getting them through the night.

To be honest, it was a hard job being a lead singer of a group of people. I am not a professional and we needed lots of practices to overcome difficulties. I am glad that I had awesome and inclusive teammates and teachers to help me. Without them, there is no way we could have had such successful performances.



Tung Wah Student Ambassador A Cappella Group members at City Hall in San Francisco.

When tomorrow comes
I'll be on my own
Feeling frightened of
The things that I don't know
When tomorrow comes
Tomorrow comes
Tomorrow comes
And though the road is long
I look up to the sky
And in the dark I found,
I lost hope that I won't fly
And I sing along, I sing along
And I sing along
I got all I need when I got you and I
I look around me, and see a sweet life
I'm stuck in the dark but you're my flashlight
You're getting me, getting me through the night
Kick start my heart when you shine it in my eyes
Can't lie, it's a sweet life

I'm stuck in the dark but you're my flashlight
You're getting me, getting me through the night
'Cause you're my flashlight (flashlight)
You're my flashlight (flashlight)
You're my flashlight

GRANDPA

Sam Wen 4A

My grandpa is the most giving person I know. He lives in Mainland China and I only see him three times a year because I have to study in Hong Kong. He does not know how to use FaceTime, but I call him every week so I can hear his voice and talk about things that happened in Hong Kong.

My grandpa is a kind-hearted person. He believes all people are good. He is 85 years old this year, but he never stops helping the people around him. He devotes his spare time to share his love and care for people in the community that he can help. At the local community centre he teaches people to play the 'Erhu' and shares his story of his hard days in China. He teaches and talks to the children in the community most of the time, listens to their problems and shares his story of the time of the Cultural Revolution in China. He always encourages the children to never give up though life may not be easy. There will be a bright future ahead if we insist on believing in good.

I once asked my grandpa why he wanted to help in the community centre when he could spend his time having fun. He explained that it is better to give than to take. He believes that if he can help a person live a more positive life and that person shares the happiness and helps others, then someday all of our good actions can help to make the world a better place.

My grandpa never asks for any return. The most satisfaction he gets is the smiles from the people he helped. He always reminds me that helping people is a way to gain happiness and everyone needs some help at some time in their lives. So we should not hesitate to help others when we can.

There are many ways to help people around us. It can be visiting elderly homes, helping newly arrived children with tutorials or helping to collect second hand clothes. Teaching others, listening and helping others can give a sense of satisfaction. People may forget how you look, may forget what you said, and may forget what you did, but they will not forget how it made them feel. If everyone does some good things, the world will be more beautiful. That is what I believe.



Kiki Kan 6A

A short story that teaches us to trust and be tolerant of others

Never Judge a Book by Its Cover

It was an oppressive day with everyone exposed to the sun. Girls were dressed in skirts with their hair weaved in pigtails. Boys were wearing vests or nothing at all, showing their sun-tanned skin and muscles. All of them was tired from the hot weather, except the landlord of the ice-cream store, because everyone on the street was holding an ice-cream, no matter whether a youngster or middle-aged.

'Mom! I feel hot!' said a boy walking behind his mother. His mother was darting forward quickly but didn't slow down as she explained, 'you will feel cooler if you believe the weather is not hot'. The boy sprinting after his mother thought what a strange answer!

Minutes later, 'Mom! I'm dizzy. Shall we take a rest?' The boy looked at his mother, but she replied with a blank face, 'Darling! Do you know what time it is now? We cannot get to the tutorial in time if we have a rest now. Do you want to get into the best high school?' His mother got hold of the boy's arm and walked faster and faster. Suddenly, in a flash, the boy blacked out on the ground. His mother turned around and yelled at the top of her lungs, 'Stand up! Don't be silly!' But there were no answer. Then, 'Darling! Don't scare me, alright?', his mother got down on her knees and touched the boy's head. It was boiling. 'Help! Help! Who can help me? My son has blacked out!' the mother exclaimed.

