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Words from Alumni

"My Second Home"

YY3 is like a second home to me and now that I have graduated, I feel homesick from time to time. I sometimes look back and think about life in high school. For me, high school was indeed a once-in-a-lifetime experience. I went through it, all thanks to the love and support of my teachers and friends. I'll be forever grateful to them for teaching me new things, guiding me and helping me out whenever I was lost or confused and most importantly believing in me when I had doubts. Another important lesson the six years

in YY3 has given me is to have no regrets in life. So for all my junior schoolmates who'll be reading this piece, do well in school not only academically but also in other areas. Treat your teachers and friends nicely and enjoy the high school life which might end sooner than you think.

Farooq Janita (2021-2022 6A) The University of Hong Kong

"Finding Myself at YY3"

I would like to say thank you to YY3, a caring family which has nurtured me with love and patience. From an innocent, silly child to a well-educated and mannered lady, I have now become a better version of myself. The selfless contributions from all members of YY3 have always been my motivation, pushing me to pursue excellence in return.

Not only have I gained valuable knowledge from all professional and passionate teachers here, I have made lifelong friends who stood by me over the hard times. I had a wonderful six-year secondary school life in the warmth and love of all in YY3. I am forever grateful for the encouragement and guidance of my beloved teachers who treated me like their daughter. Whenever I

felt confused and depressed, their support and advice gave me strength to face the DSE exam. I cannot thank them enough for the amazing six years of patient teaching and companionship.

As for my dear fellow siblings in YY3, please believe in yourself and don't lose hope easily. Life could be difficult at times that may sadden you, but the storm will swiftly pass and tomorrow will be a brand new day. I wish all form six brothers and sisters all the best in your DSE exam.

Choi Wai Shan (2021-2022 6A) Lingnan University

"Passion & Encourgement - Hand in Hand"

Thank you YY3, for all the great memories and fond moments you gave me over the past six years!

Looking back, I have no doubts to say choosing to study at YY3 is the best decision I have ever made in my life. With such a wonderful learning environment and all the love and care from all teachers in here, I am deeply nurtured, guided and inspired to become a better version of myself.

I always cherish a lot of sweet memories with my beloved schoolmates and teachers like Mr. Chan, Ms. Hui, Mr. Yeung and Ms. Lam. Despite all the stumbling blocks I came across in my secondary school life, I was fortunate to be surrounded by plentiful passionate teachers who never gave up on me and kept encouraging me along the study path. I am grateful for the efforts and great patience all the amazing teachers gave me.

I would also like to thank one of the janitors, Man Yee Yee who was so nice to me for the past years. You are always approachable and patient to listen to my grumbles. Time flies! It's just a blink and I have entered university. I will never forget the precious time I had in YY3.



"YY3 - Where Dreams are Made!"

A sincere thank you to all teachers in YY3 who helped me endlessly throughout my secondary school life. You all never hesitated to give me a hand when I was in need and kept encouraging me to strive for my excellence. With all your support and guidance, I am now pursuing my dream. I owe the patient mentors in YY3 a great debt of gratitude for their love and care while I was spending my precious moments in this wonderful family.

I would also like to take this opportunity to share tips on life planning with my younger fellows at YY3. Whenever you are at a crossroads struggling with your future pursuits, never hesitate to approach your teachers for assistance. Their selfless support and words of wisdom could be an awakening leading you to find the way out.

Arshad Mubashar (2021-2022 6A) Lingnan University

An Email to a Friend

Dear Jackie,

For Movie Week, I highly recommend 'The Flash' for everyone to see if they are into heroes and villains. The reason why I suggested this film is because the main character, also known as Barry Allen, is a young and lovable hero who doesn't let his dark and tragic past define him and I think that students can learn from him.



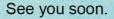
2A Fuertes Hannah Sophia Benitez

The film is about the main character, Barry Allen, who got his powers after having struck by lightning. He was put in a coma for nine months and discovered that he had powers a few days after he woke up.

