

Thoughts and Writing Are Intimately Connected

When I was asked to write a few lines to serve as Forward for this issue of Best Writing Collection, an idea came to my mind: "Thoughts and Writing Are Intimately Connected".

“What you think and what you write.”

On one hand, writing is a very useful tool to share your thoughts with readers. You can share your opinions, ideas and viewpoints through writing with the readers.

"What you write and what you are."

On the other hand, the readers can know more about your beliefs and character through your writing. Therefore I encourage you to communicate with each other through writing.

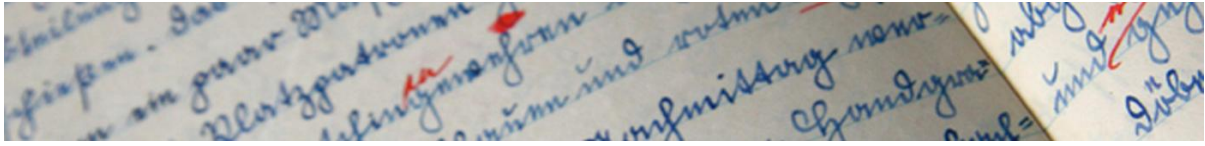
The Bible says, "Kind words are like honey—sweet to the soul and healthy for the body." (Proverbs 16:24 NLT). I hope the articles in this issue of Best writing Collection can act as honey which is sweet to the minds of the readers.

LAW Kam-shing

Principal

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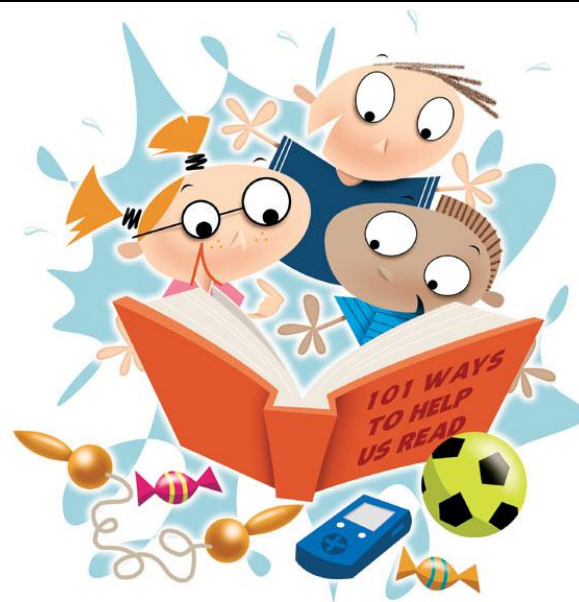


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Form One

Meeting My Favourite Idol 4th January, 2017 Wednesday Sunny

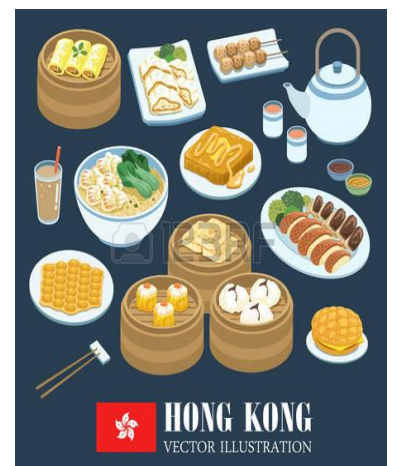


How lucky I was today!

On my way home after school, someone tapped on my shoulder. When I turned round, to my surprise, he was Feels Bad Pat, known as Pat, my favourite idol. My heart was racing the moment I saw him, so I stuttered and asked whether he was Pat. Without hesitation, he replied politely and knew I was his fan! He explained this was his first time to visit Hong Kong so he asked me whether I would like to be his tour guide during his stay. I jumped up happily and expressed my willingness with excitement.

I took him to his hotel first because I could see that he was still carrying his luggage. His hotel room was gigantic and fancy. After leaving his luggage in his room, we went to eat some traditional snacks in Hong Kong such as fish balls and egg tarts. He took a lot of photos of the food and posted them on Twitter. Then, we went to the Peak to see the beautiful night view of the city. Of course, Pat wouldn't miss the chance of taking pictures of the view. He also asked me to take photos of him as well. It was about seven o'clock so we went to a Chinese restaurant to taste Chinese cuisine. In the restaurant, we chatted about his channel as we ate dim sum. Time passed quickly. At ten, we left the restaurant as he had to go on making his videos.

As I got to know him face to face instead of through the Internet, I found Pat an interesting person. He also likes taking photos which I have never noticed that until today. The best part of meeting him is having his Discord chat tag. From now on, I can voice chat with him anytime I want. What a valuable experience! I hope I can see him again.



