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Junior Reporters Club is ...

The Junior Reporters Club was set up in 2010 to bring together young people with a passion for news, media and Hong Kong.

Junior Reporters Club turns Young Post (YP)'s 1,300 registered members into budding journalists.

A print and digital platform to write, to shoot video, take photos or blog to share with YP community.

These Junior reporters (JR) can pick and pitch stories that pique the interest of themselves or their friends.

The Club's peer journalism appeals to JR's fellow students, YP's primary readers.



Meet the Junior Reporters Club



How Does it works?

With YP editorial team

Junior reporters meet up with Young Post's editorial team to discuss ideas, learning how to pitch story ideas, organise interviews and photos for their stories.

Junior Reporters Club Workshop

Young Post organises workshops for JRs on public holidays and during school breaks.

Work like in a real newsroom

They may be assigned a story to work on.

Submit stories they found interesting

When JRs find an interesting story, they can pitch, write, document it in photos / videos, then submit to Young Post team.

What do they do?

Philosophy:

**Junior Reporters write it and tell their friends about it.
Their friends, read it and share it.**

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And cover stories, new articles and features

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Each week, two of our teenagers will debate a hot topic. This week ...

Is citizen journalism beneficial to news reporting?

Michelle Maria Fasching, 17, Maryknoll Convent School

Where do you get your news? In the age of technology, it's so easy for young people to get it through the internet, maybe even through social networking sites.

With cameras and the internet always available in your pocket, it's easy to take a photo or video and post it onto your social media accounts, reporting news as a citizen. But few newspapers or TV channels used to be the only places where you could get information on as it happened. Now you can just open your notebook, access it, and get real-time reports from your friends about what's going on around the world.

Citizen journalism helps spread a single news story with multiple perspectives. As lots of people can report on the same piece of news from their point of view, the public can get a clearer understanding of what's going on.

For example, during the Occupy Central protests, people can report on the situation from the protest area, while shop owners can take photos of deserted roads, showing how their businesses have suffered. This allows first-hand insight into all of the different issues of a story, rather than just one perspective.

Citizen journalism is also a way to report on events when professional journalists are not on the scene. For example, during the 2008 Gaza War, foreign media was banned from entering the region, but videos were posted online by citizens, and major news outlets relied on such clips to give a picture to the rest of the world.

Citizen and traditional journalism can work together to create the most reliable, informative and timely news reporting in history. This can benefit the media industry as a whole.

Rai Anna-L, 16, St Margaret's Girls' College

The digital age has catapulted citizen journalism to the forefront. More and more people are acting as journalists, and using social networking sites, especially Facebook, to tell the public about current affairs.

During the uprisings in Libya and Egypt, state-run media wrongly reported the events. So citizens took up the role of journalists and told the rest of the world what was really happening in their country.

The media cannot be everywhere at the same time. This means that some incidents may be overlooked, but citizens can help change this. One example is the citizens' report about the shocking death of a stray dog in an MTR station.

But there are more than benefits with this type of reporting.

Thousands of news articles are available online, but they are not as reliable as, for example, newspaper or magazine articles. Compared to professional journalists, the author of an online article does not have a duty to present the facts or verify this. This leads to a higher likelihood of false reports and other inaccuracies.

Some people do not realise that there is a responsibility that comes with citizen journalism. They don't have the resources to check whether the information is true or false. This is why we buy newspapers.

Citizen journalists often include their personal judgements or opinions in their reporting. They are not taught how to be objective as trained journalists are. Having a lot of stories is essential for good journalism.

There are also a lot of principles and ethics in journalism. Qualified journalists are aware of those standardised codes of ethics, but the same cannot be said about citizen journalists who might report their own views after their reporting the news. Overall, citizen journalism is not beneficial for news reporting.



Pro-democracy lawmakers protest against Beijing's proposals for the chief executive elections. (Photo: Choon Kwai)

The myth of democracy

Henry Lui, Sha Tin College

If you lost all hope in Hong Kong's future, it's not at the "authoritarian regime", or the "communist agenda" of the Hong Kong government which has caused me to renounce my faith in the city's well-being. It's the so-called "pro-democracy" camp.

Ever since the inception of the Occupy Central movement, pro-democrats have been continuously bickering about the need for a system which functions in accordance with the "international standard" of democracy. Guess what? Such a thing doesn't exist.

What's more, those wealthy thinkers believe that the civil disobedience campaign will actually be the citizens' hand and bring us the right of civil nomination, the right for the public to nominate their elected candidates. Since when did we acquire a stake for such luxurious rights to vote that such an absurd proposal could be properly implemented in any part of the world, let alone in a country yet to get a taste of universal suffrage.

Take a look at the United States, "the land of the free", where civil nomination is possible on paper, but never in practice. At the end of the day, the two main political parties each select a candidate and let the voters decide which of the duo is so-called.

