

## Writing Scripters

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# Intercultural Day

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Intercultural Day was held on 6 March in TKPSS. The day started with a greet-and-meet with the exchange students in the morning assembly. Six exchange students were invited to our school. They are Axel from



Finland, Valeria from Argentina, Sanna from France, Eidur from Iceland, Alexandra from Russia and Saju from Germany. After that, the exchange students visited different classes. They introduced their cultures and had some interactive activities with the classes. Activities were also arranged during the lunch hours and after school. Writing Scripters interviewed the exchange students and the schoolmates.

## What do the exchange students think about Hong Kong?

I love Cheung Chau, Lantau Island, Peak and Ocean Park the most. But I think Hong Kong Disneyland is too small. I love Chinese food especially 'Ma lai Ko' (sponge cake) in Chinese restaurants.

In France, besides French, we learn other European languages such as Spanish, Italian.



Sanna from France is sharing her experience in Hong Kong.



Saju from Germany in a F.4 English class.

I think Hong Kong is very hot and it is small. I like the theme parks like Ocean Park. But they are not big enough. If they are bigger, it could be more exciting. Theme parks in Germany are more exciting. For local snacks, I like fish balls the best.

Compared with my school in Germany, TKPSS has a lot more quizzes, tests and examinations. The main activity during holidays is doing homework. The weather in the northern part of Argentina is very hot, but the weather in the south can be very cold. It is even snowing in winter sometimes. In Argentina, the language we use is Spanish. Most people in Argentina love Messi (i.e. football).

> I like Hong Kong. It is pretty good and the people are nice. The food is different from those in Argentina. Even the food in McDonald's is not the same as those in Argentina.



Valeria talking about Argentina



Participants of games in the hall

I enjoyed the activities although they are similar to those in the past few years. It would be better if more exchange students are invited next year.

I have learnt something during the Intercultural Day. I have improved my English oral skills. I am not so nervous when talking in English. I like chatting with them.

On the whole, Intercultural Day is a meaningful activity. Students have got a chance to meet students from other countries. They have learned more about other cultures. They have also improved their English speaking skills and become more confident in using the language. They are looking forward to the next Intercultural Day.







