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高小組 小四 (P4) ▶ 小六 (P6)
Senior Primary

CHOW Sze Lok

St. Mary's Canossian School

Topic I Learnt Forgiveness From This Book

Dear Sofia,

I have read a philosophical novel called "For One More Day" by Mitch Albom. What would you do if you could see a loved one whom you have lost again? How would you spend the day with him?

The protagonist, Charles "Chick" Benetto, experiences a life of misery because his father deserted the family when Chick was young. Only his mother supports him but he has never stood up for her. Soon after he has grown older, he decides to end his life. When he becomes unconscious, he sees his dead mother alive and accompanies her for a day to visit her friends who are about to face death. As the day is about to end, they visit an old woman in her bedroom. Chick finally understands that his father had another family earlier, and that was mainly why he'd left Chick's family. His mother still forgave his father and supported him although she knew what had happened. The last words of his mother also made Chick forgive his own past. That day, Chick understood how important forgiveness was. Finally he survived and kept the valuable lesson he'd learnt in his heart.

In this book, the words are highly descriptive. For example, "I couldn't look at her, so I looked at my feet." Readers could tell that Chick was embarrassed and guilty as he didn't want to look at his mother. Another example is "She squeezed the corn puffs and they crumbled into floury dust", which can show that Chick's mother was miserable and stressed, and the action of squeezing the corn puffs is a sign of expressing her pent-up sadness.

I have learnt a lot from this heart-stirring book. This novel reminds us of one simple virtue: forgiveness. Death itself is not dreadful; the most dreadful thing is not being able to release the grudges in one's heart before facing death. I strongly recommend this book to you; it is a must-read!

Love,
Nora

Book Read

Book title : For one more day
Author : Mitch Albom
Publisher : New York: Hachette Books, 2014.

Comments

- Clear and concise arguments and ideas. Excellent organization.

KWAN Wing Lam Winnie

St. Paul's Co-Educational College
Primary School

Topic The Midnight Gang

Dear Alessandra,

How are you? I have just finished reading this awesome book called *The Midnight Gang* written by the renowned author, David Walliams. I can't wait to tell you about it!

Midnight is the time when most children are fast asleep, but the adventures of the members of *The Midnight Gang* were just starting. Tom, a boy from St. Willet's Boarding Schools for Boys, hurt his head and was sent to this hospital where he met *The Midnight Gang*: Amber, Robin, George and Sally. Amber had broken her legs and arms and was in a wheelchair for quite a while. Robin was recovering from an operation to save his eyesight. George was also recovering from an operation to remove his tonsils. Sally was the youngest of the group and she was so ill that she spent most of her time sleeping.

The gang was a tight one. Each member helped each other with their dreams. What so great about this story is the strength of their friendships. I learn the importance of friendship. Friends can cheer us up when we feel low. When Amber was confined to a wheelchair and would like to enter a race, her gang friends all entered the race in a wheelchair so she wouldn't feel awkward. Friends can support us whenever and wherever. A few times when Sally was screeching, Tom would distract the mean matron, so Sally wouldn't get into trouble. When Amber lost her balance and fell off her bed in the middle of the night, the gang would all get up to help her to get back on her bed.

Alessandra, you have been a great friend to me since kindergarten. I am sure you will enjoy reading this book because what *The Midnight Gang* is doing is quite similar to what you and I have shared. Thank you for being my *Midnight Gang* and growing up with me!

Best wishes,
Winnie

Book Read

Book title : The Midnight Gang
Author : David Walliams; illustrated by Tony Ross
Publisher : London : HarperCollins Children's Books, 2016.

Comments

- Well structured.
- The ideas were clearly stated and supported. The expression was clear, accurate, appropriate for purpose. The story is clearly organized. Good job.

LAM Wing Yan

Oblate Primary School

Topic Some Things I Learn From Charlie

Hi Angela,

How are you? I really miss you. Do you have good days in Kwun Tong?

