







Zidane is always present and consistent with his learning attitudes. He participates actively and volunteers to help explain instructions to help his peers. He will seek clarification and help to ensure he does his work well. Zidane definitely has a positive attitude towards learning and enjoys sharing new information in class.

Rafflesia International School, Kajang



Ahmad Zidane Bin Marzuki, Year 6

Term 2, Week 3, 23rd January 2021





Newsletter



Secondary Star of the Week

Amanda is a very disciplined student who never misses or is late to any online classes. She always completes her work on time. She is also a very polite and well mannered student who is always kind to her peers. In addition, Happy Birthday Amanda!

TRADITIONAL VALUES • GLOBAL VISION



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Principal's Message

TRADITIONAL VALUES **GLOBAL VISION**





Dear Parents/Guardians,

In keeping with our global vision, we do our best to enable our students to understand the situations of others in the world, to celebrate the distinctive qualities of different cultures and to appreciate how we are connected through our common experiences. Of course, this global understanding is embedded into our curriculum - for example, through a focus upon internationalism in our IPC units and in Global Connections/Perspectives at Secondary level. Raising awareness of universal issues is also a regular part of our assembly programme, with consideration of United Nations International Days. On Sunday 24th January, it is the United Nations International Day of Education. The day is designed to highlight the Sustainable Development Goal of inclusive, equitable education and lifelong learning experiences for all.

An important aspect of equal access to education is the development of students' literacy skills. An essential part of the Rafflesia learning experience is an emphasis upon students' language skills across the whole curriculum. With a collective *ingenuity*, we will continue to use strategies to develop our students' communication skills and, in this newsletter, present to you pieces written by students who are refining a flair for writing. Flair and ingenuity are our words of the week. We encourage students to try to use them!

Wishing you and your families a safe, healthy weekend.

Andrew Crompton, Principal.

Fruitful Learning

In our reading time, our young learners learnt about Fruit Arts. Then students had fun by turning the fruits and vegetables into flowers and animals.

They were learning the importance to eat more fruits and vegetables to keep them fit and healthy.

