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Art by Kemith de Costa (8 years)

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Please send competition entries to:

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Please write the name of the competition and the date clearly at the top of your entry and include the following details:

Full Name (including Surname),
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Telephone No. and School.

Please underline the name most commonly used.

All competition entries should be in your own handwriting and certified by a teacher or parent as your own work.

Competition entries without the full details requested above, will be disqualified.

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April 8, 2020

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Age groups:
6 - 10 years 11 - 15 years
Word limit: 100 Words

Poetry Competition

This is your chance to get your poem published here. Entries should be in your handwriting and clearly certified by a teacher or parent as your own creation.

Your poem should be posted to Funday Times with 'Poetry Competition' written at the top of the entry.

The winner of each age category will be awarded a British Council Young Learner's Library membership.

Please note that copied poems will be disqualified.

6 - 10 years

Monsters

It might be the eyes of a monster you view
He hides in the closet, for he's afraid of you,
Or a ghost with a candle all snuggled with fright,
To hear Mummy tell people stories all night.

Atarah Roshan
Bishop's College,
Colombo 3

Please write **the date** at the top of your entry when sending poems for this competition.

11 - 15 years

Books

Books are my heroes in my lifetime,
They're the smiles in my heart when I am unhappy,
I truly believe in the saying 'Reading makes a full man.'
I always share my sorrows and joys with my pals in books,
They teach us things that are needed for,
Our whole life in very creative ways,
Books are made not just to read,
But get them to your minds.

When I'm reading a storybook,
It whisks me to another world apart from ours,
I happily enjoy the conversation between,
Giants and fairies, wizards and owls,
I always hope the world would be
A better place by books,
At last I wish, everyone who reads this,
Will enjoy this as I just did.

Claudia Perera
Holy Family Convent, Bambalapitiya

Book Competition

10 - 12 years

My school sportsmeet
Mina Chand
Belvoir International

13 - 15 years

What will be the future for cell phones? Will people still use them in 25 years or will something else take its place?
Kavidi Madagedara
Rathnawali B. V., Colombo

Win super books from



Age: 9 years and below

Word Count: 150

Topic: Why is water important for us?

Win: The Cuckoo in the Clock by Enid Blyton

This cuckoo clock is far from ordinary... Find out what's so special about it in this exciting collection of stories from Enid Blyton which will take you to Toytown and beyond.



Age: 10 - 12 years

Word Count: 150 - 200

Topic: What you know about World Water Day

Win: Street Child by Berlie Doherty

Jim Jarvis is a runaway. When his mother dies he is all alone in the workhouse and desperate to escape. But London in the 1860s is a dangerous and lonely place. Jim faces a constant battle to survive.



Jim's gripping adventure is based on the true story of the orphan whose plight inspired Doctor Barnardo to set up his famous children's refuge.

Age: 13 - 15 years

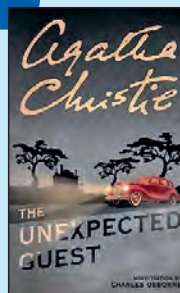
Word Count: 200 - 250

Topic: The importance of protecting our forests

Win: The Unexpected Guest by Agatha Christie

When a stranger runs his car into a ditch in dense fog near the South Wales coast, he discovers a woman standing over the dead body of her wheelchair-bound husband, a gun in her hand, She admits to murder and the unexpected guest offers to help her concoct a cover story.

But is it possible that Laura Warwick did not commit the murder after all? If so, who is she shielding?



Write at the top of your Essay

■ Book Competition ■ Essay Topic



March 16

News in Pictures



Salgótarján, Hungary

Venus is seen amid the zodiacal light, also known as the false dawn. The phenomenon, which is characterised by a diffuse white glow, is caused by interplanetary dust reflecting sunlight.



Lagos, Nigeria
A gas explosion in the capital killed at least 15 people, injured many more and destroyed about 50 buildings.

Shanghai, China

Pedestrians wear protective masks in Huang park near the Bund. Health authorities have said the country has passed the peak of the Covid-19 epidemic.



Aalsmeer, Netherlands

Flowers are ready to be destroyed after failing to sell at auction. The Dutch horticultural has warned about the effects of the coronavirus crisis.



York, UK

Conservation experts work in York Minster to add the finishing touches to new case pipes for the cathedral's grand organ, which is undergoing a £2m once-a-century refurbishment.



Idlib, Syria

A woman stands a top a building in a neighbourhood heavily damaged by airstrikes.

March 15



Beira, Mozambique

Children and a teacher walk past a United Nations Population Fund health centre in the Mandruzi resettlement site. One year after Cyclone Idai hit the country, 2.5 million people, almost half of them children, remain in need of humanitarian assistance.



Madrid, Spain

A woman wearing a protective face mask, walks in an empty central street. Spain has declared a 15-day state of emergency to combat the coronavirus.



Colombo, Sri Lanka

A Sri Lankan Catholic family observe Sunday mass at home. Sri Lanka's government has closed schools, universities and cinemas and cancelled all other mass gatherings across the country to prevent the spread of coronavirus.

Source: The Guardian

From a Young Reporter

“Glamping” at Knuckles

On October 7, 2019 my parents, some of our friends and I went on a trip to Knuckles Mountain range. The climate was extremely cool, and the breeze was so comforting. We had to park our vehicles a few kilometres away from our resting place; and travel in jeeps to reach our ‘campsite’.

‘Wild Glamping Knuckles’; is a campsite situated in the middle of the Knuckles mountain range. The glamorous view around made it a perfect place to spend a holiday. The rooms were tents, which are placed a little above the ground on wooden poles, to prevent creatures, such as leeches, entering the tent. These creepy-crawlies were the only things that disturbed us in the trip. There was also no signal, which was a completely different experience for us.

We headed to a pool, to which we had to walk for some time. The walk was completely adventurous; trees, mountains, streams and animals surrounded our path. The ‘pool’ was not the pool you find at hotels, of course; it was a natural pool. The water was freezing, but it was pleasant to swim in. It was relatively deep, too, so we had a nice splash in the water. After a few minutes, we came back, as it was getting dark.