Why not? Why have we, all of a sudden, demanded universal suffrage? Let's cast our minds back to the time when Hong Kong was under British colonial rule. The economy was going well, nearly every man had a job and, as a result, most people were happy. There wasn't any universal suffrage and no one cared.

Two decades later, the city has become a smoggy gloomier place. The population has increased by two million, and the influx of mainlanders isn't helping. Life is much harder now. It can take \$4 year for an average household to save enough money to buy a flat. Understandably, people are very upset with the difficulties they face in their daily lives.

As far as I know, there are three groups of people in the pro-democracy camp: the "students" who use it as a cheap way of gaining votes; the ordinary citizens who choose to vent their frustration through the protests; and those who truly believe that universal suffrage is the key to solving our economic problems.

The pro-democrats' "fight for democracy" is like a feeble attempt to kill a giant wasp. Not only will they never be able to kill it, they'll anger the wasp in the process, making it more likely that it will strike back with a renewed force.

Yes, Hong Kong is entitled to universal suffrage just like any other developed region in the world. However, we must stop being so stubborn when it comes to negotiating terms with the central government.

We're already lucky to have the chance to vote for the city's leader. We should stop squabbling before Mr. Xi and then decide to take it all away from us.

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talking points

What do you want to tell your parents/teachers about Occupy Central?

Hate it when you can't talk back? Well, you can with Young Post. Have your say and share with students around Hong Kong.

May Hoang, 17, Chinese International School
Parents, I love my children so they understand social responsibility. I would like to tell my parents, educate your children to be more critical thinkers. How can Hong Kongers, come 2017 vote for representatives that they haven't selected? The protest can be the streets to advocate the future that the youth of Hong Kong deserve - and we will refuse to accept anything less.

Oliver Shing, 12, YIMCA of Hong Kong Christian College
I would like to tell my mother that she should think objectively while discussing Occupy Central because she sometimes do not see the other person's point of view. To my teachers, I would like to say that younger understand that either you are for the movement or against it, so they should respect our views and not try to talk us into agreeing with a certain perspective. As young adults, we are all trying to find our own voice during these challenging times.

Karen Amerik, 11, St. Mar Gabriel's Girls' College, Hong Kong
The thing I would like to tell my parents about Occupy Central is that it's a fight for democracy and protesters are not occupying the area without any objectives.

Steven Wing, 14, St. Paul's Secondary School
The activity is meaningful, because young people gave up their study time to fight for a fair and improved political system for Hong Kong. As for people who say it affects their income, that's what they need to fix.

Chloe Cheung, 11, Tak Nga Secondary School
Somebody once told me that we have to make sacrifices to achieve success. As the saying goes, don't lose sight of the forest for the trees.

Charlotte Chan, 16, Carmel Secondary School
I would like to thank my parents for allowing me to visit the occupied area and experience what's really happening in society. I would probably never see such a thing again in my lifetime.

You're welcome to join the conversation at www.ycp.com.hk, in our next Talking Points, we'll discuss: How would you like to spend your free period, if you have one, everyday? We are now accepting answers from readers for this new topic. To take part, email your answer with your name, age, and school, plus a high-res photo of yourself (no less than 1MB), to ypdiscuss.com by Monday lunchtime next week.

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top 10 occupy central

Joining forces

We asked our readers what they thought the best thing about the Occupy Central movement was. Here are the best answers...

01 **Threat not too**
It has got to be those flash mob yellow ribbons - way to make you with the new black.
Choi Man Hong, 15, Chinese International School

02 **Times spent**
We all save the unity of Hong Kongers, as they all helped each other to save our nation. Students helped to charge protesters' phones and laptops, and gave them sunscreen and clothes. This shows spirit really improved.
Choi Ka-yun, 16, Hong Kong Time Light College

03 **Images and images**
Youngsters can often post on social media, but Occupy Central could only change this negative image. When I saw teenagers recycling paper, handing out cups from their own pockets, I finally realized the high quality of students we have in Hong Kong.
Yammi So, 16, HKUST

04 **A sight for sore eyes**
Just like the Miss Hong Kong slogan, "To succeed with both beauty and wisdom". There are so many great-looking university students at the protest sites. I love watching news about Occupy Central, because it means that the world will notice the student movement.
Wong Chee-man, 15, Po Leung Kuk, Mong Kok, T. Ching Shih Farm College

05 **It's a shock**
I actually like the longer travel time. Now I can take the bus to go to school and I can take the bus to school.
Choi, 15, Chinese International School

06 **A sign of relief**
Thanks to the media, the streets in Central and Admiralty are finally pedestrian-free. I like the people at the Yung Chi-ha, 16, Hong Kong Li Shun Shik Yung Secondary School

