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Students sell items for charity at the 30th anniversary flea market.

Credit: Nicole Chen

NEHS's 30th Anniversary *Elementary students celebrate with a flea market*

By Nicole Chen

Have you ever heard of a flea market? Flea markets are an activity that many places in the world hold for people to make money. Is it fun? Is it interesting?

The flea market was invented in 1873. It started in America, Canton, Texas to be exact. Markets first sold horses. Soon after people started taking their own goods to sell or trade. Consequently, the flea market, as we know it today, was invented. The 30th anniversary

flea market is IBSH's major activity. Kids play, buy things, and do what they desire. Students may feel like it is school "free time."

Last but not least, kids from every class set up a booth. The classes sold used games, second hand things, food, or books to earn money for people in need. Classmates took turns by taking care of the booth and made it easier for customers to buy things. Overall, students

tried their best to make the 30th anniversary a success and the world a better place.



Day Market at IBSH Credit: Alica Lee

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Leg Broken

A sixth grader broke his leg after falling down a hill

By Andrew Lin

Last month, a sixth grader had an unfortunate accident during a brief outing for classwork in Chinese class. He had to be taken to the hospital, where his broken leg was treated along with a minor cut on his forehead.

Witnesses among his fellow students report that he was playing on a rocky hill within school grounds when he suddenly lost his balance, tumbled down the hill, flew up into the air, and landed in a crumpled heap. Most of the students during the class were someplace else on a hunt for sticky tree sap as part of their class project. His teacher was the first to react.

She immediately called the ambulance to pick up the sixth grader. Upon questioning by the Chinese teacher about how he felt, the victim reported that his body, arms, and hands

were alright, but that one of his legs was throbbing with intense pain and that he had a shallow cut on his forehead. When he came back to school, it was with a wheelchair. He will also have to use crutches for two to three months.



The school should take action to prevent further accidents from happening by putting warning signs near dangerous or remote areas. Students should be more cautious in the future to avoid getting hurt. Climbing hills can be fun, but only when it is safe. If one wishes to climb a hill in the future, they should do it after school or on weekends and holidays with someone to make sure they don't get hurt.

Drawing by Claire Fang



Credit: Claire Fang

Construction Update

By Justin Chen 6B

The new school site started construction towards the end of the 2011-2012 school year. Since then, many students have wondered what the new buildings will look like

The new buildings are reported to consist of: a new gym equipped with two swimming pools and escalators; classrooms for 5th to 8th graders; with more unrevealed.

The construction is going smoothly. From the 6B classroom it appears as there is going to be an auditorium. Designs are put on some walls already. In total, we will have more than three buildings. Stay tuned for more updates.

Spelling Bee: Interviews with IBSH's 2013 Scripps Spelling Bee Participants

By Brendyn Chao

Background:

The 2013 Scripps Annual Spelling Bee—China Regional Level competition was held at the Hotel Pravo in Shanghai, China. Three IBSH students participated in Division B, the category for students enrolled in international schools.

Interviewee: Dana Chiueh

Q: What inspired you to go to the spelling bee?

A: When I was in fourth grade, I made it to the regional level, so I wanted to try again in sixth grade, to see if I could get to the same level.

Q: Did anyone help you study for the spelling bee? If so, how?

A: My mom and dad. They looked at the packet and read the words to me and I spelled them.

Q: When did they start helping you study?

A: I started around December.

Q: Will you try again for the spelling bee? Why?

A: Yes, next year, because I want to reach a higher level.

Q: What is your favorite part of the spelling bee?

A: Going to the welcome dinner where I met a lot of cool people.

Q: Were you happy with your title?

A: Yes, I think it's a great accomplishment.

Q: What word did you misspell?

A: Mobiliary.

Interviewee: Claire Fang

Q: What inspired you to do the spelling bee?

A: I wanted to go back to see America.

Q: What was your favorite word in the spelling bee?

A: Polemic, I'm not sure exactly, but I think it has something to do with politics.

Q: What was your favorite moment at the spelling bee?

A: When they gave us a bathroom break, we really needed to go.



Gate Photo: Ashley Yeh

Superman Photo: Jack Baek

Snake Photo: IBSH Staff

The Taiwan Lantern Festival

By: Claire Fang, Sean Pao, Ashley Yeh, Aaron Chen, and Young Lin

Every year since 1990, Taiwan has hosted the Lantern Festival to celebrate the ending of Chinese New Year. It marks the beginning of spring, and also spreads traditional folklore. It is full to the brim with cultural heritage and is a symbol of good fortune for the new year. This year, the Lantern Festival was held next to the Hsinchu High Speed Rail Station. It lasted for 2 weeks, from 2/24 to 3/10, and is an attraction for people all over the world.

