



# JORDAN VALLEY ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL English Newsletter

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## X ' mas Decoration - Making Activity

Last year, before Christmas, we had an English week to make Christmas decorations. In that English week, we made Holly wreaths and Angels.

If you want to make an angel, first you need to have colour pens, scissors and a glue stick. You need to colour it and cut it out. Then a beautiful angel will be finished.

If you want to make a holly wreath, first you need to have colour pens, a paper plate, stickers and ribbon. You need to colour the leaves, cut them out and stick them onto the plate. In the first two days, there were a lot of P1 and P2 pupils. Although they got help and finished the decoration without using Chinese, it was still a challenge for them. After a few days, it was time for P3 to P6 to have their turns. They were clever because they didn't need our help. After a week, our school had a lot of decorations hanging from the ceiling and on the wall. They were all colourful and put together with the lights. They were beautiful, weren't they?

By Raymond Liu ,6A



It was Christmas in December. Everyone in the school made their own decoration during English week. The students made their own Angels or Holly Wreaths. P1 made their decoration on Monday. P2 made it on Tuesday, and then P3, P4 and so on. In this way, the students in the whole school had their turns. They filled in the colours. They also decorated their Angels and Holly Wreaths with their glitter pens. That was how they made the decorations more beautiful. The P.1 pupils did very well because they needed to use English during the activity! Some students wanted to keep their decorations because they wanted to decorate their home. But many good decorations were shown in the covered playground for the festival decoration! Finally, I know that everybody liked their decorations!

By Alex Wu ,5C



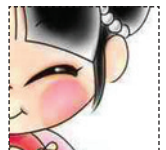
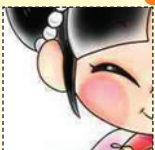
## OUR NEW ENGLISH TEACHER

Do you know we have a new Native English Teacher at our school? Do you know who he/she is? Yes! She is Ms. Seema! Ms. Seema is active, kind, funny and friendly. Do you want to know more about her? Do you have any questions for her? In this article, you can find out the answers!

Ms. Seema likes scuba diving. She is also a scuba diving teacher. She likes eating noodles in soup and pok choi. Do you know what her favourite colour is? Yes, it is purple. Ms Seema has a hero. It is her father. Her father is honest, hard-working and kind. Ms. Seema lived in Africa and India before. She said Africa and India do not have much difference. Both have spicy food and are rich in music, dance and colour. The main point is, both are her homes. Ms Seema also likes Hong Kong. When she was nine years old, Ms. Seema started singing for God. Ms. Seema loves our school because our school is beautiful. She thinks we are energetic and we always laugh. She thinks we are eager to learn too.

After reading this article, do you think you know Ms Seema better? When you are free, try to talk to her. It will help you learn more English and know Ms. Seema more and more.

by Cindy Kwong,5A Kammi Wong,5C Lily Tang,6A Charlie Fung,6B



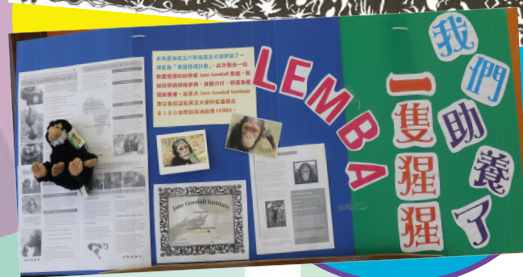


Last year, we joined the Roots and Shoots Project organized by the Jane Goodall Institute. Our effort was recognized by being made a Chimpanzee guardian. Lemba is the name of this chimpanzee.

Lemba is a brave chimpanzee. She lives in Congo under the care of the Jane Goodall Institute. We are helping her because she has a terrible problem. Lemba suffered from Polio when she was young. It is hard for Lemba to use her legs now but she is trying to move around by crawling and rolling. Lemba has lost her mother too!

Our ambassadors want to be friends with Lemba so we are writing letters to her.'

by Marco Ng, 5C



### Care taker Diary

by Fernando Tuemo, a field staff member at Congo (simplified by Ms. Man, JVSJ)

It is hot and humid in Congo. Like other chimpanzees, Lemba does not like these very hot days. At 1 p.m., Lemba climbs to the higher areas of the trees and lets herself hang down from the tree. The air blows causing Lemba to sway from one side to the other.

