



# SK2 Newsletter

## My Story Creation!

This year, students from across P4, P5 and P6 entered a competition organised by Kids4Kids called "My Story Creation". Some students entered by themselves, and some students entered in a team of two, three or four people. For this competition, students had to write a story of more than ten pages and do all of the illustrations themselves. Everyone who entered did an amazing job! Kids4Kids have announced some winners from SK2 for this competition. Please turn to page 5 to see the winners!



## Updates on COVID-19 in Hong Kong

COVID-19 is obviously still a very important story all over the world. Children have returned to school in Hong Kong, and restaurants and sports facilities have opened. We all hope things will continue to get better. We have two stories about COVID-19 in this SK2 Newsletter.

The first story is by Klara Tse. She has written about how COVID-19 started over a year ago, and how serious the situation was both in Hong Kong and around the world. This story is on page 2. On page 3, Maggie Chan has written a story about the vaccines for COVID-19 which are now available in Hong Kong. She will let you know which vaccines are available, and how adults can sign up.

# COVID-19

## ***The emergence of COVID-19***

*Tse Ming Kit (Klara), P5 Love*

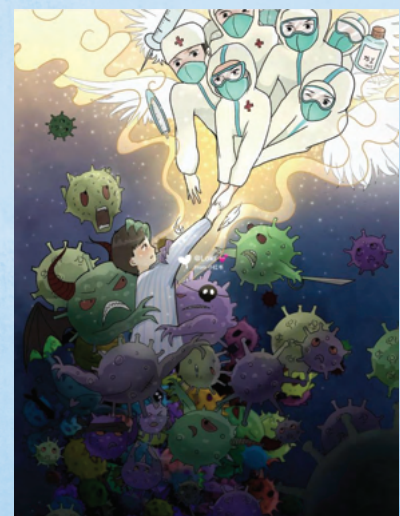
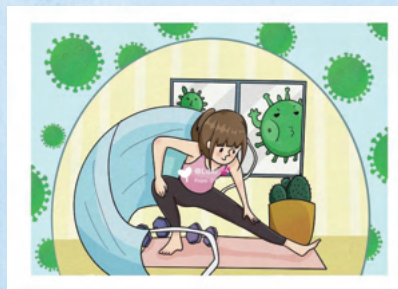


Scientists and governments everywhere believe that COVID-19 is the most serious and dangerous virus to emerge in many years. From the end of 2019 until now, it has caused many infections around the world and many people have died. People have lost their jobs and sources of income because businesses have been terribly affected. At the start of the pandemic, there were not enough masks to wear which caused many problems in Hong Kong and other places. The pandemic also caused problems for many hospitals around the world as they had too many patients and not enough hospital beds.

COVID-19 fiercely attacked Asia, Europe, the Middle East, Africa and America. The virus forces many people who become infected into a very unpleasant situation. The best advice we have from scientists and doctors is to stay at home as much as we can, avoid crowds and keep our environments clean. Vaccines are urgently needed around the world to help bring the virus under control.



*Exercise at home and avoid crowds*



*Doctors and vaccines will help us fight the virus*

# COVID-19

## COVID-19 Vaccines

*Chan Yiu Yu (Maggie), P5 Self-control*

Nowadays, there are three vaccines that have emerged in different countries and are available in Hong Kong, or will hopefully be available soon. They are BioNTech, AstraZeneca and Sinovac.



First, there is BioNTech from Germany. The German company BioNTech is the initial developer of the vaccine. The American company Pfizer supports BioNTech with the clinical trials, logistics and manufacturing. A study revealed a potential efficacy of nearly 95% in preventing infection within seven days of a second dose. Another vaccine is from Sinovac Biotech, a Chinese biopharmaceutical company. Their research showed an efficacy of up to 83.5% in preventing infection. Both BioNTech and Sinovac are available to get in Hong Kong now. Older people and health workers at high risk of exposure will get these vaccines first. People can register and make reservations online.

A third vaccine is from AstraZeneca, a British-Swedish multinational pharmaceutical and biotechnology company. It is not available to get this vaccine in Hong Kong at present. People cannot sign up online now, but may be able to do so in future. It is found that the vaccine had an efficacy of 82.4 percent when two doses were given 12 weeks apart.

These vaccines can reduce opportunities for the virus to spread. It also teaches our bodies to fight the infection from the pandemic. I hope with these and other vaccines that COVID-19 can be stopped in the world.



