

Inside School English Contests – Final Results (Updated)

Theme: Unprecedented Times

No.	Deadlines	Particular	Results
1	15 May 2021	Poetry Writing	Junior Category: Winner – Megan Lai (J1Yi) Special Mention – Yun Yee Ying (J3Xin) Senior Category: 1st placing – Tang Jie Qii (S1Xiao) 2nd placing – Sheryn Wong Shing Ning (S1Ren) 3rd placing – Chin Hong Yiee (S3Ren)
2	12 June 2021	Docufilm	Best Docufilm: Covid-19 – What You Need to Know https://drive.google.com/file/d/1r_s2eK3LZ2GtwiEuBNknG2tTpMJCWAEN/view?usp=drivesdk by 1. Umaiyaal Thevi Ramu (S1Ren) 2. Srishti Kaur Parmar (S1Yi) 3. Wayne Li Vui Yuen (S1Ren) Special Mention: Friendship in the Pandemic https://drive.google.com/file/d/1LvAlheg_hFnLtfJFRKDeK0MqgebwH4D/view?usp=drivesdk by 1. Rachael Lee Xuan (S1Xiao) 2. Natalie Mah Enn Chee (S1Ren)
3	15 July 2021	Public Speaking	Junior Category: Winner – Ameta Vanar (J3Ai) https://drive.google.com/file/d/1-ikRHT1Ch3slnzKnGGtLB3JiFVQkm129/view?usp=sharing Special Mention – Ryan Raj (J2Xin) https://drive.google.com/file/d/1S-SgVX4vUMNfptXHgSIDp2DFk1FSE5Jb/view Senior Category: Winner – Kualla Kobayashi (S1Zhong) https://drive.google.com/file/d/1E49oF6JMBfIk0STw3I7E1THrIRUgo4a8/view Special Mention – Nicholas Soo Jia Kai (S1Xiao) https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1J_K_CAR4zBBk0o3C6C8EVqCAwTpvsRJV?usp=sharing

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Date: 1 August 2021

Message to All Participants:

The English Activities Working Committee would like to congratulate all the participants for having the courage to showcase their creativity in poetry writing, producing docufilm and public speaking. During this unprecedented time, it is important to stay creative because it opens our hearts and doors to our mind. It can also help draw out what is already there within – hidden talents.

In every competition or contest, there are bound to be winners and losers. But know this, the first step to becoming excellent in anything is to participate. Congratulations, you are all winners in your own right! As the saying goes, practice makes perfect. Therefore, we would like to urge all participants and our beloved students to continue being creative because your best work is yet to come.

We would like to share with you a poem by **Emily Dickinson** (1830 – 1886) and hope that you will be inspired by the wordings to achieve greater heights.

We never know how high we are

We never know how high we are
Till we are called to rise;
And then, if we are true to plan,
Our statures touch the skies—

The Heroism we recite
Would be a daily thing,
Did not ourselves the Cubits warp
For fear to be a King—

~ *Emily Dickinson* ~

What Remains

By Tang Jie Qii S1Xiao

A year has passed since that time.
Let us go back,
Let us rewind.

The year began with a rocky start,
With a fire started down under.
Animals burnt and forests on fire,
Months pass yet the fire still lingers.

The days continued and guess what we saw?
A virus, a virus approaching from far.
Pandemic raging outside our doors,
A year went by but it still goes on.

In May something horrible occurred,
A life was lost at the hands of the law.
Though not the first or even the last,
Riots ensued across the land.
Although their efforts were not in vain,
but the discrimination still remains.

Nearing the end came an election,
Which meant it was time for a change in power.
Political parties rallied and debated,
But only one could rise to the top.
There they will remain for their term,
Unless impeached like the year before.

As the past remains,
It shapes our reality.
All we can do is,
Change our current reality,
To ensure what remains.



Has Goodness Gone Away

By Sheryn Wong Shing Ning (S1Ren)

When the news comes up
Every night at eight
The amount of bad and good news
Does not equate
It is wise to say that
The world is on the verge of decay
Has all the goodness gone away?

In forest greens
The lamp of chaos was lighted
A pandemic still raging
New death rates recorded
Politics in our country
Deceitful and corrupted
Has all the goodness gone away?

People's hearts are growing cold
Sincerity barely exists
Thefts, burglaries and frauds
These will still persist
People living for themselves
Human morals clouded in mist
Has all the goodness gone away?

Still amidst the dark of night
A small, bright light shines
Though little remains on this earth
It will surely grow in time
To comfort and keep us
Till the bright morning arise
Goodness is here to stay.



Stay at Home

By Chin Hong Yiee (S3Ren)

The reason why we are caged
In four walls of our home
Surrounded by our family
Our work and our anxiety

The streets become colder
The roads become calmer
Please grant the world around us
More space and distance

The flowers still in pretty bloom
The grasses still dance their way
But the day has changed
Something isn't fully the same

A drive out in the country
A time for high tea
A hangout and a party
A picnic with or family

For those amazing days again
Our freedom shall come back
We can stop it from spreading
Stay at home the world is begging



The Sacrificial Love of Frontliners

By Megan Lai (J1Yi)

A ruthless pandemic
Disrupt people's daily routine
The global economy is slowing down
No one is welcoming you

Doctors in blue gown
Nurses in white uniform
You wear the personal protective equipment regardless day and night
It can't tell the sweat or tear on your face

Our policemen and all the frontliners
How long have you not been home to hug your family?
No matter how you've missed them
You still persist in your job regardless of sunny or rainy days

Our respectful frontliners
You risk your health for the country for the people
You are our hope our hero
You deserve our respect



If I Were to Meet “Me”

By Yun Yee Ying (J3Xin)

I used to imagine
Another me
In another time
Another universe
In another life
Another place
In another space

What am I doing
When I'm awake
What am I searching
When I stray
What am I heading to
Or is it still far away

Am I still the silly me
That tells funny jokes for play
Am I still having the same name
Or am I someone else
But with the same face

I would like to ask
How are you?
Are we the same?
But nevertheless
I hope you are doing okay
Will we meet?
That's hard to say



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