

English Poems

Done By: Zachary Wong

Chinese New Year!

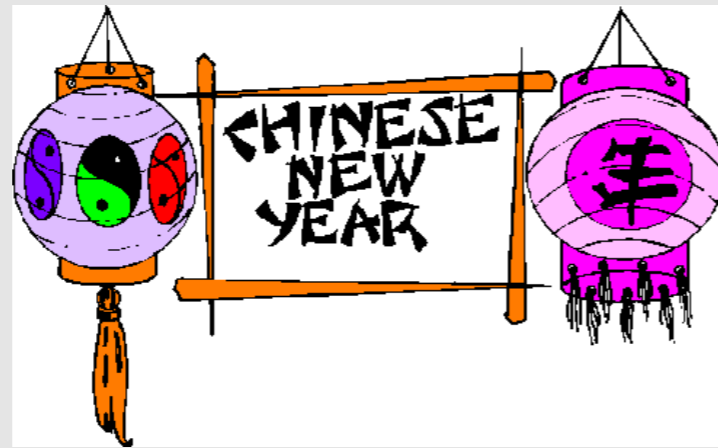
*Sounds of firecrackers fill the air
As bright red lanterns light up
the fare.*

*Cymbals and gongs resonate
throughout the night*

*While lion dancers parade in the
light*

*The roads are filled with crowds
who are merry*

*Looking up at the night sky
which is full of furry*



Happy New Year

恭贺新禧

Korean Poem

Done by: Sarah Lee, Tony, Sarah Kim, Jin Hee, Jessica

혼자 보내는 발렌타인데이
오늘따라 초코릿이 달지않고 쓴다
내 주위에 있는 수 많은 커플들
서로 알콩달콩 사랑을 나누며
행복한 시간을 보낸다.

커플들 속에서 홀로 돌아다니는 나.
어떡하다 난 이렇게 됐다.
그동안 뭐하면서 살았는지...

이 나이가 되도록 애인도 없구네
커플지옥 솔로친국

Chinese Essay

Done by: Ong Eng Hui

在漫长的人生路途中，失败是不可少的伴侣。不经一番寒彻骨，怎得梅花扑鼻香？成功者背后一定都必须收到失败的考验。他们之所以可以在充当失败者后，面带笑容地取得成功，正是因为他们了解每次失败都是一次学习的机会。每当失败来临时，我们应该坦然接受它并且抱着积极的态度去分析和总结失败的原因。唯有学习从失败中汲取宝贵的教训和不屈不挠地努力，成功才会离我们越来越近。

世上少有一帆风顺的事，而失败却随时会有，否则，那些“发明家”，“文学巨人”的美名岂不轻易地落到每个人的头上吗？综观历史，那些出类拔萃的伟人之所以会取得成功，正因他们正确对待失败，从失败中获取教益。美国第十六位总统——亚伯拉罕·林肯就是转败为胜的一个最佳实例。林肯小时候家里很穷，而且他的一生面对重重挫折。他在八次竞选中落败，两次经商失败，甚至还曾经精神崩溃。面对如此的挫折，他不但没有放弃，反而更加努力，终于成为美国历史上伟大的总统。

“失败是成功之母”不仅应当成为我们喜爱的一句格言，更重要的是要成为我们行动的指南。“宝剑锋从磨砺出，梅花香自苦寒来”，从失败中获益，从勤奋中崛起，这就是有志者成才的道路。



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CHINESE NEW YEAR!

Done by: Julie Oh, You Sang Min, Anna Fang



Last but not least, the loud clanging of cymbals and the timely beating of drums announced the arrival of the magnificent lion dance troupe with the lions at the head. This year, the lions did something that amazed us all—they used the Mandarin oranges to form the characters “Happy New Year”. How thoughtful of them! After the lions entertained us, they went around school to spread the good luck.

On the morning of the 29th of January, our school was bubbling over with excitement as students entered the hall awaiting the highly anticipated Chinese New Year Celebration. The assembly was then kicked off with an exciting recorder performance by the Years 5 & 6.

As the assembly came to a end, everyone was feeling happy and sad at the same time. Happy as all the performances were so interesting, and sad as the assembly has come to an end. It was truly a memorable experience, and we look forward to the next big event.

It was followed by a speech by the Principal: Mr. James Lim, then a short prize giving ceremony. The performances were headed by the energetic students from Year 2 to sing. The students were dressed in an array of colorful traditional costumes of different countries as they danced to a jovial Chinese New Year song. Next up came an interesting dance performed by members of both the Junior and Senior members of the dance club, keeping the atmosphere light and merry.



