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Travel, culture, food, interview and drawings!

Interview of Miss Makiko

By Marta, Dauren, and Azret



Miss Makiko preparing classes! (By Aaly – Primary 3)

Do you enjoy teaching in esca?

Yes.

Do you think esca has improved from last year and why?

Yes because there are better buildings, more powerful staff, and there are new people that have come to esca.

How do you prepare for lessons?

I think about class members and their levels and their characters like what they enjoy

What do you do after school when you are free?

I read book and cook meals.

Where do you prepare for lessons and why?

In the staff room because there is a coffee machine, a teapot and internet too .

Why did you want to start teaching?

Because I enjoy languages because it's sharing and enjoyable .

Why did you want to start teaching in esca and when did you start teaching in esca?

I started teaching in esca 1 year and 2 months ago. I started teaching in the esca because one girl I was tutoring introduced me to this school.

What subject do you teach and why?

I teach Japanese and mandarin. I teach these subjects because I like languages and it is my favorite subject.

How long have you been teaching in esca?

1 year and 2 months



Aaly drew a teacher during the ECA "Newspaper Design and Creative Journalism". Can you guess who is it ?

My trip in Thailand

by Timur Oberhuber

BANGKOK - Thailand is a country in Southeast Asia almost right on the equator. The capital, Bangkok, is really busy and large. In Thailand there is no winter only summer, rainy season and cold season. Summer is the longest season in Thailand and it is very hot and humid and sometimes the temperature outside reaches 40 degrees Celsius. During the rainy season it just rains most of the time and becomes a little colder. However, when it rains, it really rains. During the cold season the average temperature is around 25 degrees sometimes 20 degrees Celsius. As it is always so hot in Thailand everyone has an air conditioner and fans in their house.

However, the traffic in Bangkok is really terrible! There are many, many cars on the roads all the time and as the traffic lights are controlled by a police officer sitting in a hut at the side of the road this means the time on each light isn't constant. Sometimes the police officer just falls asleep and it takes 5 minutes for the light to change. As there is lots of traffic sometimes the drivers of the cars fall asleep or just don't notice that the traffic light changed to green and then it sometimes takes a minute or so to get them to even start moving. There are horns being blown all the time because everyone wants to move quickly and is in a hurry. There are also people who take use of this Traffic they walk around between cars and try to sell you good luck charms and flowers that give you good luck. This was really dangerous because cars or motorbikes could hit you at any time.

As there is so much traffic, motorbikes are really popular in Bangkok and if you open the door on the road or stick your hand out of a car window it is likely that it will get hit by a motorbike as they drive right between the cars really quickly. This also means that someone had the great idea to create the motorbike taxi where you pay a driver so you can sit on the back of their motorbike and they will take you where you want to go just like in a taxi but cheaper, faster and more dangerous. There are also taxis called Tuk Tuks. They are three-wheeled motorbikes with a large bench in the back and space for the driver in the front. They also have no windows and are open to the road. These are safer than motorbikes and really popular with tourists.

The size of the city and buildings is very different from Bishkek. The buildings are really tall and most have more than 20 floors. There are hundreds of apartments in buildings and sometimes they even have apartments built into the shopping malls. The shopping malls are really large and there are hundreds of them all over the city. The largest ones have apartments built into them that can be entered through a different entrance. There is also a public transportation called BTS or sky train. It's a train that drives above the main road, Sukhumvit, in Bangkok that is air-conditioned and really fast. This BTS also has a skywalk under it where there is a path under the train tracks to walk above the road. These are usually connected to big shopping malls and overpasses which are small bridges over the road because it is really dangerous to just cross any large road.

To walk on the side-walk is also really difficult as well because people would set up stands of food and tables and chairs. There are street food stands and street restaurants everywhere on the sidewalks so; sometimes it made it difficult to walk on the side-walk. Also, the smell of chili and spicy stuff could sometimes make you start coughing and make your mouth feel like you're eating chili. The spicy food is something else that most Thai people love. They love to eat spicy food and chili and most meals. People would also buy food from these places to offer the food to the monks that walked around the city to be blessed. The monks walk around every morning with a bowl to collect food from people and to bless them. There are lots of monks because Thai people believe in Buddhism and therefore there are hundreds of temples all around Thailand. They all contain lots of gold color and so everything in the temples is really sparkly.

A great thing about Bangkok and Thailand is that all the people are smiling all the time. They smile at you as you walk on the streets, when they sell you things, when they talk to you and pretty much all the time. They are really helpful most of the time and try to really help you as much as they can. Most Thai people can speak a little English but, if they don't understand they just smile and nod.

Recipes for all ! by Aizat & Yuan



The perfect Sunday snack, by Isabella (Primary 2)

Strawberry sorbet

Makes 6 servings

Ingredients:

- 2 cups water
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 quart strawberries, hulled
- 1/3 cup fresh orange juice
- 1/3 cup fresh lemon juice

Preparation:

Stir 2 cups water and sugar in heavy medium saucepan over high heat until sugar dissolves. Boil 5 minutes.