07 **Getting some attention**
Hong Kong is in the world's spotlight, especially with Timor's cover of the man valiantly holding an umbrella in spite of the rain.
Choi, 16, Li Shun Shik Yung Secondary School

08 **The yellow ribbons**
I adore the lovely little yellow ribbons to represent our school. They are symbols of unity that flutter in the wind. They remind us that every school's universal support can be heard in every corner of the city.
May Hoang, 17, Chinese International School

09 **Finally, a place to eat**
It's wonderful that my mom got an extra day off work and I could go to the Central Government Offices. There's usually quite a long line to get in, so I can go to the Central Government Offices. But thanks to the protests, we got to eat my mom's food again!
Choi Ka-yun, 16, Hong Kong Time Light College

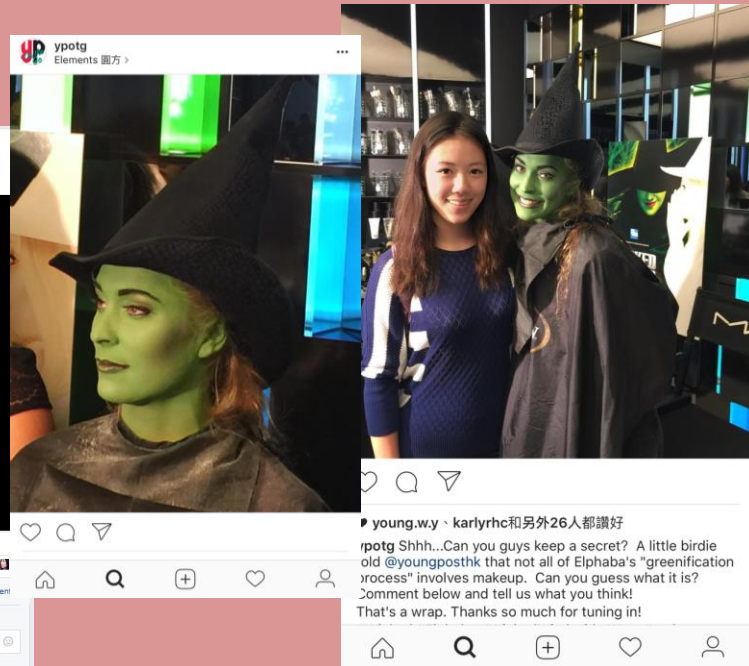
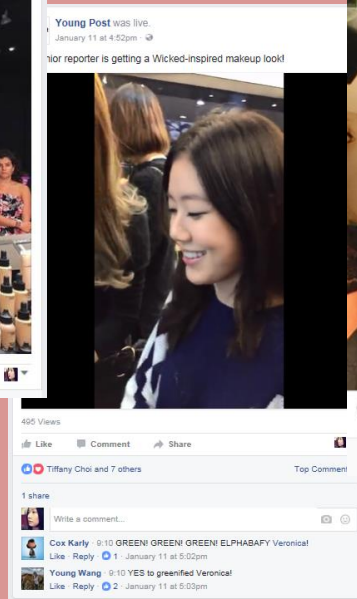
10 **The city's new look**
Admiralty is a lovely place to take a walk now. The air is so much cleaner with out all those cars, and there's a beautiful stretch of open sky above you. Also, there's a sense of unity as you see people meeting at the bus stop or standing on the ground, all for the same cause.
Annet to Kim, 16, Chinese International School

For our next Top 10, tell us what you think about the future. Send your response, together with your name, age and school, to ypdiscuss.com with "Top 10: Future" in the subject field. The best answers will be published in the next Top 10 page.

Event coverage with engagement program

For example, Junior reporter Veronica joined the Wicked musical x maccosmetic “Green is Magic” workshop.

She live broadcast the event at YP Facebook & Instagram and share with her followers, who like and share it increasing awareness.



Event coverage with engagement program

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Something Wicked this way comes ...

Wicked amazing, that is. The hit Broadway and West End musical has been showing in the city – and junior reporters **Janie Li, Pauline Wong and Veronica Lin** went to check it out

Edited by Ginny Wong

Even the scariest of villains has a reason for their wickedness – and the musical *Wicked*, the wicked Witch of the West finally gets the chance to tell her side of the classic tale in the Land of Oz.

The musical regularly performs to sell-out crowds on Broadway. YoungPost sent along three junior reporters to talk to the international cast and directors while the show is still in the city.

Hong Kong goes green with envy

Remember the spirally yellow brick road, the squeaky Munchkins and Dorothy's magic slippers from *The Wizard of Oz*? They're all here in *Wicked*, which has been entertaining theatregoers on Broadway in the US and the West End in Britain for more than a decade now. The show has finally been brought to Hong Kong by Linchbox Theatrical Productions, bringing with it positive messages about friendship and more than a little bit of magic as the Lyric Theatre at the Hong Kong Academy for Performing Arts.