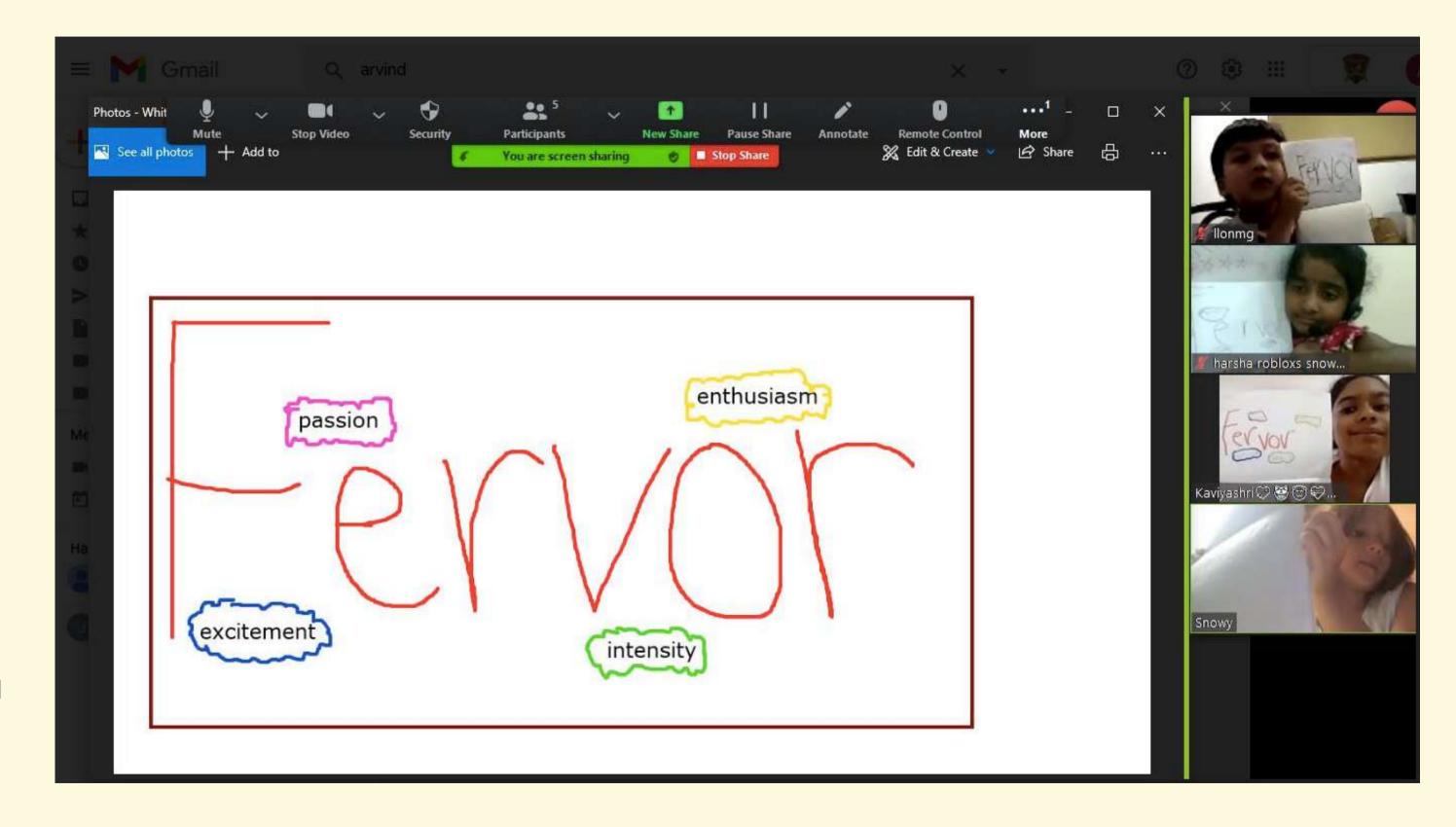






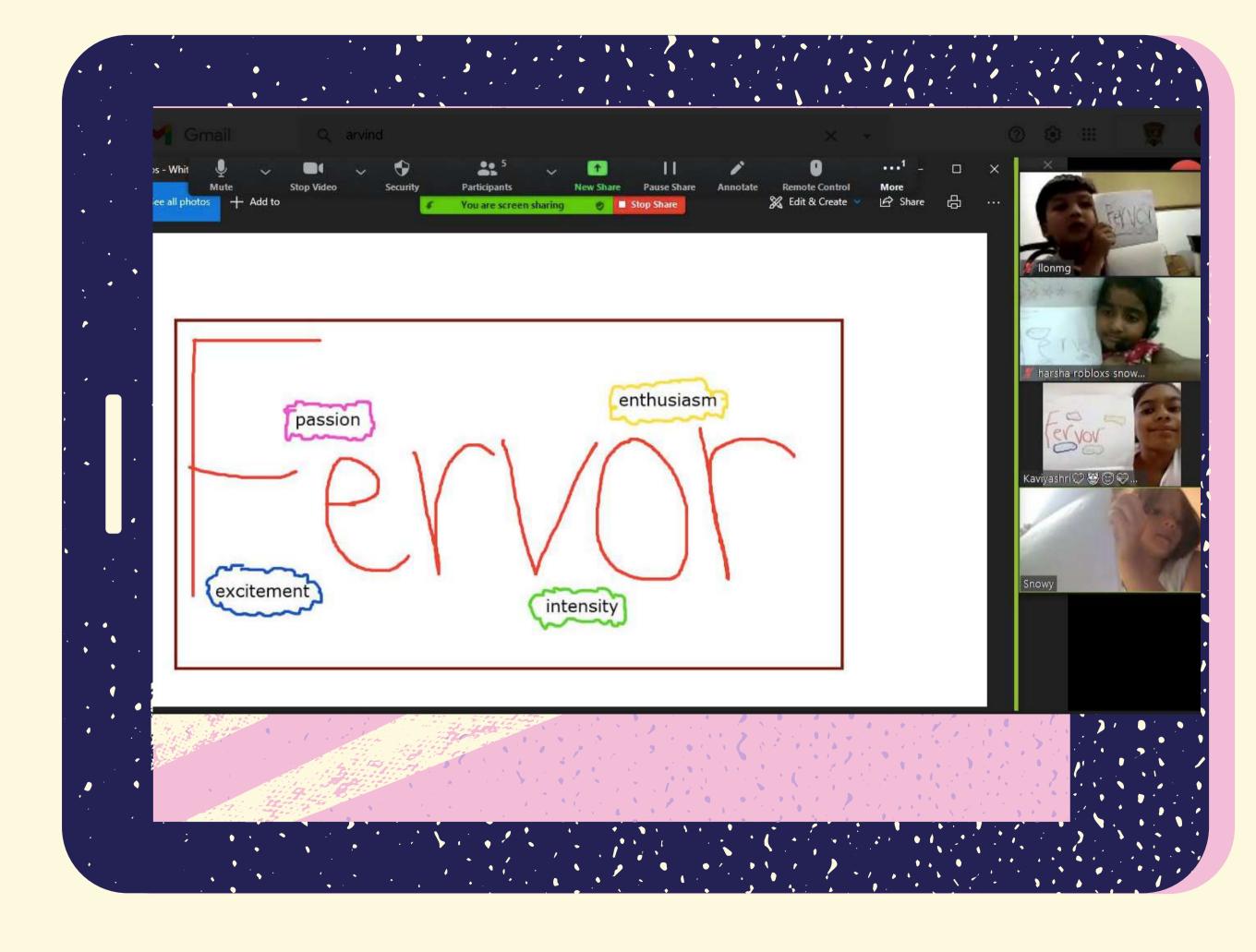
Fervor for Learning

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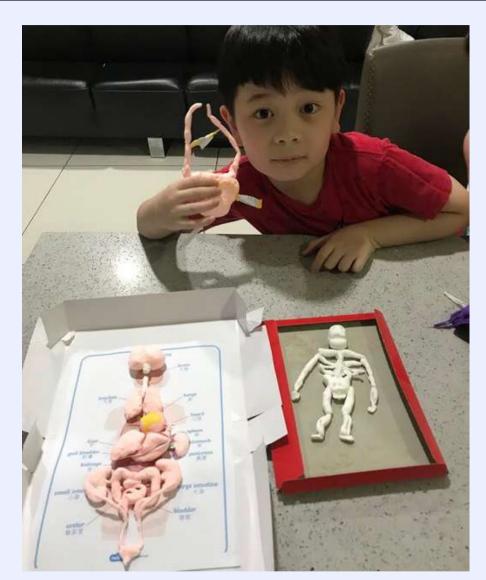


