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The Global Round Competition of World Scholar's Cup in Sydney

Sydney, August 15 (Chris Tung)

Have you ever traveled to another country for a competition with your classmates and friends? Today, if you are reading this passage, I will be telling you all about what happened to us during our competition in Sydney, Australia. The competition was from August 15th to August 21st, it was all a wonderful journey, although the flights we took were all economy class.

World Scholar's Cup is a team academic competition. You compete on a team of three and win individual medals (I won a few myself). After a few months of practicing the questions together, our school teams joined the regional competition in Kaohsiung last March. All of the qualifiers were welcomed to join the global round (and I qualified, of course). At the global round, six of us represented our school: Kelly



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Loo, Maggie Gross, Hannah Li, Sophie Su, Jia-Qi Gooi, and me, Chris Tung.

Juniors, meaning those that were middle schoolers during the regional round, and Seniors, high-schoolers, had different schedules for trip, but we all attended the same events. The more fun events included Scholar's Ball, Scholar's Show, and the Scavenger Hunt. The ones that we competed and won medals in were: Debate, Scholar's Challenge, Scholar's Bowl, and, lastly, Collaborative Writing. On our days off, we also got to tour around Sydney.

The first day for us was great! For the Juniors, they had the Scavenger Hunt and ate dinner on a cruise. They sailed around Darling Harbor and took lots of pictures of the Sydney Opera House, the Sydney

bridge and the beautiful ocean of seawater. The Seniors had a free day and went to Taronga Zoo.

On the second day the Juniors went to Taronga Zoo. It was a hot and dry day there. They observed lots of creatures with Ms. Keller and learned a little about them through the information on the wall plaques. They interacted with some 2-legged creatures, like emus, bin chickens, and kangaroos, that walked on the human path. The Seniors participated in their Scavenger Hunt and dinner cruise.

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Local & International

HAS Students Load Insane Amounts of Mooncakes for Charity

Taichung, August 31 (Bill Cheng)

In an effort to fulfill required CS hours, 14 HAS students contributed their time to a charity organization on August 31st, in Taichung. The students packed thousands of boxes of freshly baked mooncakes.

Ethan Murphy, the school's community service coordinator, contacted Eden Social Welfare (伊甸 organization) for available services and scheduled an event in a 7-story factory in Taichung. With not many other volunteers at the mooncake factory, our school was allocated 1400 mooncakes to package and load into more transportable packages.



Photo courtesy of Molly Cheng

Our student volunteers, and Mr. and Mrs. Stancati, the chaperones, took on piles of mooncakes, packing each of them individually into containers of eight. According to Mr. Stancati and several other volunteers, the orderly fashion of loading

mooncakes looked like “an assembly line”, a process of manufacturing products invented by Henry Ford.

After hours of tireless packing, the volunteers had a brief break and lunch which was provided. However, due to the passion of the workers, several volunteers continued working before the break was completely over. This efficiency allowed four volunteers a tour of the inner-workings of the factory.

On the 3rd floor, the germ-free story, the majority of the mooncakes were baked and sent into a vacuum-sealing machine that sealed the mooncakes in plastic packaging along with preservatives. On the opposite end of the room was an unpacking station, where all badly sealed mooncakes were unpackaged and repackaged to ensure the quality of the mooncakes. Employees who unpacked the mooncakes were equipped with gloves, masks, and shower caps to maintain the cleanliness of the bakery environment.

In total, the amazing student volunteers, who represented HAS, boxed a total of 1400 finished products and completed their task earlier than expected. Eden Social Welfare (伊甸 organization) provided volunteers a decent workspace and outstanding lunch. Thanks to them, each individual volunteer earned 7 community service hours for their hard work and effort.

The Wrath of Dorian

*Hsinchu, September 17
(Edward Kao)*

Hurricane Dorian: the name that caused panic and terror for people in the Bahamas. Reaching speeds of 295 km/h, Hurricane Dorian was a fast and powerful Category 5 hurricane that recently swept over the Bahamas and parts of Southeastern United States.