Recently, I read a fantastic story called "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory". It is a famous novel written by a British author, Roald Dahl in 1964. Let me tell you about the story and what I have learned from it.

Charlie Bucket was a little boy who lived in a very poor family with his parents and four grandparents. He didn't desire any food to eat except chocolate. Charlie could taste a bit of chocolate on his birthday only once a year. Charlie wished that he could visit the Wonka's factory which was flavoured with the rich smell of melting chocolate.

Although it was difficult to get a chance to visit Mr Willy Wonka's factory, Charlie didn't abandon hope. Charlie made every effort to get a ticket to Wonka's factory. Amazingly, a miracle happened to him. Charlie got the last golden ticket, so he was one of the five fortunate children who had the chance to pay a visit to Willy Wonka's chocolate factory.

During the visit to the chocolate factory, Charlie had eye-opening and fabulous experience. It was full of imagination in Wonka's chocolate factory. I am impressed the most by the great glass lift. The lift was made of thick and clear glass, and it could bring you to any single room in the factory. You could go from the roof of the factory to the sky and Charlie's home as well.

Charlie behaved very well. As a result of that, he was the only one left at the end of the visit. Charlie was the winner and Mr. Wonka gave the factory to him. Meanwhile, Charlie could live in the chocolate factory with his family.

From the book, I understand I should keep chasing my dream even if it seems impossible to achieve or even never works. So I highly recommend you to read this book. I believe that you will be touched by Charlie's consuming passion for chocolate and you can't put down the book once you start reading it.

Best Wishes,
Coco

Book Read

Book title : Charlie and the chocolate factory
Author : Roald Dahl; illustrated by Quentin Blake
Publisher : London: Puffin Books, 2016.

Comments

- Effective structure of clear ideas.

作品排名不分先後，以獲獎者姓名排序。
Works arranged in the order of the winner's names.

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LEE Jayden Liam
S.K.H. Holy Carpenter Primary School

Topic The Wizard of Oz

Dear Miss Lo,

I am writing to introduce a book to you. You will definitely like it. The book is "The Wizard of Oz". The author who wrote this book is L. Frank Baum. It is a famous storybook among children. The main characters of this book are a kind and friendly girl called Dorothy, her pet dog, Toto, and the great wizard, Oz.

Dorothy is a little girl who lives with her uncle, aunt and her dog in Kansas. It is a lonely farm. The story started when they were caught in a tornado and accidentally brought to the Land of Oz. Dorothy and Toto met a witch and Dorothy's house has landed on the Wicked Witch of the East. Dorothy wanted to go home but she didn't know how. She asked the witch for advice but she didn't know either. She told Dorothy to go to Emerald City to find the Great Witch Oz. When she was on the way to Emerald City, she met a scarecrow who wants a brain, a tinman who wants a heart and a lion who wants courage. They all went to find the Great Witch Oz with Dorothy.

When they got to Emerald City, they told the Great Witch Oz what they wanted but the Great Witch Oz told them to kill the Wicked Wizard of the West. Therefore, they went to the Wicked Wizard's castle. The Wicked Wizard of the West summoned many different animals by using his magic to fight with Dorothy and her new friends. Luckily, Dorothy killed the Wicked Wizard of the West eventually. The Great Witch Oz granted their wishes and they got what they wanted. Dorothy, who only wanted to return home, went home safe and sound.

I have learned a valuable lesson from this book that friendship is important and friendship overcomes difficulties. I can overcome my weaknesses too when I am with my friends. Through cooperation and communication, I can work greatly with my friends. We should respect everyone and value all people's strengths. I believe you will enjoy this story.

Love,
Jayden

Comments

- The structure was carefully planned. Easy to read. The expression was more than competent.

Book Read
Book title : The Wizard of Oz
Author : L. Frank Baum
Publisher : New York: Puffin Books, 2013.