The legend behind the Lantern Festival is that long ago, there were many fierce wild beasts and birds that threatened the people's safety. To protect themselves, the people had to quickly kill these animals on sight. One day, a sacred bird from heaven got lost by accident and found itself in the mortal world. An ignorant hunter thought the bird was a threat and slayed it. The heavenly emperor was displeased and ordered his soldiers to burn the world as punishment on the 15th of the first lunar month. However, the kind daughter of the emperor decided to help the people.

She secretly snuck into the mortal world and told the people what was going to happen. The people panicked and attempted to create a solution, which failed. Fortunately, an old man came up with an idea. He told every family to light lanterns and fireworks

on the 14th, 15th, and 16th of the first lunar month to trick the heavenly emperor into thinking that the world had already burnt down. The plan worked, and since then, the Lantern Festival has been celebrated to celebrate the success of the old man's plan.



The 2013 Lantern Festival did not disappoint. There were rows upon rows of food stalls selling traditional Taiwanese food. There was a stall for scallion pancakes, and another stall for soft-serve ice cream. But for anyone who went to the maze of stalls during the festival, no matter where they stood, they could always find the stinky tofu stand because the nose knows. There was also a special stand for the Lantern Festival's main symbol: tang yuan, known in English as glutinous rice balls. They came in many different flavors: pea-

nut, sesame, and red bean among many more. There was also fried tang yuan, which is smaller, dry, and doesn't have a filling, but comes with a special peanut and sugar powder.

One of the most spectacular sections was the "Sustainable Ring," a humongous lantern with a 270-degree projection screen that is 10m in height and nearly 70m in width. A traditional Hakka village lantern was also set up to promote Hakka culture, and a 3D film promoting 12 major Hakka festivals was also released during the big event. The main lantern, a gigantic soaring snake was the most magnificent of all with a height of about 20 meters. When turned on, it turns 360 degrees and 200,000 LED bulbs light up. Each light bulb is unique and has different colors.

Though, Jeffrey Chang from 5B commented that the festival was so-so because of the overwhelming crowds. However, Cindy Lin from 8B thought it was fun because of the varieties of designs for the lanterns.

The most suspenseful moment of the festival came when Taiwan's president, Ma-Ying-Jeou lit up the snake lantern. A 10 second countdown could be heard until the lantern was lit and everyone broke out into a cheer. Truly, it was one of the greatest festivals of the year.

Dancing Teachers

An amazing show performed by the faculty

By Kenneth Lin

On the day before IBSH's 30th anniversary, during lunch hour, a wondrous event took place. The teachers in NEHS and IBSH rushed to the gym to dance and perform in front of students. Almost every pupil in NEHS and IBSH watched the spectacular performance. Entire classrooms were emptied and classes were disrupted as students arrived late. Truly, this one-time-only affair would go down in IBSH history, with even school disciplinarian Mr. William dancing as well. The NEHS teachers performed first. There was singing and dancing for the crowd. The teachers even told the audience to dance if they wanted to as well. Classical

music from classical composers played for this section of the show.

Next, the IBSH teachers performed. Every teacher wore sunglasses, even Mr. William! The teachers were wiggling their arms around crazily and laughing like maniacs. The music the IBSH teachers used had more rock music in it, unlike the NEHS teachers. After twenty minutes, the whole gym was filled with dancing from students and teachers alike. Every single one of the administrative staff let loose and performed amazingly. What a great way to spend the lunch hour!



Drawing by Claire Fang

Candyland

IBSH students and the sugary kingdom of candy

By Claire Fang

The Lemur staff recently polled elementary students on their favorite candy. Students reported a variety of answers. Some had unique answers such as Owen Chou 6B, "I don't like candy," to Nina Low 6B, "I haven't eaten candy for two years." Not surprisingly, an overwhelming amount of students enjoyed chocolate. It should be noted how chocolate is one of the world's leading addictions, mainly because of the chemicals within it that light up the pleasure centers in the brain.

Distinct personalities surfaced between each individual classes feelings on candy. For instance, 5A apparently had no majority in candy preferences, with each person having his/her own favorite flavor. In addition, 2A enjoyed milk chocolate over other types,

breaking the unofficial trend of just answering, "Chocolate." Even the 1st graders had their own individual desires for candy. Class 1B showed an overwhelming love for lollipops with only one student choosing another type of candy. loved lollipops, However, 1A demonstrated passion for the elastic Hi-Chew.

SWEET CANDY FACTS

Snickers

It is the number one selling candy bar in the world with up to 15 million manufactured every day.

Its name actually came from a horse.

It used to cost only five cents!



Airheads

Sold only in America and Canada

Includes special edition flavors such as Spiderman, Superman, and Spongebob

On October 31, 2007, Airheads Blue Mystery Bars were given to travellers on JetBlue Airways for free!

How many licks does it take to get to the center of a tootie pop?

Swarthmouth College found the range of licks was from 70 to 222.

The University of Michigan determined it takes 411 licks to reach the center of a Tootsie Pop.