Starting on August 24th, 2019, it developed from a low air-pressured tropical wave and intensified into a hurricane on August 28th. In the U.S, southeastern states declared a state of emergency and many had to flee their homes. The hurricane dealt catastrophic damage to Caribbean property: buildings were torn down, trees ripped apart, and vehicles smashed to pieces. Many people were left homeless and the region suffered economically. In total, the hurricane caused \$7 billion of damage before finally dissipating on September 10th.

Thankfully, Hurricane Dorian's damage did not go unnoticed as Search and Rescue teams have been dispatched from the U.S to the Bahamas. Joseph Hillhouse, a U.S assistant fire chief at Gainesville Fire Rescue, said that the hurricane was, “the worst natural disaster I’ve ever seen.” Officials have concluded that 51 people are confirmed dead and about 1,300 people are missing after Dorian. An officer even remarked that they’re merely “finding the scent” of the dead. Heartbreaking images of people carrying body bags can even be seen online. Thankfully,

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multiple organizations like World Vision and the American Red Cross have sprung into action to provide relief Hurricane Dorian's victims, by going to the scene and distributing food, water, and hygiene items. Just the American Red Cross alone, have served over 116,400 meals and provided 38,000 shelters to those affected by Hurricane Dorian. Even so, more than 30 organizations and millions of people around the world have donated to lend a hand to help those in need.

Anyone is able to help those in need by simply donating online. Every penny counts, and one can do so with just a mouse click.

Hurricane Dorian might have broken many families and spirits in the Bahamas, but it also brought out the best of mankind and

rallied many parts of the world together to help in a unifying cause.



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Editorial

The Amazon Rainforest Devestation

Hsinchu, September 3 (Kelly Loo)

The Amazon rainforest fire has been burning for over 3 weeks, but it has only recently surfaced in news headlines. Here are some fast facts:

1. The number of fires detected by satellite images is at its highest, with a soaring 40,341, since 2010 according to Brazil's National Institute of Space Agency

2. Last year, the world lost 30 million acres of tree cover, according to the University of Maryland

Forest fires in the Amazon are extremely rare, the majority of these fires are used for clearing the

forest for agricultural and pasture purposes.

3. The indigenous people and native animals are at high risks, with their homes being burnt. They have fought hard to try to preserve their land. One such example is the Paxat6 people, who have existed for nearly two and a half centuries.



Photo Courtesy of mirror.co.uk

As of August 27th, 2019, the forest was still burning.

The big part of this depressing issue has to do with the current far-right Brazilian president Jair Bolsonaro.

Since he took office in 2019, he has pledged to reduce environmental preservation and "explore the Amazon's economic potential". It seems that he has already started taking action -- he has scaled back efforts to reduce illegal logging and mining. As a result of the fire, countries such as Britain and Canada donated \$12 million and \$11 million respectively. Bolsonaro responded by accusing the countries of treating Brazil as a colony and are potentially looking to exploit Brazil's natural resources. After all, we are just trying to protect the "lungs of the planet".

Global warming did not start this fire, but it did sustain it due to the warm and dry weather. Environmental organizations and researchers said that this fire was set by cattle loggers and farmers in

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order to create land for ranching purposes. The new president possibly bolstered their decision. Mr. Bolsonaro, however, blamed non-governmental organizations for the fires without evidence.

The effect of this is pollution. The haze from Indonesia's illegal slash-and-burn practices in 2015 has affected the other Southeast Asian countries around it, but this might top even that. According to the National Aeronautics Space Agency (NASA), high levels of carbon monoxide have been detected in the atmosphere. Although carbon monoxide does not directly affect us at such high altitudes, the strong winds would allow these particles to travel great distances, where it would greatly impact air quality. Carbon monoxide, when inhaled, could cause asphyxiation, or the deprivation of oxygen in the human body. This could result in serious tissue damage and suffocation.