A Special Christmas Holiday

What do you usually do during Christmas holiday? Playing with friends? Doing holiday homework? Or eating a lot of yummy food? I think these are part of our daily routine. I would like to write about my last Christmas holiday as it brought me special experiences. During the holiday, I did many interesting things, such as having a camping trip, hiking and visiting the elderly. All these activities were enjoyable!

On the first day of the holiday, I went on a camping trip with my best friends at primary school - Chloe and Liz. We went to Tai Po to ride bicycles. After cycling, we gathered round a campfire and played a lot of board games. It was great fun to be with Chloe and Liz as I hadn't seen them for a long time.

On Christmas Eve, I went hiking with my family. We went to Sai Kung and the view there was gorgeous. We walked for five hours before having a break. After the walk, I felt very tired. I think I should do more exercise to strengthen my body in my free time.

Then I had my last activity. As I am a Girl Guide, my teacher took our group to visit a home for the elderly on New Year's Day. It is in Kowloon Tong and we took a bus to go there. When we arrived, the elderly greeted us warmly at the entrance. Then we played games and sang songs. We also gave them some handmade scarves and cookies as gifts. During our stay, they enjoyed themselves very much. Their smiles were so warm that I would never forget! I felt happy as I could cheer them up.

Do you think my Christmas holiday was special? Maybe you can make plans for your coming holiday and design an unforgettable one for yourself! It will give you lots of valuable memor



My life in Pentecostal School

I am a F.1 student. I have been at Pentecostal School for one year. This year, I have learnt so many new things that I did not know when I was in primary school. There were a lot of activities I tried for the first time, such as the F.1 Orientation Camp, F.1 Bridging Course, Sports Day, Music Day, Life-wide Learning Day and the Anniversary Run. Among all these activities, I like the F.1 Orientation Camp, F.1 Bridging Course and Music Day the most.

In the F.1 Bridging Course, we learnt different aspects about other countries, such as food, money and places. After that, we produced a drama and presented it to our parents. In the drama, I was so scared, so I spoke softly. All the teachers and parents could not hear my voice.

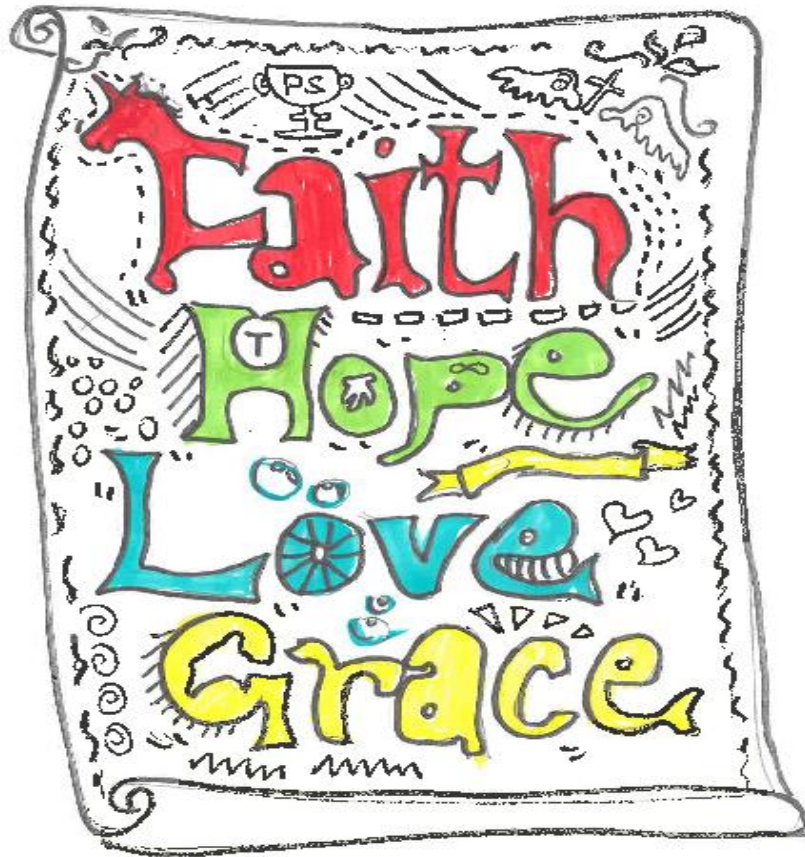


During the F.1 Orientation Camp, all the F.1 students had to stay in school for three days and two nights. On the first night, we set up the tents ourselves and three students stayed in a tent. The food was yummy too. I liked the sandwiches, desserts, rice and chicken wings. The weather was not good on the second day, so we had to go back home.

On Music Day, there were students and house members singing and dancing on the stage. They sang and danced so well. Some students acted like K-pop stars and danced. I liked the inter-house competition most. Their show was wonderful. I enjoyed the Music Day.



