



Myself

My name is Janith. I am five years old. I go to OKI, Kandana.

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Bonifas (LKG)
OKI International School,
Kandana**

My pet

I have a pet. It is a Dalmatian. My uncle gave it. Its name is Bruno. My pet's colour is black and white. Bruno likes to eat meat and rice. Bruno likes to drink milk and water. Bruno guards our house. Bruno likes to play with the ball. It doesn't like cats and rats. Bruno sleeps in a cage. Bruno chased the thief. I love Bruno very much.



**Shehan Horadagoda (8 years)
Ceylinco Sussex College,
Badulla**

Worshipping Parents



**Samith Ashan
(Grade 8)
Rahula College, Matara**

Flower and butterfly



**Thushana Sathasivam (8 years)
High Level International School, Hatton**

Our class trip

On June 26, we went on our class trip to Gunnoruwa and went to hotel Amaya Hills.

From school we went by bus to the Gunnoruwa Farm. We walked around the farm and saw lots of things. We saw cottages. They were so old to live in. We saw Aloo, they were such small plants. We saw a tree - top house. Everybody got a chance to climb and see the tree-top house. The teacher told use that the farmers go up there and stay at night and see if anyone is stealing from the garden.

After that, we went to Amaya Hills. At first we had a welcome drink. And we went to our room to change into our swimsuits. All of us went to swim in the swimming pool.

Even Renuka teacher came in to the swimming pool. She stayed for a while and went out. Then Harshini teacher came in. We enjoyed swimming.

After swimming, we watched Dragon Ball and Winx Club. We had our meals. There was French fries, mini vegetable pizzas, cheese buns, fried chicken, éclairs and ice cream.

We played badminton. Then we went into the bus, then Ravindu and Santush began singing Sinhala songs. Then we went back to school.

I enjoyed my trip a lot.

**Lakshikaa Srithar (7 years)
Colombo International
School,
Kandy**

Sri Lankan fast bowlers

There are two good fast bowlers in the Sri Lankan team. They are Chaminda Vaas and Lasith Malinga. Chaminda Vaas is a left armed bowler. He is one of the best fast bowlers in the world. He showed his talent to the world. He gets one or two wickets in his first over. It is a good start for the Sri Lankan team. He does his duty very well. He bowls to the proper place.

The other fast bowler is Lasith Malinga. When he bowls, the ball moves like a rocket. He is a very accurate fast bowler. He is a very essential man to the Sri Lankan

team. Malinga's bowling angle is 180°.

He got four wickets in four consecutive balls. It is a world record. He is just like a tornado. His hair style is his trademark. Malinga's mother says, that she doesn't like his hair style.

Lasith Malinga is a right arm bowler. Now everyone talks about Lasith Malinga. He also showed his talented skills to the world. You are lions to us!

**Hashan Chathuranga
Subharathie Vidyalaya,
Kuliyapitiya**



The dancer and the drummer



**H. Vidanapathirana (Grade 2)
Ceylinco Sussex College,
Kuliyapitiya**

Rabbit dreaming of carrots



**Navodya Ekanayaka (8 years)
Mallyadeva Girls' College,
Kurunegala**

My precious mother

The person who brought us to this world,
And showed us the right path,
Who covered us with love and protection
And being the shining star of my life.

The tears you shed for me,
And the troubles you took over by me
The gratitude we show you,
Is not enough for a life time.

You stood by me every time,
Brightened my life with happiness and joy
Enlightened me with truth and courage,
And gave me the strength to hold my life.

I was blessed because of all,
Loved by you...
Mother, I would never forget you
Forever...

Zahra Jazeel (13 years)
V. G. C. K



My family

Shuhalla Faizal
(4 years)
Madulkale



Beauty of nature

Dilan Samarasinghe
(Grade 4)
Royal International
School, Kegalle

Aquatic plants

Have you seen plants growing in fish tanks, wells and ponds? They are called aquatic plants.

Some aquatic plants have narrow ribbon-like leaves and flexible stems. The aquatic plants are very light. This lightness helps them to float on water.

There are two kinds of aquatic plants. They are, floating plants and submerged plants.

Floating plants have roots to float. Submerged plants have adapted to absorbing air dissolved in water. Salvinia is one kind of aquatic plant.

Maduranga Dharshan
(13 years)
Asseduma Subharthie
Vidyalaya

Note

Please ensure that all articles, poems and pictures sent for publication are certified by a parent or teacher as your own original work. We have found that some articles and poems sent to us have been copied from the work published by others.

A Poem for the Week

Create your own little poem and send it in to us. This competition is open to age groups from 4 - 14 years. The poems will be judged according to the age of the competitor.

Please remember that the poems you send should be your own original composition and not copied from anyone or anywhere. Entries should be in your own handwriting and clearly certified as your own creation by a teacher or parent.

Word limit: 100 words

Please write 'A POEM FOR THE WEEK' at the top of your entry.

The winner will receive a book voucher for Rs.500.

Street-boys

Grinning smugly
As if they've just won the World Cup
Trotting along impishly
They show off their ice-cream, holding it up,
Knowingly
They drop blobs of their new found treasure
Quite upsettingly
The drops fall on the paving hither and thither.
Licking greedily
They treasure every moment, sip in the taste,
As they watch passers by
Buying ornaments and clothes
They wonder, how many ice-creams
You could have bought for that money...
What a waste!

Piumi Wijesundara
(14 years)
Mahamaya Girls' College,
Kandy