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Dear Friends,

We have put a lot of effort into producing this newsletter. We truly hope that you will enjoy reading it. Remember to always read the newspaper to boost your composition writing skills.



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Jurong Rock Caverns

By Sarah Chua

On 2 September 2014, Singapore unveiled its latest engineering feat to overcome land constraints — an underground commercial storage facility for oil products.



The ambitious nine-storey high Jurong Park caverns took fourteen years of planning construction to become a reality.

Officially opened by Prime Minister Lee Hsien Loong, the \$950 million project was challenging and risky, but it will yield great rewards. It will free up 60 hectares of land or 70 football fields above ground. It will enable Singapore to develop its petrochemical industry, which makes up about a third of the country's manufacturing output. It will also provide jobs for many.



The inside of a rock cavern

The caverns, the first in Southeast Asia, sit 150m below the Jurong Island or four times further underground than Singapore's deepest MRT station.

Lock Yi Xuan: Head Prefect Nominee

By Anson Koh

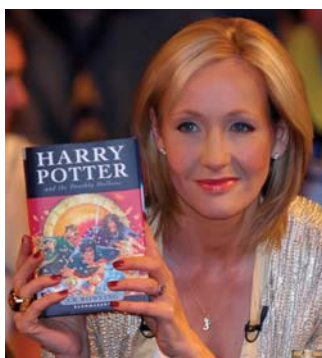
Eleven-year-old Lock Yi Xuan from Primary 5E is one of the head prefect nominees. She is a respectful, reliable and responsible student.

She says, "I will report to the teacher even if my best friend cheats in an exam as I need to treat everyone fairly."

As a leader, Yi Xuan feels that it is important for her to respect everyone, including her juniors. She is a team player who can work well with her teammates during group activities as she listens to everyone's opinion and encourages teammates to give of their best!



Head Prefect Nominee,
Lock Yi Xuan



Left: J. K. Rowling, author of the *Harry Potter* series. Right: One of Rick Riordan's books featuring *Percy Jackson's Greek Gods*.



During her free time, Yi Xuan likes to read books, especially those written by J. K. Rowling and Rick Riordan.

The *Justice Writers* Editorial Team wishes Yi Xuan the best of luck in becoming the head prefect of Park View Primary School!

Ebola Outbreak

By Doris Lai

Ebola has claimed 3400 lives since September 2014. More than 7000 people in West Africa have contracted the virus. It is the deadliest outbreak on record.

Close contact with an infected person will not cause the virus to be transmitted. Instead, Ebola is spread through direct contact with bodily fluids. If the blood or vomit of an infected person gets into another person's eyes, nose or mouth, the infection may be transmitted. Caregivers and health workers are at the most risk. Health care workers must be equipped with protective gears as any object that is contaminated with bodily fluids like, latex gloves or a hypodermic needle can spread the disease.

The epidemic is spreading faster than efforts to contain it. To make matter worse, physicians were partly responsible for the spread of the virus. In past breakouts, hospital staff members unknowingly spread the virus when they failed to take thorough precautions.

The virus Ebola has no cure and is fatal in most cases. Medical treatments merely focus on maintaining blood pressure and treating other infections in the weak victims.

After about 8 to 10 days after exposure, the symptoms appear. First, it is like having a flu such as headaches, fever and pains. Then vomiting and diarrhoea follow. Ebola then takes a severe turn, causing victims to bleed. Next, victims may vomit blood or bleed under the skin, eyes or mouth. Bleeding does not kill the patient but it causes vital organs to fail.



The Ebola virus

Ebola is suspected to have originated from bats. Humans and apes are infected when they eat food that bats have drooled or defecated on. In other instances, they had touched surfaces contaminated by infected bat droppings, and then touched their eyes or their mouths.

The Gatekeeper

By Muhammad Fikri

Our 72-year-old security guard, Mr Jamil, has been monitoring all who enter and exit our school for almost seven years! Every day, he has to report to our school as early as 6.30am. He returns home only at 6.30pm.

Sometimes, Mr Jamil has to work even longer hours. This happens when there are school activities such as excursions, tournaments and competitions. Mr Jamil is always the last to leave Park View Primary as he has to lock up the school for the night! He also has to come back to school during weekends and holidays, if there are school activities.



Mr Jamil, Park View Primary School's hard-working security guard.

One challenge Mr Jamil faces is unreasonable parents. "They blame me for letting their children go off before they (parents) come to fetch them home," he sighed.

Other than that, he says that he enjoys his job. He gets to interact with the students and it keeps him young at heart!

During his free time, Mr Jamil shares that his hobby is watching soccer.

