



SK2 Newsletter

Farewell to SK2!

Hello everyone! The last issue of the SK2 Newsletter for this year is a very special one. We will have just the second graduation from SK2 this year and five classes of P6 students will be leaving us to move on to secondary school



In this issue, the P6 reporters have written some great articles remembering their time in SK2. They have also written some articles about what they are looking forward to next year in secondary school. I hope you enjoy these articles, and we wish them all good luck for next year!



Some other interesting articles!

As well as the articles from P6 students about their time in SK2 and their hopes for secondary school, we also have some very interesting articles about animals, video games, recipes, movies and more. The reporters all worked hard on these and did a great job. I think they're all very interesting and I hope you will too!



Secondary School



Daniel Fan, P6 Faith

Hi guys. This year is my last year studying in SK2 as I will soon go to secondary school. I would like to share my thoughts on my new secondary school.

First, the name of my new school is United Christian College (Kowloon East) near Shun Lee Estate. It was founded in 2003. The school provides a broad and challenging curriculum with an all-rounded and quality education. United Christian Community Church, which is part of the school, further provides pastoral support to the school community. Together with committed teachers who are dedicated to Christian school education, they find pride in making United Christian College (Kowloon East) a unique quality Christian school.

I would really like to join an IT club or something like a movie club in secondary school. I browsed through the UCC website and found these clubs. I like using and studying computers. I also like investigating computer bugs and finding ways to fix them, so I think an IT club would be great. As for the movies, I love watching Hong Kong movies and Hollywood movies too!

Lastly, I also want to share my memories of studying in SK2. I remember on my first day of school, I was very nervous and confused at these new surroundings. My first friend was Joshua, who was an optimistic and kind boy. He always told funny jokes. One school trip, I was following Joshua to the woods and we were playing and laughing. However, I realised that we were lost among the huge and thick trees! I was scared but he was not. Eventually, we found the teachers and got back to our classmates so all was OK. But this is still my most unforgettable memory in SK2. This is today's sharing, hope you liked it. Peace out! :)

My Memory of SK2

Violet Lo, P6 Faith



'Time flies like an arrow'

I'm about to graduate. The other day I was thinking about what I did in SK2. I found that I have a lot of good memories in these four years. Now, let me introduce you to two of my favourite memories!

ECF Saint Too Canaan College

Last year, I went to ECF Saint Too Canaan College with my class. A girl who is a student in ECF Saint Too Canaan College led me to the lessons. We had an English Debating lesson, Environmental DIY and a DodgeBall lesson. I liked English Debating best because I had never tried this before.



Ocean Park



Before the special holiday, P.6 students could go to Ocean Park with their teachers. I was so excited when I found out! When we arrived, I took lots of photos with my friends. Miss Ma lead us to the Aquarium, the Panda House and the Shark Quest. I thought the Panda House was the best because Ying Ying and Le Le were very cute!

I have many precious memories, but these two are my most profound. Whether you are in P.4, P.5 or even P.6 like me, I hope you also have a lot of good memories of SK2!

Thoughts on Secondary School

Jason Mak, P6 Hope

So, as I am about to advance from P6 into secondary school, let me share my feelings about what I am excited for and what I am a little nervous about.



Well, one thing I am excited for is some more advanced English classes. I really enjoy and love English as a subject and would like to do some more writing. I am also really excited for some new subjects, especially IT. I have had some IT lessons at my old school before, but I am really looking forward to some more advanced lessons in secondary school.

Moving on to the things that I am nervous about, the thing that I am mostly afraid of is bullies. Bullies are people in schools who aren't very nice and argue and fight with other students. I hope there are no bullies in my school! Another thing I am a little bit afraid of is new subjects which might be difficult, such as Science, History or Physics. I hope they aren't too difficult for a Secondary 1 student!

I have really enjoyed studying at SK2. I learnt a lot about English and I am really thankful to all my teachers. I would also like to give a special thanks to the Junior Reporters group for giving me a chance to share my stories. Anyways, I hope all the P6 students from SK2 get a good secondary school. Never give up, and have a nice day! :D



IT class in a Hong Kong secondary school

My Favourite Day in SK2

Tavin Li, P6 Hope

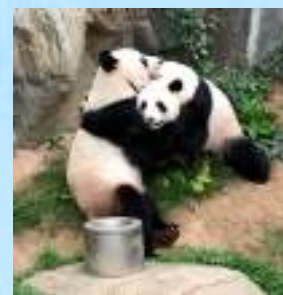


My favourite day in SK2 was the day we got to go to Ocean Park. From that day, I have a lot of good memories.