The University of Cambridge decided it took 3,481 licks

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English Book Fair

By Dana Chiueh



Recently, I enthusiastically bounded into the library, eager to check out some books, when I noticed there was a book fair going on. Curious, I ventured in, and scoured the tables for some familiar titles instead of heading upstairs like I usually did. To my great disappointment, there were no English books at the display, only Chinese books.

As many students at IBSH have noticed, the most recent book fair, taking place at the library from February 22 through 27, consisted of Chinese books only, as was the case in all other book fairs in the past. This brings up an excellent question: Why not include some English books whenever a book fair is planned? Or even just have an all-English book fair?

There are some obvious flaws to the latter, such as that not many people from the other four departments of our school read English books. But does that mean students who enjoy English books should be completely ignored? I don't think it is impossible to include some English books in a mostly-Chinese book fair. After all, many books at the book fairs hosted

at our library are translated versions of English books. For example, the Percy Jackson series, and the Twilight Saga.

There may be some complications because many bookstores in Taiwan don't sell English books, but I think that, overall, it shouldn't be too hard to locate a bookseller that sells books in both English and Chinese.

When I got back from the library a friend asked me what the book raffle tickets were for. When I responded, she offered me her slip, as there were no books in English. This led me to wonder: this should have been a fun activity, but instead, many students in our department could not take part in it. Was that really fair? I did win a book from the raffle, but obviously my chances of getting picked were much higher than if I had been in another department such as the NEHS Elementary Dept.

Is it really fair to not have some English books at the book fair? I think that it shouldn't be too much trouble to incorporate a couple of popular titles. What do you think?

School Uniforms

By Claire Chuang



School uniforms as usual need to be worn for the flea market, field trips, Halloween and many other times. But would you want to wear school uniforms when you could actually choose the clothes you want to wear? If it was me, I would rather choose the clothes that I would want to wear.

In other schools, students have to wear their school uniforms every day, even though they are 1st graders. Wearing it every day is bad, because you are given no choice. Also, school uniforms could also be a problem. One example is that some school uniforms are good for wearing in winter but not suitable for wearing in summer, because it is going to be really hot. Another reason is how there are buttons on the school uniform, and I am sure that some of you would not like to wear clothes that have buttons, especially from top all the way down to the bottom. In conclusion, these are all the reasons not wear school uniforms when you have a choice to wear other kinds of clothes.

Look for a pro piece on uniforms from Alica Lee in the next Lemur!

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Digital Student ID

By Nicole Chen



Do you still remember the time our school mentioned the student ID card? About the library cards changing into digital ID cards? Well, I think it is pretty convenient this way. Why? Since the easy card is combined with the

student ID, we can go to any Seven-Elevens and buy items in there while using our student ID. Most surprisingly, we can even buy foods or drinks in the school's Hi-life.

Do you ride subways? If you do, you can use the digital student ID to pay for it, without having to buy the tickets or waste

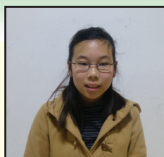
your time. With just one beep in the machine, you can easily ride the subway to your destination.

Having a digital student ID instead of using a library card allows us to use it whenever we ride the subway or when we visit convenient stores. Can you imagine how easy and convenient that is?

Culture Clash

The division between Eastern and Western cultures inside IBSH

By Claire Fang



Many students here at IBSH are Taiwanese or come from a Western country. The differences between the two cultures present here are striking. One has to wonder, which culture influences these young students the most?

Before we can talk about which side of the globe's way of thinking holds more tightly on IBSH's pupils' minds, we need to understand these cultures. The West focuses on the individual, while the East focuses more on social harmony. This can be seen in the way they teach, as Western schools enjoy specialization, letting students choose which path to take and stick to for the rest of their lives, usually the subject they're best at.

The Eastern branch of learning however, wants students to pick subjects that will most benefit them in the world, rather than just what the pupils are best at.

Basically, the West desires people to excel in one subject that they already have a natural affinity for, becoming the best of the best in that skill, while the East wants their learners to be best of all the

skills that are useful in getting good jobs, which usually results in more well-rounded students who are good at science and math, subjects which lead to high-paying jobs.

Since most people are not particularly good at math and/or science the West does not focus on them very much. In fact, extracurriculars are more valued, as they can be picked to suit the individual. They have a more relaxed attitude towards school and in fact, those who desire to have straight As all the time or are gifted in science or math are seen as nerds. People who have talent in art or music are seen as creative and above all the others.

The East is quite the opposite. Extracurriculars are limited to buxiban (schools where all you do is study) and straight As are seen as the norm for an average student. Science and math are extremely competitive, as everyone wants to rise to the top in those classes, consequently, those who enjoy art or music are seen as lazy freaks. IBSH's learning environment is geared towards the West. After all, we use Western style schedules,

buildings, and English books. However, we are still located inside Taiwan, half of our teachers are native Taiwanese, and the food we eat is mostly Asian. Since your cells are made up of what you eat, even those born in the US, Canada, or some other Western country, you are slowly turning Taiwanese. Almost half of our classes are taught in Chinese, and Chinese is a mandatory subject here. It seems that IBSH is divided cleanly between two cultures. This is not so though.