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NEW TEACHERS OF 2014



Done By: Julie Oh, Oliver Munan and Valerie Ong

Mr Kho Bon Choon

Mr. Kho Bon Choon started his life as a teacher back in 1975. He graduated in New Zealand . He taught in Brunei before coming to Kuching. Mr. Kho currently teaches Physics. He has not found any challenges in-teaching the students in Lodge yet. His words of inspiration for the students are "Concentrate in class, do homework. Ask questions when you don't understand. There's no magic formula, so you have to work hard."

Mr Peter Yek

Mr. Peter Yek has 3 years of teaching experiences in Swinburne, INTI and SMK Kuching Town No.2. He is a graduate in Mechanical Engineering from Unimas. He teaches Physics, Mechanics, Additional Math and General Math. He finds it challenging to control classes and students as it is different from lecturing . He encourages students to have a good attitude and to be willing to learn.

Ms Poh Sze-Lyn

Ms Poh has been teaching for the past 7 years. She graduated from the National University of Singapore and currently teaches FLE, English Literature, A Level English Language and IELTS. She enjoys encouraging students to think and be creative.

Mr Quay Wei Kwang

Mr. Quay had been a teacher for 5 years in KL. He is currently studying at Unimas Kuching as he is aiming for a Phd in Physics. Mr Quay teaches Physics in Lodge. He find Physics interesting. He stresses on the need for the students to know where they stand academically and where they want to be.

Ms Norviviana

Ms Viviana has been teaching since 2008 in various international schools and colleges in KL. She teaches upper secondary English , Moral and Sejarah. She says the challenges in teaching here are in capturing the students' attention while keeping classes interesting.



NEW IN LODGE ... THE HALL!

Done by : You Sang Min (10A), Tony Yoo (9B), Sally Oh (9B), Jeong Ji Woo (7B)

As everyone should have noticed, the hall has undergone a few major changes. First of all, the stage was completely rebuilt as for the last two years, the stage was rotting to a state where it could not be renovated. So the school had it torn apart and built a new one with a new design. At first, the plan was to only change the stage but the school decided to improve other parts of the hall as well. Mr. James Lim, our headmaster, commented on the new appearance of the hall as, "The new stage is very nicely designed and built."

The hall is pretty neat and clean now, as well as brighter and 'cooler'
-Sylvia Kim-
It is definitely an improvement as there is a fresh coat of paint.
-Kusum Asnani-



Lodgian of the Month

Done by Sylvia Kim, Jasmine Tan, Celestina Lau, Oliver Munan, and Valerie Ong

Chung In Jae, Lodge's model student, was recently offered a place in Oxford University, a leading collegiate research university located in Oxford, England. Chosen from thousands of other top students worldwide, the opportunity is one step closer to a promising career.

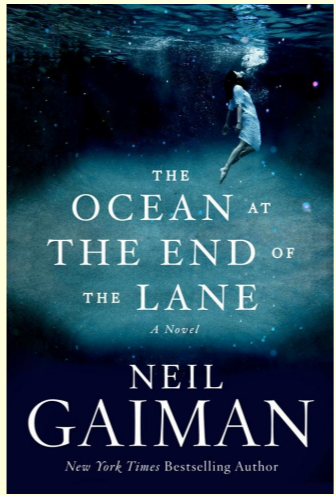
be proactive in your daily life. Believe in your capabilities, be confident and set high aims. If I can do it, why can't you?'

When asked how he felt when he first found out that he was offered a place, he replied: "The feeling is hard to describe -I felt ecstatic and excited. It was no doubt one of the best days of my life-being able to see my dream come true." He plans to major in Biochemistry as he has an interest in gene manipulation and DNA.

How did he achieve this? With continuous hard work and effort which paid off with his 8A*'s (A stars) in his IGCSE. In Jae's advice to his juniors is: 'Practice makes perfect and hard work plays a big role too. However, it is also essential to take part in CCA's (co-curricular activities) and



BOOK REVIEW



If you are looking for something short and entertaining to read, *The Ocean at the End of the Lane* by Neil Gaiman is the ideal book to pick up. It follows the wondrous and chilling adventure of a boy whose life takes a terrifying turn into a dark and morbid reality.

"This intriguing story is a blend of mystery, wonder, unexplainable and unfathomable and things that lurk around the corners of reality and seep through the cracks in the world."

Brain Teaser

A man and a woman live peacefully in a house together. But one day the woman shoots her husband. Then she holds him under water for over five minutes. Finally, she hangs him, but ten minutes later they go out and enjoy a wonderful dinner. How can this be?

(Find out the answer in the next issue of Lodge Bytes!)