What makes the film special is the time travel. Barry went back in time to the night where his mom died to prevent her from being killed. However, once he achieved that, he realized that he couldn't go back to his own time.

I also recommend 'Supergirl'. I think that students may like this film as well because supergirl also known as Kara Danvers was from a planet called Krypton but was sent away to Earth because her planet was dying. She soon gets adopted by a family who knew about her powers and loved her as a normal person.

I hope that this could help you choose interesting films that students will enjoy.



Pat



An Email to a Friend

Dear Jackie,

The film I would like to be shown on Movie Week is "Murder Mystery". I recommend this movie because I think it's a very thrilling and funny movie, which I can guarantee the audience will enjoy.



2A Lam Marjah Qian Sue Cancan

The characters in the film are all very unique, who play special roles. The main characters are named Nick and Audrey Spitz, played by Adam Sandler and Jennifer Aniston, both very talented and famous actors. Nick and Audrey are a poor married couple but manages to go on a flight to Europe for their anniversary. They meet a strange man on the plane who later invites them to his yacht with friends. However, they all turn into suspects to the murder of an old billionaire.

I have chosen this film because I think it will definitely engage the viewers. I also think that it's different from other crime fiction movies, in which plots are predictable. Murder Mystery is full of twists and turns mixed along with comedy and hilarious jokes, making it special. As it is my favourite movie, I would like to take this opportunity to share this movie with other viewers.

See you soon,

Pat





An Advice Letter

Dear Amy,

Thank you for your letter. I'm sorry to hear about your problems and I hope my advice will help you.

In terms of feeling stressed, I have three pieces of advice to give you. First, you don't need to worry too much about the TSA exam. Just imagine it as a normal test. Try to go out to do some sports or to breathe in fresh air. Let yourself calm down. Going out is the best way to relax. Lastly, I think you can make a schedule for yourself, such as what time you should study and rest. If you don't want to fail, then just do more practice and review.

In terms of pimples, it's a normal thing for teenagers. You get a lot of pimples on your face because your face is oily and you didn't clean up often. So maybe you can wash your face thoroughly and then use some skincare products to protect your skin. I also suggest that you eat more fruits and vegetables and don't eat too much oily food. Drink more water and have enough sleep too. These can help you keep your skin nice.

I hope my advice helps!

Good luck Kristen School Newspaper Committee



3A Chen Jitong







2025 - The Future

Once upon a time in 2025, the Earth was badly polluted due to numerous factories, filling the air and ocean with toxic materials, chemicals and gases, and people were littering plastics everywhere. Because of the Earth's poor condition, it wasn't habitable anymore as most of the human population died and the last remaining people got to go on rocket ships made by Elon Musk to an unknown planet discovered by NASA.

When everyone landed, they discovered that aliens live there. Since the aliens had such a great environment, everyone wanted to live with them. Unfortunately, a majority of aliens refused to live with the humans as they may also destroy the aliens' habitat too. The humans started begging because they were desperate to live somewhere else.

One alien suddenly got the idea of fixing the planet Earth and shared their plan with the rest of the aliens. They all thought about it and decided to go with it since they wouldn't want to be cruel by leaving the humans to die. All aliens proceeded to the Earth in getting rid of the pollution.

After the pollution was cleared by the aliens, all humans returned to Earth. As they returned, the aliens have also decided to share their advanced technology to better their environment and utilize different resources such as hydroponic

grow boxes for faster growth of plants and crops. The humans continue to live on Earth as they learn from the aliens and avoid harming their planet from now on.



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Future – 2025

3C Basil Abbas

In 2025, pollution problems are getting serious on Earth. There

was water pollution which led to serious problems, resulting in a lot of animals dying. There was also air pollution which was released by factories. People couldn't breathe properly because of the noxious air.

Then, one day, human beings decided to create rockets and they were successful at it. After that, they planned to fly out of Earth since it was polluted everywhere. They decided to land on planet Mercury because humans didn't need any suit or oxygen tank to breathe.

After they had landed, they faced some consequence at the same time. They made new alien friends. They talked to the aliens. The aliens said, 'We've never seen human beings around here.'