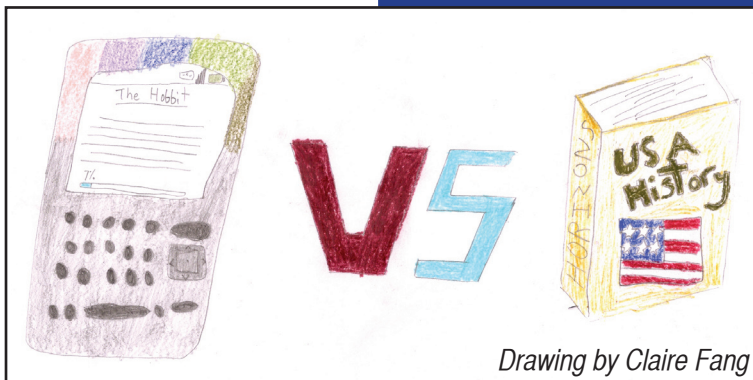
We may have a very strong Asian influence here, but extracurriculars are quite encouraged. The Lemur, the newspaper you are reading, is made in an extracurricular class. Art is appreciated. Just check out the gallery in the Library. Also, 90% of colleges IBSH-ers are going to are in America.

The Lemur means no offense to anyone who prefers the Eastern side of the campus. However, IBSH is meant to have a clean, equal, cultural divide, here is where you can find the West.

PRO E-BOOKS CON



By Annie Geng



Drawing by Claire Fang



By Yvonne Kuo

Many schools are thinking of what to do for making their learning environment better and more successful, by deciding between using e-books or plain textbooks. If it was me, e-books are the best choice. It's a little bit pricey but its affordable. It'll make students carry less books, protect trees, and will cause less arguments

First, when students have an e-book with them, they don't have to carry so many books to school. When there is a test or something similar, they don't have to bring everything to study home. They can just simply bring the e-book home and they're finished! Students have this problem all the time saying, "I forgot to bring my homework home!" or "I didn't know that there is a test tomorrow!" This will happen less if there are e-books.

Second, you know that textbooks are a waste of trees? If every textbook

uses at least one tree, there are millions of children who have textbooks. How many trees do we have to use? E-books don't have this problem. E-books use batteries and electricity but it is better than so many textbooks per student.

Lastly, e-books could prevent arguments from happening. For example, when you want to ask somebody something, when your answers are not the same or they think that your answers are complete nonsense. You could use an e-book. By clicking in the dictionary or just searching on the Internet, your problems would disappear and no arguments would happen.

In conclusion, letting students carry less books, protecting trees, and making less arguments, are some awesome reasons that why we should use e-books instead of textbooks!

E-books e-books loaded all your textbooks on your kindle or iPad, and your friend needs to borrow it, you can lend it to them but there is a risk that they might lose or damage it. With textbooks just stick your name and class and whoever finds it will return it to you.

Thirdly, you can sell textbooks or give them to your younger siblings. Lots of people buy second-hand textbooks for a cheaper price. Another way is that if you have a younger sibling, your family can save some money. Just give your used textbook to your younger sibling!

First of all, schools allow you to use textbooks. Most schools use textbooks instead of E-books. That's because of the rule, "NO ELECTRONICS IN SCHOOL." Unless you're in cyber school, you will have to use a textbook.

Secondly, textbooks can be shared. What if your friend forgot to bring his/her textbook to school? Well, if you have a textbook and you're done studying, just lend it to them! On the other hand, if you have down-

loaded all your textbooks on your kindle or iPad, and your friend needs to borrow it, you can lend it to them but there is a risk that they might lose or damage it. With textbooks just stick your name and class and whoever finds it will return it to you.

Thirdly, you can sell textbooks or give them to your younger siblings. Lots of people buy second-hand textbooks for a cheaper price. Another way is that if you have a younger sibling, your family can save some money. Just give your used textbook to your younger sibling!

In conclusion, textbooks are useful and safe. Not having a high risk of losing your textbooks and not having it returned. All of these are reasons why textbooks are safer. Not that I'm saying e-books are bad but I think textbooks are awesome!!

HOT TOPIC

The Lemur Staff asked students how they studied for midterm exams.



Joshua Zhao 5A:
"I first pray that I will get straight As on my report card and my midterms. Then I study the main points. I also ask my parents to re-view with me."



Nina Low 6B:
"I chew my fingers. It's a great way to increase stamina and let go of pressure."



Kelly Lee 4B:
"I study midterms while I dance ballet. I always sharpen the same pencil two times even though it is sharp."



Katie Tsung 5A:
"I eat for a while then study for a while, eat, study, eat, study, eat, study. Whenever I get 100 on my mid term exam I scream when I get home."