I enjoyed my first year at Pentecostal School because there were many special events. I think it is a good school.



Form Two

Dear Mike,

I received your letter yesterday. Thank you for telling me about your problems. I'm sorry to hear about them. Perhaps I can give you some advice.

Bullying is horrible and it must be stopped. I suggest you tell your class teachers and your parents about the unpleasant photos of yourself that were posted on Facebook. I think only adults can deal with this situation since your classmates may not know what to do.

Regarding the argument with your parents, I suggest you to be open and honest with them. If you think it is too hard to study all day, you should tell them your true feelings and thoughts. Let them know you will be exhausted by a large amount of homework. If your parents still don't understand you, try to get a high mark in the coming test. This will prove that you can study well without their supervision.

I hope my advice is useful and can help you solve your problems. Please write back to me if you need any more advice.



Best wishes,

Jacky

Flat B, 11/F,
Tower 4, Space Tower,
79 Love Road,
Kwun Tong.

March 23, 2018

The Manager,
Shop 11, 2/F,
East Way Tower,
69-88 Month Street,
Tung Chung.

Dear Sir/ Madam,

Complaint about the delivery service and the service hotline

I am writing to complain about a black shirt I bought from your online shop. I placed an order on your website on January 21, 2018.

It took around two months for the order to be sent which was much longer than I had expected as your website promised to deliver the products within a week. When the product finally arrived, I noticed that the shirt was red in colour. I asked the courier to return the shirt to the shop, but he told me to call the service hotline to report the problem. When I phoned the hotline, your staff got impatient after hearing about the case and ended the call. I was furious about it.

I hope that you will examine the issues raised and take proper action to prevent this from happening again. Otherwise, I believe it will negatively affect your business and the reputation of your online store.



Yours faithfully,

Chris Wong

Chris Wong

A Blog Entry



2B Yu Yat Tin Jan



My Surprising Day

10th September, 2017

Tuesday

Sunny

What a surprising day!

Last Sunday, I went shopping with my mum after church. Mum told me that I could buy a pair of shoes as my examination result was excellent! I thought it was good to wear a pair of new shoes to play basketball with my classmates next month.

We decided to go to Telford Plaza when the church service finished. First, we had lunch in the food court. My mum ordered a bowl of chicken curry with rice, which is her favourite dish. I ordered a bowl of noodles with salmon. I think mine looked tastier than hers. Both of our dishes were delicious! After lunch, we went to a personal care shop to buy shampoo and toothpaste. After that, we went to my favourite sports shop. I loved going there because I could choose what I liked!

After shopping for a few hours, we had purchased over \$1,500 and we could have one lucky draw chance to win a prize. I rushed to the counter to queue up for the lucky draw. One of the staff members gave me a red packet. Excitedly, I pulled out a piece of red paper from the lucky draw box and passed it to that member of staff. Wow! He told us we had won the first prize! My mum and I were shocked and overjoyed.

"Am I dreaming?" I asked Mum. She told me, "It's real! You are not dreaming! You've really won the first prize!" We were very excited because the prize was an iPhone 7! I yelled and burst into tears at that moment as I could not believe that it was true!

After taking photos with the Management Office representative of Telford Plaza, we rushed home quickly and shared the big prize with my dad. We were so delighted that we had a buffet dinner together that night! At last, we went home on a full stomach.

What a wonderful day! I had never thought that I was so lucky!

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Form Three

A Letter of Advice

3A Fung San Hung

Hi Sally

Thanks for your letter. I'm sorry to hear that you have encountered different problems in your life. I think I can offer you some advice.

First, you said that you were addicted to playing computer games. Why don't you set up a timetable and an alarm to control the time spent on playing games? It is the best way to solve your problem as you can manage your time in a better way. If I were you, I would seek professional advice first as I think their valuable advice can benefit you. In the meantime, you should share with your father and let him know why you always play computer games. You also need to build up good sleeping habits because as you said, you always feel tired at school. You should sleep before 11:00pm and stop playing computer games half an hour earlier so that you will get enough sleep.

As for the problem with English vocabulary studies, I suggest you read more English books and newspapers. Another suggestion is to watch English movies and listen to English songs. These are fun and easy ways to learn English. Also you could ask your teachers or friends for help when you have problems. In fact, persistence and determination are the most important factors when learning English. Your performance will improve if you maintain a disciplined and focused attitude.

Finally, you said that your older brother had a new smartphone and tablet computer but he hadn't told your parents and he hadn't got a job. If I were you, I would talk to him first. If he got money in a dishonest manner or didn't tell you the truth, you could tell your parents.

I hope this advice is useful. Please write to me again if you need more help.