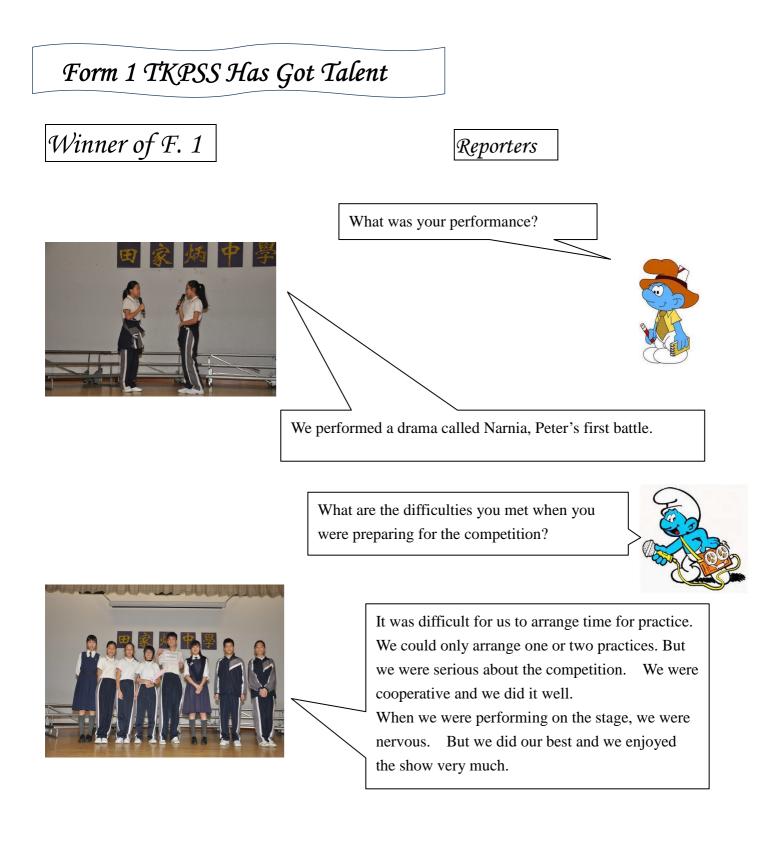
During the morning assembly

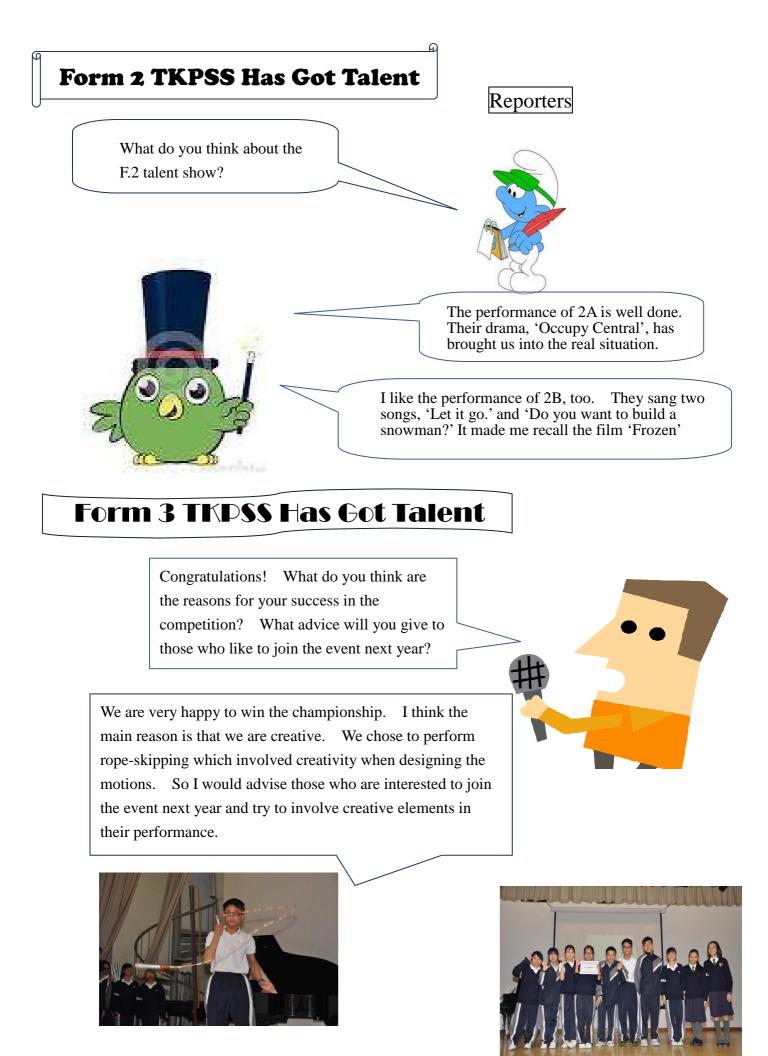
Interviewing an exchange student

An exchange student introducing his home-country



Do you know who the talents in TKPSS are? The talent shows for F.1 to F.3, TKPSS Has Got Talent, were held on  $10^{th}$  March,  $17^{th}$  March and  $24^{th}$  March respectively. The winners are F.1D, F.2 and F.3C. Congratulations! Writing Scripters attended the shows and interviewed some of the contestants and audience.





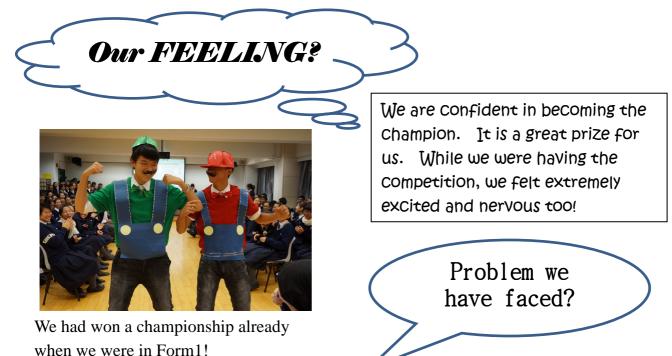
Let's COSPLAY!

Written by: 3B (1) Chan Chun Hei

The champion of 'Let's Cosplay!' is 3A. The contestants dressed up as a pair of famous twins.

#### They are : RIO AND LUIGMAI!

Writing Scripters interviewed them. They gave their sharing concerning the competition in the following.



Before the competition, we were scared that we couldn't finish our costumes, so we could only make our costumes together with our classmates. When our costumes were ready, we needed to think about our actions. Luckily, we could solve all the problems by making a hasty last-minute effort.

What will you dress up next year if you join the competition again?

If we can cosplay in pairs again, we will dress up as other famous cartoon characters from One Piece or the characters from LOL.