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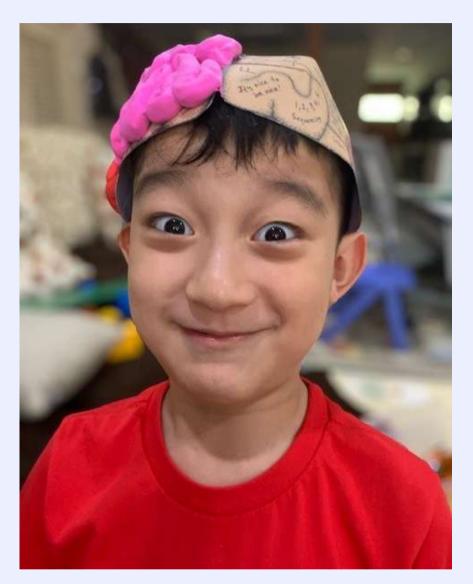
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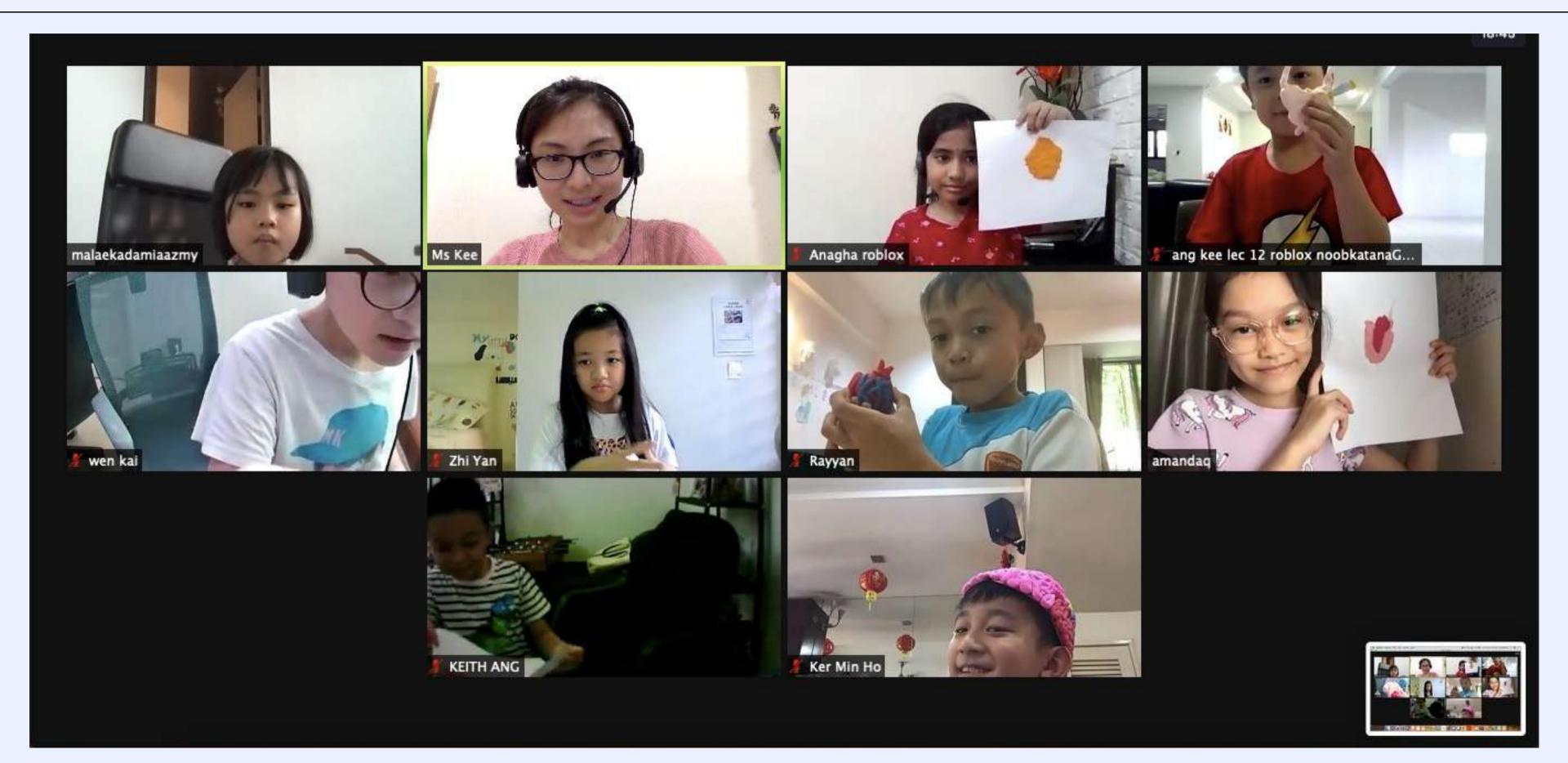






One of the science tasks in our IPC unit "Shaping Up" was a research on the organs of the body. Year 3 students used simple sources like books and the Internet to each find information about their chosen organ such as their appearance, location in the human body, their functions, and how the organ does its job. Then students made a model of their organ using clay and labeled it with display cards/ toothpick labels. The hands-on model building activity provided students with an excellent opportunity to consolidate their knowledge and understanding about the human body organs from earlier research.

SHAPING UP



Year 3 Multiplication Club Graduates

Graduates from the Multiplication Club have passed their Multiplication Mad Minutes
Challenges from facts 1 to 10.

This week's Year 3 Multiplication Club graduates are:

Ker Min Ho Rayyan Rusmanugroho

Congratulations, graduates!
Ms Kee is super proud of you!