Ashley Sun 5B:
"I study for mid-terms by shutting everything else out and listening to music. Music helps me concentrate better."



Ethan James Chien 6B:
"I drink hot cocoa so that I can have more calories and energy to study. If I finish drinking the cup of cocoa, I will go make some more."



Michelle Sheu presents *The Twits*.
Photo by Ashley Yeh

Promoting Books

The Twits by Roald Dahl

By Tan Lue Peng
Justin Chen 6A

The book, "The Twits" is about a grumpy old couple that are very evil. They catch monkeys and make them stay upside down for a whole day, puts glue on trees to catch birds to eat, and buy guns to get birds off of their house. But the couple likes to play pranks on each other too. Once, Mrs. Twit put worms in Mr. Twit's spaghetti. One day, the monkeys wanted to take revenge on the Twits. When the Twits went out, the monkey took the key to the cage from a bird and escaped. He went into the house and stuck everything on the ceiling. Then, when the Twits came back, some birds put glue on their heads. They thought they were standing on the ceiling as their furniture was all on the ceiling. When they tried to do a head stand to get to the ceiling, their heads got stuck on the ground. They started shrinking because of staying upside down for too long and at last, disappeared.

Ricky Li from 6A said, "It is a very gruesome story."

PECULIAR PETS: Porcupine

By Claire Chuang

Porcupines are also called "quill pig." They have sharp quills on their back which they can defend from predators. Their quills have different sizes, shapes, colors, and lengths because of their age and type of species. When a predator approaches, the porcupine will turn to raise the quills and lash out at the threat with its tail. If the porcupine hits an animal with its quills, the quills become e m b e d d e d

in the animal. Body heat makes the barbs expand deeper in the animal's skin. If an animal is hit in a vital place it may die.

Porcupines are 64–91 cm long, 20–25 cm for a porcupine's tail, weighing 5.4–16 kg.

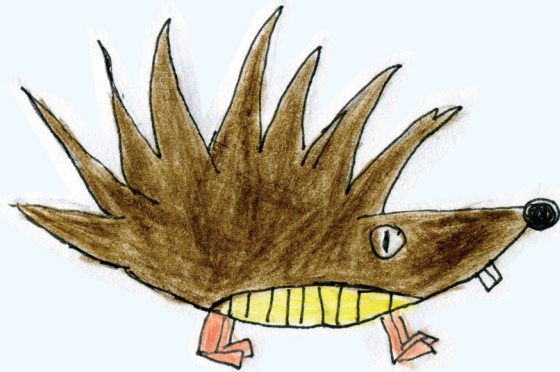
Do you know where porcupines live? They live in forests, deserts, rocky outcrops or even in hillsides.

Porcupines are herbivores; they eat leaves, herbs, twigs and green plants. When they live in the wild, they can only live for 5 to 7 years, which is a very small number compared to people. But they can live for 15 years if they live with their families.

Africa's porcupine or quill pig has 30,000 quills on their back.

Female porcupines have between one and four young, it depends on the species. Babies have soft quills at birth; it will harden within a few days. Most young porcupines are ready to live on their own at about two months of age.

Drawing by Jason Cho



Mini-Vacation

Tomb Sweeping and Children's Day

By Katherine Li

Do you remember the extra long weekend during April? Did you wonder what it was about? Well it was about Tomb Sweeping Day and Children's Day.

Do you know what sweeping day and children's day is for? Children's Day is recognized on various days in many places around the world, to honor children globally and tomb sweeping day is recognized to clean and pray for ancestors. But, people can celebrate it in many special ways.

Some students celebrate it

by going out, staying at home, or they follow what we're suppose to do and sweep around their ancestor's grave. For children day most students didn't go to an amusement park to play they instead celebrated with their relatives. When they celebrate, it shows that they respect their ancestors.

As you can see, you can celebrate Tomb Sweeping Day and Children's Day in different ways. Therefore, you should respect them in different ways. How did you spend your long weekend?

Game Review: *Magic the Gathering*

By Justin Chen 6B

Magic the Gathering is a fun, statistic based trading card game. It is popular among many IBSH students. Magic, known as MTG, is created by Wizards of the Coast. It provides arithmetic, reading, logic, and strategy for players. The original game plan was made by a doctoral candidate named Richard Garfield along with other play testers. There are five colors in the game: Red, Black, Blue, Green, and white. MTG provides a new expansion every few months and a

core set every year. Like other trading card games, MTG holds yearly tournaments. Some forms are Legacy, which lets you use all the sets in MTG and Limited, which only allows you to build decks on the spot with booster packs. MTG has many websites you can find information on. Also, players can be voted to the Magic: The Gathering Hall of Fame. To summarize, Magic the Gathering is a fun game which can help your logic and strategy skills. For more info, check out these websites:

