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Prelude to Fantastic English Activities

Upon arrival at the square next to Star Ferry, all students excitedly jumped to seek foreigners with barely a moment to marvel at the charming harbour!

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All F.2 students interviewed tourists in Tsim Sha Tsui in September. The excursion was a prelude to various exciting English activities throughout the year in TKPSS. At the end of the trip, despite the fatigue and scorching sunshine, students were satisfied with the eye-opening adventure.

My group has interviewed three foreigners, one from Korea and two from England. We're lucky, because they were all very friendly and willing to share their feelings about Hong Kong with us. Moreover, they spoke slowly to us therefore it was easy to communicate with them.



I interviewed a foreigner who came from Korea. She thought that the cuisine in Hong Kong was delicious and looked great. She agreed Hong Kong was a gourmet paradise. However, she expressed that most food was too expensive.



The tourists interviewed said that they loved the food of Hong Kong so much! They would definitely come to this city again. They also found the sea view of Victoria Harbour fantastic! What most surprised me was that they didn't know Ocean Park! Is it a kind of cultural difference?





After this event, I become brave. At the beginning, I was scared of foreigners. However, after I interviewed some foreigners, I found that they're very kind and friendly! It's easy to talk with them!

One tourist told me that it was the first time he came to Hong Kong, and he wanted me to recommend some places for him. Then, I plucked up my courage and introduced the Peak to him. He felt interested and thanked me! I became a tourism ambassador of Hong Kong. It was gorgeous!



When I tried to say "Hi," to the tourists, I felt very afraid because my English was not so good. However, my members encouraged me and supported me. I became braver at that moment! Thank you, my dear members!



I figured out that most of the foreigners liked eating dim sum very much! Dim Sum is greatly different from the food of their countries. They find this traditional Chinese food very attractive and delicious!

Get to know our exchange student!

As an exchange student from Germany, Saju has started his exciting journey to taste the hustle and bustle of this city. What does this F.3 student think about Hong Kong? Our reporters have interviewed Saju to know more about him.

Saju



Do you enjoy studying in TKPSS?

Yes, because all students study in TKPSS are kind and very cheerful. The teachers support me when I have any problems. I really like music lessons very much. It's enjoyable!

Reporters



Have you ever hung out with your classmates?

Yes, we have gone out twice for fun. It was fantastic! However, we're very busy, so it's difficult to have time to go out again.



What are the differences between the culture of Hong Kong and Germany?

In Germany, the students are more open. There is no need to wear school uniforms in Germany. Also, the lessons in Germany are shorter. It is also much freer in Germany.

If you have one more chance to study in Hong Kong, will you study in TKPSS again?



TKPSS is a good school, but I want to study in another school next time, so I can know more about different people in this city.



I have a twin brother.
Who's who?



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Can you finish saying his name without taking the second breath?

Sajuran Satchithanantham

Ida Wu F.4B

The Saju Show was held on 26th September, 2014 at the school hall. It was a success as it went on smoothly.

Saju is an exchange student this year, who is from Essen, Germany.

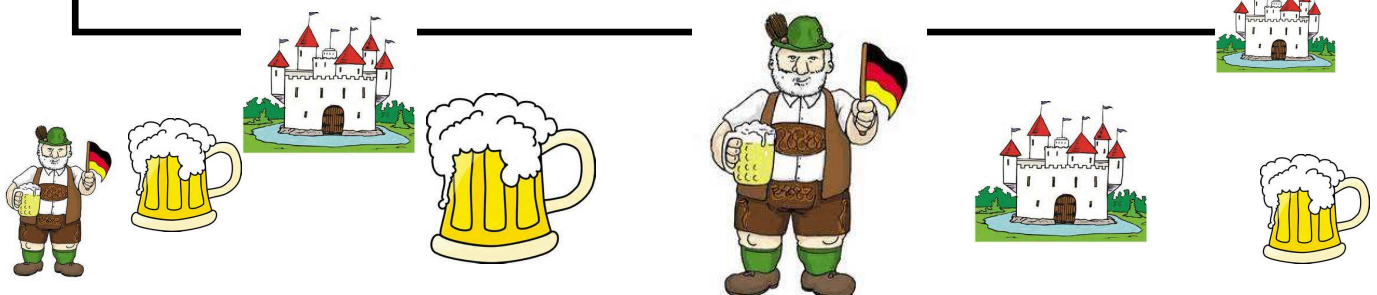
Before introducing his family to us, he told us “Saju” was only his nickname. In fact, his full name consists of more than twenty alphabetical letters. His full name is Sajuran Satchithanantham. A wonderful and nice example of alliteration, if you understand my poetic sense of humour.

