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Nursery Rhymes on Stage

Pic. by Jayamal Chandrasiri

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Please send competition entries to:



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C/O the Sunday Times
P.O. Box 1136, Colombo.
Or
8, Hunupitiya Cross Road,
Colombo 2.

Please note that competition entries are accepted by email.

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), Date of Birth, Address, Telephone Number and School.

Please underline the name most commonly used.

All competition entries should be certified by a parent or guardian as your own work.

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

Closing date for this week's competitions: **October 2, 2024**

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'Masque of the Shoe - 2024'



'Masque of the Shoe - 2024' was presented by the students of Marjorie de Alwis International Kindergarten at the Royal Institute International Auditorium on August 3, 2024.

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FROM THE EDITOR

Hi Kids,
Please send in your Articles and Art for Kids' World, to be published in the Funday Times online edition and website.

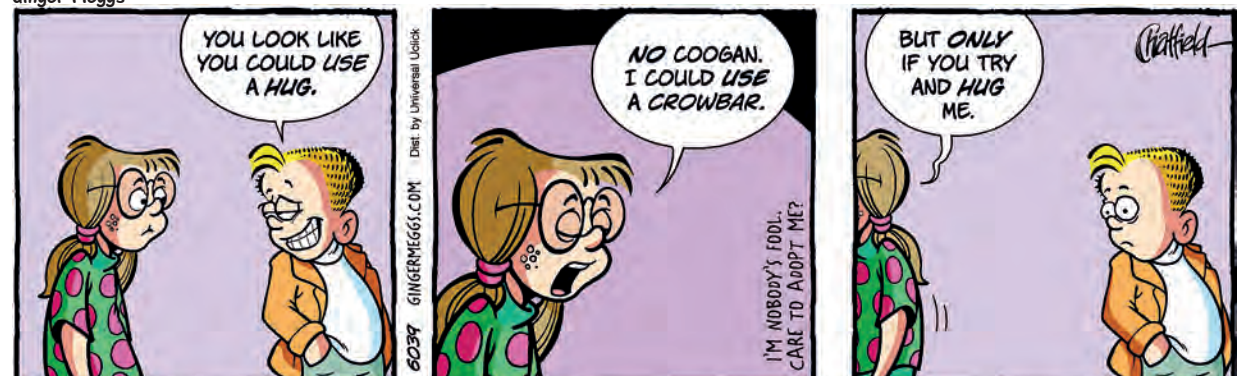
As you can see, we have space only once a month for Kids' World articles and art in the print edition. Therefore, we are planning to carry them every week in the Funday Times online pages as well as on the Funday Times website.

We also invite schools to send in their students' work for a school page in the online edition and website.

Thanking you in anticipation of your positive response.

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Ginger Meggs





Kekulu Kinder ART COMPETITION - 2024

Model Application Form

Child's Full Name :

Date of Birth :

Permanent Address and Telephone Number :

Email Address :

Kindergarten Name and Address :

Name of the Kindergarten Principal :

Phone Number :

Kindergarten Email :

District :

Kindergarten Principal's Signature :

1. Eligible only for children between 2 ½ to 5 years of age.
 2. Competition topic is 'A Rainy Day'.
 3. Drawing can be submitted only on an A4 sheet using pastels only.
 4. Should be certified by the Kindergarten Principal, that the drawing is done by the child.
 5. It is mandatory to paste the application to the back of drawing.
 6. Certificates are given only for drawings where application form is filled correctly.
 7. The product wrappings and the drawing to be enclosed in an envelope without stapling together and sent to the following address before 01st October 2024.
 8. Address: **Hettigoda Industries (Pvt) Ltd., No. 33/3, Sri Dharmarama Road, Ratmalana.**
 9. It is important to have filled the following application form correctly. If not, the drawing will be rejected.
 10. Any clarifications on the competition, please call Imanji on 077 834 4219 or Gayani on 077 638 6807.
- It is mandatory to include a product wrapping from any of the following product categories, to partake in the competition.**