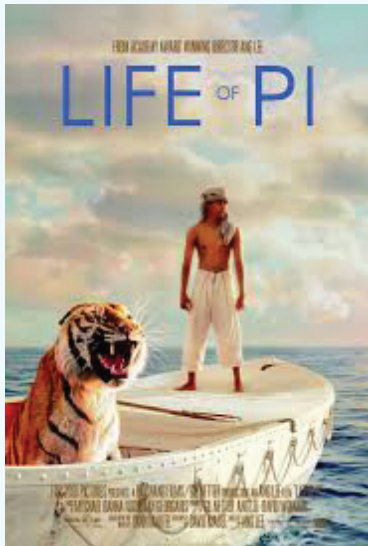
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Magic:_The_Gathering

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Movie Review: *The Life of Pi*

By Jack Baek

The Life of Pi is a movie about a boy, Piscine "Pi" Patel who survives against all odds. He lives in India. He was named after



a French swimming pool, but at school he was bullied very often and cannot defend himself. The next school year he tells everyone he is called Pi. In math class he writes down the infinite number of pi. He finds out about God's various forms. The first god he met was from Hindu. Then Pi met the Christian God by accident. Pi found about Christianity when his brother dared him to drink holy water. Next he found the Muslim God. When his father becomes unemployed, the family decides to move to Canada. But while he is on the boat, a storm comes and the ship sinks. Pi jumps into a

lifeboat before the ship capsizes. He is stuck on the rowboat with a tiger, a zebra with a broken leg, a baboon, and a hyena. In the end, the animals fight. The only animal left is a tiger named Richard Parker. Pi tries to establish his territory without harming the tiger. One of the methods includes 'using the rest-

room' on the rowboat. Another brave attempt includes trying to train the tiger. In the end he ends up in North America where Richard Parker mysteriously disappears. The movie is narrated by Pi himself, so you will know that he will make it in the end. Pi was telling it to an author who wished to hear his story. The author said that a friend had

told him that Pi's story would truly make him believe there was God.

This is a partly religious movie and I would recommend it for kids in 5th to 6th grade. The movie is also particularly sad, which is the reason why it should not be very suitable for a kid in 3rd grade.

SECRET SIDE: *Alice in Travel-land*

By Dana Chiueh

To a casual observer, Alice Liu (6B) is just like any other girl. She likes math and is a fan of Sophie Kinsella, author of the "Shopaholic" series. But if anything, she is definitely not average, because she has a secret side.

Is she an undercover spy? A young trapeze artist performing daredevil acts under the big top? A gourmet chef who won the Junior Master Chef competition? Actually, Ms. Liu's secret side can be summed up in four words: she is a traveler.

Most of the students in the sixth grade have been to between two and six countries, usually including the United States of America and, of course, Taiwan. Sure, Alice has been to both of these countries—but who else can say that they've been to more than 40 states in the US? Who else can say they've traveled to 10 countries around the world?

When asked to name the countries she has visited, Alice said a couple off the top of her head. "Germany, Austria, France... yeah, I just love those European countries!"

Although she remains undecided as to which country has been her favorite, Alice joked patriotically, "Maybe it's Taiwan!" Also, she remains full of pride for her home state of California.

Alice's secret side is travelling. What's yours?



MEET THE LEMUR STAFF



Credit: Luz Serrano

State of the Paper Address

Lemur instructor and advisor Mr. Cravak on the newly formed staff in 2013

Journalism has been an exciting part of my life ever since I “spoke my mind” and wrote zany horoscopes for my high school newspaper. Though, it’s the talented fifth and sixth graders in the Panther Press program that have taught me the most. From them I have learned that anyone, despite their age or lack of experience can ponder, develop, and share their ideas in an interesting and visually stunning way.

The Lemur Staff may only spend one hour in journalism class per week but they dedicate their time to online discussions, reading, research, and writing. Consequently, they produce a newspaper worthy of international recognition at the high school level.

Ms. Luz Serrano, the founder of the program, caring parents, and I may help with some grammar or design issues, but this paper is truly the students’ ideas, creativity, and hard work.

In January of 2013, we welcomed over a dozen new students into the program. They immediately proved their journalistic worth by conducting interviews with family members, designing dummies (newspaper blueprints), and mastering the inverted pyramid style of news writing. Best of all, this is a group of energetic adventurers. There’s no limit to the array of exciting pieces they can create for this paper. It is my hope that we can continue this groundbreaking initiative for many years to come!

To the lemur staff and parents, thank you for giving IBSH another prized possession to brag about.

*Happily submitted,
Mr. Stephen Cravak*

Tips For Aspiring Journalists

Think about what you enjoy learning and share your knowledge or experiences with others through writing.

In every situation identify the: who, what, where, when, why, and how.

Practice writing without using opinions or I, me, us, and we.

Ask your friends and family questions. Make sure you receive more than yes and no answers. Asking “why” is the most important question you can ask someone.

Take photos of everyday life.

Most importantly, read the newspaper, in print or online, every day.