Ker Min Ho





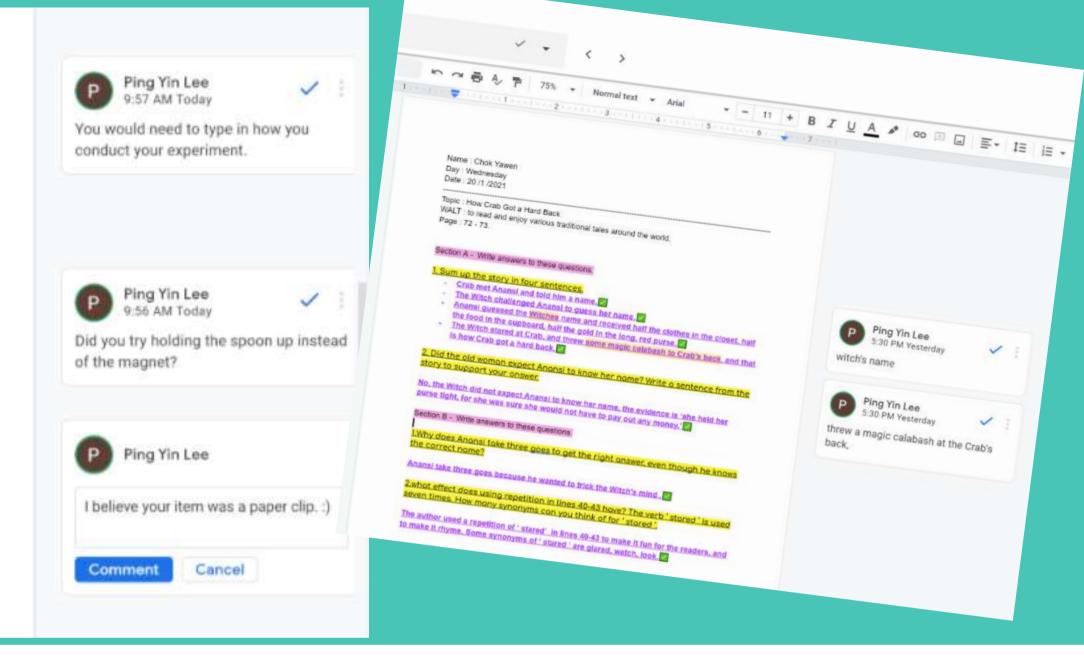




Rayyan Rusmanugroho



Picture (Before and After)	Item	Description
ATAM COMMING	Spoon	The spoon was not magnetic it was too heavy.
	Fork	It is not really true the fork was too heavy, but the down part is magnetic.
	Paper clipper	The clipper was a magnetic because the clipper is made of metal.
	5 Cent	The 5 Cent is magnetic.
	Ring	The ring is magnetic.



Intelligent Interaction

Results / Data :

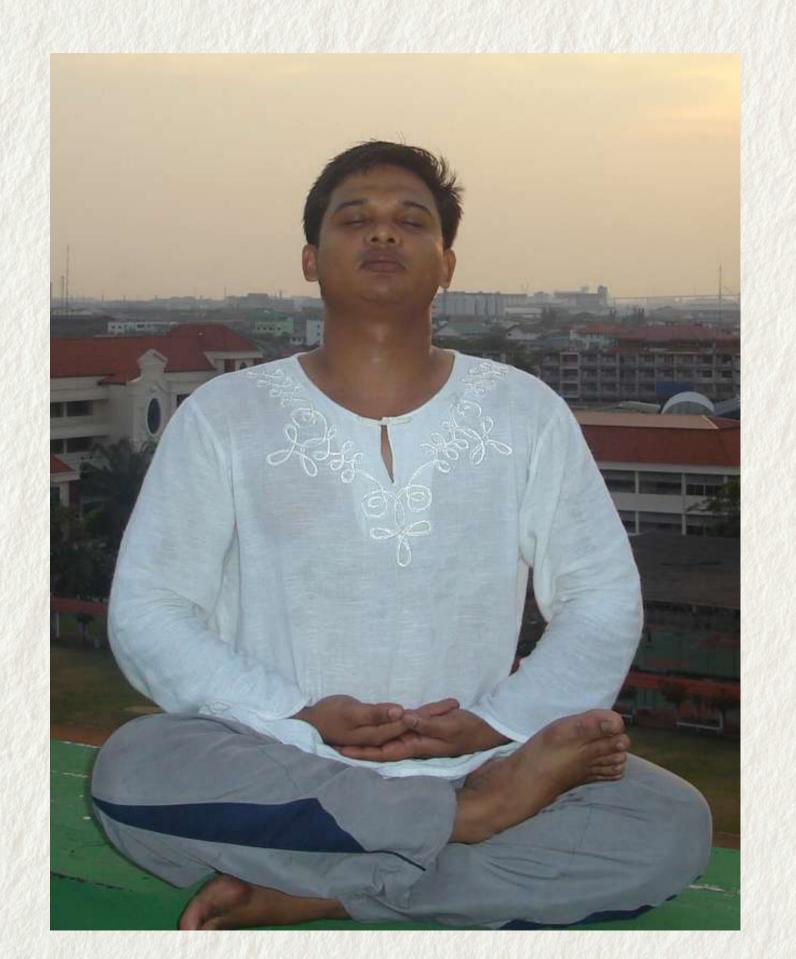
Year 5 has started off the week with assignments in Google Classrooms. Students are learning to work even more with technology by writing, editing and handing in their homework online. Students now have the opportunity to work with Google Docs or Google Slides to complete the given tasks either individually or as a group. Students also get live and updated comments on their work throughout the class without being shy to speak out in class as they can communicate with the teacher via their documents

BREATHING LIFE INTO LEARNING

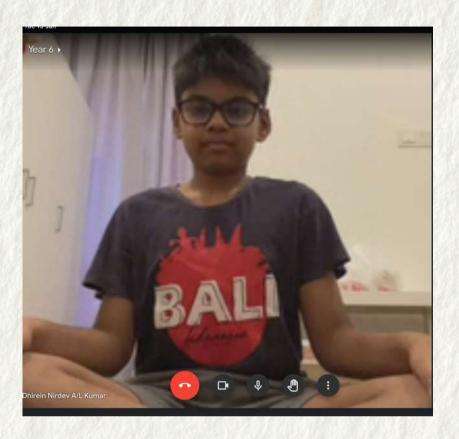
Pranayama refers to breathing exercises which clear the physical and emotional obstacles in our body to free the breath and so the flow of prana - life energy. My passion and penchant for teaching pranayama made the kids supercharged for the whole day. The steps to follow pranayama are explained here and on the next page:

Kapalabhati Pranayama

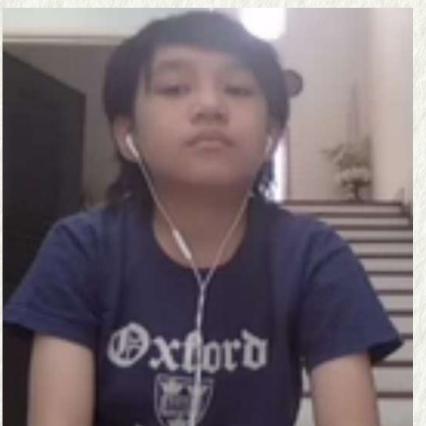
How to do it: Start by sitting in a comfortable seat with a tall, straight spine, and exhale completely. Inhale briefly through both nostrils, then sharply exhale (again out of your nose) while pulling your navel in toward your spine. The exhalation is short and quick, but very active, while the inhalation is short and passive. Again, pull your navel in as you exhale and soften it on the inhalation. Do one round of 30 (counting your exhalations) and rest for a minute with some deep breaths in between. Repeat. If this seems strenuous, start with 15 and gradually work your way up.