Kekulu Baby Soaps



Kekulu Toothpastes



Kekulu Baby Colognes



Kekulu Toothbrush



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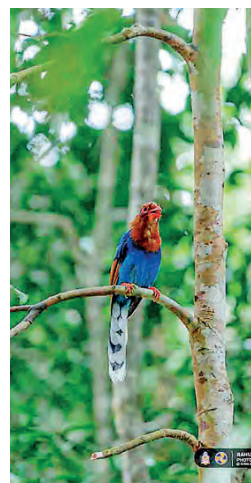
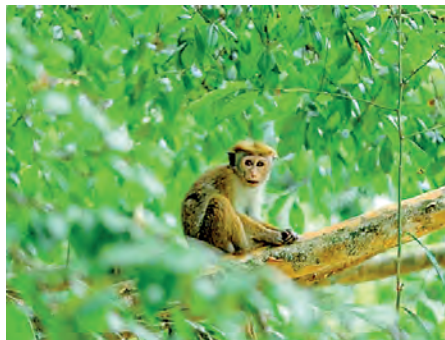
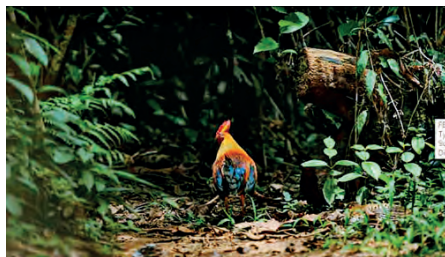


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* Important Notice – To all Kindergarten Principals, please ensure that all drawings are submitted with the correct product wrappings to the above address before 01st October 2024.



Grade Four students of Matara Rahula College recently visited Sinharaja rainforest to observe biodiversity and environmental factors. Some parents and teachers also participated.

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LUMALA BICYCLE COMPETITION

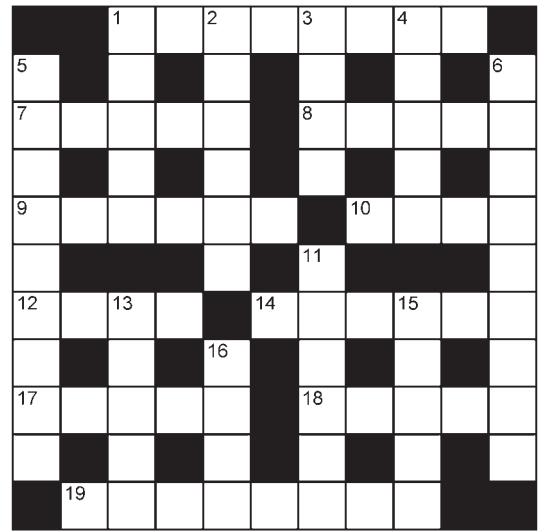
This month we have started a new competition. You now have a chance to win a brand new **LUMALA bicycle** for your own.

All you have to do is fill in the Lumala Crossword No. 1, according to the clues given. Write the answers neatly on a postcard or paper, and send it in to us.

Cut the strip '**LUMALA Crossword No. 1**' seen at the top of the page and paste it on your entry.

One lucky winner will receive a brand new LUMALA bicycle each month.

LUMALA Crossword – No. 1



Age Group: 8 – 15 years

Entries should be certified as your own work by a teacher or parent.

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Across

- 1 Tree limbs
- 7 Sweep with this
- 8 Chuckle
- 9 Help
- 10 Applaud
- 12 Close by
- 14 A chewy sweet
- 17 A health worker
- 18 In the lead
- 19 Fruit tree flowers

Down

- 1 Libraries have lots of these
- 2 Nearly
- 3 A baby cow
- 4 Of the same length
- 5 Getting
- 6 People who look after sheep
- 11 A root vegetable
- 13 A month
- 15 These insects jump and bite
- 16 Find these in bedrooms

Closing Date: September 30, 2024

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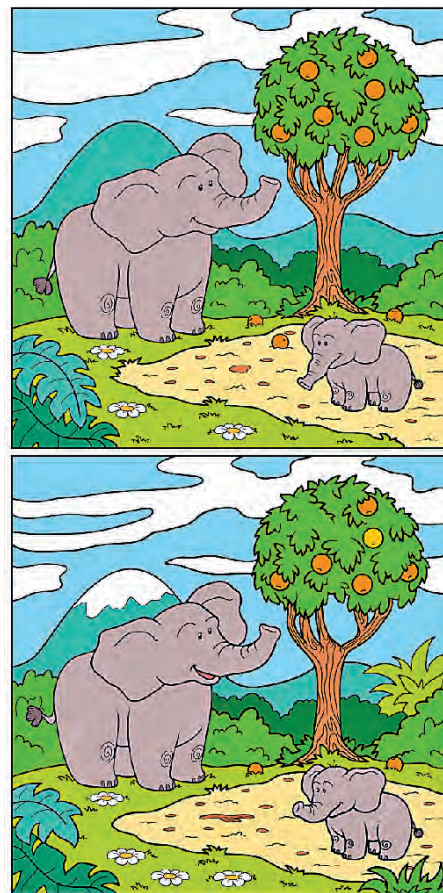
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7 – 9 AGE GROUP



Find 10 differences between the two pictures.