FUN WITH FOOD

Macaroon Madness

The complicated history of a trendy dessert

By Ashley Yeh

Have you ever heard of macaroons? They first came from Italy. The word "macaron" has the same origin as that the word "macaroni," both mean "fine dough." The first kinds of Macarons were simple cookies, made of almond powder, sugar and egg whites. Macaron is not the same thing as macaroon. Macarons used to be in a different form as macaroons today. As the one before is much more light, sweet, and usually filled with cream and available in lots of flavors, the second is more simple, and consists mostly of ground almonds. Some people refer to macarons as "french macarons." Macaroon cookies biscuits often use egg whites, with ground or powdered nuts, commonly coconut but sometimes almond. Almost all recipes for macaroons use sugar, which provides a smooth, moist texture.

In Scotland, there are three types of macaroons: the macaroon biscuit, which is the cookie-type macaroon and almost always almond-flavored; a macaroon cookie that is made with plain mashed coconut (or cold cooked potatoes); and one mixed

with icing sugar to stiffen it, then dipped in chocolate and rolled in coconut.

In North America, the coconut macaroon is the best known kind. Commercially made coconut macaroons are generally dense, moist and sweet, and often dipped in chocolate. According to a legend, the macaroon was invented in an Italian monastery in 1792.

Today, macaroons are expensive due to the scarce ingredients used to make the macaroon. Probably the main reason why many families don't buy macaroons now is because of the price. Do you think that 75 NT for a single macaroon is reasonable? Some say that the reason why macarons are so expensive is because they are extremely hard to make and second, because the ingredients are scarce and expensive. One fun fact is that if you wanted to make 50 macaroon sit would take about 3 hours! Think about that! If you add the price of the ingredients, work, and the equipment to make them, the price of a single macaroon is reasonable. If you want an opinion from a kid, then here it is: "They are totally worth every bite!"

Fantastic Food Facts

By Justin Chen 6B

Potatoes have been grown in space.

Applesauce was the first food eaten in space by an American.

The average American eats about 28 pounds of bananas in a year.

Your skin can turn orange from eating too many carrots.

A single ear of corn consists of around 500 kernels.

About 1000 chocolate chips make a pound.

A two story chocolate fountain can be found in Las Vegas, Nevada.

About 12,000 animal crackers are produced in a minute.

Bread crumbs were once used by writers to correct mistakes.

Search online to find your own fantastic food facts!

Pan-Fried Green Onion Eggs

by Ryan Chen

Steps:

1. First crack both eggs in a bowl
2. Add some water to prevent the eggs from getting dry
3. Then add the soy sauce
4. Stir the egg
5. Add oil on the saucer and heat up the oil
6. Add the egg to the saucer
7. Fry the egg for about 3 minutes (remember to flip the eggs)
8. After you fry it, put it on a plate and you can now eat it.

Ingredients:

- 2 teaspoons of oil
- 2 teaspoons of soy sauce
- 2 eggs
- 1 stalk of green onion