All the world's a stage

Created by Stephen Schwartz, renowned composer, *Wicked* is based on a novel by Gregory Maguire called *Wicked: The Life and Times of the Wicked Witch of the West*, which follows the unlikely friendship between Elphaba, who goes on to become the Wicked Witch of the West (played by Jacqueline Hughes in the international tour version), and Glinda, the Good Witch (Emily Anderson).

Even though the show itself only lasts for a dazzling two and a half hour, weeks – even months – of preparation go into it before it hits the stage. There are costumes to be designed and rehearsed, after all.

From Elphaba's dark, otherworldly costumes worn by each Munchkin, to the quirky off-balance choreography, every single detail needs to be thought of so that the audience believes they're actually in the Land of Oz," said Leigh Constance, the resident director.

Musically, *Wicked* utilises many uncommon instruments to create aquirky, unique soundscape.

The goal for each version of Wicked is to keep it as close to the original show as possible

story, and face her challenges as the world."

"She's a very black and white type of person," Hughes adds. "There are no grey areas [for her]."

In *Wicked*, Elphaba's eventual rift in the goodly and tremendously popular Galinda who eventually renames herself Glinda.

"There has been a passion of mine from a very young age," said Anderson. "I think my initial love for singing comes from my dad. He used to play old school 70s songs on his guitar and my sister and I would sing along."

Being a part of a musical on tour is in much like being a poster on tour – you have to rise to keep up with a tight schedule, battle homesickness and try to maintain relationships long distance.

Most of all though, she added, being a part of a musical on tour is to just be yourself on stage. Elphaba is considered to be demonic and strange by the people around her because her skin is green.

"Elphaba is [a] completely misunderstood character. All she ever wants to do is nothing thing. She knows who she is and she's proud of that – she never tries to be anything she's not. As an actress I try to stay true and honest to her

Here's the love interest of Elphaba in the musical. Photo: Linchbox Theatrical Productions

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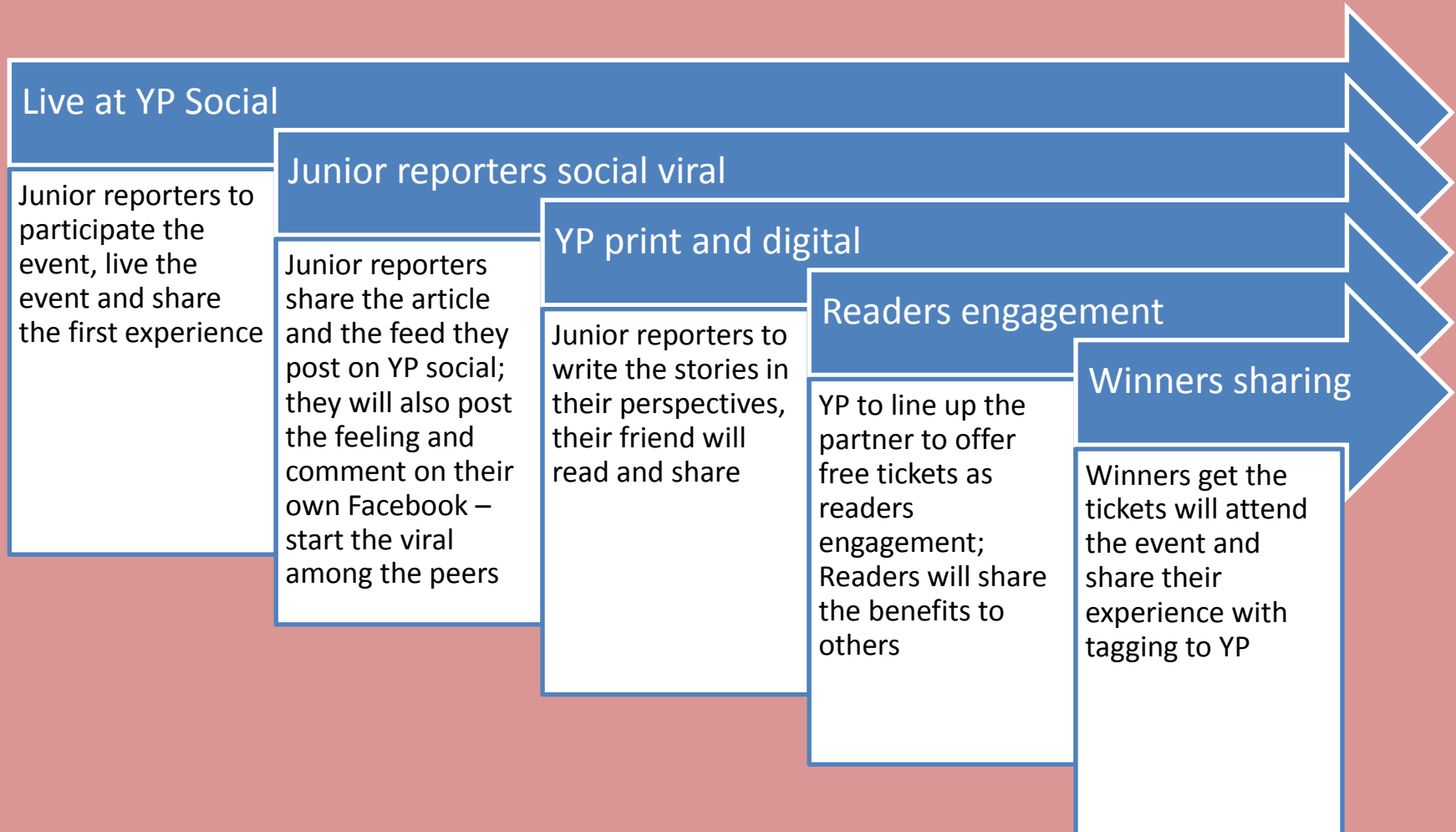
THE AWARD-WINNING BROADWAY & WEST END MUSICAL