At that moment, a sturdy man walked toward the boy and his mother. The man was in tatters, had medium-length dyed hair and a tattoo. 'I am a doctor. Do you mind if I help you?' the man asked with a gruff voice. 'Go away! You will hurt my son, a man with a tattoo!' the mother's face twitched with terror. 'Lady, trust me please! Your son has sunstroke! He must have a cure without delay, otherwise, he will be in deep trouble,' the man said with a raised voice. 'Okay...try your best please,' the mother took a deep breath and wept quietly. 'Call for an ambulance! I will apply first-aid,' the man replied.

Seconds later, the man ran to the nearby store and bought three ice bags. He put two of them under the boy's arm and one on his stomach. Next, he took out a fan from his bag and fanned the boy carefully to lower his temperature. 'Bibu~bibu~', the ambulance came quickly. The boy was carried away by rescue workers. 'Thanks for your first-aid, great work!' one of the rescue workers said thankfully.

When they arrived at the hospital, the man took a glance around and found that the mother was peering at him. He approached her and said: 'What do you want to say?' 'Sorry for my rudeness' the mother lamented, 'I am...'. 'That's fine,' the man interjected and beamed, 'I was a doctor, but I can't forget skills, even though I changed my image.' 'To judge by one's appearance is my mistake,' the mother muttered. The man waved his arm and said, 'I will go back now, remember to listen to your son'.

As the man left, the doctor told her that her son had woken up. The mother ran into the room as fast as she could and hugged her son tightly. 'Darling! When you blacked out, I was so worried! Sorry that I ignored your feelings. I will change my ways.' She breathed a sigh of relief. Suddenly, the boy burst out laughing: 'Mom! I know you did everything based on your love'.

Never judge a book by its cover. Moreover, if you know the content of the book, you need to read it more delicately and not just understand it subjectively and impersonally. Humans should not look down on others when they do not understand them and shouldn't project their own view on others.



Rita Lui 6A

Online : The Future of Shopping?

Many of us have heard of Taobao, Amazon, Tmall and Jingdong and many of us may have used them: these are popular e-commerce platforms which provide a super-convenient way to buy almost whatever we want in our daily life.

Thanks to advances in technology, consumers only need to click a few buttons in their spare time to choose what they want online. They can easily get a host of information about different products, or even search for the same product on different platforms.

With online shopping we do not need to change our clothes in order to go out to the hustle and bustle of the streets and take public transport to designated shops to buy what we want. But what are the effects of this? How does going online to shop impact us as consumers and the wider world around us?

Firstly, there are the environmental impacts to consider. It has been reported that there are many thousands of tons of plastic wrapping and cardboard wasted in packaging of online goods each year. Anyone who has ever received something simple like a book will know that an online product has a huge amount of material wrapped around it.

This packaging ends up in landfills and increases the burden on landfills. Shopping in physical stores is more environmentally friendly as shoppers can take their own bags, especially as governments have started to encourage us to recycle bags with measures such as the plastic bag levy in Hong Kong.

We all know that our earth is being overloaded and polluted, especially with land pollution. Undue online shopping is making consumers into victims who cannot reduce the wasted packaging. Shopping more in physical stores would reduce environmental damage to the earth.

Consumers should not just be concerned with the environmental consequences of online shopping, there are also questions about how the process affects people. We think we know how to make decisions when we are buying online, but it can lead to a habit of over-shopping and buying all the things we like too easily.

It is easy to get lost when shopping online and it can be confusing to choose the best from hundreds of similar products. Time is wasted and the trouble it causes in our daily life is not convenient at all.

When the product from online shopping finally arrives, it is not unknown for that product to not be the real thing. Physical stores are much more likely to guarantee authentic products. Many online shoppers have experienced the feeling of getting cheated from buying fake goods on e-commerce websites.



On Sale!