BREATHING LIFE INTO LEARNING









Ujjayi Pranayama

How to do it: Find a place where you can sit comfortably with a straight spine. Take a steady breath in through both nostrils. Inhale until you reach your lung capacity; maintain a tall spine. Hold your breath for a second, then constrict some of the breath at the back of your throat, as if you were about to whisper a secret, and exhale slowly through both nostrils. This exhalation will sound like an ocean wave or gentle rush of air. You should feel the air on the roof of your mouth as you exhale. Repeat up to 20 times.

Sitali Pranayama

How to do it: Roll your tongue until the outer edges touch, forming a tube. If you can't curl your tongue, make an oval shape with your mouth, keeping your tongue flat. Inhale through your mouth, taking in all the air that you can. It may make a hissing sound. After inhaling, bring the tip of your tongue to the roof of your mouth and seal your lips. Feel the coolness of the inhalation in your month then exhale through your nose. Repeat five to ten times or as needed.

Li Qin

From a national perspective the most important use of the water is for industrial / large scale agriculture and irrigation systems. This is because the country itself would be able to use this to their advantage and gain benefits such as profit and provide for the local people as well. Profiting the country would be much better as it can provide many opportunities to the government for future progress and gain.



A Penchant for Water





kayla

from a national perspective the most important use of water that the large scale agricultural industry has very large irrigation system the places, where rainfall is sparse or seasonal cannot support agriculture without irrigation in area with irregular rainfall,

The believe that from the perspective of the government, the most important user is natural gas extractor. I feel this way because the US doesn't have a lot of factories and farming isn't the most important to them. For example, the US needs energy for other kinds of investments.

-Ashton



Alva

From a national perspective, the most important user would be the domestic uses. I think this because it is important to provide the people with what they need. If they don't, there will can be an even larger demand in water and if they cannot provide something like showers, there can be a chance of poverty/inequality rates changing.

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Add comment

Zack

From a national perspective the highest priority use for the rivers is the Industrial / Large Scale

Afif

I still think that the people who deserve the most water from the Colorado river should be the farmers because they can provide food for everybody and also take care of animals which benefits everybody not just a small group of people



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Add comment

Over the history of the Colorado River, people have used and exploited the water for economic growth. Now in 2021, there are too many demands on the Colorado River and concessions must be made. In this lesson, students used Padlet to explain their opinions about who should get priority for use of the water from the Colorado River.

FOCUS ON FAMILY



In this week's Moral lesson, I've learnt that our family is the most important thing to us and their support is our whole world. Without their support, we will lack motivation and support which will lead to lower confidence. The parents in the article that I've read, always disagree with the daughter's penchant for certain things, including her friendships. This will pressure the daughter and make her feel uncomfortable in the house. In my opinion, family love is the most important thing in the world. Instead of disagreeing with the daughter, I think they should understand their daughter more and know her interests and thoughts. This can slowly improve the relationship between them. Tan Yan Min, Year 11R.



YEAR 1 AND YEAR 2 ART



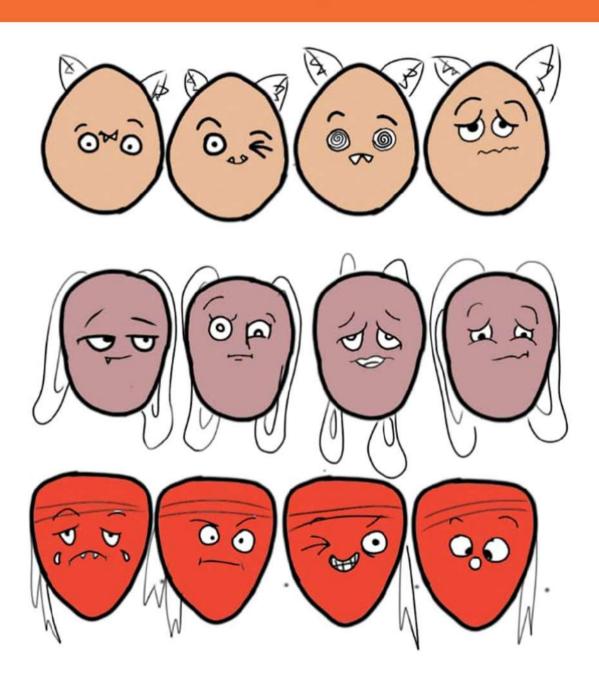


YEAR 6 ART

"Facial Expressions"