7 – 9 years WINNERS!

- ▶ Rachel Fernando, Colombo 14
- ▶ Ayyash Azhad, Ratmalana
- ▶ Mariyam Hudha, Galhinna
- ▶ Esandi Ranasinghe, Piliyandala
- ▶ Soniru Dinseth, Mulleriyawa New Town

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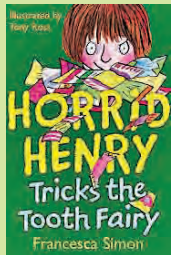


Age: 9 years and below

Word Count: 150

Topic: My favourite storybook character

Win: Horrid Henry tricks the Tooth Fairy by Francesca Simon



It's Horrid Henry's chance to get rich! So Henry sets out to trick the tooth fairy, with hilarious results.

Not content with causing havoc at home, Henry then ruins Moody Margaret's sleepover, sabotages a wedding... and makes all his teachers run screaming from school.

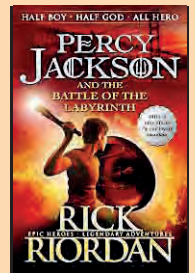
Age: 10 – 12 years
Word Count: 150 – 200
Topic: The importance of reading
Win: Dork Diaries - Popstar by Rachel Renee Russell



Nikki Maxwell's school is holding a talent competition and Nikki can't wait to start practicing dance moves with her BFFs, Chloe and Zoey, and impressing Brandon, with her singing skills! But then Nikki finds out that her arch-nemesis MacKenzie, is entering the contest too.

Can a dork like Nikki take on the most popular girl in school and win? Let the showdown commence...

Age: 13 – 15 years
Word Count: 200 – 250
Topic: What you know about International Literacy Day
Win: Percy Jackson and the Battle of the Labyrinth by Rick Riordan



As the son of a Greek god, Percy has had his share of near-death disasters – and now his arch-enemy Luke wants to invade Camp Half-Blood via an ancient Labyrinth. If Luke succeeds thousands of bloodthirsty monsters will attack...

So, Percy and his friends descend into the terrifying Labyrinth to stop the invasion!

Write at the top of your Essay

■ Book Competition ■ Essay Topic



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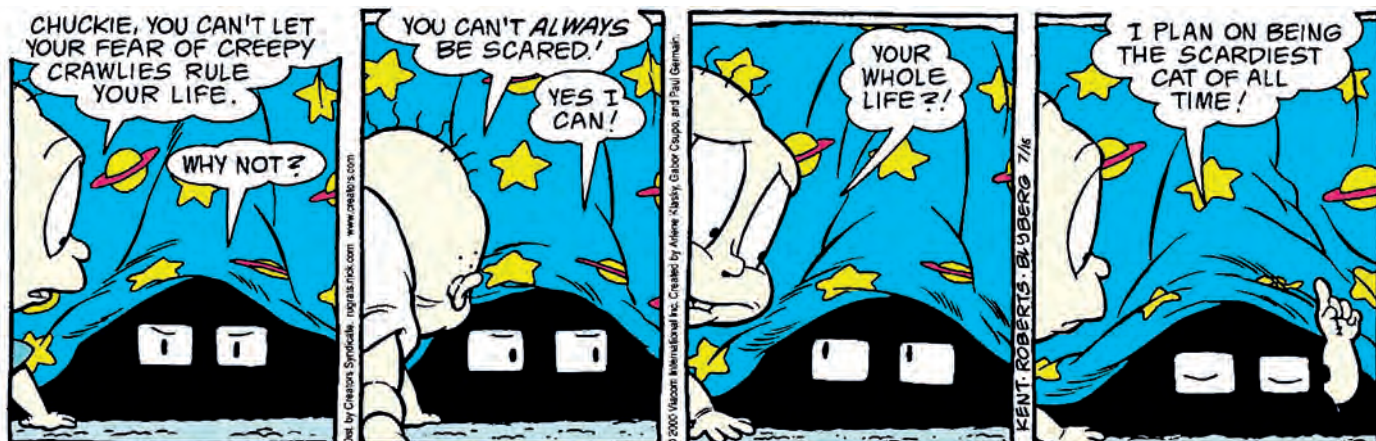
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Read-a-Book Competition

Name :
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Date of birth :
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Address :
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School:
Tel:
Finished book on :

Rugrats





George Cadbury



George Cadbury (born September 19, 1839, in Birmingham, Warwickshire, was an English businessman and social reformer who, with his elder brother, Richard, took over their father's failing enterprise and built it into the highly prosperous Cadbury Brothers cocoa- and chocolate manufacturing firm.