Yours

Sunny



United in Love

In 2017, I participated in the “One Love Manchester ” fundraising concert, which was organized by the singer Ariana Grande. It was held in the Old Trafford Cricket Ground in England. The organisers collected money to help the injured and families of the victims, who suffered in the Manchester Arena bombing. The concert was really an unforgettable and meaningful experience for me.

In my mind, pictures of the bombing attack were still clear and it was horrible. It must be tough for the victims to overcome the effects of this terrible event physically and psychologically. Therefore, I decided to support them after I had heard about this fundraising concert. I booked a ticket and posted messages on my social media sites in order to inspire my friends to join the fundraising concert. Their feedback totally surprised me. Most of them liked my post, some even shared it with others.

Before the concert, a friend had suggested whether we should order some banners or T-shirts to support the concert. Therefore, we contacted a printing company. The company made a wonderful gesture and sold the goods to us free of charge for supporting the concert.

On the day of the concert, none of the seats were empty and the cheering sounds were non-stop. Everybody was singing together and waving banners to express their support. Although I used to think people were all selfish but I realised how wrong I was at that moment. Finally, The organisers collected around US \$1300 million from the concert.

The terrorist attack was indeed terrible but I trust all of those affected will recover from their physical and mental wounds. Besides, I hope the money raised can assist in rebuilding their lives. The community needs your help to make the world a better place. I hope most of you will get involved in charity events next time.



A Day To Sai Kung Country Park

Today, I went to Sai Kung Country Park as a tourist. The scenery there was magnificent and breathtaking. Beautiful trees and flowers were everywhere. It is also a good place for picnic.

Our group first met in a shopping mall at nine o'clock in the morning. After everyone arrived, we took a coach to go to Sai Kung Park . The journey took about one hour from Tsim Sha Tsui.

When we arrived, we saw a large number of monkeys in the trees and the surrounding areas.. One of them even stole our groupmate's food, including some bananas and chocolates. We were very upset and very annoyed by what the monkeys did. However, seeing the way they shared the food with members of their own family or community group made me realise how similar we were after all.

This 'love' of the family was reflected on Sunday when the park was full of local people visiting with their families and friends. Like the monkeys, we all want to have fun with our families and friends in the park. At first, we couldn't find a suitable place to eat. After walking for about twenty minutes, we eventually found a site. We took out all our delicious barbecue food. We prepared some chicken wings and sausages, and enjoyed our delicious lunch in the park.

After the barbecue, we took a hike around the park. However, there was a lot of rubbish on the road. I think some people were selfish and inconsiderate to others. They did not care if they contributed to the destruction of the beautiful scenery.

I think one of the travel tips at the end of this experience was we should protect the environment and should not litter in the country park. Rubbish should all be in the bins!



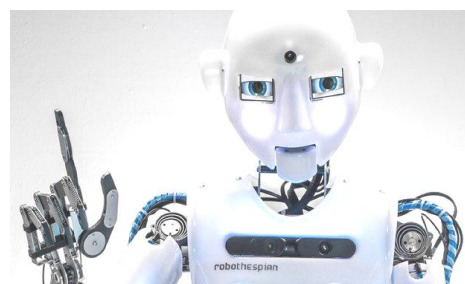
Robots make our lives worse

Robots are gaining in popularity across the world and many people believe that they are useful in our lives. However, I think robots will pose a threat to our lives in future. In this essay, I will explain why. First, it is true that robots can do all our housework but I think it may raise other problems for people over time. I agree that robots can help working parents to do all the domestic chores. By using robots at home, children do not have the chance to learn these very important life skills. When they grow up, if they cannot afford a robot, they will not know how to do housework. Therefore, it is only a 'short-term fix' with long-term implications.

Besides, robots can take up many jobs. Many companies gradually choose to use robots instead of humans. It leads to unemployment problems. The people who lose their jobs need money to maintain lives, so they will seek help from the government. Therefore, robots will cause unemployment and increase the financial burden of the government in supporting its citizens.

My biggest fear is that robots will cause the extinction of the human race. As robots are becoming more and more advanced, one day they may be superior to people in every way. They may decide to conquer the world in future and we will not be able to stop them.

In conclusion, I believe that robots will make our lives worse. They will reduce our life skills, take over our jobs and eventually cause the extinction of the human race. Therefore, robots are harmful to our lives. We must stop using robots!



Zombies Run

For Fitness in 2018

Date 12th A

Time: 12:00 to 21:00

Venue West Kowloon Waterfront Promenade

Participants: teenagers and adults

Purposes: let participants keep fit and make fun

Step

1 Participants are divided into two groups
- zombies and survivors

2 A red flag is tied to the back of every survivor and the
red flag represents the number of lives of survivors

When the red flag of survivors are taken away by the
zombies, the survivor will have one chance to complete a
mission.