Year 6R

(IPC Themes-Express Yourself)



express yourself

Rebecca





FREE YOUR MIND

Taking ten deep breaths is a great way to calm yourself down, BUT



Moodles are doodles with the power to change your mood

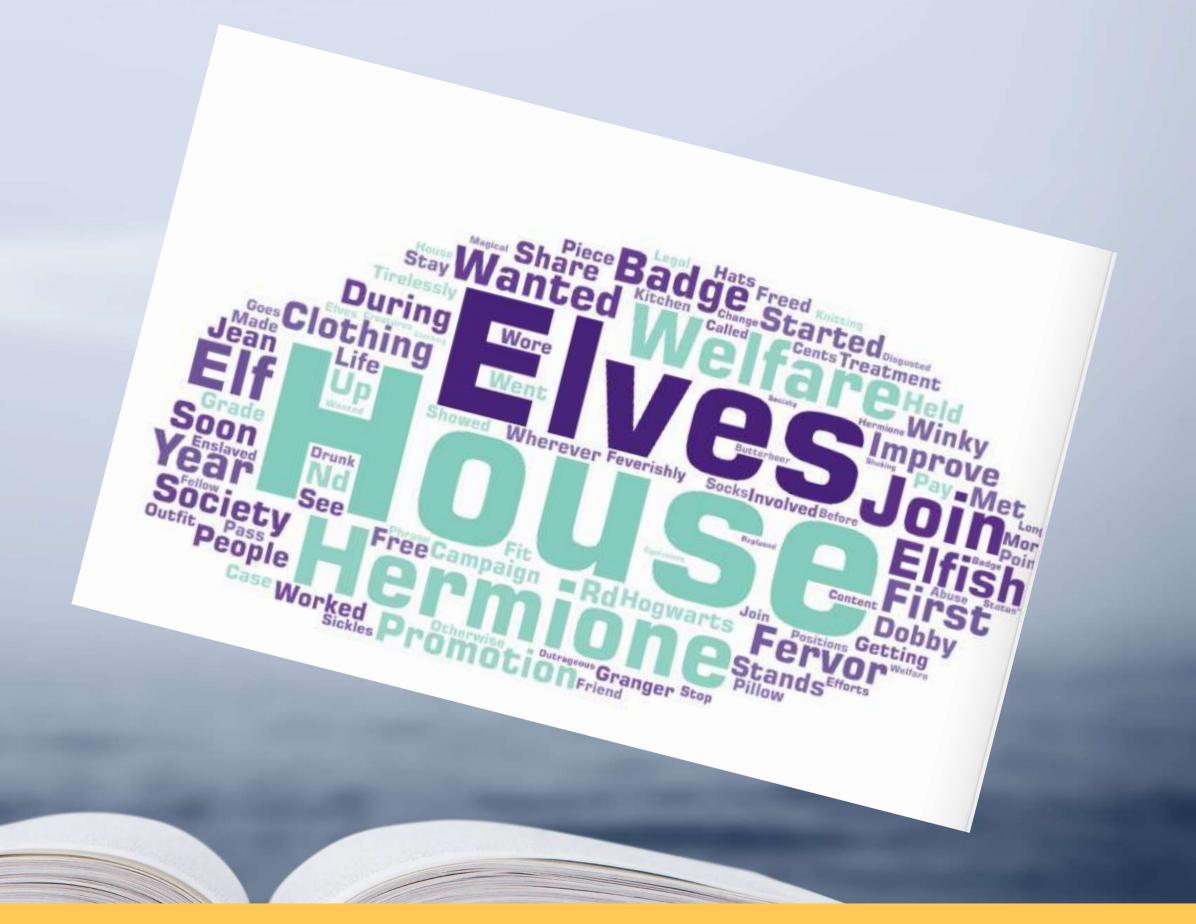
JUMBLED PARAGRAPH

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Literacy (a) Rafflesia Pages

This week, you can enjoy reading Aqilah's thoughtful reflection on her hobbies and Eva's creative adaptation of the Harry Potter stories.



My Hobbies

By Aqilah Umairah Binti Amir, Year 4

Ever since the third lockdown started, the way I was living has changed. The lockdown and coronavirus cases, which were increasing, have been annoying me and my family.

Now, I am going to tell you about what I did during this MCO.

I planned to write for the school newsletter. I think I wrote about 8 or 9 stories... Wait! (Me, thinking) *Am I a Writer?*

Another thing I prefer to do is BABYSIT my Adam Qayyum, who is my baby brother. I babysit my brother and sister most of the time and we all have entertainment together.

And last, but not least, studying and online learning. I enjoy studying from home. I listen to my teacher during my online classes. I also discover online games like Mope.io and Among Us.

Me and my sister like to play sometimes but only when I don't have homework. We both usually play together with my dollhouse and dolls. We help each other with homework. My sister always says to me, "We are the best sisters!"

But now, let's give our best wishes, full of fervor, from the all-powerful god to help us prevent this Covid-19 disease.

S.P.E.W. Become A Member Before She Chases After You!

By Lim Eva, Year 5

S.P.E.W. stands for Society for the Promotion of Elfish Welfare. Hermione Jean Granger worked tirelessly with fervor to improve the treatment of house elves.

She first started S.P.E.W. during her 4th year at Hogwarts. She was campaigning feverishly for S.P.E.W. and getting people to join. She held up the S.P.E.W. badge at people wherever she went. She first got involved in S.P.E.W. when she was in her 2nd grade. She met Dobby, the house elf who was freed and wore a piece of clothing that showed he had been free. Otherwise, enslaved house elves would stay in their pillow case outfit.

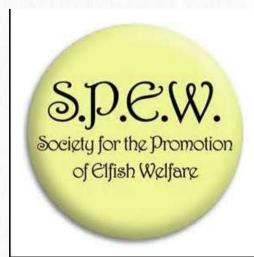
Hermione started knitting hats and socks for house elves during her 3rd year. She wanted to pass the clothing she made to the house elves in the Hogwarts kitchen, but all the house elves were content with their positions in life and did not see the point in Hermione's efforts.

They did not share her fervor in improving their welfare. Soon, Dobby was the only house elf who wanted more clothing. He shared some with his friend Winky, but Winky got disgusted and soon got drunk by all the Butterbeer.

If you wanted to join S.P.E.W., you would have to pay 2 sickles which is equivalent to 2 cents.