Working in batches, puree strawberries in food processor until smooth. Add strawberry puree and orange and lemon juices to sugar syrup; stir to blend. Cover and refrigerate until cold, about 2 hours.

Process strawberry mixture in ice cream maker according to manufacturer's instructions or place mixture in shallow container and freeze, stirring every hour until set, about 6 hours. (Can be made 3 days ahead. Cover and freeze in airtight container. If sorbet is frozen solid, place in refrigerator for 15 minutes to soften.)

BROWNIES!

Ingredients:

- 2 packs of dark chocolate (no less than 75%)
- baking powder
- butter 120gr
- sugar 200gr (one cup)
- flour 160gr (one glass)
- vanilla 5gr
- 3 tablespoons of coca
- 4 eggs
- 1 teaspoon of baking powder
- pinch of salt

Preparation:

Stir together flour, baking powder, and salt in small bowl.

Melt butter in a large saucepan. Remove from heat. Stir in cocoa.

Blend in sugar, eggs, and vanilla.

Blend in dry ingredients.

Pour batter into greased baking pan.

Bake at 350 degrees for 30 to 35 minutes or until done.

Wait till cools

ENJOY!!

Sudoku

The objective of the game – Sudoku – is to fill the 9x9 grid so that each column, row and each of the 3x3 boxes contains the digits 1-9.

Easy Sudoku:

		3				5	8	
5	6	4		2		9		3
8					6			
	9	5				1	3	
6			1		4		2	5
					5	4	6	
			6	5		7	9	
						6	4	
1		6	9		2			

Medium Level Sudoku:

9				2		4		
		6	7			5		
		8	6	4			7	
1		2			9			
5		3		6	8		9	7
7	8				4	6		
	7		3	5			8	9
		5					2	
				2		5	4	

Hard Level Sudoku:

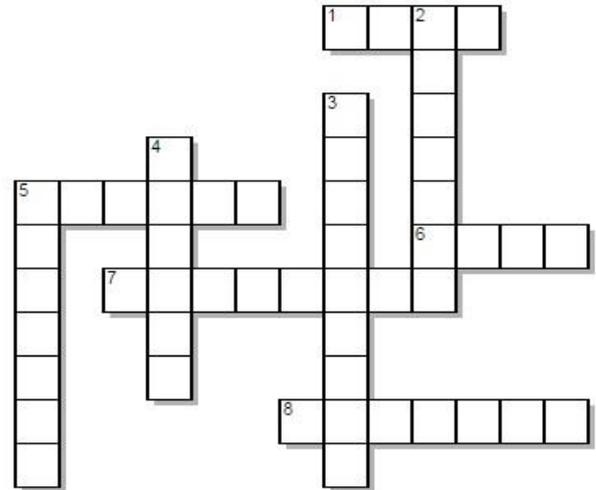
		7				6		
					5			3
	2				4			1
		9						6
	4	5	8			3	2	
7			3	1		8		
2		6	9	7			5	
3				8				7

Comic Strip





Crossword



ACROSS

- 1 A lesson about numbers
- 5 A game played with a black and white ball (mostly)
- 6 The school we all go to
- 7 Used in ICT class
- 8 Flying Fox

DOWN

- 2 A Educator
- 3 A place where students eat
- 4 A place where people learn
- 5 A child who goes to school

October - Horoscope

By Marta

Libra (24 September - 23 October)

Health: *Don't go out in the cold because it's not good for you... But these days mornings are really cold so better not to leave the house at all!*

School: *You should really get started on studying for that test because you might get a lot of homework later this week...*

Birthday gift: *You'll finally get that new iPhone for your birthday! Just don't put it in your back pocket or you'll break or lose it...*



Libra

Movie Review by Marta Ora



Fantastic four

Fantastic Four is a movie based on a comic book of the same name by Marvel. The Fantastic Four is one of Marvel's earliest superhero teams consisting of Mister Fantastic, The Invisible Woman, The Thing and the Human Torch. It has already had two different movie adaptations so far. This one is directed by Josh Trank and stars Michael B. Jordan, Kate Mara and Miles Teller. It has received overall negative reviews scoring only 9% on Rotten Tomatoes (a movie review website) and 4 points out of 10 on IMDb (the Internet Movie Database).

The premise of the movie seemed interesting and since I had seen other movies based on Marvel comics, I decided to go and watch it, despite the bad reviews. The actors were fine, but the overall effect wasn't very appealing. The plot felt rushed, and some of the scenes felt very awkward. It seemed like the movie didn't know what to do with its time. It went from a hurried beginning to a very empty middle part, with a rushed ending stuck to the bottom. The main villain was only seen for a bit at the beginning before disappearing, and returned at the end for an underwhelming conclusion.

Overall, I'd only recommend this movie to hardcore Marvel fans or people who only come for the superpower action (which wasn't really that bad!). Even to those people, the 2005 version was much better.

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by Danielle



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