4 The participants need to finish 5-km race
within 7 hours

5 After 7 hours, if one red flag is still attached to the
survivor of the group, survivors win the race

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Form Four

Trapped In Building

Yesterday, six people were trapped for five hours in a Wan Chai office building. Unfortunately, I was one of them.

Although the office building is in Wan Chai, it is in a place that is not eye-catching, I had never been there before. After I went shopping at Hysan Place with my friends, we lost our way when we were looking for the bus stop to go back home.

While we were walking on the streets, I noticed there were less people on the street. At the same time, one of my friends, Emily, found a deserted alley and we walked through it. In front of us was an abandoned office building. Out of curiosity, we made the decision to enter the building, a decision that would turn out to be bad in hindsight.

After we entered the building, there was nothing in the office and all the rooms were empty. The paint was peeling in some places and the lack of lighting made the office seem eerie. Although there was no light, the elevator was still working much to our surprise. We got in the small elevator and pressed the button for the 5th floor. Strange things started happening then. The elevator did not stop at the 5th floor. Instead, it kept going up. We were worried and looked at each other. We didn't know what was going on. Eventually, it stopped on the 9th floor. We



were scared and frustrated so we ran out from the elevator. We knew that we needed to leave the building immediately.

However the electricity suddenly went off and the elevator broke down. We planned to escape from the fire exits but the doors were all locked. No matter how hard we pushed against the doors, we could not open them. Everybody was panicking. I tried to calm down and call the police office. However, my phone could not receive any signal. Andy told us to shout together, to try to let the people on the street hear us. No matter how loudly we screamed and shouted, there was no reply.



Meanwhile, we tried to explore the building to find a way to get out. Despite it still being very hot on the streets, the building was suspiciously chilly. Upon checking all the rooms, we came across a man standing alone in a room. We wanted to ask him for help so we walked towards him slowly. “BOOM” the door suddenly slammed shut by itself and the man disappeared. We screamed in terror and ran away. We called the police again. Luckily, we got a reply. The police comforted us through the phone call. We locked ourselves in a room and waited for the Fire Services.

Finally, the Fire Service came and rescued us. They helped us to get out of the building. Just as we were leaving, I turned back and looked at the building. I was terrified at what I saw. The man was looking down at me with a smiley face from a window on the 9th floor.

Complaint about the school tuck shop



Dear Mr Law,

On behalf of our schoolmates, I am writing to express our dissatisfaction about the school tuck shop, and request that the school takes prompt and appropriate action in the hope that we cease to buy food from unknown and unregulated food trucks outside school.

To begin with, the problem of buying lunchboxes from hawkers is a consequence of a poor choice being offered by the school. Convenient and heartwarming as it is, our school tuck shop is in no way the best option for our students. During lunchtime, students have to wait in a long line in order to get their food. However, we have only about an hour for lunch, and we do not want to spend half an hour just waiting in line. Worse still, the tuck shop only offers a limited range of food such as cupcakes and cup noodles. Those foods are not healthy options if consumed every day. So students have no choice but to buy food from those food trucks as they offer different kinds of healthier food and drinks. In summary, they are actually a lesser evil because our time is saved and they are healthier food options to some extent.

The situation will not improve until we solve the problem at source – the tuck shop. I believe it is the key for the tuck shop to sell a wider variety of food, for example, salads, sandwiches and milk. Besides, the tuck shop could hire more servers so that the long waiting time could be reduced.

I hope my suggestion will be useful. If you have any questions about schoolmates' feelings and the school tuck shop, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,
Chris Wong

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Love, Hope, Faith

form five

Life in Lucky Village 40 years ago

About 40 years ago, Hong Kong's economy was just boosted by the changes of production industries. However, there was a small place where people's lives still heavily depended on farming and fishing. It was Lucky Village, a name that was almost unknown to Hong Kong people. At that time, the villagers lived a very simple but peaceful life. Their lifestyles were entirely different from the ones in modern cities; however, the locals were satisfied with what they had – fresh air, bright sunshine and the tranquility of the village.

An event that changed Lucky Village

The villagers had kept the way of living for a long period of time. Until the 1980s, a businessman from the United States came because of an accident. During his stay, he was attracted by a kind of special fruit that he had never tasted before. After his recovery, he left the village and brought some seeds of the fruit home. With his hard work, he could successfully grow and introduce the new exotic species there. It was such a lucrative business venture that he earned over a million dollars a year. He even named the fruit "Lucky Fruit from an Unfamiliar Hong Kong Village". The brand new flavour quickly drew American's attention. In this way, Lucky Village is famed for the special fruit, which brings a steady increase in the number of visitors.