MIN Yi Hang Ashley
King's College Old Boys' Association Primary School No.2

Topic A Fascinating Year

Dear Kadence,

It is all of a sudden to know that you are moving to England to further your education much earlier than what we expected. Let me share an interesting book with you that will for sure cheer you up and help you to settle in your new home. It is "A Year in Provence" by Peter Mayle. I learn a lot from his valuable experiences of relocating to southern France.

The story began when Mayle fell in love with a beautiful French village in Provence. He decided to buy and move into an old farmhouse there. Then, he was immediately welcomed by a windy and cold winter, coupled with the difficulties of being in tune with the inconvenience and slow tempo. Sounds scary? Keep calm and read on.

As months passed by, you can see Mayle had put a remarkable effort to adapt himself and blended successfully into the French culture. He enjoyed joining the local activities, of course including the amazing goat racing. He also paid great attention to how the locals acted differently. You can identify a Parisian from the provincials right away after reading this book. I therefore realise that observing carefully will help me to better understand the foreigners and adjust myself to their community.

Indeed, Mayle dealt with the hustle and bustle of relocation wisely. His unique sense of humor and sunny personality made him get along well with his new neighbours and various kinds of people, like builders and agents, who came over to his place regularly. I found Mayle was always in mood for fantastic French cuisine no matter how busy he was. Subsequently, I learn that being kind, friendly and open-minded are keys to develop friendship in a strange new world as well as keeping myself happy.

Finally, Mayle had his adorable house revamped. It was a warm and tranquil home for his wife and him to start a new chapter in life. This book inspires my parents and me to stay positive on changes. We learn how to get accustomed to new environment from this book. And I hope it can help you too. We are both at a crossroad moment after all. By the way, Fish-n-Chip is not that bad really.

Take care.
Ashley

Book Read
Book title : A year in Provence
Author : Peter Mayle ; illustrations by Judith Clancy
Publisher : London: Penguin Books, 2000.

Comments

- Vocabulary wide and precise. It had fluent expression, with logical sequencing. Ideas were insightful, thought-provoking. A quality short story.
- Good ideas with clear explanation.

PANG Li Zheng Aidan
Diocesan Boys' School Primary Division

Topic Dare to be Different

Dear William,

How is your life in Canada? I heard that it's freezing there, especially in Quebec, please make sure you keep yourself snug. I miss you very much. I hope that I can come to visit you during summer holiday.

Recently, I read a fantastic book and would like to share it with you. It is called "Stories for Boys who Dare to be Different" by Ben Brooks. This tells us amazing stories of celebrities who changed this world. For example, Bill Gates, even if he dropped out of university, he was the founder of Microsoft. He showed me nothing is impossible and we need to follow our heart and passion. Caine Monroy, who created a website which encouraged over a million juveniles to be creative. Through him, I learned to use my imagination to change the world for the better. Christian McPhilamy, who did not care that he was being bullied and kept his hair growing to help sick kids without hair. Through him, he inspired me to have strong mind and help people in need. Derek Redmond, who was an athlete that did not give up even when he was trembling with pain. Through him, I learned to be persistent and never give up. Don McPherson, who was a famous American football player and he did not like how unequal people treated each other. Through him, I learned to treat everyone the same regardless of sex and nationality. King George VI, who overcame his fear of speech. Through him, I learned to overcome my fears. Mahatma Gandhi, who silently led a protest against the British and gained independence of India at the end. He showed us how to persuade without violence.

I love all these stories, and many more. It really is a fabulous book. I recommend this book to you because it is an inspiring collection which encouraged me to make the world a better place through compassion, generosity and self belief. I wish you will also enjoy this superb book!

Looking forward to seeing you soon! Take care!

Yours truly,
Adrian

Book Read
Book title : Stories for boys who dare to be different
Author : Ben Brooks; Illustrated by Quinton Winter
Publisher : London: Quercus, 2018.

Comments

- Communicated clearly. Logical flow.