The food was delicious. Everything was hot, because we had to keep ourselves warm in this cold climate. We were served hot meals, and warm water, and it certainly refreshed us.

The cold breeze was so cold that we shivered a lot. However, the tent was very warm and comfortable and we had a peaceful night. The sound of the wind through the trees and branches knocking against the tent occupied the silence of the night, but it did not stir us till the next morning.

After having breakfast, we went to see a small waterfall. We had to walk again, and we had the chance to bring back many plants which were growing wild on the pathway. The waterfall was not a massive one, though relatively huge. We had our lunch after we arrived.

There was a small stream flowing downwards, a flight of steps leading the way down which was so quiet and peaceful. The water was very calm,



Tents

unlike in the pool, where all of us splashed around. We spent some time in this stream, and headed back.

It was time for us to leave. We had an amazing time. It is a different sort of experience; things are so different here. There is no signal, no air conditioners, no television, and no walls; we are with the nature. This is a great place, as anyone would have a different experience by coming to Wild Glamping Knuckles.

Lihini Wijesekara
Lyceum Int. School, Wattala



The cool pool



Waterfall through the trees

FUNDAY TIMES Young Reporters

If you are interested in joining as a Funday Times Young Reporter please fill in the coupon given and send it in to us along with a recent report or interview not exceeding 300 words. Photographs or illustrations would enhance the report.



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Westminster Abbey

Westminster Abbey is a large Gothic abbey church located in the City of Westminster, London. It is across the street from the Houses of Parliament and close to Buckingham Palace.

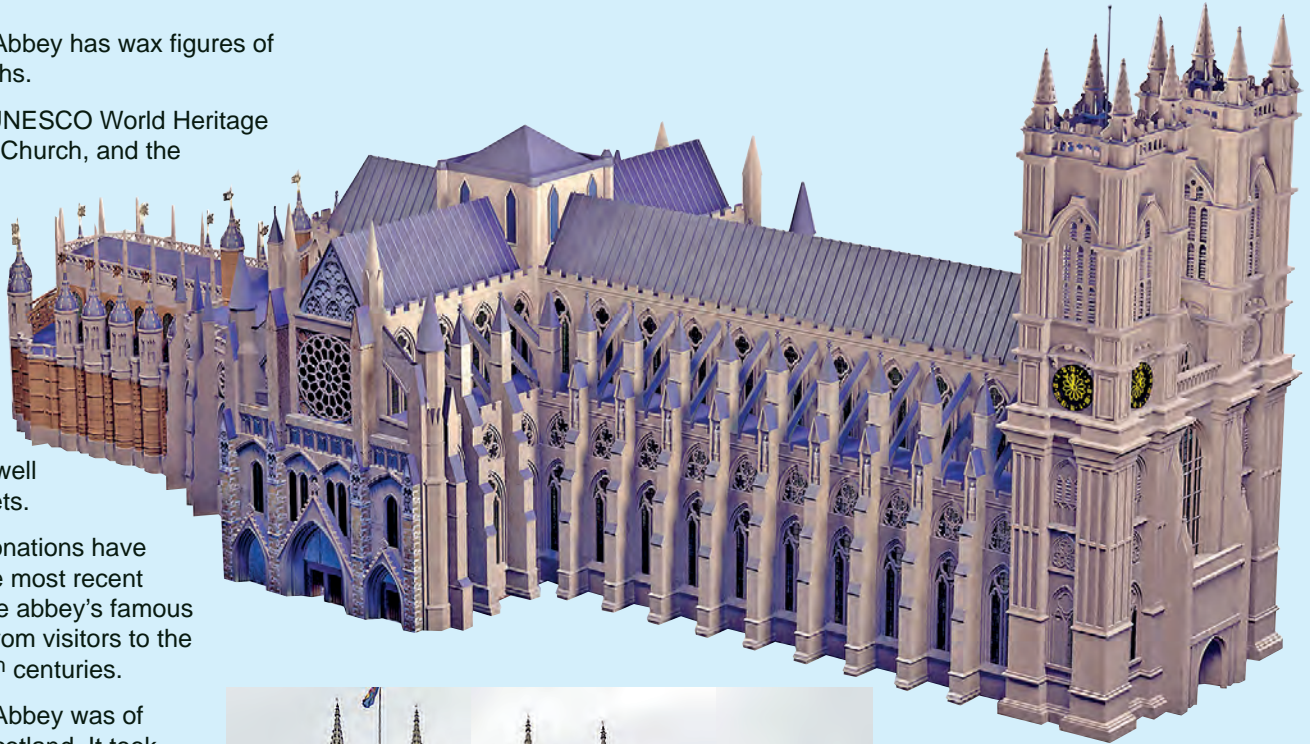
This is a religious building which also has royal importance. It is the site of coronations and other ceremonies of national significance. The present church was begun by Henry III in 1245.

The first Westminster Abbey was established in 960. The building was expanded significantly since then. Some parts of an earlier building built in 1050 survive and can still be seen today. The most recent addition to the abbey is the North entrance, completed in the 19th century.



Quick Facts:

- The official name for this church is the Collegiate Church of St. Peter at Westminster.
- The museum of Westminster Abbey has wax figures of many previous British Monarchs.
- In 1987, it was designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site along with St. Margaret's Church, and the Houses of Parliament.
- This abbey is the final resting place of 17 monarchs. Over 3,000 famous people have been buried in Westminster Abbey over the centuries. The tombs of Charles Dickens, David Livingstone and Charles Darwin can be seen here, as well as those of several British poets.
- Up until now, a total of 39 coronations have taken place at the church. The most recent was of Queen Elizabeth II. The abbey's famous Coronation Chair has graffiti from visitors to the abbey during the 18th and 19th centuries.
- The first royal wedding in the Abbey was of King Henry I and Matilda of Scotland. It took place in 1100. Over a dozen royal weddings have taken place at Westminster Abbey over the centuries. In April 2011, the wedding of Prince William and Kate Middleton was held there.
- Westminster Abbey's College Garden is a peaceful spot and one of the oldest gardens in England. At one time it was used by the monks to grow medicinal herbs and food.