Surprisingly, the drop in oxygen production in our atmosphere due to the burning of the forest is untrue. The Amazon doesn't produce 20% of the world's oxygen -- it only produces about 6%. Most of our world's oxygen actually comes from the ocean; specifically, phytoplankton that live suspended in the ocean. In fact, we are unsure where this excess oxygen originated from. The common misconception about deforestation bringing down the amount of oxygen in our world is slightly untrue. The main threat to the oxygen level is the burning of fossil fuels. The burning of the forest (or anything, really) would increase the amount of CO₂, which decreases the amount of oxygen in the world. Oxygen levels are rapidly dropping from burning and not the cutting

down of trees, reversing thousands of years of photosynthesis, according to the Atlantic.

So what is the threat that we should be concerned about? Everything exists for a reason and the reason the Amazon rainforest is important to us is that it regulates the weather. According to Vox, the rainfall patterns of the area would change across the globe. The trees trap water

and send it to the sky in a process called evapotranspiration, which is vital to the water cycle.

Even though the effects that we read about are not entirely true, it is important to understand the importance of nature in our lives, especially with global warming being a global issue. There are serious adverse effects.

Business

The Richest Man in Taiwan

*New Taipei City, September 3
(Johnny Yang)*

Terry Gou, born on Oct 18, 1950, is the founder of Foxconn. He has been a senior member of the Nationalist Party of China for forty years. Now, he is planning to run for the 2020 presidential campaign as an independent candidate. Terry Gou was born into a police family of strong moral values. During economic hardship, the family took refuge in a temple during his childhood. Despite the predicament, he managed to get his bachelor's degree from Taipei University of Marine Technology.

Endowed with vision, Gou founded Foxconn in 1974 with only ten million New Taiwan dollars borrowed from his dear mother. He made a humble start by manufacturing plastic parts for television sets. In 1980, he turned around his company with an order from Atari to make the console joystick. Subsequently, he visited companies across the United States to make his presence to his potential customers. With aggressive sales strategies, he was able to win additional orders.

Gou was one of Taiwan's legendary pioneers in expanding businesses in mainland China. In 1988, Foxconn was established in Shenzhen, China. He streamlined the assembly of consumer electronics by vertical integration, serving first-tier customers including Apple. The company has grown into a multifunctional campus for its employees.

Gou is also a venerable philanthropist. In memory of his deceased first wife, he made significant contributions to the prevention of cancer and public welfare services for health and education. Gou married his second wife in 2008.



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Taiwan's Badminton Star

Hsinchu, August 15
(Evelyn Lin)

Have you ever heard of the famous badminton player called Tai Tzu Ying? She has won the Taiwanese ranking competition, the US Open Grand Prix Gold, and many many other championships in many different countries. She had the highest composite score in BWF (Badminton World Federation) history. She has had an impressive record in the Badminton World.

She started attending international games when she was only 15. Her first championship was the Taiwanese ranking competition. She is the only Taiwanese person to date that has made the world championship. She gave the BWF a very impressive performance. At the age of 17, she won the US Open Grand Prix

Gold. In 2014 and 2016, she won her biggest championships at the Super Series Finals. Everybody worshipped her.

In 2016, she won the Super Series Premiere, Indonesia Open. Throughout 2016 and 2017, she won six championships in a row. In 2017 and 2018, she won the All England Open and in 2014, 2016, and 2017, she won the Hong Kong Super Series three times. In the BWF Super Series Masters Final in 2013, Sung Ji-hyun and Porntip Buranaprasertsul were defeated by Tai Tzu Ying. But in the end, Tai Tzu Ying was defeated by Wang Shuxian.

On December 2016, Tai Tzu Ying became the world's number 1 in women's single. She has been ranked the World number 1 for 125 weeks. She is really the badminton queen of the world. She has won many championships, and has traveled all around the world to win more and more accolades for Taiwan. It's a pleasure and honor to have her in our country.



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Club News

Club Fair

Hsinchu, August 30th (Hannah Li)

It was finally the day that all the student body had been waiting for, “CLUB FAIR”! Consisting of a total of 26 clubs in 4 different fields: academics, sports, miscellaneous, and student success. Through presentations by student club leaders and teachers, all students were encouraged to sign up to participate in different clubs to enhance their school life. Sports clubs were incredibly popular with an incessant stream of students coming to sign up in different clubs. And of course, the best representative sport at HAS, was the basketball team!