Some young people like to buy snacks online. However, the factories that produce the snacks may not have licenses and even make food in a dirty environment. It is not possible for online consumers to check the details of products to identify their quality. In contrast, in real stores we can get licensed products easily because governments have a high level of control over the quality of products.

We really need to think about whether physical stores are outdated in our lives. We cannot ignore how online shopping is changing our lives, but there are many benefits to visiting real shops. Eventually, there needs to be a balance between these types of shopping to improve our daily lives.



School Events

SATURDAY 2nd DECEMBER

The first Open Day in the school year is centered around sports, games and hands-on activities.



All of the sports competitors together.



Sports Contests.



Tree Climbing for Beginners.



Taking part in arts, handicrafts and game activities around the school.



Congratulations to these winning teams.



Open Days

On Open Days our school throws open its gates and doors to welcome students from Primary Schools from all over the New Territories. There are contests and activities to cater for a broad variety of interests and talents. Some of the contests are team sports such as football and basketball, while others are aimed at letting individuals shine, such as the Speech Contests. Let's hope that all of our Open Days are as enjoyable and rewarding as the ones this year.

SATURDAY 10th MARCH

The second Open Day of the year is focused on giving talented students an opportunity to let their abilities shine. The judges commented on the exceptional level of this year's entries.



Putonghua Speech Contest.



English Penmanship Contest.



Colouring Contest.



Tree Climbing.



The topic for the English speech Contest was Positive Living.



Chinese Penmanship Contest.



Prize-Giving Ceremony.



These 21 brave Primary students took part in the English Speech Contest 2018.

PROJECT WECAN

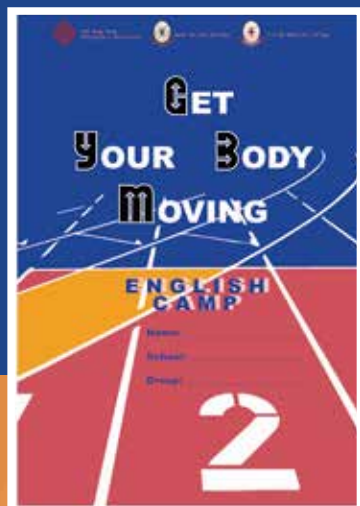


3 - 4 March 2018

The Poly U students set up their activities in the school hall.



At the English Camp, it was a fine evening for a barbecue together under the stars. Finally, students tucked themselves up into sleeping bags and slept on mattresses in classrooms.



ENGLISH CAMP

Project Wecan is a Business-in-Community initiative that supports secondary schools and helps students to pursue promising futures in higher education and their careers. C.Y. Ma has been working in partnership with Project Wecan for 4 years and every year organises stimulating activities for students both at school and around Hong Kong. Here we look at just some of the Project Wecan activities from the 2017/18 school year.

OTHER PROJECT WECAN ACTIVITIES



The Poly U students generously arranged visits to their campus in Hung Hom for our Senior Form students. Form 5 students met them there at this Open Day.



The same dedicated group of Poly U students have visited C.Y. Ma many times during the year to run a variety of group activities. Here they lead a cooking class on making pizza, including the pizza-base which can be tricky to get right.



After the school hall students took part in fun activities in classrooms with the Poly U students.



The students said the activities were exciting and fresh.

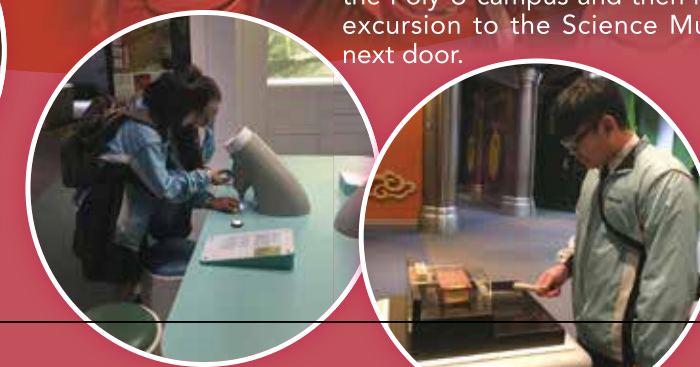
Scenes from English Language workshops by Poly U students. These took place at school and students were fully engaged by the imaginative activities.