The Chapel of King Henry VII

- Highlights of Westminster Abbey include the nave, which is the highest in England, and the chapel of Henry VII. The stained glass window here commemorates those lost in the Battle of Britain.
- The Chapel of Our Lady of the Pew is carved out of the wall and only has room for people to stand. The small space was dedicated to the Virgin Mary during the 14th century.
- Two schools are within the precincts of Westminster Abbey. The Westminster School was founded in the 11th century and famous pupils include Sir Christopher Wren (the architect of many of London's buildings, including St. Paul's Cathedral).



A Royal Wedding

Source: Easy Science for Kids & Primary Facts

Famous Landmarks Quiz 18

Q: How many coronations have been held at Westminster Abbey?



Famous Landmarks Quiz 17

Kavidi Madagedara, Gampaha



How to locate a book in a library?

Maths in Action 44
By R. N. A. de Silva

Many students are overwhelmed when entering a library because of the vast amounts of books on its shelves

However, knowledge of the Dewey Decimal Classification System will guide you to go directly to the area for a topic that you are interested in. This system is the most widely used method for classifying books in a library. It is named after Melvil Dewey, an American Librarian who developed it in 1876. It uses numbers to represent subjects. Almost any subject that you can think of has a corresponding Dewey number.

This system classifies books by dividing them into 10 main subject groups called categories. Each category is represented by figures beginning with 000 and ending with 999. These categories are listed below:

- 000 – 099: General Topics
- 100 – 199: Philosophy & Psychology
- 200 – 299: Religion
- 300 – 399: Social Sciences
- 400 – 499: Language
- 500 – 599: Natural Sciences & Mathematics
- 600 – 699: Technology
- 700 – 799: The Arts
- 800 – 899: Literature & Rhetoric
- 900 – 999: Geography & History



These 10 main groups are in turn subdivided again and again to provide more specific subject groups.

As an example, the following are some of the sub groups in the Mathematics category.

- 512 Algebra & Number Theory
- 513 Arithmetic
- 514 Topology
- 515 Analysis
- 516 Geometry
- 519 Probabilities & Applied Mathematics

This is an example of how numbers are used to classify and organize and thereby bringing convenience to all users.

Next time when you go into a library, check how the library is using the Dewey Decimal System to store books.

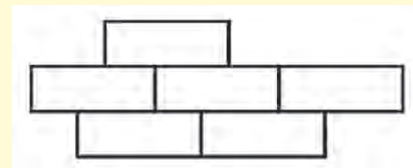


THE DEWEY DECIMAL SYSTEM



Math Plot - 44

Try to find the solution to the following puzzle. You may send solutions with reasoning to ndesilva@osc.lk within the next three days. Please include your full name, date of birth, home address, contact details and the name of your school along with the solution.



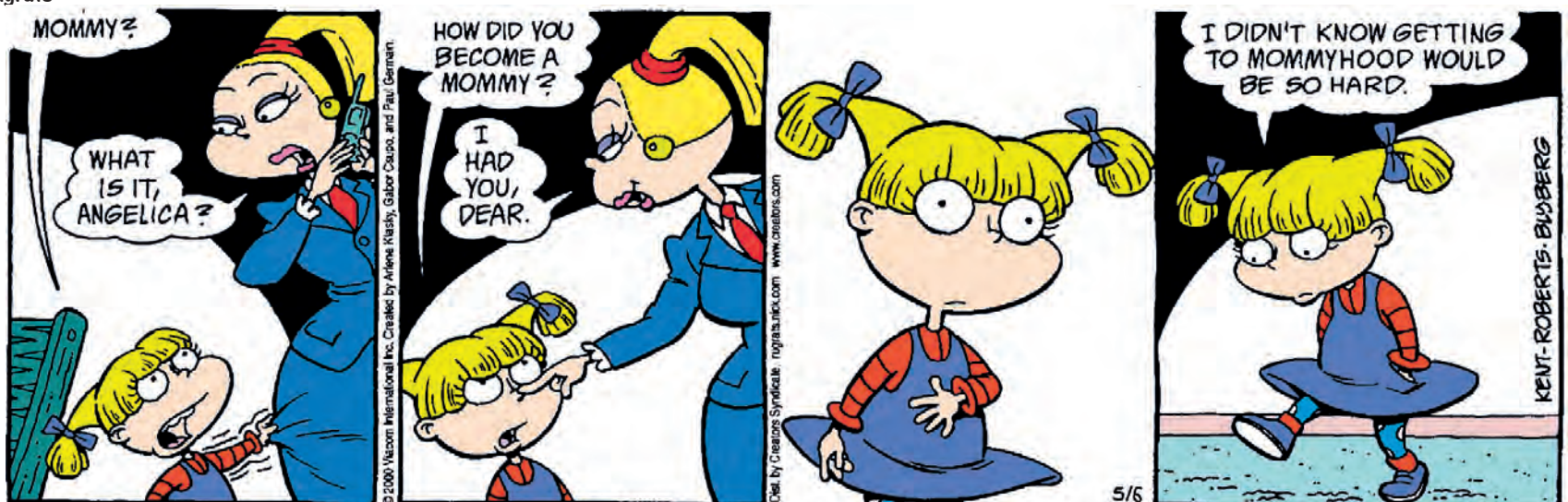
The shape consists of 6 congruent rectangles. If a single rectangle has a perimeter of 222, what is the perimeter of the shape?

Math Plot 43 – Solution

The answer is 18.

The winner is **Balaraaj Subaangi** of **Wycherly International School**. Congratulations!

Rugrats



This article is part of a continuing series on the history of Sri Lanka

The demands of the Maha Adikaram



1 The nobles who came as ambassadors pleaded with the governor to hand over the deed to the Basnayake Nilame. Just to escape from that request, the governor promised to hand it over to the Nilame. Later it was handed over to the secretary. This decision was to the advantage of the ambassadors.