The campus doesn't limit our love of sports. This new school year, there



Photo by Ms. Grace



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are several new clubs such as Parkour lead by Mr. Loi, cheer, and book club by Mrs. Gibbons, Entrepreneurship Club by Mr. Stancati, chess club, dance club...and many more.

In addition, if you are interested in music or singing, please do not hesitate to join rock band and enjoy the stage at future events. You all know that “You Only Live Once!” It is never too late to do anything! Join clubs and make your school life fruitful!

Club News

College Fair

Taipei, September 14 (Angel Lin)

Taiwan Consultant Association (CAT) held their annual college fair at Taipei American School on September 14th, 2019. This yearly event in Taipei attracted many people. This college fair invites many colleges from the U.S., Canada, Europe, Japan, etc..., to advertise their programs. These colleges promote their university information as well as school spirit.

The gym was divided based on location such as America, Europe, and Asia. There were long lines to ask questions about colleges, and they left with new information on how to apply to these exciting universities. You might question, "Why are there so many people involved?" The reason for that is, if the college or university they are interested in is attending, then they can go to get more information and ask questions about any of

their concerns or any requirement that the college requires. Although lines were long for certain popular universities, our students were able to talk to recruiters from many of the schools they intend to apply to. Each college provided their own incentives to persuade students to apply to their college, such as scholarships.



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Life

Teacher Spotlight

Mitchell Hall

Hsinchu, September 9 (Richard Lin)

“No worries mate!” Blond hair with brown eyes, speaks like an Australian rap god, and an estimated 195 cm tall, he’s a new teacher at HAS-Mr. Hall. He teaches biology, AP biology, chemistry, physical science, and earth science. As a huge fan of science, his favorite subject is biology. Whenever he talks about biology, his eyes light up with excitement and passion for teaching. It seems like he could spend a whole month discussing biology with you! From his words, he also revealed a sense that money can’t buy happiness,



follow your intuition, it’ll lead you to find it. He has been using that spirit utterly his whole life, so far.

Back in high school, his second-largest interest besides science was swimming. A strong swimmer, swimming competitively with contenders from numerous schools. For his practices, he swims 6 km a day, 6 consecutive days a week.

As a result, he got a scholarship to the University of British Columbia (UBC). Unfortunately, things don’t turn out as he expected, he injured his shoulder while practicing. Either he had to reconstruct his shoulder or quit swimming. It brought about a huge transition to his life, since his future was supposed to be illuminated by his swimming career. This forced him to return to his academic studies. This decision was harsh for him since he wasn’t a perfect student during high school.

With all kinds of struggles, he went to university, The University of Queensland (UQ), and it was all fine there! His initial goal was to become a vet due to his exceeding passion for veterinary science. He even wanted to start his own veterinary hospital, so he studied biomedical science for two years. Later on, he found out that setting vet as his career goal wasn’t a wise decision. The vet system was controlled by two big Australia monopolies, both were running as a business instead of a hospital. They increased the price of medical drugs in order to earn more profit. On the other hand, vets’ salaries weren’t high either. He transferred to the Queensland University of Technology (QUT), and ended up studying paramedic science for a year. Being a paramedic gave him a new view on life, “A few seconds ago you were talking to a patient, the next moment they died in front of me.” He also tried working on a night shift, but it wasn’t a long-term

job for him. While working on a night shift, he suffered from illnesses that were caused by the work. His body couldn’t handle being on a night shift. The next year, he studied pharmacology for another year and graduated from QUT.

Moreover, he and his twin brother, Dill, were living in the students’ dorms for three years during his college life. And because of living in the dorms, he realized that “You’ll never really know a person until you live with them.” He used to have an intimate friend, which he would share all his thoughts with, but not after they become roommates-Matt. According to Mr. Hall, he was just a “lil punk.” A ten-year-old immature, puerile, and childish kid living in a muscular, brawny, and herculean twenty-year-old body. He never cleaned up after himself, leaving a disaster in the kitchen every time he used the dishes. Apparently, he had caught a tartar-Dill. Dill was a straight forward person. If things were going wrong with a person, he would walk directly in front of their face with a serious look and says “Yo mate! Seems like something is going wrong with you!” Of course, his roommate was even an issue for him. Whenever a disaster appeared, Dill would dump whatever the mess was in his bed, even non-washed dishes. From then on, the washing machine never stopped running. This ongoing phenomenon lasted for six months, the twins would just wait until he got home and laugh at his reactions.