What Lucky Village is famous for

As previously mentioned, Lucky Fruit has made the village famous. Its shape is like an apple but it is orange in colour. It has a taste of the mango fruit but it is exceptionally sweet. People all over the world find this exotic fruit appealing. People also love the name – Lucky Fruit, as they share a firm belief that it brings good luck and fortune. Due to its

popularity, Lucky Village has turned into one of the most well-known tourist spots in the world.



You are a famous news reporter for Hong Kong News. Your old secondary school has asked you to write a feature article about yourself for the next edition of the school magazine.

The best part of my job

Being a news reporter is fun! My favourite part of my job is certainly the worldwide travelling and the meeting of new faces from different corners of the world.

A few years ago, I was sent overseas to record a short TV documentary about the happiest country in the world. I flew to Bhutan - a world-renowned country with a high happiness index. The place was a stark contrast to Hong Kong. Amazed by its beautiful natural setting and the relaxing slow-pace lifestyle, the film crew managed to hire a friendly and knowledgeable local tour guide to show us around. He was really helpful and polite. He even taught us some simple Bhutanese! The opportunities to work overseas make my job extremely appealing to me.



The biggest challenge I have ever faced in my job

In my 20-year career as a news reporter, I have faced many different situations. There was one occasion which I considered as undoubtedly my biggest challenge to date. Doing live reports is always unpredictable. I remember a day in 1999 when the typhoon signal 10 had just been hoisted.



I had to report it in Tsim Sha Tsui. The weather was ferocious and the wind was unforgiving. Rubbish and leaves were rolling around everywhere. The violent wind was so strong that I could hardly stand still! To make matters worse, that was my first ever live broadcast. Feeling nervous and shaky, I stuttered in front of the camera through the entire report. This experience taught me that life as a news

reporter had to be flexible and adaptable at all times. Although it was quite embarrassing for me as a junior journalist, it was an important lesson and it helped to lay the foundation of my career.

My school days

Back in the days when I was a student, I was passionate about being a news reporter. That was my dream job all through my childhood. I watched news reports every morning and every evening after school. However, I was a very shy child and I was petrified to speak in front of people and cameras. In order to conquer my shortcomings and to achieve my dream, I had to work exceptionally hard. Taking advantage of every possible chance, I approached my teacher and gained extra speaking practice. Sometimes, I even volunteered to speak at assemblies in order to overcome my fear.



Aspects of being a news reporter

Self-confidence is an essential quality as a news reporter. Having a presentable appearance and clear articulation can capture the attention of your listening audience. As illustrated earlier, it is



also important for a news reporter to be adaptable when filming live reports. Sometimes, I have to fly to different places with literally a 5-minute notice. So, as a news reporter – be ready and enjoy the adventures!

The Local History Newsletter is a newsletter about the history of Hong Kong. Every month, it prints short articles about special places in Hong Kong. You have been asked to write an article about an old village called Lucky Village.

Life in Lucky Village 40 years ago

Lucky Village was a very old and low-tech village 40 years ago. One of the reasons was its location as it was extremely remote and isolated from the heart of the city. Villagers had to go to an electricity centre in order to access a phone or to watch TV. Washing machines were unavailable in this part of Hong Kong so villagers, particularly women, had to go to the river nearby to wash their clothes. With the limited resources and facilities, people were poor in Lucky Village 40 years ago and people's daily lives in Lucky Village were extremely hard. No one could get a chance to study. Everyone had to help their parents to earn a living or to take care of the family. Despite the hardship, people in Lucky Village had a strong sense of identity and community spirit!



An event that changed Lucky Village

Ten years ago, Sam Lee and Angela Cheung hosted their “Celebrity Wedding of the Year” in Lucky Village. They are well-known Hong Kong movie stars because of a famous romantic film called “See You Again in Lucky Village”.

In fact, Sam and Angela were both born in this village and were friends when they were children. After moving away with their families during their teenage years, their friendship drifted apart and somehow, destiny brought them back together. They met again at university.

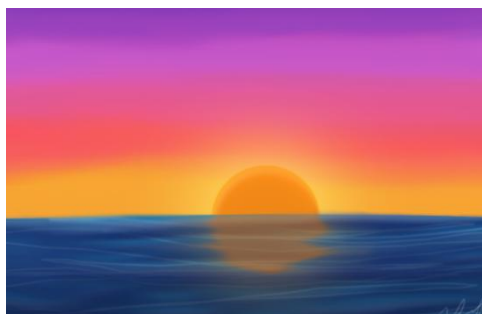
This film, which is based on their story, became an instant blockbuster in the city in 2007. This romantic introduction of Lucky Village brought unprecedented attention from the outside world to this quiet piece of land. Their wedding party 10 years ago transformed Lucky Village from a totally unknown and old world place into a fashionable “wedding village” overnight. The name “Lucky Village” has captured the attention and imagination of the public and businesses worldwide since then!