*Carrie Lam receiving her vaccine*



# Returning to school

*Choi Nok Ching (Isaac), P5 Love*

I returned to school with my P5 classmates on April 12th. I was very happy to go back to school because I could play with all my classmates and friends again. We usually play "Rock - Paper - Scissors" and "Eraser Wars". I missed my friends so much, so I really wanted to share with them all about the new video games I have been playing! I told them about Monster Hunter Rise, a new game I really like for the Nintendo Switch.

I don't think there is anything to be scared of for us going back to school. I love school because my teachers and classmates are so nice to me. I am so happy that we are finally back at SK2!



*Isaac with his family*



*Monster Hunter Rise*

# My Story Creation

Kids4Kids chose three winners in different categories for this competition. You can scan the QR codes beside each story to read them online, or use the QR code at the very end to see all the stories that were in the competition across Hong Kong.

As well as the winners in our school, Sharoona Lee and Kyle Chan will have their stories included in Kids4Kids Treasury next year as two of the best 10 stories across all of Hong Kong. Great work!

## **Overall Winner in SK2**

"My Mama is a Monster"  
(Sharoona Lee,  
P4 Goodness)



## **Most Promising Writers in SK2**

"The Carrot Adventure"  
(Ziv Pang and Hazel Tang,  
P5 Goodness)



## **Most Promising Illustrator in SK2**

"Someone Needs Love"  
(Kyle Chan, P4 Peace)



Link for all stories -



# Minecraft 10th Anniversary

*Li Tsz Chun (Tavin), P5 Self-control*



Minecraft was created by Markus Alexej Persson (also known as Notch) in 2009. It is a block-building sandbox game with no rules where you can build anything you can imagine.

I first knew about Minecraft when I was four. I was shown it by a friend of my father who built a roller coaster online. When I first played the game, I tried to build a tree house on a tree. It was wonderful!

In 2019, it was the 10th anniversary of the game. Because of its endless building possibilities, the game was a huge success. It is played by thousands of YouTubers online all over the world. With its Education Edition, it has helped kids learn coding and chemistry in a fun way at school. It also has its own movie and novels, too. To celebrate the 10th anniversary, Minecraft has teamed up with top Minecraft designers Blockworks to help them make a special map with lots of different buildings, puzzles and secrets, to show how far it has grown since it first launched in 2009.

I hope Minecraft will continue to develop and I hope there will be a roller coaster update!



*Tavin's Minecraft drawing*



*Tavin playing Minecraft*

# Traveling!

*Lo Tsz Ying (Violet), P5 Love*

## **My Favourite Place I've Visited**

My family loves traveling. I like going to Taiwan, especially Taipei.

I have been there many times. I like the food of Taiwan. I love Taiwanese beef noodles very much. I also love going to 101 building to see the view.



*Violet in Taiwan*

## **A Place I Want To Visit**

However, I want to travel to South Korea next time. I want to try skiing, because in Hong Kong I can't ski. I also want to try Korean food. This is because my mum and dad have already gone to Korea twice. They told me Korean food is very delicious. They said Korea has a very beautiful and yummy ice-cream, called "rose ice-cream".

I really, really want to try to ski and eat the food if I can go to Korea!



*Rose ice cream*



*Snow in Korea*

# I love chicken!

*Lam Hoi Yi (Kelly), P6 Faith*



In terms of evolution, birds evolved from dinosaurs. Then, chickens evolved from birds. Therefore, it is more likely that there were eggs (dinosaur eggs) first, then chickens (dinosaur birds). So the egg came before the chicken! After millions and billions of years of evolution, although dinosaurs eventually evolved into chickens, they still lay eggs.



Chicken is my favourite food. I like to eat fried chicken, chicken legs, chicken wings and many other types of chicken.

I like to eat curry chicken the most because it is yummy and tastes amazing! Curry chicken, whether it is Indian, Japanese, Malaysian or Hong Kong style curry, is rich and fragrant. The rich and spicy flavor is the most pleasing!





# A Pet I Would Love

*Chung Wai Ki (Kaye), P5 Self-Control*

## **A must-have item before raising a rabbit**

The "rabbit cage", which needs to be quite large. Because rabbits love to be clean, a toilet must be placed inside. They need a drinking fountain and a food tray. Hay/grass is the main food for rabbits. There are some different types of hay/grass; timothy grass (abbreviated as T grass) and alfalfa grass (A grass). T grass is divided into first cut and second cut. The first cut is suitable for juvenile rabbits and adult rabbits. The second cut is suitable for pregnant rabbits or sick rabbits. A grass is for underage rabbits. We need to give adult rabbits two big portions of T grass every day.

I didn't have a rabbit, but I had been a volunteer. I really wanted to own a rabbit, because I think they are cute! I did some volunteer work in Mong Kok. The rabbits there are very cute. Rabbit volunteers need to help clean the rabbit cages and refill their water. I liked the rabbits because they were so small and lovely.