Introducing himself, he showed us pictures of him and his family and friends. He has a lovely and loving family. Saju is a brother of two sisters and he has a twin brother. His brother is an exchange student, as well. But he went to the United States, instead. Their courage is worth appreciation as they dare to take a big step towards maturity and independence. They can also broaden their horizons while studying abroad and learning about foreign cultures.

He then told us about studying in Germany. People who attended the Show could spot the difference between Saju and the two previous exchange students. Saju studies at a stricter school than them and had as much homework as Hong Kong students. He even listed a variety of subjects he can study back in Germany.

One of the similarities of his introduction to the ones previous exchange students gave in the past was the Sing-and-Dance part. He sang a folk song to us and even taught us the dance moves. The song was brisk with a warm sense of harmony. The students who attended the show really enjoyed the song and danced to it engrossedly.

Getting strangers to know you can be simple and quick if you know how to catch people’s eyes and attention, such as showing others how to sing and dance to an amusing ballad. Saju did a great job on that!



Good Work from students...



My Great Day!

Fung Fei, Carrie (F.5C)

Best Show Ever!

Guess What? I was invited to be the adjudicator of the talent show which organized by our school's Student Union. It made me feel so great and cool because other judges and I have the greatest power in the talent show. Who stays? Why goes? It's decided by us!

The first performance was rope skipping from 5A. The boy skipped very fast. He skipped faster than the wind! When he changed to Donkey kick and the Awesome Annie (jump rope tricks), I was like 'Aww!' He performed so well and I appreciated his performance.

Next was the musical 'the King and I' performed by 4B. It's my favourite musical EVER! But, well, they just made this world-famous musical a matter of mess! They RUINED this musical!! It was sure that people sang in the musical. However, one of the performers who was the lead actress didn't sing. All she did was just stand on the stage reciting the song. 'Shall We Dance' was actually a nice enjoyable song with a lively tune. However, they performed this song extremely flat. I almost fell ASLEEP! Despite the lead actress didn't sing, the King also forgot his lines. The hall became silent for more than one minute. All we could do was just to wait for him to remember the lines. So boring!

Luckily, 3D made the atmosphere heated by the performance – singing 'Rock & Roll'. When we heard the prelude of the song 'Rock & Roll', the audience could not stop saying 'Wow!' I loved their performance so much! Their performance really heated the atmosphere up and the audiences were thrilled. The song not only changed the atmosphere and made it become better, but also conveyed the message of being ourselves and didn't care too much about others' opinions. I thought it's a really important message – Just Be Ourselves! They then sang 'We Are the World', which was a very thought provoking song. It raised people awareness towards poverty in Africa, like people didn't have enough food to eat, to survive and many of them died because of this. It made us know that all of us have the responsibility to help the poor, not just the people in Africa but also the poor in the whole world as we are all living in the earth therefore we should help each other.

Last performance was the little fat boy from 1E. He performed martial arts. Well, I knew that he tried his very best to perform the show. But he just lacked practice. If he had practised more, he could have done better. Martial arts, really NOT my cup of tea.

Without a doubt, 3D won the talent show because of their excellent performance. They did so well! They were worth being the champion of the talent show.

All in all, it's quite a nice and enjoyable show I have ever seen (except the musical). I can't stop recalling that nice moment of the talent show. However, I think if we can organize the show better, like putting the most enjoyable and exciting show at first and let go of those boring show, the audience will enjoy the show more. Also, even though the show is bad or boring, as a judge, I should respect them. I shouldn't be depressed or embarrass them. Sorry, 4B. Would I become the judge of the talent show again? Definitely, I would! It's a great opportunity! Not everyone could become the judge. And I want to improve the show next time!

Chris Wong



You've got a friend!



Does it happen to you or your friend? It seems that you have no one to talk to.