Wicked, one of the most spectacular musicals to grace the stages of Broadway and the West End, is now in Hong Kong for a limited time.

YoungPost has 10 pairs of tickets to give away to our readers, so that they can discover the magical world of Oz, and the enchanting story of two unlikely friends – Glinda the Good and Elphaba, the Wicked Witch of the West.

For your chance to win a pair of tickets, login or register below and answer the following question (Remember to include your contact details when you register!) Deadline for registration is 20:00pm, January 11.

Event coverage with engagement program



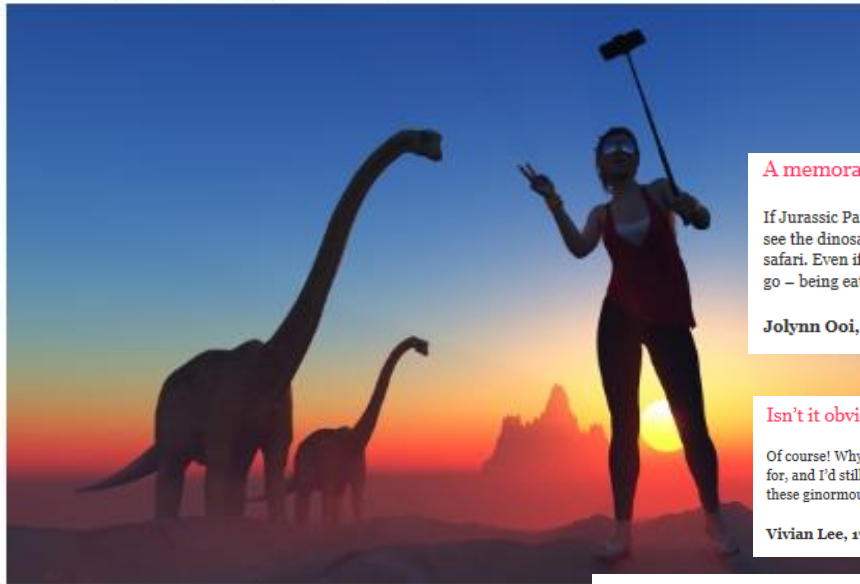
Social media reachout among peers

Set the topic and let the junior reporters and readers to deliberate it further, this starts the conversation & discussion among peers

If Jurassic Park were real, would you visit it?

This week, we asked our readers: if Jurassic Park were real, would you visit it? Here are our favourite answers

Compiled by Lucy Christie January 06, 2017



Too much to do

Never! I wouldn't wanna get eaten when I haven't even pursued my dreams yet. I still have a lot I want to do!

Eunice Yip, 16, Pooi To Middle School

As a person who values all her limbs and body parts, I would say that going to Jurassic Park would be a death wish. Dinosaurs are cool to look at, as long as it's from the safety of a computer monitor (though I can't guarantee the likelihood of death via Buzzfeed addiction).

Nice to meet you

Of course! Who wouldn't maybe make some new fr

Anushka Purohit, 16, Renaissance College Hong Kong

A memorable moment

If Jurassic Park opened, of course I would see the dinosaurs, who wouldn't be eaten. Even if I was eaten, it would go – being eaten by something t

Jolynn Ooi, 11, South Island School

Conservation goals

I would definitely go; humans and dinosaurs co-existing side by side is great for conservation and education, which is exactly what we need right now. And who in their right mind wouldn't want to see a real life T-Rex?

Jane Chan, 14, Renaissance College Hong Kong

Belinda Ng, 16, South Island School

Isn't it obvious?