First, when we were observing the acts of the golden snub-nosed monkeys, suddenly, one of them jumped to the glass wall and punched it. He looked at us very angrily, we were so scared. It was behind the glass though, so it was all OK.



Second, after we saw the pandas and monkeys, Jason Yeung shared his cake with me :) He is a very generous friend.



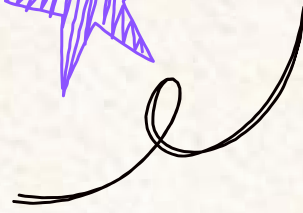
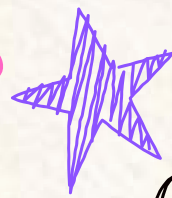
Finally, at the Shark Mystique, we saw so many things that we found cool and interesting. If we saw any shark or other animal we really liked, we could share with our friends and tell them to go see it.



I also have a lot of other good memories in SK2. One other great day was the Dream Starter presentation day. Still, I think I would say that Ocean Park was definitely my favourite!



About Sea Otters



Cherish Fung, P5 Joy



If you want to vote for the cutest animal in the world, the baby sea otter must be at the top. Don't look silly, it's a very smart animal!



SEA OTTERS are the most adorable animals. Sea otters typically weigh between 14 and 45 kg (30 and 100 lb), making them the heaviest members of the weasel family. Sea otters, whose numbers were once estimated at 150,000-300,000, were hunted extensively for their fur between 1741 and 1911 as the world population fell to 1,000-2,000 individuals. However, now numbers are recovering and they are believed to be back over 100,000.

Ever wonder why sea otter always put their hand over their eyes? DON'T think that it's because they are shy! A sea otters hand has no hairs. When they feel cold, they will cover their warm eyes to heat up their hands. It looks so cute!



Sea otters spend most of the time in the water. They love to eat sea urchins, shellfish and crabs. These animals are very hard and their shells can't be opened with teeth. The wise sea otter thought of using a stone to open the hard shell! They take a large and flat stone from the bottom of the sea. Then, they grab their prey and push hard on the stone until the shell cracks and they can eat the meat. So smart!

Sea otters can use tools, are smart and cute and, unexpectedly, they are even guardians against global warming due to how much they eat!

If you want to choose the best animal in the world, then sea otters must be at the top.



Don't look silly, it's very smart!



Sing 2

Grace Ho, P5 Peace

Sing 2 is an American computer-animated musical comedy movie. It's the best movie I've ever watched!



The songs in Sing 2 are awesome, they have a lot of different kinds of music. Let me show you two of my favourite songs in Sing 2 (you can scan the QR codes to listen!):



Could Have Been Me (Halsey)



A Sky Full of Stars (Taron Egerton)

My favourite character is the hedgehog called Ash. She is a very nice and cute-looking rock singer. Ash and the show business owner Buster Moon have to invite a famous retired singer, the lion Clay Calloway who has not been seen for 15 years, to star in a new show. Unfortunately, Clay Calloway turns down their invitation because he is afraid he can't sing again. When Buster Moon gives up, Ash persists and encourages Clay Calloway sincerely. At last Ash succeeds as she brings Clay Calloway to the new show, and the show is a big success!! After this show, Clay Calloway promises Buster Moon and his team that he will stay with them forever.



Ash and Calloway



Tokyo

Leah Leung, P5 Joy



Introduction to Tokyo

Tokyo is one of the most populated cities in the world, it's also the capital of Japan. Tokyo is bustling every second, even at night! Shibuya crossing is the busiest crossing ever. Every time the pedestrian traffic light turns green, there's nearly 2,500 people crossing! Crazy, right? Another fun fact, you can see Mount Fuji from almost every spot in Tokyo, which means you won't have to struggle to have a view of the well-known mountain.



Shibuya Crossing



Mount Fuji

Travel

COVID-19 has been active since 2020, but the pandemic's status is currently stable and we might be able to safely travel soon! Tokyo is one of the places that I want to go first after the pandemic is less active. I haven't travelled in 2 years and I really want to taste the food of Tokyo and visit the places in real life rather than watching "outdated" travel vlogs.