George was perhaps more important for his improvements in working conditions and for his successful experiments in housing and town planning.

Background

George Cadbury worked at the school for adults on Sundays for no pay, despite only going to school himself until he was fifteen. Together with his brother Richard, he took over the family business in 1861 and founded the chocolate producer Cadbury Brothers.

In 1878, they acquired 14 acres of land in open country, four miles (6 km) south-west of Birmingham, where they opened a new factory in 1879. He rented 'Woodbrooke' – a Georgian style mansion built by Josiah Mason, which he eventually bought in 1881.

On this site, he founded in 1903, a Quaker higher educational institution for social-service oriented education – an institution that still functions as the Woodbrooke Quaker Study Centre. It remains the only such centre in Europe today. He also created a hospital in Normandy called "l'hopital de Normandy".

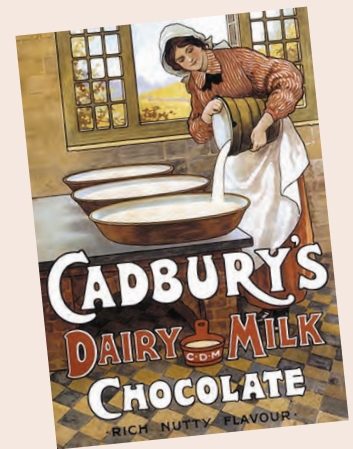
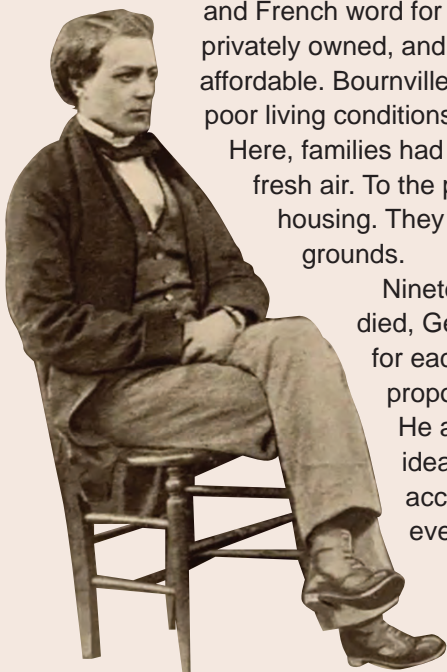
The Cadbury brothers were concerned with the quality of life of their employees and provided an alternative to grimy city life. As more land was acquired and the brothers moved the factory to a new country location, they decided to build a factory town (designed by architect William Alexander Harvey), which was not exclusive to the employees of the factory.

This village became known as Bournville after the nearby river and French word for "town". The houses were never privately owned, and their value stayed low and affordable. Bournville was a marked change from the poor living conditions of the urban environment.

Here, families had houses with yards, gardens and fresh air. To the present, the town offers affordable housing. They installed canteens and sport-grounds.

Nineteen years after brother Richard died, George opened a works committee for each gender which discussed proposals for improving the firm.

He also pressed ahead with other ideas, like an annuity, a deposit account and education facilities for every employee.



In 1901, Cadbury bought the Daily News and used the paper to campaign for old age pensions and against the war and sweatshop labour.

George Cadbury was one of the prime movers in setting up The Birmingham Civic Society in 1918.

Cadbury donated the Lickey Hills Country Park to the people of Birmingham. He also donated a large house in Northfield to the Birmingham Cripples Union that was used as a hospital from 1909. It is now called the Royal Orthopaedic Hospital.

He died at his home, Northfield Manor House, on October 24, 1922, aged 83.

Cadbury



George Cadbury

Source: Kids Encyclopedia Facts

The youngest girl to climb one of Africa's tallest mountains

September 9, 2024

Have you ever thought what it would be like to climb a mountain?

A girl from Carmarthenshire has managed to climb the highest one in north Africa and her dad thinks she is the youngest person to do it - she was just six!

Mount Toubkal, which is in the Atlas Mountains in Morocco, is 4,167 metres tall.