Although his roommate finally did clean up after himself, Dill decided it had already gone too far, so he

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Can Cats Understand You?



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Hsinchu, August 14 (Molly Cheng)

In 2019, U.S. researchers observed the reaction of 12 cats when they heard their owners and a stranger calling them. The reason they observed the cats was that they wanted to know if cats could read human thoughts. The cats would have different reactions when humans were happy or unhappy. The reaction between dogs and cats were also very different.

After the American team finished observing the cats, they noticed that cats are interested in what humans are saying and their facial expressions, but they need some time to understand. They discovered that the cats will react when their owner calls, smiles, or frowns at them. If the owner is smiling, the cat will go beside him/her or sit on his/her lap. When the owner frowns, the cat will not want to approach their owner.

The discovery of dogs understanding what you say and your facial expressions was faster than for the cats. It is because the reactions of dogs are more intense than for cats, so it is easier to observe. The reason dogs can understand us faster than cats is because humans have been

making dogs pets for a much longer time. The first cats were domesticated by human about 10,000 years ago.

Cats were also primarily used to help humans catch mice.

Food & Culture

Chinese Food And Culture

Hsinchu, August 12 (Andy Liu)

Ever wondered what a Chinese meal would look like? Here's the answer: a Chinese meal consists of two main types of dishes, a meat dish, and a vegetable dish. In Chinese food culture, people do not use knives and forks as their primary utensils, they use chopsticks and spoons instead. In a Chinese meal, everyone usually has their own rice bowl filled with a handful of rice. Food will be served on plates and people will usually enjoy their meal while eating their bowl of rice. Snacks are very popular in Chinese food history. It is usually served after the end of the meal. Chinese dishes are divided between hot and cold dishes. Chinese dishes

usually have soup and congees. They think soup is healthy for the human body, and for congees; it is good for breakfast or for sickness. I think the most popular cities for a Chinese meal in China are Beijing, and Shanghai. Beijing, as the capital, has gathered different types of Chinese meal culture from different parts of China. As a global metropolis, Shanghai consists of different types and kinds of food from around the whole world. Not only does it have different types of Chinese dishes, but it has also developed its own unique food culture. Shanghai dishes usually have a strong flavor.



Photo Courtesy food-culture.com

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Bubbles Bubbles Bubbles



Photo by Koreastardaily.com

*Hsinchu, September 20
(Evyonne Hsu)*

When people think of Taiwanese drinks, the first thing that most people think of is bubble tea. To us, it has become part of our daily lives. More and more bubble tea stores have appeared in Taiwan, but among these stores, which are the ones that most people love? Here's the list for the best bubble tea stores in Taiwan according to a certain website:

1. 50 Lan

50 Lan is the one that you absolutely can't miss out on in Taiwan. It appears not only in Taipei, but all over the country. The best part about 50 Lan is that they give their customers the option of choosing the size of their boba. Their top drink is Light Oolong Tea with Bubble and Coconut Jelly. It is a cup of fresh tea with chewy bobas and sweet coconut jelly at the bottom.

2. Chun Shui Tang

Chun Shui Tang is founded by Liu

Han Chieh in 1983. It is known as the first company to create bubble tea. Although its original store is located in Taichung, it has now expanded to many different places. It offers not only drinks, but also Taiwanese snacks. Their most popular drink, of course is their Bubble Milk Tea. Their drinks are made from high quality milk and tea, and the sweetness is just perfect without being too sweet. Besides the drinks, the Kung Fu Noodles, with special minced pork and mushrooms, which is also popular in Chun Shui Tang. Unlike other tea stores, Chun

Shui Tang retains a traditional style of a Chinese tea house while selling bubble tea.