Of course! Why do you even need to ask?! Dinosaurs are to die for, and I'd still be happy even if I ended up being eaten by these ginormous reptiles.

Vivian Lee, 17, Maryknoll Convent School

I like my life, thanks

That's like asking someone if they want to die. In Jurassic Park, the dinosaurs are out of control and attack anyone – and I'd have no idea which ones are friendly and which ones are not. In other words, I'm not

Grace P. C. Lau Memorial

No fear of naps

If Jurassic Park were real, I'd definitely go. Just because a T-Rex escaped once or twice doesn't mean that would always happen. And, no animal actually hunts for sport. So a velociraptor would not break your windshield to try and get you. I imagine they'd be napping, instead. Just think, it would be an amazing experience, to see real live dinosaurs – even if they were asleep.

Ady Lam, 11, Island School

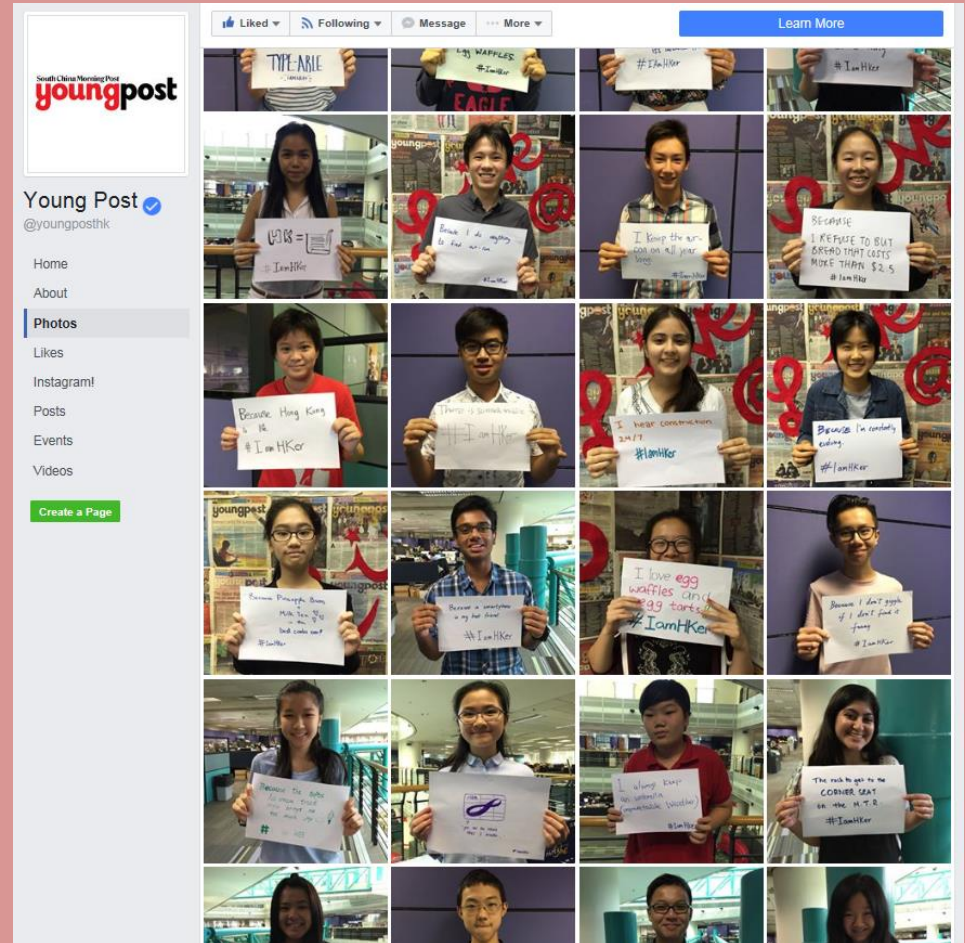
Think of the gift shop

Is that even a question? Of course! Going to Jurassic Park would be a dream come true: just imagine touring the habitats of giant, flesh-eating lizards, quiet plant eaters, and being one with the Earth (from 65 million years ago). If Jurassic Park existed, we would find out so much more about dinosaurs – and let's not forget about the incredible merchandise the park would be sure to have (dinosaur-shaped waffles, eggs, pancakes). Who knows: maybe with the power of genetic engineering we could make tiny dinosaur pets to have at home!