What Lucky Village is famous for

Nowadays, Lucky Village is famous for its succulent and tasty seafood. As the village is next to the ocean with a few rivers inland, the seafood is fresh and delicious. With the benefit of investment from big businesses, it has become a “romantic” village for people to visit and sample the seafood delicately prepared by top chefs as a special treat. Some nature-lovers go fishing there to escape the hustle and bustle of the hectic city life of Hong Kong.

The other major attraction of Lucky Village is the spectacular sunrise and sunset. “Lucky Endless Sea”, immortalised by the movie, is now a hotspot for tourists. Couples go there to soak in the atmosphere. There is also a small hill for visitors to admire the sunrise or sunset. People feel relaxed and free from all the difficulties they have in their daily lives.





Form Six

Whether parents should install apps to monitor their children's online activities



Dear Editor,

I am writing to express my concern that some Asian parents have installed apps on their children's mobile phones to monitor their activities and use of the devices. I do not agree with the act of spying on children and I will account for my reasoning in the following paragraphs.

Naturally, parents are eager to know everything that happens to their children in order to understand their lives and ensure their safety. However, this action deprives children of their privacy and freedom, which are their fundamental human rights. As children are individuals, adults should not pry into their personal lives. Just imagine, can adults accept their daily lives completely monitored by others? It would definitely be "No". Then why should we treat our children in this way?

Second, the monitoring apps may lead to evasion by children. Nobody likes to live under surveillance even when the motive is just out of concern. The more strongly the parents supervise their children, the higher resistance there will be from the children. They may use clever tricks to avoid prying eyes such as deceiving their parents, leaving their phones in a place that cannot be detected or playing cat-and-mouse games. Worse still, if they just leave their phones elsewhere in order to get rid of their parents' control, they will not be able to seek help when they are in real danger. Is it not putting the cart before the horse?

Finally, tracking every move of a child is not conducive to building a positive relationship between children and parents. Mutual trust is a crucial ingredient for a good parent-child relationship. Communicating with children face-to-face is more effective in building a strong relationship for both sides to have a talk. Why do we need to act like wardens and prisoners?

To conclude, the efficiency of installing apps on children's mobile phones to monitor their activities is highly questionable. Parents should respect their children and give them some degree of privacy as it definitely helps to foster stronger parent-child relationship.



Dear Ms Lee,

On behalf of the Social Service Club, I am writing to propose a new community project that the school can carry out with the home for the elderly in our district. As we all know, one of our goals is to establish a closer linkage to our community. I hope that this idea would be considered in our school.

To start with, the community project could allow students to serve the elderly by joining in some social service activities to show care and concerns for the elderly. One activity that could be carried out would be to organise a ‘Tea and Chat’ session. Schoolmates who participate in the community project can prepare the tea set with Chinese food that the elderly like most such as dim sum or even lunch tea buffet. In the meantime, our schoolmates could provide various artistic performances ranging from musicals to drama and rap talk to storytelling. These shows would enable our students to gain the valuable public performing experiences and at the same time, the elderly could share the joy with the young people.

The benefits of the project for the elderly are twofold. First, students would be able to share their talents with the elderly. Second, through these events, students would get satisfaction while the elderly would enjoy the fun and share the smiles and laughter of teenagers. Also, through these interactions, our students can enrich themselves by knowing how to take good

care of the elderly, understand what kind of lifestyle the elderly follow and, the most important of all, the life experience of the elderly.

We do hope that the new community project will be accepted as it could bring many benefits to both the elderly and teenagers.

Yours faithfully,
Chris Wong
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Face Off**Should parents install apps on their children's mobile phones that monitor their activities to ensure they use these devices responsibly?**

I absolutely agree with those parents in Asian countries who install monitoring apps on their children's mobile phones in order to ensure the proper use of their devices.

Firstly, I believe that privacy is not necessary between children and parents. Parents have a duty of care to know their children's activities and provide them with appropriate guidance as they may not be mature enough to make suitable judgment or choices. By careful adult monitoring, parents should be able to protect children without violating their privacy. As far as children are concerned, they do not have any reason to have personal privacy.

Secondly, I strongly believe that what Asian parents do can prevent their children from overusing their mobile phones, especially games. Nowadays, many children are addicted to different popular games such as King's Legends and League of Legends (LOL). They use their pocket money to pay for new characters. Accidents like car crashes happen while teenagers are playing games while crossing the road. It is not uncommon to see children losing control of themselves when they are using their mobile phones. Therefore, parents' supervision can monitor their activities and reduce the dangers of addiction. Parents should also consider locking their children's phones through these apps if they do not control their use voluntarily.