Hermione called S.P.E.W. as "Stop the Outrageous Abuse of Our Fellow Magical Creatures and Campaign for a Change in Their Legal Status". Since the phrase was too long to fit in a badge, she replaced it with Society for the Promotion of Elfish Welfare.

Join S.P.E.W. before she goes shaking her S.P.E.W. badge at you!



Literacy Challenge Achievers



Well done and thanks to Aqilah Umairah Binti Amir, Year 4, and Lim Eva, Year 5. Both of these talented and reliable writers receive merit points for their engaging contributions.

Literacy Challenge

Look at the words of the week on the next page.

Your task is to include the words of the week in a description of someone that you admire.



Words of the Week: words of ability

For Monday 11th January - Friday 12th January

To improve our knowledge of vocabulary each week we will introduce words for students to try to use in their conversations and in their writing. This week, our words relate to people's abilities to do things.

Primary word of the week: flair

Meaning: natural ability to do something well*

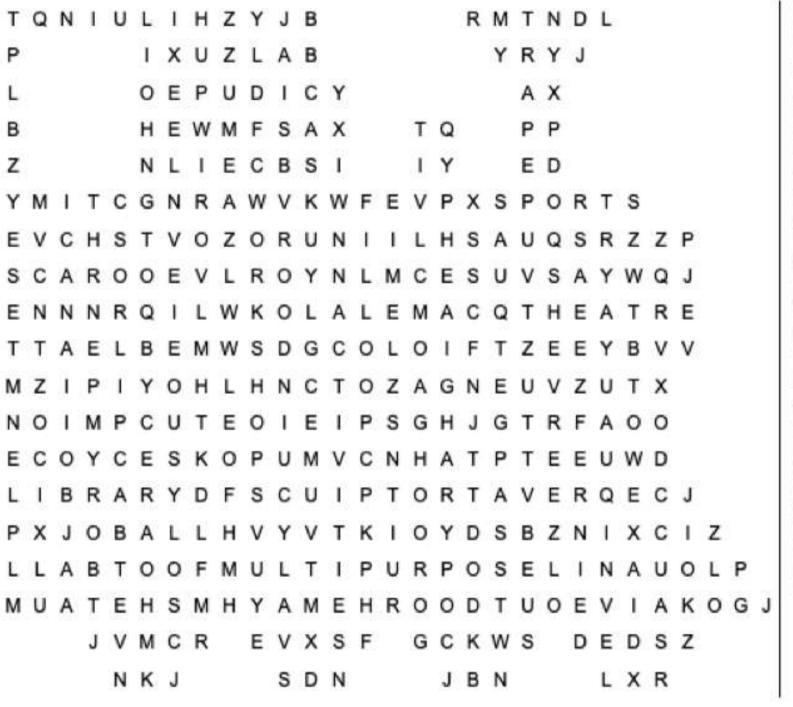
Secondary word of the week: ingenuity

Meaning: someone's ability to think of clever new ways of doing something*

Weekly Wordsearch Challenge

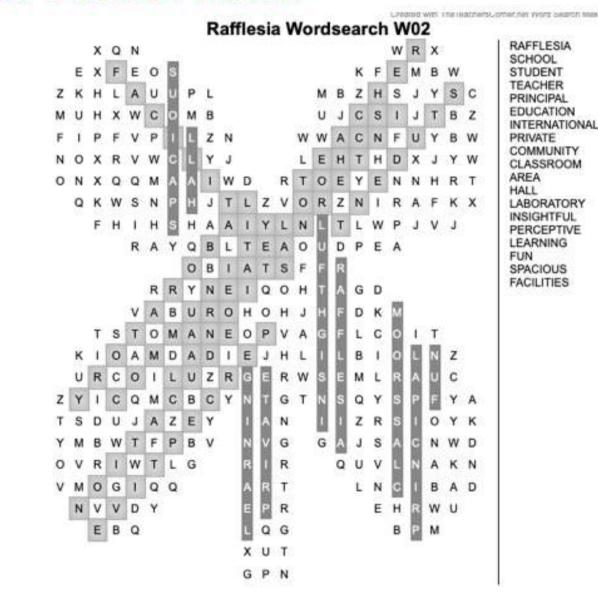
Rules: Locate the given **words** in the grid, running in one of eight possible directions horizontally, vertically, or diagonally. Answer String: Varies by puzzle. Answer will be released next week.