3. Jenjudan

Jenjudan's bubble tea is a mix of melted brown sugar, and rich heavy milk, with bobas that are freshly prepared every two hours. Their most popular drink is Brown Sugar Bubble Milk Tea. The special thing about their drinks is that their bobas are completely mixed with their boba pure brown sugar, which makes it more delicious and smoother.

Plogging is Gaining Speed & Cleaning Up



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Hsinchu, September 2 (Evelyn Lin)

Have you ever heard of plogging? Plogging is a combination of jogging and picking up litter. It originated from the word jogging and "plocka up" in Swedish. It is a fun Earth Day activity invented by Erik Ahlström. In 2016, when he

moved back to Stockholm from a small ski community in northern Sweden, he was shocked by the amount of trash on the road and streets. Erik Ahlström said, "During my daily cycling trip from Nacka to work at Östermalm, I was shocked by the amount of junk there was in nature." He first started picking up trash every time when he was jogging. He thought it would be a good idea to make a fun activity for the Earth. "The same debris could remain in the road for several weeks without anyone picking it up, so I started picking it up. It felt good in the heart to clean up a small place."

In 2016, he even made a website called Plogga for his activity, which encourages volunteers to attend the activity and also helps organize the

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Art & Literature

Short Story of Beowulf

Hsinchu, September 7 (Richard Lin)

What's that sound out there? Who is still walking outside at midnight? Something is wrong out there, the sound of footsteps is approaching our tent. Oh my Lord, it's the infamous and merciless killer--Grendel. Without hesitation, Grendel raised his arm and dropped it down gently. A head rolled over the ground towards the door- the head of Wulfgard's close friend. I started to yell, trying to wake everyone in the room. The soldiers were roused by the scream, they instantly grabbed the swords beside them. They started to bellow "Warriors Fight! Warriors Fight!", their eyes were full of anger. Beowulf, the strongest man in the world, woke up from the noise. He followed the noise to meet with other warriors. The soldiers launched attacks on Grendel, to cut him with their swords as hard as they could. Unfortunately, nothing could harm Grendel, there wasn't even a scratch on him. As Beowulf arrived, he immediately leapt on to Grendel. Without any weapons, he savagely ripped off Grendel's arm. Grendel left Heorot with his only arm, the river was tinted by his blood on his way back home. People started cheering and applauding for the victory, they started to smoke weed and drink alcohol. Beowulf picked up the arm of Grendel from the ground, and shouted "Warriors Fight! Warriors Fight!" He hung the arm with a string from the

rafter of Harot to show his prowess as a warrior.

As the soldiers were celebrating, the sky turned off suddenly. It started to rain heavily, another monster came in the rain. The creepiest creature they had ever seen, it's skin was all wrinkled, sharp claws with pure dark eyeballs, large as a gigantic whale, and razor-sharp bloody teeth--Grendel's mother. It was Grendel's mother, coming to Heorot to get revenge for her son. She knocked down whatever was in her sight, pulled up trees with only her fingers. Hundreds and thousands of soldiers were killed, blood was splashing everywhere. Within only a minute, the whole island was turned into a plain. Only a hundred soldiers survived, including Beowulf. Beowulf saw this, and chased after Grendel's mother, but his speed wasn't fast enough to catch up. Grendel's mother then dove into the lake back to her house. Without thinking, Beowulf leaped into the lake and followed her. The dark lake was surrounded with frozen trees, blustery, chilly wind blew on the surface of the lake, and bats hovered over top of it. As Beowulf entered the lake, he soon got pulled down by the water, feeling like someone was controlling it. When he approached the seafloor, he found out that he was in a battle hall. Grendel's mother appeared, roared at Beowulf "I'll fight till the death for my son!" The psychopath went straight towards Beowulf with her sharp claws, and scratched Beowulf right in the face, then threw him against the wall.