In the afternoon students took part in a Yuen Long District City Hunt. They needed to go around a course and complete all of the challenges set by the Poly U students.



Form 4 students also paid a visit to the Poly U campus and then had an excursion to the Science Museum next door.



Tung Wah Joint-Schools English Summer Camp 2017

The Tung Wah Group of Hospitals holds an English Summer Camp every year for selected students from all 18 of its Secondary Schools. A group of tutors from Oxford and Cambridge Universities spends almost two weeks with Tung Wah students, teaching English, running activities and generally inspiring our students to embrace English and a positive life. One of the huge benefits of the camp is that it provides an opportunity for students from all of the schools to get together and make new friends, in a beautiful location in Sai Kung. C.Y. Ma is able to send 8 students to the camp each year. Here, Joey Liu from 3C gives her reflections on camp life.

We did so much during this English Camp. We had lessons every day. I learnt sometimes about the local culture of the U.K. and improved my grammar. I loved all the teachers from Cambridge and Oxford very much. Although my English was not as good as other students, they used some easier vocabulary to explain to me.



Learning English together with students from other schools gives a confidence-boost.

I enjoyed having workshops with my teacher Heidi the most. The workshops were really fun. She used different methods such as games, drama and 1:1 tutorials to increase our interest in English. During the 1:1 tutorials, she told me about life in university. I think it sounds very interesting! Also, I learnt more vocabulary and the characteristics of western buildings.



Police officers
criminals



Students take part in a Group Discussion activity.



Joey (third right) with her roommates.

Sam (5A) with a creative Peppa Pig.



Elly (5A) enjoys a local snack.

Every day we had different activities. We had mini-olympics, a disco and outings. During the mini-olympics, there were many sports events, such as basketball, a three-legged race and long jump. I also joined long-distance running. On the outing days, we visited the Big Buddha and Tai O and Kadoorie Farm and the Botanic Garden Hong Kong.



Students make friends with their activity group members as well as their new classmates.



The food at the camp is vegetarian.



An outing to Lantau Island.

In this camp, I learnt how to get along with others, and the importance of teamwork and independence. Also, this camp increased my interest in learning English and made me feel more confident to talk in front of people in English. So, I will read more English books to learn more English and work harder at studying English. I will try to join some English study tours to know more about the cultures of different countries.



C.Y. Ma students



Joey and Kunti (3C) chat with a teacher after a lesson.

Overall, it was a very good opportunity for me to join this camp and I enjoyed this camp a lot. I hope I can join this camp again.



SCHOOL EVENTS

October 16 & 19, 2017

SPORTS DAY

The school Sports Day is one of the highlights of every school year at C.Y. Ma. The whole school comes together for 2 days to compete in sports and enjoy the atmosphere. Whatever the weather, it is always a healthy and happy time.

Here we share pictures of our annual school Sports Day to recapture some of the special moments.



Darren 5A



Discus



Javelin



High Jump



Long Jump



Miss Future Chan



Angus 4B



Him 4B



The House Cheerleading Teams



Form 6 last school Sports Day



Mr. Fong with old students



Mr. Leung and Mr. Wong with Tansy 6B



Gary 6A



Jack and Gary 6A



Howard and Kenny 4A



Lucy 2A and Ruby 2C



Cheryl 3C with other competitors



Jimmy 1A



Natalie 5C



Jenny 5A



Shot Put



Primary school guests from HKMLC Wong Chan Sook Ying Memorial School with their Principal, Miss Leung Yuk Wah.