Super Mario 64

Jason Mak, P6 Hope



Super Mario 64 is an N64 (Nintendo 64) game made by Nintendo in 1996. This game was the first 3D Mario game that Nintendo made. Most of you will know who is Mario but many won't have played this game before. It was very popular in the 1990s though and is a classic Mario game suitable for everyone.



In Mario 64, you play as Mario and try to collect stars from castle paintings. The first level is Bob-omb Battlefield, the first star that you need to collect is from the Big-Bob-omb (King Bob-omb) and you must defeat him to obtain the star. There are in total 120 stars in the game. Many stars require you to do something special, like collecting all red coins, collecting 100 gold coins and much more. There are even some secret stars hidden throughout the game. While collecting stars, you can also obtain some power-ups, including The Wing Cap, The Metal Cap, The Vanish Cap and more. These power-ups may help you to collect stars. For example, The Wing Cap lets you fly to collect red coins and secret coins.

Recently, there was a new game collection released called Super Mario 3D All-Stars which includes Mario 64 (as well as Mario Sunshine and Mario Galaxy). It is available to play for anyone who has a Switch.

Well, this is the end of my showcase! If you were asking me for a rating, I would give it a 4.5 out of 5 because it is really fun. I never played it on the original Nintendo 64 but only on the new collection. You should all try too!



Extinction

Travis So, P5 Peace



Will humans go extinct? Well, yes..... eventually.

According to the Global Catastrophic Risk Survey, the risk of extinction before 2100 is around 19%. Also, humanity has a 95% probability of being extinct in 7,800,000 years. These simple stats can show that human extinction is more probable over a very long time. And there's not much we can do about what will happen millions of years from now! If we are unlucky, an asteroid can hit the Earth and make humans extinct just like it did to the dinosaurs.

But of course, we really can help a tiny little bit so that we don't go extinct too soon! There are some easy things we can do to help the Earth. Avoid using too much plastic. Stop burning fossil fuels by traveling too much in cars or taxis. Start walking by yourself, maybe even plant a tree! Little things can help a lot!

Here are some links you can check out if you want to learn more:

www.scientificamerican.com/article/humans-are-doomed-to-go-extinct

www.wikipedia.org/wiki/Human_extinction

www.cnet.com/culture/features/human-extinction-could-be-in-our-future

Fun Facts about Dinosaurs

Ryker Lam, P5 Love



Dinosaurs are big, strong creatures who lived on earth for more than 180 million years a long, long time before we did. They are really interesting animals, and I'm going to tell you some fun dinosaur facts.

The Smartest Dinosaur

One of the smartest dinosaurs was Troodon. It had the biggest brain of any dinosaur. It was a hunting dinosaur, was about 2 meters long, had a brain size similar to that of a mammal or bird of today and had grasping hands.



The Dumbest Dinosaur

Stegosaurus had a brain the size of a walnut - only 3 centimeters long and weighing 75 grams. However, comparing brain size to body size, sauropodomorphs (and Plateosaurus) were probably pretty dumb too!



The Longest Dinosaur Name

The dinosaur with the longest name was Micropachycephalosaurus meaning "tiny thick-headed lizard". Its fossils have been found in China, and it was named in 1978 by the Chinese paleontologist Dong.



The Smallest Dinosaur Egg

Dinosaur eggs come in all shapes and sizes. They tend to be ovoid or spherical in shape and up to 30cm in length - about the size of a rugby ball. The smallest dinosaur egg so far found is only 3cm long. Once the egg has been fossilized it will become hard like a rock, but it will still retain a structure of its own.



A place I really want to go

Haley Mau, P5 Joy



USA (United States of America) Is a place that I have really wanted to visit for a very long time. In the US, there are fifty states; some famous ones are Hawaii, California, Texas, Florida, Georgia and Washington. There are lots more as well! But the places I want to visit most are Boston and New Jersey.

The reason why I want to visit New Jersey is because I really want to go to the Nickelodeon Universe in the American Dream mall. There are a lot of water slides, rollercoasters and way more! There's a giant candy shop near the Nickelodeon Park. There's even an aquarium in the mall. There are over a thousand aquatic creatures, including sharks, stingray, seahorses, jellyfish, sea turtles, sawfish and guitar sharks. American Dream is the second largest shopping mall in the US. It has over 3 million square feet of space and over 450 stores!



Another place in US that I want to visit is Boston. In Boston, I would like to visit my cousin because she lives there! We haven't seen each other for almost four years! When I visit Boston, I will definitely buy some desserts, because they look so tasty. I would also love to try the burgers! There's also an anime store where you can buy anime stuff like keychains, plushies, figures and lots more.