Beowulf started to counterattack, but every time he ran towards her, she tossed him like a toy against the wall. The wall was covered with Beowulf's blood, this time, his fate failed him. Suddenly, bits of light reflected on to Beowulf's body. He then found a lustrous sword stuck between the rocks of the wall. With his remaining energy, he dashed directly where the sword was and demolished the rocks. The sword fell out. Beowulf picked up the sword, and a mystical power was given from it. Beowulf was alive again, all his wounds were healed. He lifted up the sword and drew it across Grendel's mother. Her head fell off. Beowulf picked up the head with his sword, and headed back to Heorot to share his victory with the survivors. On the way out of the battle hall, Beowulf saw Grendel struggling in the corner. Again, Beowulf walked in front of Grendel and sliced down his head without mercy.

To be continued.....



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Art & Literature

Hsinchu September 18
(Kevin Huang)

Recently, the art class drew an upside-down portrait of their classmates and an animal drawing. The upside-down portrait utilized the techniques of shadowing,

proportion and the relationship between objects and lines. The first three pieces demonstrate how the student used their eyes to draw a contour of the face, and the last

piece shows the student's spirit animal, an animal that represents themselves. Those artworks are drawn by students from 8th to 11th grade.



Andrew Kim by Hannah Li



Mila Chen by Ariel Chen

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Eagle by David Kim



Kerdis Pan by Tim Chen

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Finally, it was time for the competition. On the third day, the Juniors and Seniors started Debate and Challenge. Although, the Juniors, took a beating from scholars from other countries in Debate, they didn't lose their confidence. They just looked forward to those that hadn't come yet. The Seniors were able to win their third round of debate! Though it was a rough day, they still had a good dinner and fun at the Scholar's Ball.

On the fourth day everyone joined together at the International Conference Center in Sydney, for the Scholar's Bowl, Scholar's Showcase, and Debate Showcase. In the evening, HAS students went to the Culture Fair to learn about all the countries that were attending the competition.

Finally, our time in Australia was almost over. The fifth day was the last day for the Juniors. After having so much competition and so much fun, it was time to say goodbye to the chairs they were sitting in. The Juniors won their metals and huge Alpaca stuffed-animals to bring back to Taiwan. The Seniors, on the other hand, had their final free day, where they tried to see humpback whales, but saw fur seals and albatrosses instead.

On the sixth day, the Seniors said goodbye to their chairs and collected their medals while the Juniors went to Sydney Opera House and the Rocks Discovery Museum. They also spent lots of money that day to buying souvenirs for their school friends.

The trip was successful. Everyone learned a lot of lessons that could never be taught at school. We all had happy faces to show everyone, and we all enjoyed the vacation to Sydney. I hope we can go back there and compete again as soon as possible!



Image courtesy of Ms. Keller

Mr. Hall Continued

continued to put dishes in his bed anyways.

As he knew that being a paramedic wasn't going to be his future job, he had to transfer back to UQ. He switched his major from biomedical science to psychology for another two years. He described it as the best two years of his college life since he participated in several different courses besides psychology. He graduated from QU, but he had no direction for his career. By a chance, his friends suggested that work as a school teacher. He went back to UQ for his teacher program. After the program, he got a job from a local school. He had the toughest kids in Australia, but they weren't harmful. Although he did become a teacher, he figured out that the job was too easy for him. He then

applied to three schools around the world, schools in Taiwan, Thailand, and Burma. Dill got the job in Thailand so Mr. Hall decided to come abroad to Taiwan. And that's why he's here at HAS!