Then, the humans replied 'Oh yeah! Of course you didn't, we wanted to move to this

planet because our planet Earth is polluted everywhere!' The aliens told the human beings. 'It's not easy to move in and manage everything, it's better if you guys go back and try to clean up the mess you've made instead of leaving it behind and moving into a new planet.'

Then the humans thought about it, and eventually, they found out the aliens were right. After that, they thanked the aliens and peacefully went back to Earth.

They decided they will not make any mess anymore and will take good care of the planet. They won't litter in the sea again. As for the air pollution, scientists decided to create one air filter design which will avoid producing air pollution when the factories release smoke into the air.

At last, everyone was successful at cleaning up the Earth, and everyone lived happily ever after.

School Life under Lockdown - A Retrospective

Without a doubt, the COVID-19 pandemic has had a monolithic impact on our school life. Now that it seems anti-pandemic measures have been getting looser, it would be a great time for some reflection on the effects on students' school lives over the two or so years and see what we can learn from the overall experience.

Learning but digital

Firstly, it is about the elephant in the room in terms of impacts - online learning, which has stunted a lot of students' academic progress, as they were not able to concentrate in online lessons as they did in face-to-face lessons. It's pretty iconic seeing how the Internet is supposed to bring "A new age of communication."

Cheekiness aside, a lot of different classes have resorted to "survival of the fittest" in terms of self-discipline, trying to keep up academically, which puts more strain and stress on the students to perform better despite the harsh learning environment. I personally felt like I had only survived the exam with barely the skin on my teeth, forcing myself to study at home and stay focused in online lessons.

Loss of dumb teenage fun

Besides academic impacts, the pandemic has also brought social impacts on students' lives too with the whole "lockdown" thing. Due to schools being forced to be online, students have lost at least two years of teenage memories that could have been amazing and unforgettable until adulthood for them, especially with sports teams or large-scale school activities such as picnic days.

In turn during the lockdown, students have moved to playing video games with each other online to cope with the situation. Although it helps to put a bandage on the wound, it still hinders the development of social skills among students because the same goes for the online lesson. It does for social

interaction too. It won't be the same nor as impactful as in-person, being able to see each other or touch each other. While interaction plays a large role in the communication of any sorts - it is an evolutionary trail after all. For myself, since I've always been a person who loves interactions at school, it definitely makes my heart crack, feeling like I was dealing with school life troubles by myself due to the lack of interaction, which also affected my attitude towards school in a negative way.

"One door closes, another opens"

Even though the pandemic has affected my school life in a more negative manner, there are also some good things it has done for me. As being forced to be "terminally online" for online learning, I have gained more experience of using the tech around me and have improved my skills of using the computer. Having more free time to myself has also given me more time to discover myself and found my new hobby of firearms and the military.

Conclusion

Despite the impacts drawn from the pandemic, it brings some positive light to different areas I haven't noticed. I have written this article to not go criticism heavy on the pandemic measures, but to help shine some light on how the pandemic has made us into who we are today by forcing us into a new environment and making us adapt to the new normal. And I think that the main takeaway from the lockdown is to be always flexible and open-minded to the new changes in lifestyle or living environment. If not, you would have to pay the price of being a person stuck in time and not moving on.



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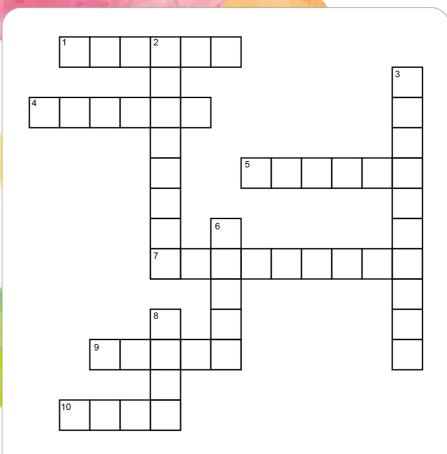
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Participants will be awarded a lovely gift!



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