2 These nilames who came as ambassadors, gave permission to the Dutch to get the cinnamon peeled in Pittigal Korale. Then these nilames made a request to the Dutch to get down a Buddhist priest from abroad to revive the Upasampada ceremony (Higher Ordination ceremony). To that the governor agreed on behalf of the Company.



5 A few days after their return, the Maha Adikaram of Kandy, came to Colombo. He was there to ask for the release of lands and harbours conquered by them since 1668. The governor said that earlier he was agreeable to hand back these lands but now he could not do so.



3 In the meantime, they asked for permission to carry on trade freely in Puttalam. They asked for 500 bundles of cinnamon to be delivered to the king on behalf of the Company. The governor showed dissatisfaction to this request. Instead the governor wanted the arecanut and cinnamon that belonged to the king.



4 He promised to pay cash for this stock. The Dutch understood that these nilames were an important group and they were sure to ask for Trincomalee, Batticaloa and Kalpitiya. However, the nilames went back.

**By Halaliye Karunathilaka
Edited and Translated
by Kamala Silva
Illustrated by Saman Kalubowila**

The governor decides not to give back the conquered land



6 The governor reminded the Adikaram about the loan due to them. The Adikaram did not give an answer at once but just kept quiet. Then the governor put forward a clause in the treaty, signed by the Dutch and the King of Kandy in 1688.



7 Though Governor Van Rhee did not agree to give back Batticaloa, Trincomalee or Kalpitiya, he agreed to have discussions on the conditions regarding the following. To give permits to engage in transport by sea and the monopoly in the trade of arecanuts and cinnamon.



10 This loan money, very often spoken of, was never properly accounted for. No bills were forwarded and there was no definite talk about the exact amount of the loan. However, there was no way within right as to how the loan was to be paid.



8 The secretary named Klaas Abelaus was entrusted with the task of showing the draft of the agreement, to the representatives. It was to be made known to them that without any fear or hesitation, this task had to be done and no concessions would be granted. They simply would not care as to what followed.



9 But he had to emphasize that the Maritime Provinces would be kept under the Company. Furthermore, it was the governor's wish to hold on to the lands conquered since 1662, until the loan was paid in full.

To be continued....

Our History - Quiz 8

Q: For what reason did the nilames request the Dutch to bring a Buddhist priest from abroad?



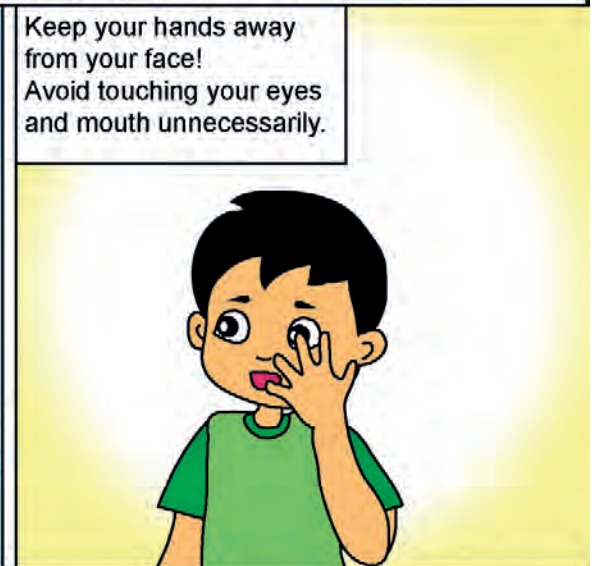
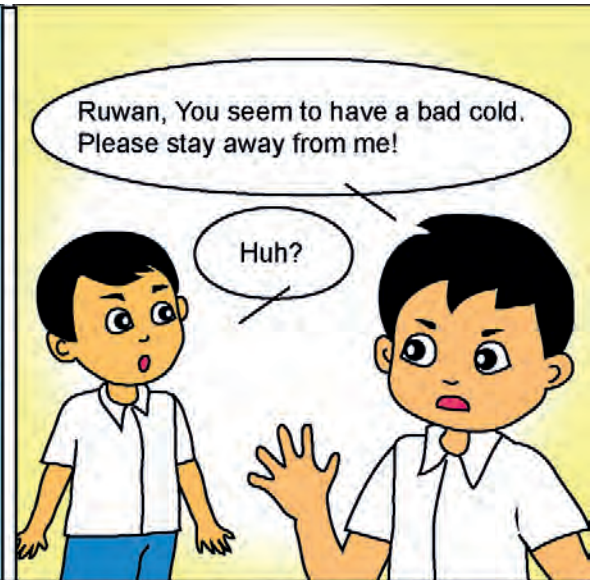
Our History - Quiz 7

► **Kasuni Ehelepola, Gampaha**



Staying Healthy and Brave

By Manoshi de Silva



Eating well balanced meals and drinking enough water, are both very important to stay healthy! Make sure to eat food only from clean places and drink clean/boiled water!



Staying active helps build your immune system! Make sure you spend enough time playing or engaging in sports activities!



Pay attention to your personal hygiene! Bathe/wash yourself and keep your body clean.



Having a good night's sleep is just as important! You must have enough rest and relaxation, in order to keep your body healthy.



Also, when you are not well, you must act responsibly, to make sure not to spread your illness to others!



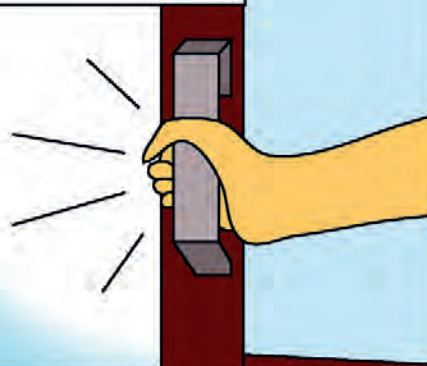
Always use a handkerchief or tissue to cover your nose and mouth, when sneezing! Do not wipe your nose with your hand, as that will help spread germs.



See a doctor and take your medicine properly! Stay away from public places and crowds until you feel well.



When a sick person touches places like door handles, bus poles and railings, there is a chance of infecting others as well.