## Form 4 Story-telling Competition

Written by 4A (2) Chan Sze

The Form Four Story Telling Competition was held on 27<sup>th</sup> March. The event involved acting, voice dubbing and sound effect. The winner is 4D Group A. The story they presented was 'The Paper Bag Princess'. Writing Scripters interviewed the winner.



Reporter

How long have you been preparing? What did you do?

#### The Champion Team

We have prepared for a few lessons, almost six lessons. We recited the lines and practiced the movements all the time.

Why do you join this competition?

What have you learnt from the

competition?

I like playing drama and I think the story is pretty interesting and the plot is splendid.

I have learnt lots of drama skills.

How do you feel after winning the competition? Did you enjoy the performance?

I feel extremely great. I enjoyed the competition. I enjoyed working with my classmates. It's an unforgettable experience for me.

#### Form Five Inter-class Debate Written by: 5D (20) Mok Tak Kan

The Form Five Inter-class Debate started from 27<sup>th</sup> February with 3 preliminary rounds and ended up with the final held on 12<sup>th</sup> March with the motion 'That the government should not expand the individual travel scheme for mainland visitors to Hong Kong.' The champion is Form 5E and the best debater is Lui Sze Ming (5E). Writing Scripters interviewed the best debater.



I have gained experience of being a captain. It was the first time I had taken this job so I was really nervous! I learnt how to give a strong opening and well-organized closing speech in front of a lot of people. If I hadn't joined this debate, I would not have known about this! This debate really entertained me and I have learnt more about technology and education. Debating is an addictive interest.



What have you learnt from the debate?

Do you think that your performance was good? If not, what do you think you need to improve?

Well, I guess it was satisfactory, perhaps the best one till now. My teammates, Joyce and Anastasia are both my closest friends, so there is no doubt that we could work together smoothly. Just by looking into their eyes, it seemed like I could know what they were going to say. I was glad that we had prepared for some rebuttals beforehand, so we didn't panic when the opponent challenged our definition. The scariest thing was that I even forgot to take one note card during my closing speech. Standing under the spotlight, looking at the time remaining, I kept making things up in my tiny brain to get through one minute. It was really difficult to tell something clearly with such chaos! Of course, things are never perfect, we always have room for improvement. I still remembered how nervous I was that morning. I got butterflies in the stomach and could not rebut logically.

What are the factors that lead to your winning?

I hope that I could be a better debater in the future! If you are indulged in it, you will enjoy it and give strong arguments. During this debate, I strongly believed that taking smartphones to school could ensure safety and bring convenience. First, believe in yourself. Then, convince the others to believe in you. Apart from confidence, I am really thankful to my English teacher Miss Chan for giving me advice and to cheer me up, as well as my coach in the previous years. Mr. Fung encouraged me to join the English Debate Team and I have learnt a lot, not only debating skills, but also patience and mentality, from him. I guess experience is a vital part in winning too. As a debater, the utmost important factor to win is your passion and belief. You have to believe in your viewpoint. if you can't even convince yourself, how can you persuade the audience?

### Good Work from students ...

4B (36) WU TSZ Chin ,Ida

Jaycee Chan (the son of Kung Fu movie superstar Jackie Chan) and Kai Ko (an actor from Taiwan) were detained on suspicion of taking drugs in Beijing. You are a fan of Kai Ko. Write a letter to him expressing your opinion about the incident, including how you felt and giving advice to him.

Dear Kaí Ko,

I'm not a die-hard fan of you, so you have my absolute attention as I am concerned about current affairs. I believe you are now at your darkest time and you are undoubtedly in desperate need of support and advice. I'm neither a philosopher, a government official nor your mother. It is not a must to do what I say but the following is my genuine view and feelings towards you and your issue.

There is a saying: "Once is forgivable, twice is not; just this one time and no more". It's true that mortal human beings often make mistakes more than once and we are often told that once is forgivable. However, I grow up with another quote. It is a well-known phrase from the television: "Not now, not ever. Not even once". The majority of Hong Kong citizens know this. It is stored up in our hearts. Drugs can cause irreparable damage to your whole being, especially your health and career. Not to mention, you are the heartthrob of thousands and a famous celebrity in China. Your every move is captured and making an impact on people. Your actions have a big influence on your fans and impressionable teenagers and children.