Joy Lee, 14, South Island School

Social media reachout among peers

Junior Reporters also set topics on their Facebook pages and kickstart a viral posting with friends. E.g. *What makes you a Hongkonger? Does it have anything to do with where you're born or your ethnic background?*



Peers sharing to engage readers

Junior reporters to share social media posts with followers, be it an event and a delectable snack or meal. Their peers share and gather further social media following

It's a bake off! Junior reporters learned to make bread and beastly buns

Bread doesn't cost much but making it may be more complicated than you think. JRs Harry Cheng and Helen Wu went to Andy's Workshop to learn how to bake their own

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Success! Our animal-faced buns come out of the oven ready to eat.
Photo: Harry Cheng and Helen Wu



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Hidden in an industrial building in Lai Chi Kok, Andy's Workshop teaches bread-making and cake-making skills. Instructor Queenie Fu spent a few hours showing junior reporters Harry Cheng and Helen Wu how to make the best bread. From dough to fermentation to shaping, a lot of steps are involved in baking the perfect loaf.

Mix it up

Baking home-made bread doesn't require many ingredients but it is not an easy task.

To start with, we had to make a dough by mixing flour, yeast, sugar, salt, milk and egg. Mixing all the ingredients around the centre, we were told to add a little bit of butter when the dough was nearly done.



As simple as it sounds, kneading dough is a sticky and tiring process. The texture seems a bit gross at first but it

Two ice cream joints at Langham Place you have to try before warm weather leaves us

Round up your squad after school and head over to Langham Place for all sorts of different ice cream desserts!

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This dessert was a monster hit.
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The summer holiday is well and truly over (pardon us while we dry our eyes) but that doesn't mean that we can't keep the summer spirit alive. Our junior reporters head to Langham Place in Mong Kok to pretend the summer is still happening in a few great dessert places in the mall.

Sweet Monster

This place is known for its signature Caramel and Cheese Popcorn Ice Cream dessert. The ice cream itself is made fresh daily with milk, and no vanilla flavouring.

You might think that sounds quite bland, but actually the milk flavour pairs with the cheesy and caramel popcorn very well. The popcorn, specially shipped from Korea, is added on top of the ice cream, as is a tasty cherry.

There are many flavours on offer at Sweet Monster, but my favourite was the Caramel and Cheese Popcorn Ice Cream, and it looked like the Langham Place crowd agreed with me, as it was ordered often in the busy store.

Junior reporters try out being vegetarian

Young Post's junior reporters get to try some really cool food. This week, they visited Harmony Village Vegetarian to sample some meat-free Chinese delights

By junior reporters, compiled by Tiffany Choi November 13, 2015

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Deep-fried veggie 'fish' in lemon sauce with pine nuts

Meat made from soybean

What if there's a genuinely feasible alternative to eating meat that will satisfy even the biggest carnivores?

Many people are more conscious of leading a better life, and as a result, are choosing to add more vegetables to their diet. Surprisingly, the line between vegetables and meat is blurrier than ever.

Located in the heart of Causeway Bay, Harmony Village Vegetarian is a perfect example of the core values of vegetarianism: ending the suffering of animals, contributing towards the grand cause of solving environmental issues, and attaining a healthier lifestyle.

"I feel a lot more energised after switching to a vegetarian diet," said Gary Ching, the owner of the restaurant. He believes his digestive system has improved and his overall health is getting better every day.

But fear not, meat lovers! With vegetarianism, you can adopt a much healthier diet, and still enjoy your favourite meat-based dishes - with one little twist: meat substitutes.

Meat substitutes are made from vegetable-based products that are usually rich in proteins, such as soybeans.

The ingredients are used to increase the nutritional value of a meal, but the dishes are

School Happenings

Junior reporters also share the behind-the-scene stories and events in their schools which students from other schools may be interested to learn more.

South Island School's Snehaa uses her TEDx talk to give a voice to the voiceless

Speaking about the plight of foreign immigrants fulfilled a five-year long dream on a student's bucket list

By junior reporter Snehaa Senthamilselvan Easwari | April 13, 2016

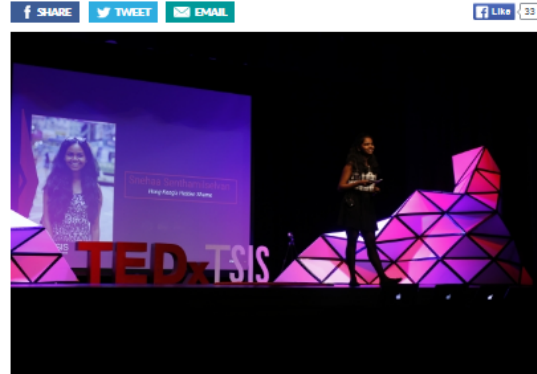


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Just the average 15 year old teenager who immerses herself in writing, dancing with a passion for reading! So join me on an adventure to explore!!

Face Off: should busking be regulated in HK?

November 22, 2016

ROYIP: From the wisdom of the ancients to Dolly

I've wanted to speak at a TEDx talk since I was 11 years old. I'm happy to say this five-year dream of mine was fulfilled last month.