Also, spitting everywhere and throwing used tissues all over are bad manners! These types of irresponsible behaviour can make others fall sick! You can also wear a face-mask, to help control the spreading of your disease to others.



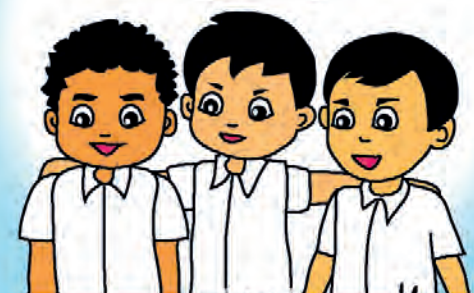
If you follow these good habits and pay attention to your health, you don't have to be afraid of germs!



I hope you will stay healthy and tell your friends, how to stay healthy as well!

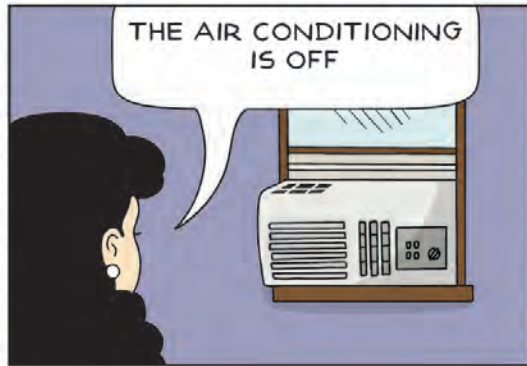
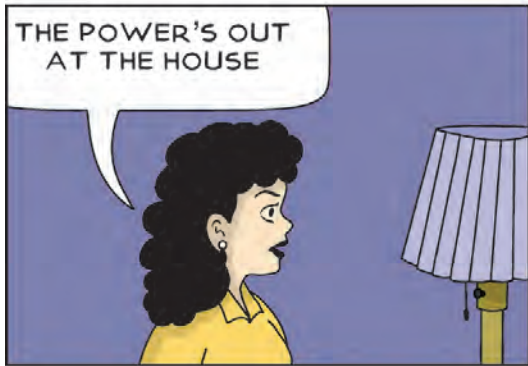


So stay healthy and brave, without worrying about getting sick by viruses and germs!

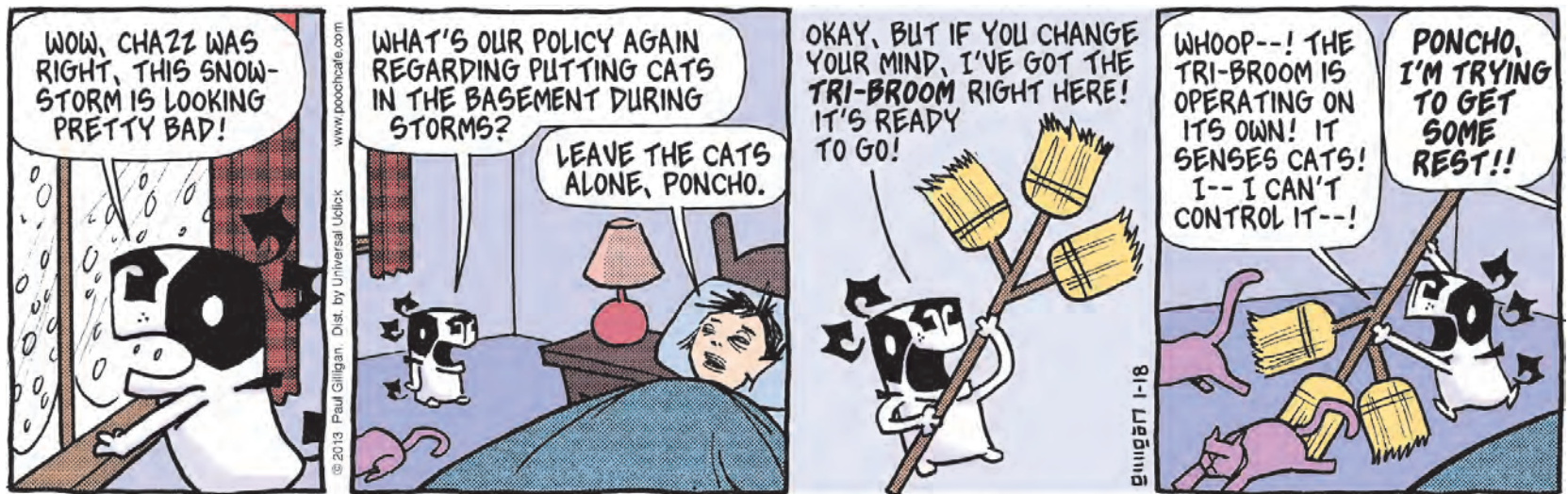


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Manushi



Pooch Café



Rugrats





Sports meet organized by the Child Development Center was held at CCC grounds on February 22, 2020

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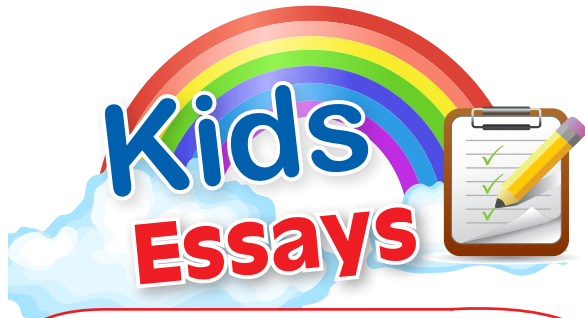


A colourful drill display at the Inter-House Sportsmeet of Nalanda College, Colombo held recently at the College grounds.

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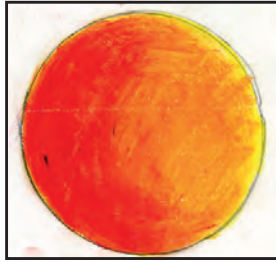


A two-day environmental camp was conducted at Ratiyala Sri Jinarathana Primary School for Grade 4 and 5 students on February 19 and 20, 2020. English activities, fun games, drama and art competitions were held on the first day and a hike and camp fire on the second day.