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WONG Tsz Lam Jeffrey

Yaumati Catholic Primary School (Hoi Wang Road)

Topic The True Spirit of Christmas

Dear Lily,

How have you been? I heard that Toronto is getting colder and it will snow soon. You told me that you were very busy preparing for the Christmas party. I hope that everything goes well and you will have a wonderful white Christmas!

Recently, I have finished a book called "A Christmas Carol". Isn't it perfect to read this book when Christmas is around the corner?

The main character of the book, Ebenezer Scrooge, is a mean, cold-hearted miser who never shares with the poor or the needy. On Christmas Eve, he is visited by the ghost of his former business partner who wants to help him avoid the same fate he has been suffering. After that, he is visited by three other ghosts - the ghost of Christmas Past, the ghost of Christmas Present and the ghost of Christmas Yet-to-come. They help him find the spirit of Christmas. They warn him that if he doesn't change his attitude to others, he will face loneliness forever. In the end, Scrooge learns his lesson and he becomes a generous man and spreads Christmas cheer and happiness to everyone he sees, keeping Christmas spirit alive at all times!

After reading this story, I feel deeply touched and inspired. Through the weird and exciting adventures that Scrooge experiences, it brings out an important message: It's never too late to change, to love or to share. This book makes me understand that Christmas is more than just exchanging gifts, decorating, shopping, and eating good food. The true spirit of it is to love the people around us, to care about our families, and to share with the poor and the needy as much as we can. We should try our best to live out this spirit in our lives!

Thanks to this amazing book. I believe that there must be some magic in this book which has made it interesting, attractive and popular since it was first published in 1843. Do you want to feel this magic force and let yourself be brightened up?

Let's start living our lives with Christmas spirit!

Warm wishes,
Joey

Comments

- Well structured with reflection on Christmas spirit.
- Fresh and persuasive, appropriate to purpose and audience. The story is exciting to read.
- Excellent job on expressing ideas clearly. Good organization.

Book Read

Book title : A Christmas carol
Author : Charles Dickens
Publisher : Mineola, New York: Dover Publications, Inc., 2017.

WONG Yan Kiu

Shatin Government Primary School

Topic Charlie and the Chocolate Factory

Dear Jayden,

Why did I choose this story? I chose this story because it was attractive and educational. Also, it taught me a lot about 'Love' and 'Respect'.

This book was about a little boy called Charlie. He lived near a huge chocolate factory which belonged to a strange man who called Willy Wonka. Charlie and four lucky children won a tour of the factory with Willy Wonka. In the end, the four lucky children all had an accident but Charlie didn't have, so Mr. Wonka gave the key which could go to the chocolate factory to Charlie as a prize. However, Charlie rejected the offer because he loved his family. He would like to stay at his home rather than at the chocolate factory. Mr. Wonka was in doubt but he respected Charlie's decision even though he didn't understand. Charlie showed his unconditional love to his family. Without expecting anything in return, he just gave the best things to others. I have learnt that love is not just a feeling. It's a commitment and above all a sacrifice.

Besides, I think that 'Love' is the precious present in the world. Although Mr. Wonka owned a huge chocolate factory, he was lonely and unhappy. However, he felt relaxed and glad when he met his father again. When someone else's happiness is your happiness, that is 'Love'.

After reading this book, we should learn how to show respect and love to others especially in Hong Kong. We are the members in this city. We are in a big family. There are different opinions among Hong Kong people. We should be humble and unite in our city. I love this city. I love everyone in Hong Kong,

Above all, I sincerely recommend all of you to take time and read this wonderful inspiring story and I'm sure you won't regret it if you do so!

Warm wishes,
Chloe

Book Read

Book title : Charlie and the chocolate factory
Author : Roald Dahl; illustrated by Quentin Blake
Publisher : London: Puffin Books, 2016.

Comments

- Coherent and nicely illustrated 'Love'.

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