

My father

My father is Mr. Leelarathna. He is 36 years old. My father gives me anything that I want. He takes me to the school van and he is punctual.

He is kind and nice. I love my father and my father loves me. I am lucky to have a father like him.



**Michelle Nikeetha
(7 years)
Kanista Vidyalaya, Piliyandala**

My teacher

My teacher's name is Miss Wasanthi. She wears saree to school. My teacher is short and dark. She teaches us Maths, Religion and Sinhala. I wish my teacher good luck.



**Reshani Abayasekara
(7 years)
St. Bridget's Convent**

Homes

Who lives in a kennel?
The faithful dog and Mrs. Lassie.

Count the eggs in this pretty nest,
Surely not Mr. Weavers

Who lives in a burrow?
Why, with his family, the rabbit.

Where do the spiders live?
Didn't you see? In their webs.

**Aditya Adhikari
(11 years)
St. Thomas Prep School,
Colombo 3**

Sunset



**Shamdra
Bakmedeniya
(Grade 5)
Royal
College**

My holiday in Thailand

I went to Thailand with my mummy and grandparents during my second term holidays. On August 11, my mummy, grandparents and I travelled by Mihin Lanka to Bangkok, the capital city of Thailand.

I was very much excited to be there. We took a taxi and went to the A.I.T. Campus where my uncle and aunt are doing their degrees.

The next day, they took us to Safari World. I was thrilled when we were taken around the place to see the animals and birds in their natural surrounding. In another section there were many shows like the orangutan show, the sea lion show, the stunt show, the dol-

phin show, the spy war show and the bird show.

We enjoyed another full day, at Dream World, taking part in most of the exciting events and rides like the cable car, bicycle boat, Indian boat, super splash, and flying fish. Our visit to Snow World was fantastic.

The Thai king and his family are given high respect by the people. Thai's are very nice people, honest, helpful and they always wear big smiles.

I really enjoyed this trip and I wish to visit Thailand once again.

**R.M. Vinoth (Form 1)
S. Thomas' College,
Mt. Lavinia**

Teacher's Day

Teachers are your second mothers. We call our teacher our second mother because she teaches us subjects, good habits and important knowledge to live in society. We must obey our teachers because they teach us subjects that will help us in the future. Teachers only have one wish, and that is that we will learn well.

More than 100 countries currently celebrate World Teacher's Day on October 5.

On that day we must make our teachers happy by doing

work. We celebrate Teachers Day because they help us learn and this is a day for them.

This year's theme is, 'Better working conditions for teachers means better learning conditions for learners.' We must respect our teachers and obey them. They help us to make our future successful.

**Vageesha Padmananda
(10 years)
Brisbane International
School,
Kohuwala**

My hobby



**Mevan Amarasinghe (13 years)
St. Joseph's College, Colombo**

Myself



**Kithmini Gooneratne
(5 years)
Bishops College**

Note
Please remember that articles, poems and paintings sent, will not be published unless they are certified as your own work by a parent or teacher. Articles should not exceed 200 words.

My favourite storybook

My favourite storybook is 'The Magic Faraway Tree.' It is written by Enid Blyton. It is very interesting to read this book. It is about a tree that is enchanted, and full of magic.



There are four characters in this book. They are Joe, Beth, Frannie and their cousin Rick.

The tree is really enormous. Its top goes right up to the clouds, and oh, the top of it is in some wonderful lands. The Land of Birthdays, the Land of Gifts, the Land of Magic Medicines etc. It is all so exciting, and all kinds of odd folk live there.

There are lots of jokes and funny characters. I enjoy myself reading this book.

Najma Rizwan (Grade 3)
Ilma International Girls' School

A butterfly with claywork



Tharshan Kingsly
(13 years)
St. Peter's College

A trip to Misty Hills

During the holidays, we went to Kandy. We stayed at our family home at Hantane. It is called 'Misty Hills.' It is a very beautiful place with a big garden and has lots of flowers. We climbed up the hills.

In the evening, it is so cold and misty and we can't see the hills and the Kandy town. It is very cold in the night.

I loved my trip to Kandy.

Chathumi Wijesekara (Grade 3)
Bishops College

A scenery



Siluni Pasqual (4+ years)
Visakha Nursery

My garden



Amanda Paul (8 years)
St. Bridget's Convent

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.

A lovely day

Fluffy white clouds in a bright blue sky,
Planes and helicopters go flying by.
The corn grows tall so does the oats and rye
Does anyone want to know why?

Birds are flying through the trees,
Flowers are feasted by butterflies and bees.
The sand is yellow, blue are the seas,
All these things are good to please.

The sun is shining very bright,
Look up, there's a kite so white.
Nobody wants to fight,
Oh! What a wonderful sight!

Thirandi de Silva
(6 years)
Ladies College