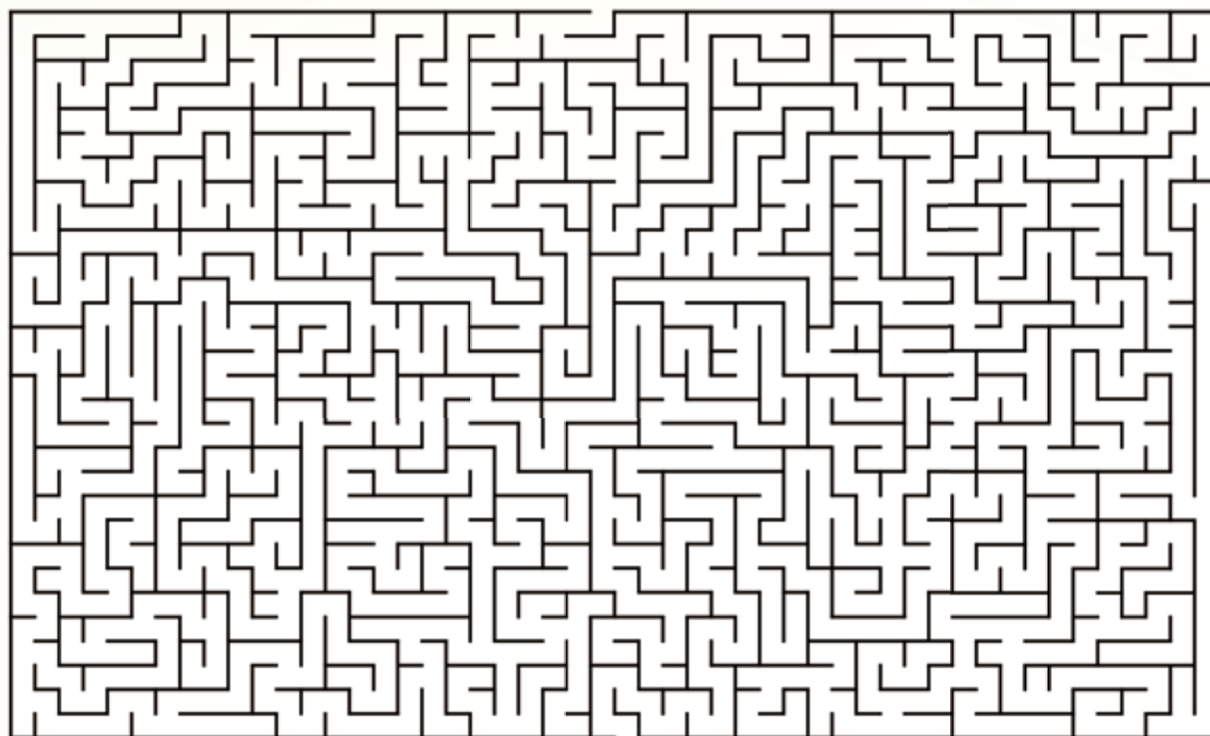
Mr. Ho with the scouts

Keep Your Brain Alive!

PUZZLE PAGE

Draw a path from start to finish without crossing any of the lines.

START



FINISH

Easy

1	4	2		9				5
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8		5					2	4
2					4	8		
	3				1	2	6	
	8			7	2	9	4	1
	5		2		6			
	2	8			9	4	1	
	7	9	1		8	5	3	

Difficult

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8			6					
				2		1	3	
					3	5		
5	7				2	4	8	
1	6			9			5	
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POSITIVE LIFE

WORD QUEST

WORD QUEST
Using just the letters in the 2 words above, can you make at least 15 new words? **RULES:** You may only use a letter as many times as it is shown in the key words. Each word must be at least 4 letters long.

Positive Life



Can you find the words?

CREATE
EXPLORE
INCREDIBLE
BELIEVE
ENJOY

CONNECT
INSPIRATION
SUCCESS
PEACE
FRIENDLY

DREAM
STRENGTH
CHOOSE
DISCOVER
JOURNEY

SUPPORT
ENERGY
LEARN
HAPPINESS
LIFE