## A trip to J apan

On August 1, I went to Japan. My father, mother and my younger sister also went to Japan with me.

It is a beautiful country. In Japan they have beautiful seas. We went to the sea and played on the beach. We saw many star fish. We caught two star fish.

In Japan there are many paddy fields. Japan is famous for the fastest
train. We saw many trains. Later, we went to see their beautiful gardens. We saw many rose plants with beautiful flowers on them. The famous game of Japan is baseball. I like to play baseball and I like Japan.

## Rakithe Clements <br> (Grade 5) <br> St. Joseph's College, Enderamulla

## My iguana egg

## The sun

The sun is a star. It is a ball made up of hot gases. The sun has
 its own light. It looks large and bright. We can't see the sun with the naked eye. The sun is bigger than the earth. We can't live without sunlight. We can see the sun rising up in the morning. In the daytime the sun is over our heads. The sun dries our clothes, paddy and grains. The sun gives us light and heat. It is due to its energy that the earth is a liveable planet.

Supuni Bhagya
(7 years)
Siridhamma College, Labuduwa

## Sanduni, my younger sister

## My younger sister

Sanduni,
Is very fat and chubby.
She likes to play a lot
But sleeps a little.
She eats fruits, And drinks a lot of milk, Every morning and evening She rides in her pram
She screams loud Like a mouse She likes pencils

More than her toys
Her favourite toy is a
spider
That is made out of rubber She likes me
More than all.


Sandun<br>Kodagoda (10 years) Dharmadutha College, Badulla

## Who was William Shakespeare?

William Shakespeare was a great dramatist and is probably the most famous name in English literature. He is most famous for his 40 plays which include 'Romeo and Juliet,' a light comedy, 'A Midsummer Night's Dream,' and dark tragedies like 'Hamlet,' 'Macbeth' and 'King Lear.'

Shakespeare was born in 1564, in Stratford-onAvon in England and was educated and married
there. At the age of 20, he left for London where he got involved with the theatre.

There he acted, directed and wrote plays. At the end of his life, he returned to Stratford. His plays are acted and studied world wide.

## Thamasha <br> Abeywickrama <br> (11 years)

Republican
International School,
Nuwara Eliya

## My home

My home is in Alawala. It is a big home. It's a

beautiful home. There are two bedrooms. It has a beautiful kitchen.

I like it.
Rasindu Ramanayake
(9 years)
Kg/ Dedigama Primary School

## My trip to Pinnawela

On December 5, 2007, we went on our class trip to Pinnawela. We left school at 7.45 a.m. We got on to the bus. We saw television and sang songs and nursery rhymes.

We shared our snacks with our friends. Some of them slept when going. At last the place arrived. We got off the bus, we walked and walked down the lane. When we were walking we saw many shops with baskets and badges of elephants. We also saw a monkey dance.

First we went to 'Elephant Park Hotel. Through the balcony we saw elephants bathing in the river. Then we played
games. After that we were so hungry that we started eating our lunch.

We went to the orphanage to see the elephants. We saw five baby elephants and a parent all in one family. We saw two tuskers, which were so big and strong. They were helping to carry the branches.

Then we went up the lane to the bus. We played some games and reached school by 2.30 p.m. It was a wonderful trip for me.

## Lakshikaa Srithar

(8 years)
Colombo International School - Kandy

## Winners - December - Christmas fun



Krithika S rithar C olombo International School, Kandy
7-10 years


Amanga Kuruppu Southlands College, Galle 11-14 years


Isuruni Kumanayaka M usaeus College
$2^{\text {nd }}$ place


Savindu Herat
Royal International School, Kurunegala
2nd place


Shanmugam Muhundan
Kandy Grammar School, Kandy
$2^{\text {nd }}$ place


Shahina Ramiz Good Shepherd Convent, Colombo

3rd place


Nethmini Wattetenna St. Anthony's B.M.V., Kandy

3rd place


Ayesha Hazima
Kg/ Mw/ Baduriya C.C., Mawanella

3 rd place


Thushara M ataraarachchi Dharmaraja College, Kandy

Reeves Art Competition - Age Groups
The age groups for this competition are as follows: $4-6$ years, $7-10$ years and $11-14$ years.
Winners please contact us on 2331276/2479337 and arrange to collect your prizes.

## 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.

## The Tsunami Child

Three years have passed Yet, no one has asked How much I suffer, As a child with no mother...

The Great waves carried her away
Though I searched for many a day,
In sorrow, in fright, Hoping for a beacon of light...

No laughter, no happiness, But a world of sad emptiness
No clothes, books or toys, I have nothing to enjoy...

No home of my own,
I feel so alone,
Help me to survive,
For I was,
And am,
The Tsunami Child..

## Ayodhya Perera <br> (12 years) <br> Bishop's College

