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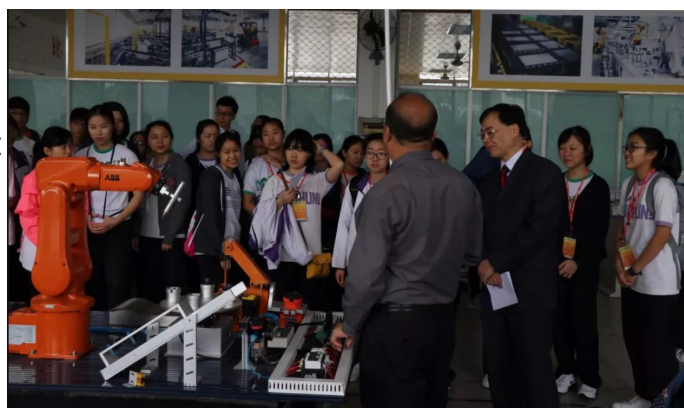
Shun Tak Variety Show

SD Michael Chan

We all know our school's name is Shun Tak Fraternal Association Leung Kau Kui College, but how much do you know about Shun Tak?

In March, all F.5 students joined a three-day tour to Shun Tak. The trip did not only focus on the renowned food and scenic spots there, but also a host of activities promoting the exchange among students. One of the highlights was the second day's visit to our sister school, Shunde Liangqiuju Vocational & Technical School. We visited two of the three school districts which fascinated us with their huge school buildings and advanced teaching aids. They have certainly put a new face on the education of China.

The variety show in that evening was the most jubilant activity throughout the day for sure. As one of the four MCs, of course I was utterly fanatical. Students from the Music Society charmed the audience with their band shows that began our memorable night. The ambience was a bustling arena, with cheers and applause. For a moment, I thought I was in a Super Bowl competition!



Fellow schoolmate Albe Chik and I did a few introductions for the Dance Society before their marvelous shows. The performers injected more excitement into the atmosphere with their sophisticated steps. The crowd went into frenzied pandemonium, in an encouraging way. To end the event, the whole audience sang Beyond's "Far Away (海闊天空)". Many of us headed to the stage and everyone went crazy, immersing ourselves in the song. In a wave of cheers and standing ovations, the show ended. Everybody was so grateful and touched.

To me, in the whole trip, the most memorable thing were the people there. I was in a group of 14 including four students from Shun Tak. They were knowledgeable and friendly, sharing everything they know with us. I felt that I was more than welcome. Students from Shun Tak were all enthusiastic. That's why we had great success in all the activities. We spent a lot of time together. They were smart and confident who were never afraid to voice their ideas. Thanks to them, we created tons of memories.

Overall, this Easter exchange tour was worth joining and if I have one more chance, I will definitely join it again!



Words from Shun Tak students...

Fantastic!—That's the only word I can say to describe this splendid journey. On the second day of our trip, we went to Shunde Liangqiuju Vocational and Technical School for exchange. Throughout the day, we were accompanied by hospitable students there. Here are a few words they want to share with all of us!

Alan Chang: I spent a wonderful day with you all during the short but fruitful exchange tour. You guys are so talented in dodgeball which makes us admire you a lot but anyway friendship should be put first! Chatting with you all happily and enjoyably, we also received many specially prepared gifts during the show at night. It was a memorable and touching day for all of us. Thank you for coming!



He Xiaoqing: Firstly, I would like to be grateful for having the opportunity to exchange views with students from Hong Kong and I have learnt a lot from you all! IT was amazing when I listened to those who sang GEM's songs because they have great voices! All of you performed well in the evening show. Although the time for exchange was far less than enough, it was an unforgettable experience for us. Hope to see you soon!

He Xiaonan: It was the first time for me to join such kind of exchange. Time flew and I felt happy to get along with you all who are nice and talkative. We all were eager to take part in every event at night and it was brilliant that you guys created an exciting atmosphere for the show!

Animal Cruelty

5B Winnie Lai

Do you love animals? If yes, how much do you know about animal cruelty in our society? Animal cruelty has become a serious problem in the world. As the citizens of the world, it is our responsibility for us to learn more about the issue and show respect for animal rights. Animal cruelty is considered as acts of neglect or violence animals.



While animal cruelty bears a striking resemblance to animal abuse, they are not identical. The former entails both intentional and unintentional acts of brutality. There are numerous animal cruelty incidents in the world, like practicing fur farming, slicing off sharks fin in open water or beating animals and giving electric shocks in the circus.