Did you think of the consequences when you had your first sniff of marijuana? You have no idea how powerful you are. Let me remind you, you are the blazing spark in the eyes of your fans and a role model to certain people. Taking drugs out of curiosity and peer pressure is outrageously off the marks. A celebrity turns around and walks away when introduced to

drugs. That's the correct way to say "no" to drugs. But mind you, according to a news article, you were part of an anti-drug campaign two years ago, just like Jaycee Chan's father, Jackie Chan. The fact that celebrities (or their family members) who are involved in anti-drug campaigns taking drugs is ironic, ridiculous and thought-provoking. The issue sparked a lot of controversy questioning the ability of the regulatory mechanism and people are debating whether you and Jaycee Chan should go to jail.

Telling-off time's over. I know how you feel. You and I are still young and scatterbrained. Teenagers lack a sense of direction and we try really hard seizing our fate and destiny. Some say reckless stuff is what teens do. They're partly right but being a disoriented teen doesn't grant you the right to do unlawful things, such as taking drugs. I suggest you hang out more with people you trust and have true feelings for you. They think for your own good, unlike your acquaintances Jaycee Chan. Furthermore, you have and can do plenty of meaningful things, instead of taking drugs, to release your stress. You should try out hiking. It can train not only your perseverance, but also your resilience and ability in dealing with pressure.

You have no need to cry over spilt milk as there's none for you to cry over. I believe most of the people (including the judge) have forgiven you and many still value you highly and dearly. I never judge a book by its cover. Despite you are ragged, tattered and falling to pieces, I won't give you up. I want to know more about your hardship and what you're battling against. Open up and let us help you. You're not exposing your vulnerabilities. You are asking people for help because you're in desperation and we're glad to take away your misery.

The first time is always the hardest and I hope this is your last. Happiness can be found even in the darkest of times, only if one remembers to turn on the light. So stay strong and embrace what the future holds for you.

Yours síncerely, Chrís



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### Good Work from students ...

5D (15) Leung Tsz Ching

#### Coffee or tea?

I have never thought I would be a real flight attendant before. Pretty suit, tidy hair ... they are all girls' dreams when they are young. However, my old dream came true just in the 'Working Week' last week!

Our school conducted a 'Working Week' Scheme last week. It was a scheme for students to know more about different career in our society. Students could choose to work as in one of the career. I chose to work as a flight attendant because it had been my dream job for a long time. What am I waiting for?

The school designed different mini workplace for us to experience our chosen career. I had a chance to be a flight attendant. I wore a proper suit and got ready to serve my passengers.

Being a flight attendant, it is important to be polite all the time. I kept smiling when I was serving the passengers. The most interesting experience is that my best friend, Helen, came to be my passenger. She pretended to be an annoying passenger in order to train my patience and politeness of being a flight attendant.

I asked her, 'Coffee or tea?' for three times, but she didn't give me any response. After a few seconds, she told me she wanted to have a kind of cocktail. It is impossible for me to make her a cocktail since I did not know how to make it. I thought for a while, and answered her, 'I am sorry that I don't know how to make it. But I really want to try making it. Would you mind telling me how to make it so that I can make it for you?' She smiled and told me I really had the potential to be a flight attendant as I could serve people well, however demanding the passenger was.

It is not easy to be a flight attendant because I have to be patient and polite to people all the time. It is a difficult job, but I really want to try my best since being a flight attendant is always my dream. I really admire the real flight attendant. Every time I travelled, they served me very well. They are professional and all my friends have also said so. It may be a long road to be a flight attendant, but I know I can finish in the long run.

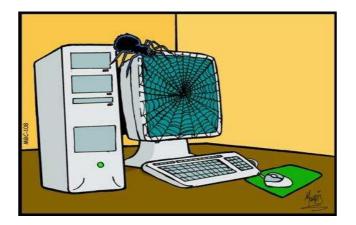
Chase your dreams and touch the sky! Don't let yourself regret it!





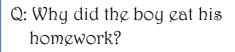


By Yuen Lok Yee

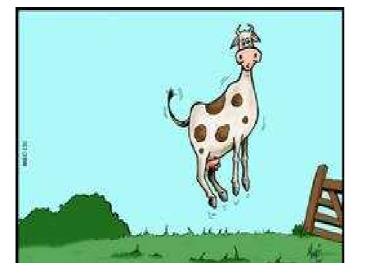


#### Q : WHAT WAS THE SPIDER DOING ON THE COMPUTER?

A : HE WAS SEARCHING THE WEB!



A: Because his teacher said it was a piece of cake.



- Q: What do you get if a cow jumps up and down?
- A: A milkshake.



- Q : Why is Tigger always so dirty?
- A : He's always playing with Pooh.



Q	:	Why	didn't	the	skeleton	90	to

the party?

A : Se had no body to go with!

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