

Choi Hung Estate Catholic Secondary School

ENGLISH DEPARTMENT



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### **English Week**

Resuming the annual English Week on October 21<sup>st</sup> the English Department offered a week filled with fun & enjoyable English activities held from the start of each school day to the time students left school at the gate. And we all had a blast!



### Morning Assembly

A total of 11 student-MCs hosted the Morning Assemblies throughout the English Week. Not only did they give out hints and clues for the three daily riddles, they also explained the answers and demonstrated the Tongue Twisters. To add fun, they sometimes even sang the clues out.





### Recess 1: Tongue Twisters / Backward Spelling

The old-fashioned Tongue Twisters game was brought to life when students took up the challenge to read aloud a sequence of convoluted words which are alliterative and difficult to pronounce quickly & correctly. The daily record holders were keen to defend their titles while trying to break their own best records.

An unconventional Backward Spelling game was used to strengthen the understanding of the relationship between words and sounds. It has turned the ordinary spelling exercise into something that stretches our brain and demands our focus and yet pure pleasurable and entertaining.









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Recess 2: Song Dedication

**Love is in the air: song dedication to show love and gratitude**

Song dedication is one of the highlights of English Week. Song dedication forms were collected from all students and a mixed list of songs was selected to meet the music tastes of junior and secondary students. Songs like *'You are not alone'* and *'You've got a friend in me'* are Choi Hung boys' favourite hits.

Messages were read out and English songs were played during the second recesses of the week. Students were not only sending good wishes to teachers and classmates, many were dedicating songs to their families to express their love with a simple note *'I love you'!* Hence it was not just a week about English, but also a week of love and gratitude.



### Poetry Appreciation Workshop and Dramatic Duologue Workshop

A Poetry Appreciation workshop was held for S.1 students on the first day of our English Week. Two Native English teachers were invited to conduct the workshop for us. Our S.1 kids were exposed to different interesting poems such as *Homework! Oh, Homework!* by Jack Prelutsky. It was a great opportunity to enhance students' language and literacy learning experiences in an engaging way. By the end of the workshop, students were even required to create their own poems which enabled them to share their feelings towards their new and exciting school life.

Another workshop we had was the Dramatic Duologue workshop for our S.4 students. Immersion in the dramatic duologue allowed the students to learn how to project their voice better and boost their confidence to speak English. The workshop was filled with fun and laughter.









### After school: Say the Password

To help boost students' confidence in conversational abilities and have a deeper understanding of the English language, a different idiom was taught each day. Students were asked to say the idiom as they left school at the gate to refresh their memory.







### Prize presentation

Individual prizes were presented by Principal Ho to record holders of the Tongue Twisters Game. Adonis Wong (1A) was the record holder of the first three consecutive days while Jason Chau (1B) was the record holders of the remaining two days of the English Week.

Furthermore, they were both given the opportunity to demonstrate how well they could say the Tongue Twisters quickly and yet clearly at the prize presentation ceremony.

Three class prizes were given to classes which had the highest accumulated average scores throughout the English Week and they were Classes 1A, 3A, and 3C.