Having watched TED Talks all my life and been so intrigued by them, I gleefully added it to the endless bucket list of things to complete before I turn 18. When early last year, applications for speakers were sent out by the head team, I leaped at the opportunity. The theme this year centered was "The Great Frontier" - "a challenge that, if overcome, will lead to a whole new innovative start, a whole new world of opportunity, and a whole new realm of discovery".

As speakers got to pick their own topic, I chose to speak of violence against domestic helpers and the oppression that ethnic minorities undergo. This was an issue close to my heart: foreign migrants face all kinds of discrimination and abuse in their daily lives, even in Hong Kong. Our society has faced this issue for far too long, with little to nothing done to adequately address this issue. At the heart of my speech lay The Great Frontier: in this case, inequality in our multinational city. The core of my speech addressed the need for equality for all, and an incentive for the change needed to alleviate the problems

GIN852 shows how we can help the refugee crisis and act on other global issues from here in Hong Kong

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Global Action Network Gang in discussion.
Photo: Jeanie Li

The conference "This Generation Acts" presented by GIN852, took place in International Christian School (ICS) on November 14 and 15. Young Post junior reporters were invited to discuss the refugee crisis with other students.

Have you ever thought about participating in a 2-day conference to discuss global issues? GIN852 (The Global International Network Conference) is an educational, global event. The keynote speaker on the second day, Victoria Wisniewski Otero, the Advocacy Officer at Justice Centre Hong Kong, got everyone thinking with her speech. The topic of the talk piqued audiences' interests - refugees around the world. More importantly, she shared her views on how to be an active citizen by reading the news every day, doing community service and getting out of their comfort zones.



Since the conference was supported by several international schools in Hong Kong, the participants were divided into different Global Action Network Groups, or Gangs, to have an open discussion about a specific global issue. One Gang focused the discussion on the importance

Results

Junior Reporter Club Certificate Programme

Certificates of achievement are awarded to junior reporters who contributed to Young Post with the following of recognition :
Bronze, Silver, and Gold.

	Bronze	Silver	Gold
JR Club Reports	5	10	15
Column contributions (Top 10, Talking Points, etc)	5	10	15
Cover stories or features	1	3	5
News articles	1	3	5

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- Junior Reporter of the Year
- Most Enthusiastic Junior Reporters
- Best Workshop Report
- Best Face-Off Article
- Best Photographer
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Best Photograph

Feeding Tino

By Henry Lui



Best Op-Ed

Greek debt crisis serves as a warning to Hong Kong that it's time to stop spending

By Edward Mak



Shops in Athens, Greece, with a Greek flag and signs that read "We are closed" and "for rent". Photo: AP

Lessons from Greece: time to stop spending?



Edward Mak, the author of the op-ed, King George V School

We live in a world of convenience. With the ability to buy an unlimited supply of goods with the wave of a credit card or the click of a button, it's no wonder that we live in a world with a lot of debt. Turning on the TV in your office, with many financial companies promising to help people clear their loans.

But people in many countries still have a "good now, pay later" attitude. The consequences of this are seen, as highlighted by Greece's ongoing financial crisis.

Whenever economic troubles are mentioned, Greece often comes up in conversation, but what exactly is the Greek government debt crisis, and how did it start?

To understand Greece's situation, we need to understand debt. Debt is not

inherently bad. It can actually fuel economic growth. Loans for developed countries are often given at very low interest rates. This means that in many developed countries, loans are taken out to finance expansion. These loans make the country richer which allows the government to repay the debt while still being better off.

But debt that cannot be paid back becomes a problem. This is exactly what happened in Greece. They got

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themselves into a lot of debt trying to build their economy to a standard where they could use the loans.

Some critics suggest that the Greek government was crafty with its accounts, only presenting part of their debt shoulder to the European Union. The full extent of Greece's debt was only revealed in the late 2000s and the

global financial crisis, and Greece's inability to pay off all its debtors became even clearer because of the global economic downturn.

This had catastrophic consequences, not only for Greece, but for the rest of the European Union, too. The Euro and the inter-national monetary fund were both forced to bail out Greece - many European banks had lent a lot of money to Greece, so a Greek bankruptcy would result in a large-scale economic meltdown.

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Greece's debt crisis is an economic failure that should serve as a warning for our own behaviour. In many developed countries, including Hong Kong, people under the age of 30 are the fastest growing group who file for bankruptcy. This raises two important questions: are we going too far with our spending, and is it time to stop?

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Best Workshop Report

“More than flying a plane”

By Henry Lui



Best Face Off Article

Are traditional rituals still relevant in modern life? (Negative)

By Rai Anna-L



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- Henry Lui

A summer tainted by lead

By Miuccia Chan

- Ady Lam
- Anushka Purohit
- Christy Cheung
- Kristy Poon
- Miuccia Chan
- Sebastian Wong
- Snehaa Senthamilselvan Easwari
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