The Sun

The sun is a huge, glowing star at the centre of the solar system. It provides light, heat and other forms of energy in the solar system.



Without the sun, there would be no life on earth.

The sun is the largest star in the solar system. All the planets and their moons, and thousands of comets and asteroids orbit the sun. It is a main sequence star and about three fourths of the mass is hydrogen and one fourth of it is helium. Scientists believe that the sun is about 4.5 billion years old and will continue to burn fuel for the next 5 billion years.

Miyasi Pahandi (Grade 7)
St. Michael's College, Homagama

At the bottom of the sea

Everytime I go to the beach, I always think of what it would be like to be at the bottom of the sea. My wish came true when my mother and father planned to take me to see the bottom of the sea. We were dressed like mermaids and wore goggles. We took oxygen so that we could breathe under water.

When we dived inside the sea, we saw many different kinds of fish such as seahorse, wolfish, octopus, tube worms, sharks, wiper fish, giant spider crabs, harp seal, whales, and dolphins. There were different kinds of seaweed, brown algae, green algae and red algae. The scariest fish at the bottom of the sea is the black dragon fish. It is black as a rock and has sharp teeth like the shark's teeth.

Do you know what was the best thing about being at the bottom of the sea? It was riding on a dolphin! Then we returned home. I wrote everything that happened in my diary. That was the best day of my life.

Jerusa Sapkota (7 years)
Future Grads Int. Academy, Moratuwa

The earth is our precious home

Earth is a precious home for everyone. Everyone on earth survives because it gives us everything we need.

The earth gives us oxygen, edible food and pure fresh water to live. It also gives us beautiful nature to enjoy and relax our minds. On earth there are many natural resources such as waterfalls, rivers, mountains and hills that are very beautiful.

At present, with the technological developments, many people forget about the environment. As a consequence of this, people always keep their minds on the technological side.

As a result, people cut down trees and build buildings and hotels daily. Because of the vast separation between humans and nature, the environment gets deteriorated day-by-day.

We are the next generation who are going to own this world. We have a duty to save the world.

So we must pay the fullest attention to save our world and accumulate more humane qualities among ourselves.

Induvari Perera (13 years)
JMC College, Maharagama

Willesden College Prize-giving

The annual prize-giving was held on November 9, 2019. It took place at the BMICH. There were prizes for a lot of students in our school. I also received prizes. We were all excited. No matter how many times we get prizes at the prize-giving, we always feel nervous.

I got up early morning and got ready for the prize-giving. My mother and I arrived at the BMICH. Then the parents were called to take their seats. The chief guest Prof. Mrs. A. Adhikaram was welcomed by Mrs. Wijethunge our Managing Directress and Ms. Kanchana Wijethunge our Financial Directress and our Principal Mr. Aloysius

Chandrasekara. Then it was time to light the oil lamp.

The school anthem was sung by the students. The principal and chief guest gave a speech and the prizes were distributed. Afterwards there was a dance by the students. It was very beautiful.

Then the rest of the prizes were distributed by Ms. Fareetha our Deputy Principal. The prize-giving ended with the singing of the National Anthem. It was a great day.

G. K. Sri Saubhagya (14 years)
Willesden College Int.

Kalpitiya

Kalpitiya is a famous tourist destination in Sri Lanka. Kalpitiya is located in the Puttalam district of the North Western Province of our country. It is known for its natural beauty. Kalpitiya has 14 islands. Most people there are fishermen.

Tourists come here for dolphin watching, kite surfing, diving and snorkeling and to see its historical places. The most seen dolphins in Kalpitiya are risso dolphins, bottle-nosed dolphins, spinner dolphins and humpback dolphins.

Kalpitiya is a world famous place for kite surfing. Tourists surfing with colourful kites in the air is a nice sight to see.

The Bar Reef, the biggest reef in Sri Lanka, is situated in Kalpitiya. Diving and snorkeling to see the beautiful fish and coral is a famous tourist activity in this area.

Kalpitiya is a well-known bird watching destination too. Both local and migratory birds live in this area. The Dutch Fort, Dutch Church, Thalavila Church and Norochcholai Power Plant are some of the places to see in Kalpitiya.

Protecting Kalpitiya for the future generation is our responsibility.

Vishmitha Amarakoon (Grade 5)
Musaeus College

KIDS IN COLOUR With **REEVES**
Colours For Young Artists

Kids in Colour together with Reeves Art Competition is conducted monthly. A topic is given for each month. Three winners from three age groups will be selected. Winners will be announced on the second Sunday of each month and all winners will receive an attractive gift pack from Reeves.

Please note that all paintings should be certified by a teacher or parent, refer page 2 for further details.

All paintings should be on A4 size paper. Please write Reeves Art Competition at the back of your entry, together with your name, date of birth, address, telephone no., and school.

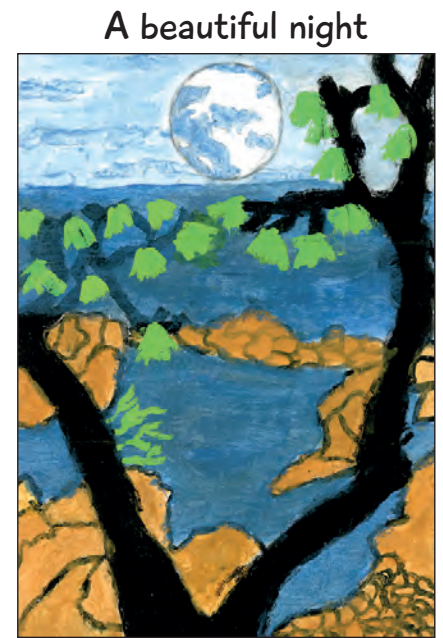
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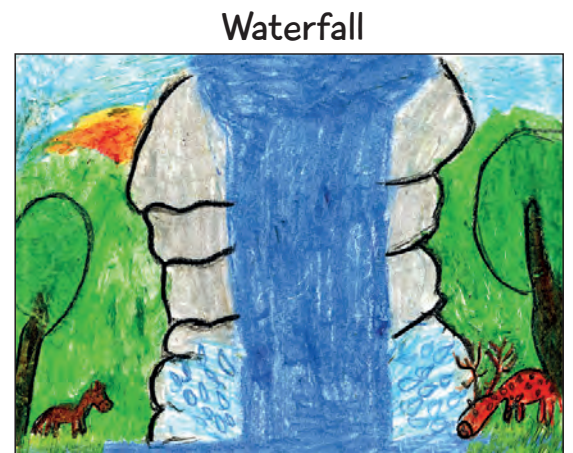
Disna Sathsara (Grade 8)
JMC College Int., Maharagama