Thirdly, many websites are inappropriate for children. Parents should monitor what websites their children search. There are many cyber crimes on the Internet and it is dangerous to talk with strangers. Some criminals sell their products to them while chatting to them or even invite them to meet in real life. Children may not be aware of the risk of social networking sites such as Facebook and

Instagram and may eventually be cheated by strangers. Also, children may give their personal information inadvertently to others when they sign up for an account or download some apps. Therefore, it is essential for parents to install apps on their phones to protect their children's personal information.

In fact, education is the most important way to teach children how to use devices responsibly. However, many children cannot control themselves while using electronic gadgets. Therefore, monitoring their activities through apps is an effective way to protect children.



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Should some parents in Asian countries install apps on their children's mobile phone or not? I strongly oppose such an idea and in the following, I will explain my reasons for taking this point of view.

Firstly, as far as I am concerned, children could easily find a way to evade the surveillance of these applications on their phones. In this era of advanced technology, more and more children tend to increasingly gain technological knowledge. Some of them can even create their own apps. In contrast, their parents may be lagging behind their offspring as they were only able to use cable phones when they were young. Only a handful of these parents are able to comprehend the concept of hacking, jailbreaking and cracking. In other words, parents are technologically inept while children are experts. Notwithstanding parents' attempt to install advanced monitoring applications on their children's phones, it is by no means certain that teenagers cannot find a resolution to that. 'No Parents' is one of the most popular applications designed for children to tackle the parental control software. Therefore, this idea is nothing but "a piece of cake" for these tech-savvy youngsters.

Secondly, it is disrespectful for parents to deprive their children of privacy. As children are growing up and becoming mature both mentally and physically, they crave privacy and freedom, parents should hence adjust the way of parenting. Not only will close supervision make their children uneasy, but also will put them in an embarrassing situation. Try to imagine if you were the children, how would you feel when all of your secrets are exposed to others? No matter who they are, the right of privacy should be respected. Besides, I believe the proper relationship between children and parents should be based on mutual trust and respect. If the mobile phone is served as a tool of surveillance and

conspiracy, it is no doubt that an indelible shadow will be left on children. As a result, the parent-child relationships will be tarnished.

Last but not least, this behaviour may be counterproductive. As I mentioned above, monitoring children's activities is an intrusion into their private lives. Some children may become defiant and try to rebel against their parents. Even though surveillance applications are installed to keep children safe, the consequence may turn out to be disastrous. Some teenagers may try to express their grievance by binge drinking or indulging in other risky behaviour like leaving home to evade their parents. The sad situation is definitely contrary to parents' expectations.

To conclude, privacy and trust are the most important components in relationships. Therefore, I am strongly against parents installing apps to monitor their children.





Dear Editor,

In April, the Olympic Council of Asia decided that eSports would become an official medal sport at the 2022 Asian Games in China. However, some people think that eSports involve violence and bloodshed, which is against “Olympic values” – non-discrimination, non-violence, and peace among people. Therefore, they think that it should not be a medal event at the Olympic Games. I do not agree with their opinion.

Firstly, eSports in fact shows non-discrimination. All countries can have their own army of eSports if they like. The participants do not care about which countries their opponents come from. What they focus on is the techniques of their opponents and how well they perform. It is fair for all representatives who come from different countries to fight for the medals, so e-Sports can show one of the Olympic values – non-discrimination.

Although some games like CSGO aim at killing the players’ opponents, there are some which are totally not related to violence. In other words, it does not violate the Olympic value of non-violence. For example, Hearthstone, also known as TCG, is a kind of trading card games. All TCG share common features - players have to edit their own decks and try to win through specific targets. It is true that there are battles and fights, but it is totally about cards and numbers, which is not related to violence. Therefore, it is absolutely fine to make eSports a medal event at the Olympic Games.

Some current eSports such as League of Legends, aims to destroy the opponents’ targets. League of Legends, which is like a mini war, could show the audience what peace is. It is a game in which 5 blue team members are against 5 red team members. Both teams share the same goal. 10 players

control their champions to fight against each other. When the war in the cyber world finishes, the teams will have no more fights until they take part in the next competition. It means all the fights occur in the cyber world only but not in the real world. Game is game. Reality is reality. Not only is no one hurt in the game, the participants can also appreciate and learn from each other, just like other sports such as volleyball. If eSports violates the core value of Olympics — peace, so does volleyball. If volleyball is a medal event at the Olympic Games, why can't eSports be one of the events?

As eSports do not violate the Olympic values — non-discrimination, non-violence, and peace among people, in my opinion, it is sensible for eSports to be a medal event at the Olympic Games.

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