Seren climbed it with her father Glyn, raising money for the hospital that helped her when she was younger in the process.

Seren and her dad took on the challenge in August, which included an eight-hour walk with a guide in

temperatures more of than 40 degrees just to reach Mount Toubkal base camp where they spent the night.

The next day the pair tackled the summit - the highest point of a mountain - which her dad said had some 'narrow paths' but "the heat was the biggest challenge".

Seren had been training for about a year with her dad, which included night time walks up Pen y Fan in BannauBrycheiniog National Park, also known as the Brecon Beacons.

This isn't the first time Seren has managed to climb her way into the record books.



Seren raised money for charity while climbing north Africa's highest mountain.

In 2022, she became the youngest person to complete the Three Peaks challenge in under 48 hours - which is the Britain's three highest peaks.

She already has plans for next year, she wants to climb Mont Blanc, which is the highest mountain in the Alps.

Seren said the best thing about climbing is spending time with her dad and "seeing the nice things" on the mountain tops.

Well done, Seren!



Seren has taken on a range of fundraising climbs with her dad.



Seren wants to climb Mont Blanc next.

CBBC Newsround

California Redwoods miraculously regrow after wildfire devastation

September 9, 2024

The Big Basin Redwood State Park in Santa Cruz, California, is home to some of the tallest and oldest redwood trees on Earth. The towering trees reach heights of over 300 feet (91 m) and have an incredibly thick bark. This natural armour usually protects their upper branches and needles from wildfire damage.

However, the CZU Lightning Complex Fire that burned 97 percent of the park in August 2020 was so intense that it even scorched these ancient giants.

But in a remarkable turn of events, the charred redwoods began to sprout fresh green needles within months after the fires were extinguished.

Intrigued by their rapid recovery, a team led by Drew Peltier, an assistant professor at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas, decided to investigate. What they discovered was stunning.

The researchers, who published their findings in late 2023, found that the redwoods have two additional strategies to cope with adversity. First, they store excess energy from leaf photosynthesis. This helps sustain them when no leaves are present to produce new energy, as was the case with the charred trees.

Even more impressive, a process called radiocarbon dating revealed that the stored energy in the giant redwoods was between 50 and 100 years old. That means it had been created and tucked away for emergencies as early as the 1920s!

The trees' second adaptation is the presence of bud tissue to enable leaf regrowth. By examining the wood beneath the sprouting areas, the researchers traced the tissue to the tree's center.



Regrowth can be seen throughout Big Basin Redwoods State Park this spring.

This led them to conclude that the sprouts had grown from tissue nearly as old as the tree itself. In some cases, the trees were over a thousand years old.

The ancient park's full recovery will take years. But with 90 percent of the charred trees already exhibiting signs of regrowth, the outlook is promising.

DOGO News

September 10

News in Pictures



Dili, East Timor
Pope Francis visits children with disabilities at the Irmãs Alma School for Children with Disabilities during his apostolic trip to Asia, in East Timor.



California, USA
An aerial tanker combats the Airport Fire, a wildfire burning in the hills of Orange County, California.

September 9

New York, USA
Italy's Jannik Sinner celebrates with the trophy after winning his final match against Taylor Fritz of the USA at the US Open.



Moscow, Russia
A boy touches a figure of a dinosaur during celebrations of the City Day in Museon Park in Moscow.



September 8

Tel Aviv, Israel
Thousands of Israelis gather to protest against Prime Minister, Benjamin Netanyahu, and his government. They are calling on him to sign a ceasefire agreement with Gaza and to demand a hostage swap deal with Hamas.



Phong Châu, Vietnam
The collapsed Phong Châu Bridge over the Red River in Phu Tho province. Typhoon Yagi, the most powerful to hit northern Vietnam in 30 years, downed bridges, tore off roofs and damaged factories after making landfall this month. According to state media, at least 3,500 households have had to be evacuated.

Peshawar, Pakistan
A police officer stands guard as a health worker administers polio vaccine drops to a child during a door-to-door inoculation programme. A case of poliovirus has emerged in Islamabad after 16 years, with 17 reported this year. It is the first confirmed case in the capital since 2008. Environmental samples have also tested positive for the virus in 64 districts.



Laikipia, Kenya
Najin, one of the last two northern white rhinos, is looked after at the Ol Pejeta conservation centre.



West Sussex, UK
Young drivers compete for the Settrington Cup in Austin J40s pedal cars at Goodwood revival.



Sources : Reuters & The Guardian