We were very honoured to invite an experienced representative from Animals Asia, Ms. O'Carroll to talk about this issue and hit home the message that animals deserve our respect. She showed multiple animal cruelty incidents happening in Vietnam, China and many other countries. One of the most unforgettable sections in talk was the video clip. The viral video featuring a selfish man kill-animals to fulfill his greed has sparked outrage. The man in the vid-(animal abusers) is mistaken to think that humans are superior to other creatures and that the latter can be trampled on without repercussion.



What's worse, the punishment administered on animal abusers is just a slap on the wrist, which makes the problem grow more seriously in the society. Not only are punishments and prosecution the way to fight cruelty, but also the efforts by all of us. We all hold responsibility in caring for the animals regardless of their deficiencies. There is no denying that people across the social spectrum should come together and safeguard animal welfare. Animals are affectionate and intelligent which deserve better treatment.

I hope that everybody around the world can reserve the established mentality and put a halt to brutality to animals. Let's do more for the animals from now on.

Animal Talk

5A Leung Hui Wun

Dogs are man's most loyal friends. Some people treat their dogs as their children while others who abuse them to release their anger and stress. Sadly, news of animal abuses has surfaced recently and sparked once again the awareness of animals' rights.

A few days ago, a dog was rescued near the Victoria Harbor by the police and was returned to its owner. However, this four-legged friend of ours could not escape the claw of death and was thrown down a building by its 'dearest' master four days after the return. This shocked lots of HongKongers and since then, they have demanded a more powerful law to protect the animals and pets. Education is also keenly promoted apart from the legislative tools.



Earlier this year, our school had the honour to be visited by an ambassador from Animals Asia Foundation to share with F.5 students the situation of animal brutality cases from all around the world, especially in Asia. Their organization aims at stopping all kinds of animal cruelty and advocating the

forbiddance of slaughtering animals such as cats and dogs for food. As for now, they are

working actively on saving Chinese and Vietnamese black bears from bile extraction. They believe that bile farms that lead to starving, dehydration and other malignant tumors for the bears should be abolished. They have been successful in rescuing hundreds of the bears. I believe that their victory will continue with other missions such as the welfare of cats and dogs and captive animals.

During the talk, the speaker brought two adorable dogs to have close interactions with us. They were both well trained and obedient. They even wagged their tails when we fed them. They brought us a lot of fun and happiness.

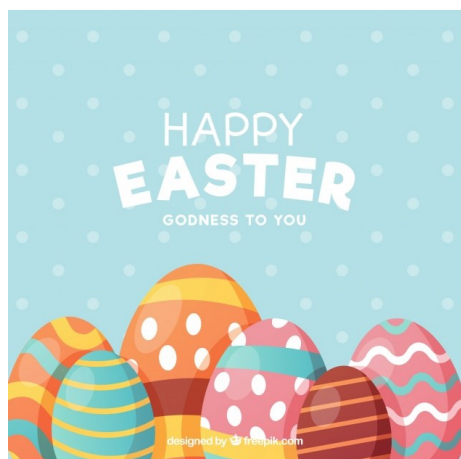
Seeing the faces of these lovable furry babies, how could anyone possibly be sickened enough to try to hurt them? Knowing that the situation of animal cruelty is getting worse, we should really start doing something to help save our innocent buddies. We should always support donations for animal welfare and report any animal abuse cases.



Easter

4D Jimmy Fung

Did all of you enjoy a delightful Easter holiday? Without the burden of revision, I believe quite a number of us have spent a stress-free two-week vacation, going on a long trip abroad, or chilling out in our cozy homes with our dear mobile phones. But wait -- do you actually know the story behind Easter?



History of Easter

If you have noticed the dates of the public holiday for Easter in Hong Kong, you must have found out that the public holiday span four days from Friday to Monday every year, implying that the holiday is not held on the same date every year. The four days are called Good Friday, the day following Good Friday, Easter and Easter Monday respectively. Good Friday is the memorial day of the death of Jesus Christ by crucifixion, i.e. nailing to a cross, while Easter is the holiday celebrating Jesus Christ's resurrection, i.e. returning from the dead, three days after his crucifixion. The New Testament, which is the second part of the Bible, suggests that the resurrection of Jesus is the foundation of Christianity, as the resurrection is apparently the strongest evidence of proving Jesus as the powerful Son of God. Therefore, Christians believe that Easter is the holiest day in the year, while

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Easter customs

It's obvious to many of you that the most well-known tradition of Easter is decorating Easter eggs (though sadly it's not so popular in Hong Kong). In Christianity, Easter eggs actually represent the empty tomb of Jesus, from which Jesus resurrected. An ancient tradition of painting the egg with red stain, which symbolizes the colour of blood, is a memorial act of the death of Jesus Christ.