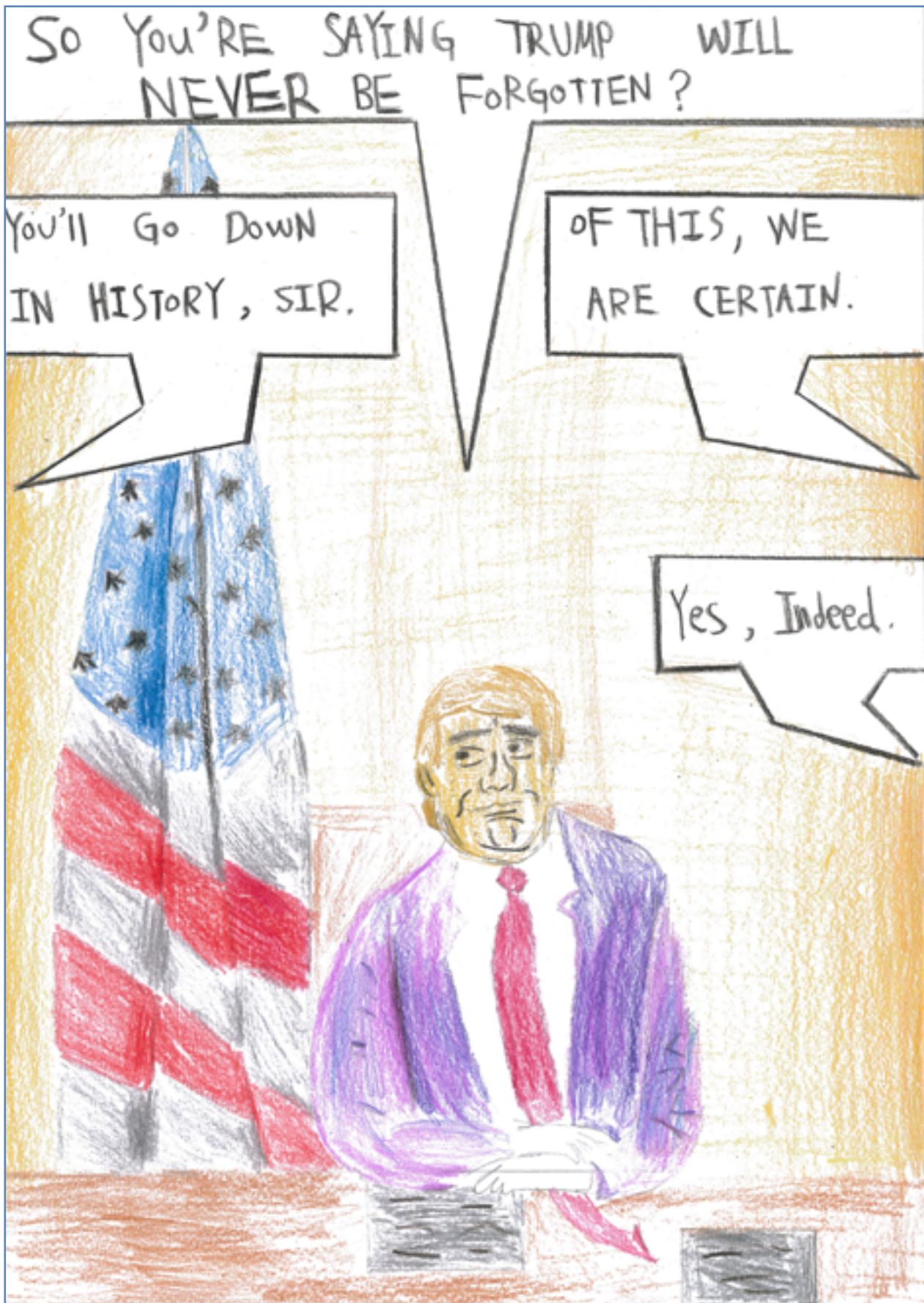
Plogging Continued

activity. In 2018, plogging spread out to many countries such as Malaysia, Colombia, France, Scotland, the USA, and India. Erik Ahlström also said, "One does not necessarily have to run or jog - plogging can be done walking down the street, on the golf course, biking, paddle boarding, swimming or wherever you are."

If you want to burn calories through running, you could choose plogging instead of jogging. Why? Research has shown that plogging actually burns more calories than just jogging because it requires actions like squatting, holding bags of trash, or picking up trash from the floor. Plogging for an hour burns 288 calories on average compared to an hour of just regular or normal jogging, which burns 235 calories.

In addition, Erik Ahlström also said, "I travel around all over Sweden to do plogging events with people, and groups..." More and more countries have started organizing more plogging events for more volunteers to attend. Plogging benefits environmental problems in many ways. In conclusion, plogging is good for our world! So, join the plogging website and attend some plogging events!

Satire



Courtesy of Alex Tung

Word Search



Word List

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ANDY
BRENDA
ROGER

AUSTIN
HANNAH
KELLY
CHARLIZE
ARIEL
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DASHA
JOSEPH
WILSON