Photos by Ryan Chen

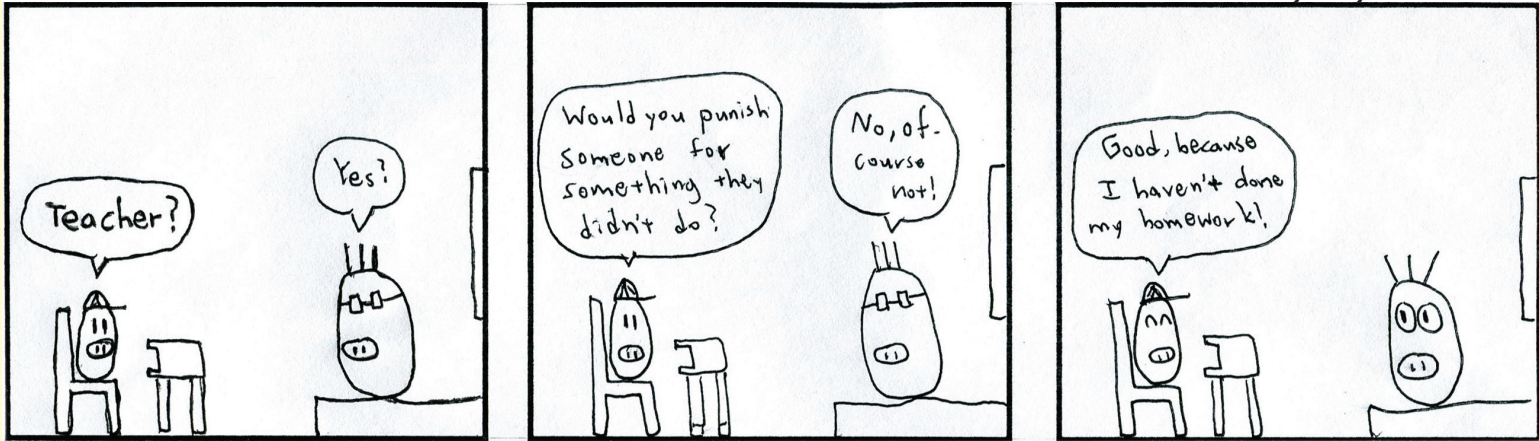


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COMIC STRIPS

Critical Thinker

By Ryan Chen



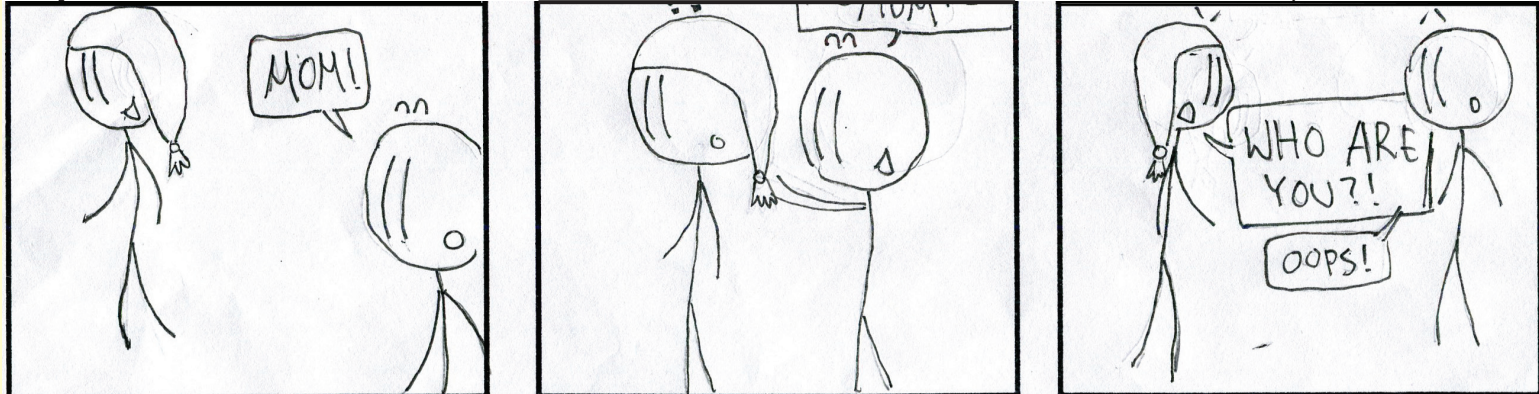
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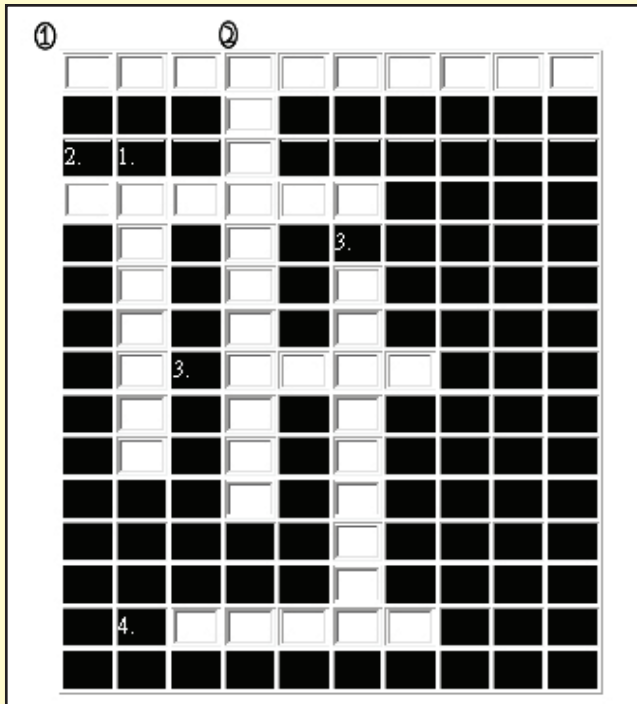


Oops!

By Andre Tsai



GAMES



CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1. The sale activity on 3/20.
2. A kind of soda that is white.
3. Opposite of buy.
4. The thing we use to buy things.

DOWN

1. get ready
2. Our school _____ is on 3/20.
3. Synonym of party, and meaning is to engage with festival.

For the answers ask an adult to check your work.

JOKES

Q: What was the elephant's favorite sport?

A: Squash

Q: How do you keep an elephant from charging?

A: You take away its credit cards

Q: What would you do if an elephant sat in front of you at a movie?

A: Miss most of the film

Q: What kind of bird works at a construction site?

A: A crane

Q: How do chicken say chicken-pox?

A: People-pox

Q: What came after the dinosaur?

A: Its tail

Q: Why do the French eat snails?

A: Because they don't like fast food

Q: "Waiter, will my pizza be long?"

A: "No sir, it will be round."

PHOTO HUNT



Can you find...

an NBA logo

a Young person

a pencil

PET Bottle

a thermos

2 watches

**PLACE
AD
HERE**