In the past days, people used boiled chicken eggs as Easter eggs, but nowadays chocolate eggs wrapped in colorful foil, carved wooden eggs, or plastic eggs filled with confectionery such as chocolate are used as substitutes.



Decorating Easter eggs is definitely not the only fun in Easter. Other Easter customs include egg hunting which is a game for children, egg rolling which people from the UK and Germany roll eggs down the hill, and egg tapping which players hit their own egg on others' until there's one intact egg left.

Similar to Santa Claus, Easter Bunny, as a legendary creature and a symbol for Easter, is described as a rabbit or hare who brings Easter eggs to kids as presents, according to the performance of the children. Due to its famous figure, it's not difficult to find chocolate bunnies during Easter.

Despite the holiness of the festival, it seems that there are some bizarre customs in different countries and places. In the Czech Republic and Slovakia, a tradition of whipping is carried out. In the morning of Easter Monday, men spank women with a special handmade whip which is made of a bunch of willow rods that is usually from half a metre to two meters long, decorated with coloured ribbons at the end. Although the whipping may be painful, it's not intended to cause suffering; on the contrary, it is said that women should be spanked with a whip in order to keep their health, beauty, and fertility during the whole of the following year.

Easter, although it is a major holiday and festival in Hong Kong, it does not gain a lot of attention for its cultural side in the city. I believe many of us only treat Easter as a soothing long break after the uniform test for our hectic life. Next time, look behind the curtain of commercialization and discover the religious or cultural value of different festivals.

Eating Chicken...

5D Albe Chik

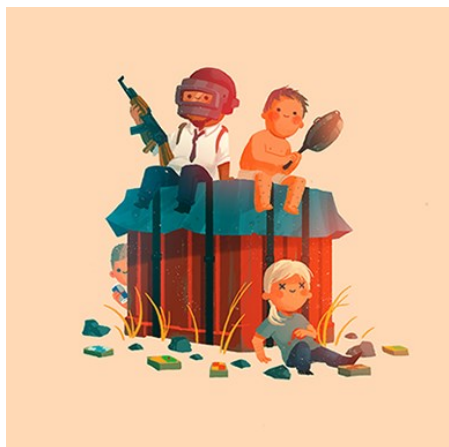
*“North-east...Bang bang...Yesssss! **Winner Winner Chicken Dinner!**” To some of you, this phrase is so familiar that you may see that every day. Haven't heard of that? This phrase comes from a popular game – **PlayerUnknown's Battlegrounds**, or so-called **PUBG**.*

PUBG is a multiplayer online battle royale game developed by PUBG Corporation, which has recently become a really popular game among teenagers. It is a player-versus-player game where there are up to 100 online players in one game. You need to pick up supplies and weapons to knock down other players throughout the game. You will win the game when you become the last survivor.



The game is nicknamed “eating chicken” due to the phrase “Winner Winner Chicken Dinner”. The phrase originally came from the movie **21** shown in 2008. A long time ago in a Las Vegas Casino, you could get US\$2 for winning each Jack Point game and a chicken set cost US\$1.79. It means that you can buy yourself a chicken set dinner if you win a gamble. In the movie, every time the main character wins a gamble, he will say the

phrase as a blessing to himself. The phrase was later related to the meaning of “having great fortune and great favour”. PUBG has quoted the game as a blessing to the winner. The phrase is now widely spread and has become a symbol of the game.



In my personal experience, PUBG is totally worth recommending. You can feel the excitement when you hear others' footsteps around you and when you fire the gun to knock your enemy down. You can also choose to form teams instead of fighting this life battle alone. In the team mode, you are randomly paired up with other players all around the world. I remember once I was paired up with a foreign player who was speaking a language that I have never heard of! Finally we used our way to communicate in

the game. The team mode allows you to form a strong bond with your teammates during the game. You can also meet new friends and gain friendships while “eating chicken”!

PUBG is now available at app stores on mobile phones, which is free of charge and really easy to download. If you are interested, go and feel the excitement and “eat chicken” with your friends!



Tech. Editor says...

If you are interested in playing PUBG, you may also choose to pay HK\$188 to buy the game from Steam to play on PC, or for free on your smartphone (“PUBG Mobile” is the official version). Editors recommend starters avoid landing on mainstream cities, or you may get shot at the very beginning of the game. Also, check the map regularly to make sure you are inside the safe area. Note that air drops are useful.

Recently, I have also gotten quite addicted to the game “Getting Over It”, helping a “potted” man to climb over mountains with an axe. It requires patience, but brings me a sense of accomplishment after successful jumps. Check it out!

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