While the other chimpanzees and the caregivers are not looking, Lemba comes down from the tree. She rolls and crawls until she is next to a water tap. She uses a wheelbarrow as a mini pool. She turns on the tap and starts filling the wheelbarrow with nice cool water. She immediately starts splashing and playing in the water! As the water level rises, Lemba tries to turn the tap off, but unfortunately, she has not learned how to turn the tap off and instead she opens the tap to full flow!

Finally, one of the caregivers, Angel, hears the sound of the water spilling and discovers Lemba. She scolds her. Lemba wants to escape but she is careless. She tips over the wheelbarrow, making herself all wet through.

Lemba and her companions were recently vaccinated against rabies. Over 30 people and many dogs already died because they were not vaccinated. Lemba was a brave patient. She took the vaccine without crying!



Dear Lemba,

How are you? I am Mary.  
I am from Jordan Valley  
St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School in  
Hong Kong. I watched the video about you.  
You feel happy in this video. You have polio,  
but I think you are happy. You can run, jump,  
play... I think you are enjoying yourself very  
much. I want to know more about you. You are  
so cute. What food do you like? What do you  
like doing?  
I hope you have more and more friends.

Your friend,  
Mary

From Mary Huang, 5A

Dear Lemba,

Hi! How are you? I am  
Sean. I am eleven. I am an Eng-  
lish Ambassador in Jordan Valley St.  
Joseph's Catholic Primary school from Hong  
Kong. I have already seen your life video. I  
was very moved because although you had po-  
lio, you could live happily. I admire you very  
much and want to know more about you!

Best wishes,  
Sean

From Sean Zhang, 6C



*Dear Lemba,*

How are you?  
I am Lily Jang from  
Hong Kong. My school's name is  
Jordan Valley St. Joseph's Catholic  
Primary School. I'm an English  
ambassador at school. Last week, Miss Man  
showed me a video about you but I couldn't  
find out many things about you because it  
was so short.

I think you are very brave. Maybe you  
are the bravest in the world! I couldn't live  
happily if I had polio. You are my hero,  
Lemba!

Will you be friends with me? Can  
you tell me more about you? Please  
write me soon.

Love,  
Lily

*From Lily Jang, 6A*

*Dear Lemba,*

How are you? How  
is your life now in Congo? I  
am an English ambassador of Jor-  
dan Valley St. Joseph's Catholic Primary  
School in Hong Kong. I am eleven years old.  
I have already seen your video about your  
life. I joined the "Save the environment" project  
by Jane Goodall Institute last year and my school  
donated money to help you. From the letter of the  
Jane Goodall Institute's staff, I heard that you have  
had polio since you were born. You had to take a vac-  
cination but you were VERY BRAVE!

When some people take the vaccination, they cry  
and run away. But you didn't so I think you are  
VERY BRAVE!

I hope you can live happily in Congo!

Your friend,  
One of the English Ambassadors,  
Kevin Ngai

*From Kevin Ngai, 6A*

*Dear Lemba,*

How are you? I'm  
an English Ambassador of  
Jordan Valley St. Joseph's Catholic  
Primary School in Hong Kong. My name  
is Lachesis. I'm ten years old.

Last year we joined a project about saving the  
environment so I became your guardian. Can  
you be my friend? I hope you can accept me and  
be happy every day!

I've watched your video. I wish you can recover  
soon. In the video, you're naughty. Don't be  
naughty because if you're naughty, maybe  
you will get hurt. Then we will be mad and  
sad.

Yours sincerely,  
Lachesis

*From Lachesis Ng, 5A*



## *Hello from Ms Young*

20<sup>th</sup> January, 2015

Dear JVSJ,

It has been six months since I  
left JVSJ to become an author. I  
hope you are all doing very well. I  
spoke at a secondary school about  
being a writer recently and it  
made me miss JVSJ very much.