Tharumuthu Jayasuriya (Grade 11)
Sujatha Vidyalaya, Colombo



Vethmi Senanayake (9 years)
Musaeus College



Atarah Roshan (8 years)
Bishop's College



Mohamed Umair (5 years)
Mukarramah Int. School



Vinuthi Mahadevan (7 years)
Bishop's College



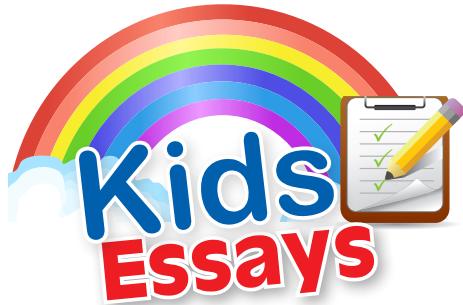
Minali Fernando (Grade 3)
Holy Family Convent, Colombo 4



Panchalya Weerasinghe (4 years)
The Open University Model Pre-School, Nawala

Nithipriya Weerasinghe (Grade 1)
Musaeus College





My favourite pet



My favourite pet is a rabbit. My father gave it to me on my birthday. It is white colour. It likes to eat carrots. I see my little bunny every day. It also loves to see me.

Misha Rinesmi (6 years)
Holy Family P.S., Wennappuwa

If I were a tree

If I were a tree, I would have so much fun. I would be so helpful to all living beings. I would provide oxygen, food, shelter, medicine, furniture etc. I would have bird nests and fruits in me. Every day I have new visitors such as birds, people and many kinds of animals. Every spring and summer I have a lot of green leaves, flowers and fruits. But in autumn I shed my leaves. And in winter I provide shelter to lots of living beings who suffer from cold.

I have lots and lots of other tree friends. I would have seeds in my fruits and it would fall somewhere and plant like a tree. Sometimes, caterpillars would come and eat my fruits and leaves. Even bees may come and make beehives in one of my branches.

Sometimes, woodcutters come and cut other trees near me. I would think that I will also be cut by the woodcutters. But I would like to be a tree and live happily.

Dewhara Kodithuwakku (9 years)
Lyceum Int. School, Gampaha

Protect the environment

Environment is the area that surrounds us, which includes the air, animals, water and soil.

But man is polluting the environment. Man is very clever but always doesn't know how to protect their surroundings. They cut trees and they use polythene. Some factories discharge waste directly into water and also do not control garbage places. Therefore, poisonous pesticides and other plant food can be mixed with water.

We should always protect water.

Air is also another major issue to look after. Rubbish dumps and other harmful gases can pollute air. These harmful gases are produced by burning polythene and also fuel.

So the world is in our little hands. Let's do every small thing to protect our environment.

Laura Perera (11 years)
Loyola College

My favourite sport

My favourite sport is cricket. In cricket there are eleven players in one team. In the sport cricket, two teams are playing in one match and when they are going to play the match they are choosing which team is bowling and which team is batting. To find which team is batting and bowling, they put a coin up and rotating it, then a team says one side of the coin. Then the one who is putting up the coin is catching the coin in his hands and opens his hands. If the first team side is correct they are choosing what they are doing. If the second team side is correct they are choosing what they are doing. This we are calling the toss.

Then one team starts batting and the other team starts bowling. At the end the team that gets the highest marks is winning the match.

Seneth Himanse (St. 5)
Jennings Int. College, Nainamadama

Elephants

An elephant is a huge animal. It eats green leaves and grass. It has two big ears like fans. Elephants live in the forest. It has a short tail. Elephant has two big teeth called tusks. Elephant uses its trunk to pick up things. It has thick skin. Elephants walk slowly. Elephants have great strength. Wild elephants are caught in forests with great difficulty.

Thaib (Grade 5)
Royal Int. School, Kegalle

Brain

The brain can think. The brain has three parts. The brain is like a circle. The brain is a very important part of us.

Thehan Karunarathna (Grade 1)
Sussex College, Kandy

How can we make this world a better place?

The base of the world is love and affection. This is a common phenomenon for every section of the society. First and foremost, love and affection is a must among family members because society means a collection of a large number of families. As the saying goes, 'Charity begins at home.' In the real sense of the word, one must be trained properly to love, to respect and appreciate others from his or her home itself.

There are many things that should be

done to make the world a better place. Respecting each other is very significant to achieve this goal.

Society is a complex organization. There are many agents of it. All of them must be aware of their responsibilities and rights of others. When each person fulfills his or her responsibility, the entire world becomes a better place in many ways.

Pasindu Handunetthige (10 years)
Lyceum Int. School

KIDS IN COLOUR With REEVES
Colours For Young Artist
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Kids in Colour together with Reeves Art Competition is conducted monthly. A topic is given for each month. Three winners from three age groups will be selected. Winners will be announced on the second Sunday of each month and all winners will receive an attractive gift pack from Reeves.

Please note that all paintings should be certified by a teacher or parent, refer page 2 for further details.

All paintings should be on A4 size paper Please write Reeves Art Competition at the back of your entry, together with your name, date of birth, address, telephone no., and school.