But recently..... I finally got a rabbit! His name is Bubble Milk Tea. Bubble Milk Tea is a boy. He is very naughty because he likes to bite anything!



*Kaye and Bubble Milk Tea the rabbit*

# Hobbies & Interests

## Piano

*Li Yaxin (Jaci), P6 Faith*

### ***What is a piano?***

The piano is a musical instrument. A person who plays the piano is called a pianist. The piano was invented by Bartolomeo Cristofori of Padua, Italy. He made his first piano in 1709. It developed from the clavichord which looks like a piano, but the strings of a clavichord are hit by a small blade of metal called a "tangent". In the piano the strings are hit by a block of wood called a hammer. The early keyboarded instruments, such as the clavichords, harpsichord and organs that were used at that time, had a much shorter keyboard than they do today. Gradually the keyboard became longer until it had the 88 notes (7 octaves plus three notes) of the modern piano.

### ***My experience of piano***

I have played piano for 8 years. I'm good at playing pop music and classical music. Practice is the most important thing in learning piano. I keep playing piano 1-3 hours a day. Sometimes I play it for 5 hours. I think it's a hard thing to sit on the chair for a long time! My favourite thing about piano is performing on the stage. When I play the piano on the stage, I think it is very interesting and exciting. Sometimes, I win a prize. It makes me feel very happy.



*Jaci playing the piano*



*A clavichord*

# A video game I love

Samuel Leung, P6 Faith



## Roblox

Roblox is an app/video game that has many minigames inside. You can play Roblox on Microsoft Windows, macOS, Android and the Xbox One. I think plenty of children in SK2 might know Roblox already!

My favourite minigame in Roblox is called *Jailbreak*. In *Jailbreak*, there are two characters to choose; police or prisoner. Prisoners need to escape the jail and rob many places to earn money, such as the bank, jewellery store, museum or doughnut shop. Police just need to catch criminals to earn money. I like this game because it's popular and fun.



My next favourite minigame is called *Arsenal*. *Arsenal* is a first-person shooter game in Roblox. It was created by the ROLVe Community. Every round players need to get a golden knife. When you win you will get battle bucks. Battle bucks (B\$) is the money in this game. You can buy weapon skins (different colours) with battle bucks. I like this game because it's exciting.



My third favourite minigame is called *Vehicle Legends*. *Vehicle Legends* is a car driving and racing game. When players drive vehicles they will earn money. The faster they drive, the more money they will earn. I like this game because I am interested in cars and would like to learn how to drive.



# Reader submissions

## My Favourite Book Series

*Leung Sum Yau (Leah), P4 Faithfulness*



During COVID-19, I developed a new favourite book series. It's called "Bird & Squirrel"! It's an interesting series about two animals having exciting adventures. Bird is one of the protagonists, he is a fun character who finds danger exciting. Bird isn't really scared of anything, but in some situations he becomes scared or upset. Squirrel is the other protagonist. I consider him the main character, though. Squirrel is scared of everything, even dust! He's the opposite of Bird, he always takes things too far. But in one of the books, he scared away a pack of evil wolves! I hope the students in SK2 will go check the books out themselves!

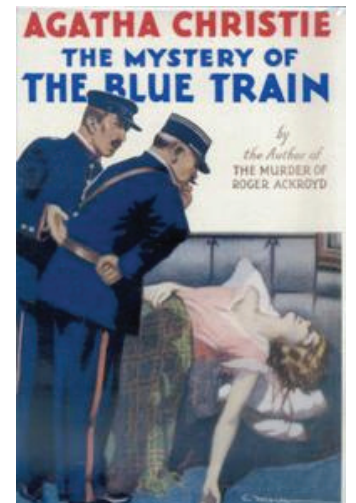


## Book review

*Peng Yau Huen (Kinnsee), P3 Love*



My favourite book is "The Mystery Of The Blue Train". The writer is very famous. Her name is Agatha Christie. Agatha Christie wrote 120 detective stories from 1921 to 1976. Right now, I only have two of her books. In her books, there are different detectives. My favourite detective is Poirot because he is very clever. "The Mystery Of The Blue Train" was published in 1928. The main character is Lucy and her expensive diamond has been stolen. She was on a train for hours and hours. Suddenly she died! Poirot's job is to find who killed Lucy. This book is very interesting and not scary, so I will recommend it to my friends at SK2!



## Reader Submissions - Send us some more!

We would love to have some reader submissions for the SK2 Newsletter! If you want to submit something for the newsletter (like Leah and Kinnsee), please email Mr. Moore. Include your name, class and your article in the email!

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