I have some good news to share  
with you. I wrote a book! The title  
is Seabound. It's about a woman  
named Esther who lives on a big  
ship at sea. I spend many hours  
every day writing new stories  
about Esther. Soon there will be  
four books in the Seabound series.

Sometimes I also like to write  
stories about Hong Kong. Being an  
author is a lot of work, but I enjoy  
it very much.

I miss you all!

Love,

Miss Young





# JOKES

One day a teacher was teaching the children. "The people who drive the car are called drivers. The people who know law are called lawyers. Can you give me some more examples?" asked the teacher. "The people who cook in the restaurant are called cooks," said one of the students. All the students laughed loudly - 'Ha-ha!'

By Tom Ho, 6C

One day, a man called Peter who was on holiday, wanted to go shopping with a girl called Sally. Peter sent a message to Sally, 'Can you go shopping with me on Sunday?' Sally answered, 'I have a boyfriend so I need to go shopping with him!' Peter was very disappointed and threw his phone out of the door. After a while, Sally sent a message: 'It's only a joke! Don't mind it. Where do you want to go, Peter?' However, Peter's phone was already broken. He could not see the message.

By Eric Chen, 6B

One day, Mr. Ben and Mrs. Ben went home together. Mr. Ben drove his car home. When they arrived home, they saw that the lift was out of order. 'Oh!' cried Mrs. Ben. They lived on the 45th floor. They needed to walk upstairs. Then, Mr. Ben told jokes. Then it was Mrs. Ben's turn. They laughed a lot so they were not tired. When they arrived on the 45th floor, Mr. Ben said, 'Now I am going to tell you another joke. I left the key in my car.' They needed to go downstairs again to get the key.

By William Yiu, 6D

## Brain Teaser

By Tom Ho, 6C

How many Christmas are there before the New Year?

\* You can check the answer with this code



## ENGLISH TIPS

Hi!

Everyone! Do you want to improve your English? I am going to tell you some tips to improve your English. Pay attention! I would like to tell you how I learn English.

First, study when you wake up in the morning because your mind is fresh. When you spell the words at that moment, you may learn the words quickly. Then, do English grammar and writing exercises after you finish your homework.

That's all about my learning tips. It is simple. Thank you for reading. I hope these tips help you to improve your English.

By Oscar Choi, 6C

My ways of improving English:  
Listen to more English songs or sing English songs.  
Use English to chat with the English teachers or Miss Seema.  
Watch English channels on TV.  
Always spell words that you don't know.  
Follow my tips. AA

By Kelly Cheung, 6C

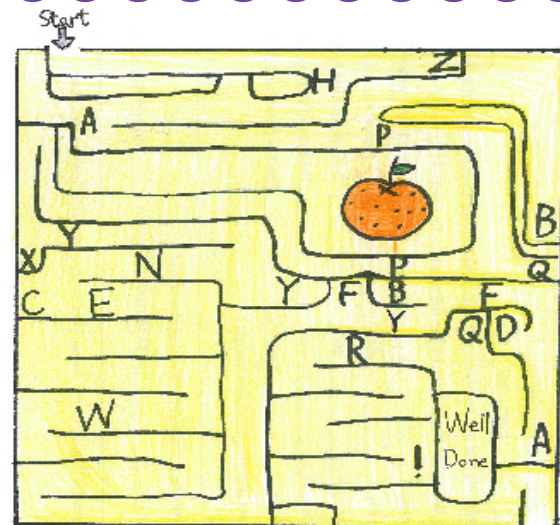
If you want to speak good English, you must say the words correctly. For example, in the word 'dragon', it has 'r' sound. It is not 'Zagon'. Second, when you read the words, you can cut the words into different parts. For Example, 'hamburger'; Ham-bur-ger. Just cut it in this way and it is easier to remember.

Third, you can listen to English songs. You can try to get the meaning of the songs. In this way, it can be easy for you to learn English.

By Sam Wong, 5C

## Lucky English Maze

Welcome to Lucky English Maze! You will need to find thirteen letters and some red packets in the maze and write it in the



Tips: You will need to find 'Happy New Year!'

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