Rafflesia Wordsearch W03

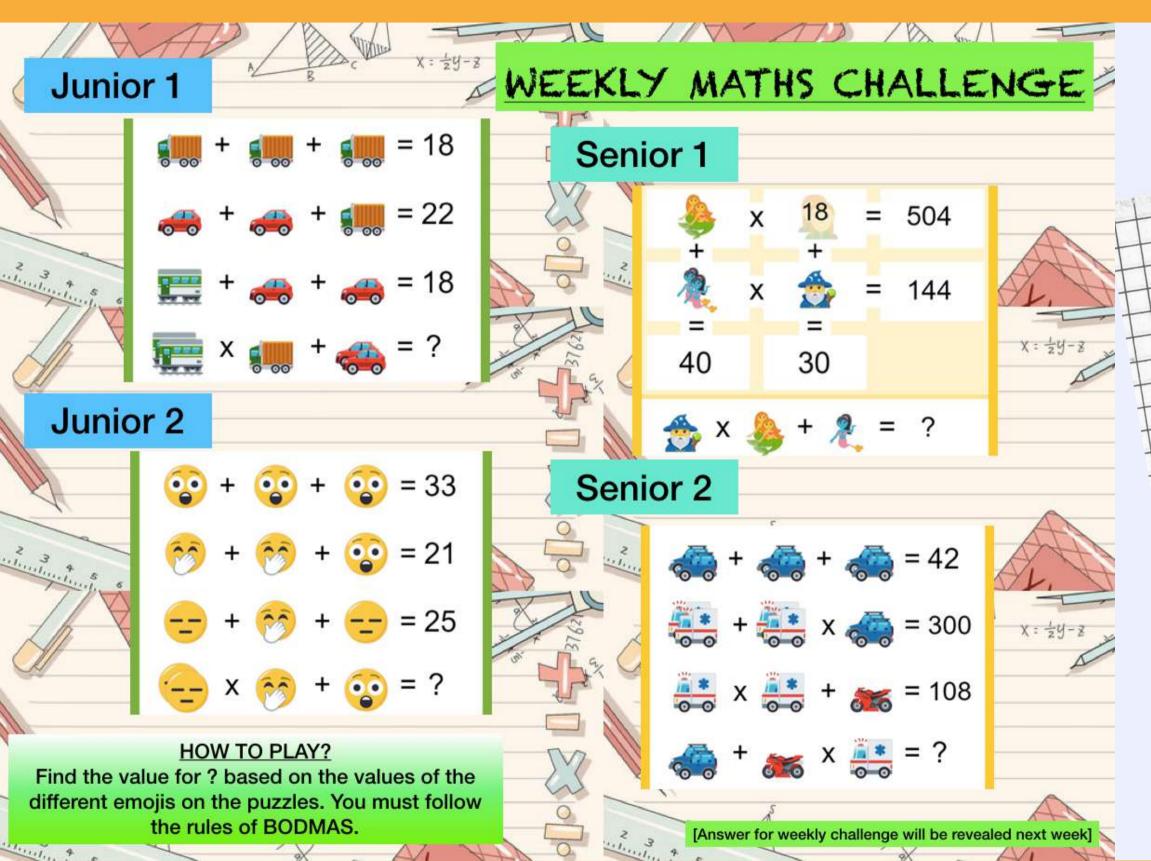


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Last week's Answer

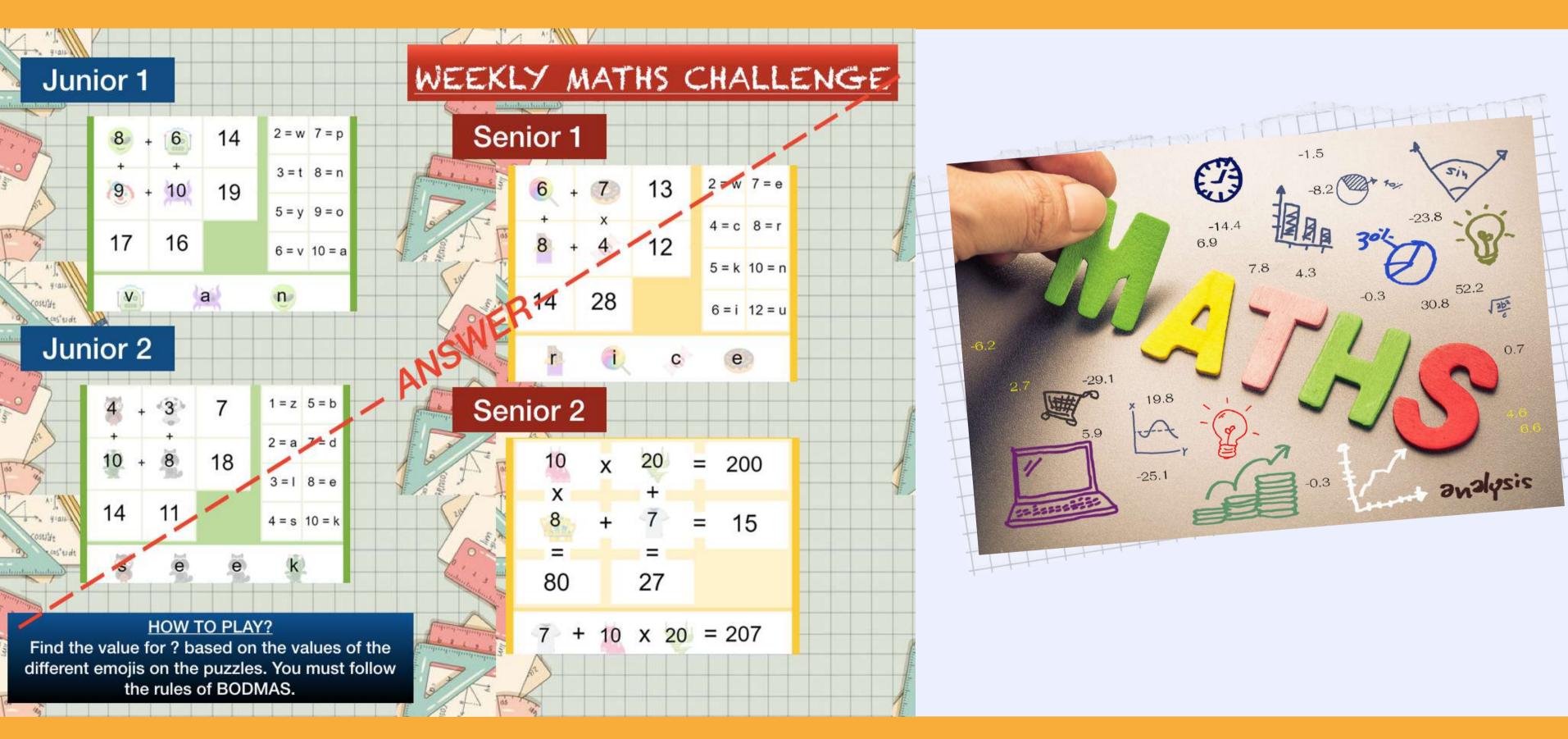


Weekly Maths Challenge





Weekly Maths Challenge - answers to last week's challenge



Dates for Your Diary

Friday 5th February

 AIESEC online 'Clean Our Plate' project (collaboration with Nottingham University).

Monday 8th February

Chinese New Year Celebration (online)