Amy didn't have lots of friends. She was shy. Amy never wanted to be popular, but she really wanted someone to share her secrets and laughed with her. She was just alone and she didn't get a lot of comfort or companionship from classmates.

This year, something happened and changed the plight. One day, every student in her class was asked by her English teacher to choose an ERS book for book sharing. When it was Amy's turn, she shared her feelings about the book. She asked the class, "What is your goal for going to school?" Most of the students replied that they wanted a good grade, a pass, or something similar. Amy told her class that what she wanted was entirely different. She just longed for making one good friend.

At recess, her classmate Kelly walked to her and said, "I want to be your friend." Amy felt surprised because no one had ever told her the same thing. After that, they started to chat and their friendship flourished day by day. They soon became best friends.

Writing Scripters interviewed some students. Is their experience similar to yours?

My friends didn't look very friendly at first. But after knowing them, I change the impression!

We knew each other in Form 1 Discipline Training Camp.

When we're sad because of the exam results or family problems, we'll hug each other and chat. When we're glad, we'll get together to eat snacks, have hot pots or BBQ, or throw a party in a Karaoke room.

We often go to Ocean Park or Disneyland after examinations to have fun. We like the exciting rides and cartoon characters.

At weekends, we go shopping. We like buying stationery and rings. We also love having our photos taken by using the photo-taking booths.

"There are many types of ships.
There are wooden ships, plastic ships, and metal ships.
But the best and most important types of ships are friendships."
- Old Irish Quote



Highlight of Upcoming English Activities



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| 1. 12/2 | F.1 Public Speaking Competition |
| 2. 27/2 | Intercultural Day (English Day) |
| 3. 10/3 | F.3 TKPSS Has Got Talent |
| 4. 12/3 | F.2 English Singing Contest |
| 5. 17/3 | F.1 TKPSS Has Got Talent |
| 6. 20/3 | F.4 Story Telling Competition (English Day) |
| 7. 24/3 | F.2 TKPSS Has Got Talent |
| 8. 23/4 | F.1 Drama Competition |
| 9. 14/5 | F.3 Drama Competition |
| 10. 22/5 | F.2 Voice Dubbing Competition (English Day) |



Jokes! Jokes! Jokes!

Lau Chung Fui (2C), Lam Ching Tsun (2B), Sam Long Hin (2B), Yuen Lok Yee (5A)

Fat Boy

Peter was overweight this month. He asked his friend John.

Peter: "John, I'm getting fatter this month."

John: "Do you do exercise every day?!"

Peter: "I run every day!"

John: "Where?"

Peter: "I run to McDonald's!"

John: "...."

Typing mistakes

Boss: "Wow! Your typing is improving. There are only six typing mistakes!"

Secretary: "Thank you!"

Boss cleared his throat: "Ok, now let's look at the second line of the passage...."



"Aren't there enough problems in the world already?"

What did one ghost say to the other ghost?

Do you believe in people?



Voice Dubbing Fun

Chan Chung Hei (3B), Mok Tak Kan (5D)

F.3 students participated in exciting Voice Dubbing Competition on Nov 21. The winners were F.3A(Group 1). Writing Scripters interviewed some F.3 students. What did they think?

The characters (Anna, Dr. Coolman, etc) always say tongue-twisters. Their performance was funny and interesting!

Like many students, I also adore Wong Yuen Kiu, who played Anna. She was actually Anna! No matter her accent and her tone, everything was perfect!

I've learnt that practice can help us gain self-confidence. If we don't have confidence, how can we stage a perfect show? Practice makes perfect. It's real.



"I'm old!"



"You're ruining my life!"

Choral Speaking Craze!

Lau Chung Fui (2C), Law Ho Man (2C), Luk Tsan Hong (2D)

F.2 Choral Speaking Competition was held on Nov 6 in the school hall. All classes used Hairy Toe as the text for performance. The poem was funny and exciting. Obviously, both the performers and the floor really enjoyed murmuring, barking, and howling "Hairy Toe! Hairy Toe! I want my Hairy Toe!"

The champion was F.2B. The class spent time reciting the poem Hairy Toe, which was regarded quite long and difficult to some students.

Form 2 students enjoyed the performance and believed that joining this kind of competition could strengthen their English speaking skills as well as boost their confidence.



"Hairy Toe! Hairy Toe!"



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