Topic for March - Wildlife
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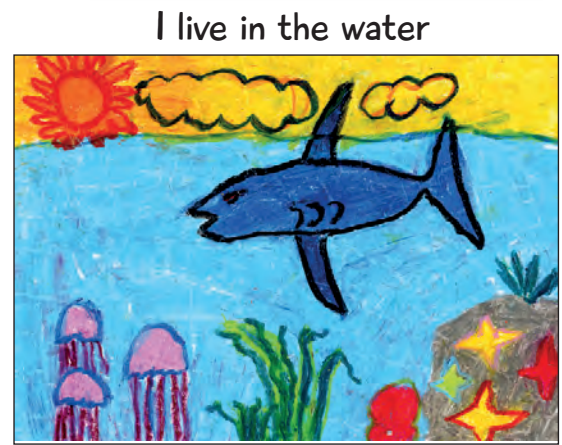
Pasindu Nimsara (Form V)
Brilliant Stars Int. College, Matara



Nethupama Wijerathne (Grade 3)
Holy Cross College, Gampaha



Sarah Zaman (7 years)
Webster Int. School, Hatton



Najitha Wijesinghe (Grade 1)
Royal Int. School, Kegalle



Royal Int. School, Kegalle



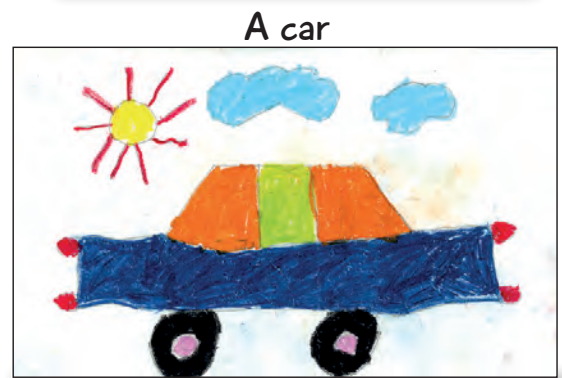
Senuli Dulanya (5 years)
Jennings Int. College, Nainamadama



Isum Mahathanthila (Grade 3)
Kalutara Vidylaya



Disuli Hiranya (8 years)
Holy Family Balika Primary V.,
Wennappuwa



Yhogeeshaan Mohan (4 years)
Good Shepherd Convent Montessori, Kandy

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Rihana Vithanage
7 years
N-11920



Ahnaf Mohammed
5 years
N-11921



Menuka Dissanayake
7 years
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Miheli Dissanayake
4 years
N-11923



Dianne Kulasekera
11 years
N-11924



Tehan Silva
8 years
N-11925



Imana Farzil
4 years
N-11926



Amaan Farzil
4 years
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Akindu Liyanaarachchi
7 years
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Sakithma Liyanaarachchi
5 years
N-11929



Sithuka Gunatillake
9 years
N-11930



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Remember to include a fun photograph of yourself too!

And you must be between 4-15 years old. Once you become a member, you can join us for lots of fun happenings and great times in the coming months.



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HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Harinie Prabhakar
13 years on March 28



Theekshana Manelka
14 years on March 27



Darious Rowshan
15 years on March 22

Photographs of members and non-members between 4 – 15 years, for the birthday page, should reach us at least ten days before the birthday, along with a letter from a parent giving full details. Please note we do not take photographs from the membership files for publishing birthdays.



Ilfa Ihsan
5 years on March 22



Nishadh Ahamed
9 years on March 21



Dinupa Sashith
8 years on March 6



St. Thomas' Catholic International College held its Annual Prize Award Ceremony recently, awarding prizes for accomplishments in studies.

Students who excelled in their studies from Primary 1 to Form 4 were awarded prizes for their achievements.

School colours were awarded to Vihanga Wettasinghe, S. P. Nimesha, Ushan Sasinda, Mithila Adrian, Rusiru Silva and Senul Perera for athletics.

Shenal Fonseka received school colours for Karate and was also awarded the Best Sportsman of the Year award. Chanul Costa received school colours for Cadetting and Mithila Methnim walked away with school colours for qualifying as a 'Sharpshooter' in Air Pistol Shooting Championship.

Students who excelled at the Cambridge examination were also recognized at the Award Ceremony.



The annual concert of PAS-OLRA Pre-School, Imbulgoda was held recently at the Gampaha Pradeshiya Sabha Auditorium.

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New Year Cover 2020



As the Sinhala and Tamil New approaches, it is time once again to think of the Funday Times New Year Cover. Would you like to send in a picture for our New Year cover? If so, here's what you have to do.

Paint a picture to depict the traditions of the Sinhala and Tamil New Year and send it in to us.

The painting should be on A 4 size paper.
You could use any type of paint, crayons or chalk.
Please make your picture bright and colourful.
All entries should be certified by a teacher or parent as your own work. Uncertified entries will not be entertained.

The best entry will be used for the cover of the Funday Times New Year issue. The winner will also receive a book voucher.

Wish you all happy painting!

Closing Date : April 1, 2020



Tomahawk Quiz No. 171

Questions for the Tomahawk Quiz No. 171 are based on articles appearing in the Funday Times of February 2, 9, 16 and 23, 2020. All you have to do is to find the answers to the questions given. Write the answers neatly on a postcard. Cut the strip 'Tomahawk Quiz No. 171' seen at the top of this page and paste it on your postcard.

Please get your entries certified as your own work by a teacher or parent.

Two lucky winners will receive brand new Tomahawk Mountain Bikes with the compliments of Tomahawk Bicycle Mall

All Funday Times readers between 8 - 15 years are eligible to participate. (Those who have already won a bicycle are not eligible to participate.)

Closing Date: March 31, 2020



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Questions – Quiz No. 171

1. Name four local leaders who were involved in fighting for Independence of Ceylon.
2. What are the symptoms of the 2019 Novel Coronavirus?
3. What is a Snow Moon?
4. Name two storms that recently struck countries in Europe including England.
5. The Terracotta Army was a part of which Emperor's burial tomb and about how many statues were found?



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- ▶ Tysean Arseculeratne, Moratuwa
- ▶ Adina Senaratne, Colombo 7
- ▶ Abdur Rahman, Dehiwala
- ▶ Nethuli Wickramanayake, Galle

Winners please call Funday Times on 2479337 and arrange to collect your prizes.

4 - 6 AGE GROUP

Help the animals go to their homes.