Apex Legends

Isaac Barton, P5 Joy



Apex Legends is a free-to-play battle royale-hero shooter game developed by Respawn Entertainment and published by Electronic Arts. It was released for Microsoft Windows, PlayStation 4, and Xbox One in February 2019, for Nintendo Switch in March 2021, and for PlayStation 5 and Xbox Series X/S in March 2022. A mobile version of the game specially designed for touchscreens titled Apex Legends Mobile was also released May 17, 2022 on Android and iOS. The game supports cross-platform play, meaning your friends don't all need to use the same console if you want to play with each other.

Before a match, players form into two- or three-player squads, and select from pre-designed characters with distinctive abilities, known as "Legends". The game has two gameplay modes. In "Battle Royale", up to 20 three-person squads or 30 two-person duos land on an island and search for weapons and supplies before attempting to defeat all other players in combat. The available play area on the island shrinks over time, forcing players to keep moving or else find themselves outside the play area (which can be fatal!). The final team alive wins the round. In "Arenas", players form into three-player squads and fight against another squad in a 3v3 team deathmatch over a series of rounds to determine the winner of the match. Teams win when their team has at least 3 points and is 2 points ahead.

I like to play this game because I love battle royale (also called free for all) games. It has also inspired me to want to join the military!



My Favourite Cat Memes



Tavin Li, P6 Hope

Memes are virally transmitted images embellished with text which usually share pointed commentary on cultural symbols, social ideas or current events. And today, I would like to share my favorite memes about cats!

Number 1: Polite cat Ollie

First, you may ask: "why does this cat looks like this?" Well, because of a birth defect, Ollie has no jaw.



Second, "Where did this meme come from?"

On July 2nd, 2018, Instagram user @livewithflip submitted a screenshot of a text message conversation in which a landlord named "Bruce" makes an exception for a cat because "he looks very polite." The post received more than 21,000 likes in one week.

Number 2: Salad Cat Smudge

This meme comes from a social network called Tumblr. A user called deadbefordeath posted a photograph of a white cat with a confused expression sitting on a chair in front of a plate with vegetables. The post was titled "he no like vegetals." The post gained over 50,000 likes and reblogs over the next year.



Number 3: Pop cat Oatmeal

This image is taken from a video clip made by the cats owner, where the cat is staring intently at some insects it wants to catch. It was posted online in 2020 to show off the cuteness of the cat. Netizens noticed this and decided to make a meme where they photoshopped the cats mouth to be wide open. This is how it became known and shared all over the internet under the name Pop Cat.

This is the end of my article. **Which cat meme is your favorite!?**



How to make easy and delicious cookies!

Sharoon Lee, P5 Patience

Ingredients:

- 100g Butter (softened in room temperature)
- 60g Icing sugar (you can use caster sugar if you don't have icing sugar)
- 20g egg yolks
- 150g all purpose flour
- 50g Almond flour (if you don't have it, you can use normal flour instead)

STEPS

- First mix butter and icing sugar together.



- Then add in egg yolks little by little. Mix it well together.
- After that, put all purpose flour and almond flour into them and mix it well.
- Next divide in equal portion and add in different flavours.



- After that mix them well and shape it in a mould. Put the dough into the freezer and freeze them for about 2-3 hours.
- Then cut them about 5mm a slice.
- Finally preheat the oven and bake it at 170 degrees celsius for 20 mins.



BE CAREFUL! Don't hurt yourself while taking the cookies out from the hot oven.

P.S. It's a good snack for picnics. You can also give them to your friends as a gift! Yummy!! ^o^





Hazel Chuk, P5 Joy

Baby cats are known as kittens. Kittens need to be cared for by their mothers. If a kitten doesn't have a mother next to them, please don't just try to get another cat to replace the mother..... it may attack the kitten! Very young kittens need to be fed every 2-3 hours. It can be very hard to train them to use the cat litter box. Kittens are a little bit like human babies, because when their teeth grow they will find something to chew on. So don't give your hand to them! Also, don't make too much noise as their ears are very sensitive and they are easily scared.

How do I know all this? Because I rescued four kittens! It was very sad as one of the kittens died. However, I still have one of the kittens that my family have kept. She is a black cat named Oreo. I'm very proud of her for making it through all her sickness. She is a very healthy kitten now!



Reader Submissions - Send us some!

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

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