

# CANTERBURY PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENT NEWSPAPER

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## Trees

By Aaric R

Trees produce more trees. Trees need water and the sun. Trees help people by producing fruits. There is a cycle and it is: 1) a seed drops 2) it grows into a sapling 3) it grows into a young tree 4) it grows into an adult



tree. And then the cycle repeats again.

holiday nearby their homes.

There are many different places but Avoca is my favourite. I have been there so many times on holidays. Christmas holidays, Easter and loads more.

Once I went there with my two friends and we had a great time. We raced and dived into the pool, splashed in the water at the beach and we also went on pedal boats together around the little island!

From Canterbury, it takes two hours to get there. It feels like forever even though it is only 120 minutes.

Last time we went to the beach there, the waves were MASSIVE! The current was so deadly and the tide kept getting higher and higher.

## Avoca

By Milla D

With a few borders closed, not many people can go on their family holiday while some



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On the beach I saw something move in the distance on the sand. When I moved closer, it was a giant crab! It had big claws that were purple. Its body was a deep blue.

Another time, my friends and I were on a bush walk and my mum saw a live tree snake on the ground! I would say it was about one metre or so. Its eyes were bright yellow and its body was dark green.



Marrickville. It is on Illawarra Road. It is heavily influenced by the type of Japanese cartoon called 'anime' (pronounced 'anni-may'), with posters of popular anime series, including One Piece, Slam Dunk and Dragon Ball. It also has action figures of characters from these anime and many others. One of the most popular ramen bowls is the katsu or karaage ramen, which is a ramen bowl with noodles, a beef broth and either chicken katsu, pork katsu or chicken karaage. My favourite dish is the chicken karaage. This is a great place to go if you are into Japanese culture, food and TV.



## Top 4 Asian Restaurants in the Inner West

By Leo M

The Inner West is a great place to find authentic multicultural food. There is an extreme amount of variety to choose from, including European, South American and Asian. There are many Asian restaurants across the Inner West, but here are my top 4 Asian restaurants in our area.

Maki and Ramen

Maki and Ramen is a divine ramen shop in

Marrickville Pork Roll

This is another great Asian restaurant in Marrickville. Marrickville Pork Roll is a very popular but literally small shop also on Illawarra Road, just down the road from Maki and Ramen. There is also one at Darling Harbour, on Steam Mill Lane. Marrickville Pork Roll is a Bahn Mi, a Vietnamese roll shop. My favourite roll from there is the famous and title roll, the pork roll, containing sweet cooked pork with a variety of vegetables including carrot, cabbage and leek, making it an absolutely amazing roll.

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## Indian Home Diner

Indian Home Diner is an amazing Indian restaurant on Lackey Street in Summer Hill. It is a simple but delicious restaurant. My favourite dishes from there are the butter chicken and the lamb korma, having a sweet sauce and perfectly cooked meat. They also do very good vegetable samosas, pastry pockets containing spiced vegetables, and vegetable pakora, fritter balls containing vegetables with indian herbs and spices. This is a great place to enjoy authentic Indian food.

## Fat Elephant Thai

Fat Elephant Thai is a delicious Thai restaurant located on Canterbury Road in Canterbury. Fat Elephant offers delicious authentic Thai food for Thai lovers. There are many great food options, from entrees like peanut satay chicken skewers and vegetable curry puffs, to mouth watering curries like the delicious massaman curry, containing slow cooked beef that just slides off when you bite into it, and to rices, like the sweet and savoury Thai fried rice, with egg, mixed veg and kecap manis. Fat Elephant is a great place to get Thai food that leaves you wanting more.

I heard a knock on the door. My mum stood up and opened it. The next thing I heard was my mum screaming "Run Ella!" I turned and bolted down the hallway, climbed onto the kitchen sink and jumped out the window. I ran faster than I had ever ran before, away from the village and the place I used to live.

They had finally found us. The hunters. They took my parents. I am the last free shifter. I ran faster.



As I reached the edge of the village where the forest starts, I saw a big tree that could be climbed and it would easily hide me. I climbed up the tree and found a comfy hidden spot where I could sleep.

## The Last Free Shifter

Part 1

By Annabelle S

I am Ella and I am a shifter. A shifter is a human who can shapeshift into a wolf, bear, cheetah or tiger and I'm a cheetah, the rarest of all.

I woke up to the feel of something sitting on my hand. It was a small bird chirping in chorus with the other birds. The morning sky was beautiful. I gently moved the bird off my hand and onto a branch then cautiously climbed down the tree onto solid ground. I decided, just for now I would travel in my animal form. I started to run, and when I had a good speed, I shifted. While I was running I dodged the rocks and trees, then all of a sudden out of nowhere a dart shot into my

neck. I stopped running and hit the ground with a thud.

I woke up in a cave in chains. There was one lantern lighting up the room and a bed made of hay. There was a small bucket of water but no food. I could not see anyone else in this cave. "Strange," I thought to myself.

About an hour later guards hauled me to my feet, unlocked the chains and told me to keep my mouth shut. As we walked along the corridor I was wondering if I was the only cheetah in the world because my parents weren't cheetahs and I had never seen another cheetah in my life. My thoughts stopped as soon as I smelt air, fresh air. Fresh air meant there was a forest.

As we entered the forest a plan of how I could escape started to form in my head, but I had to act now.

To be continued...

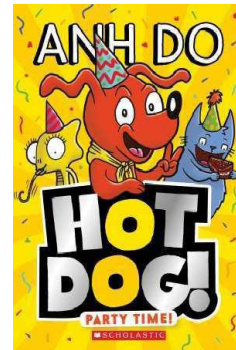
## Hot Dog 2

Book review by Aayan R

Hot Dog 2 is a book I read in bed. It is written by Anh Do.

There are three friends: Hotdog, Lizzie and Kevin. It is Kevin's birthday so Hotdog and Lizzie are preparing for a surprise party. There were cakes, games and magic tricks! Hotdog and Lizzie wanted to buy a dino bike for Kevin.

Rooster and Donkey wanted another bike but there was only one. They wished to catch the three friends but they fell on some jelly at the bottom of the chimney and emptied sprinkles on themselves. Rooster and Donkey had jelly



and sprinkles all over them. Then they ran away after noticing some extremely creepy-looking balloons.

Just as Hotdog prepared their first game, Rooster and Donkey zoomed off on the dino bike. Hotdog, Lizzie and Kevin chased after them. It was very easy to catch them. All they had to do was follow the trail of sprinkles!

After a long way, Rooster and Donkey fell into a pond and the three friends grabbed the bike. Finally, Hotdog and Lizzie could do everything that they had prepared for Kevin's birthday. It was such a fun party!

The age range for this book is from 5 years old to 8 years old. I recommend this book and rate it 5 stars.

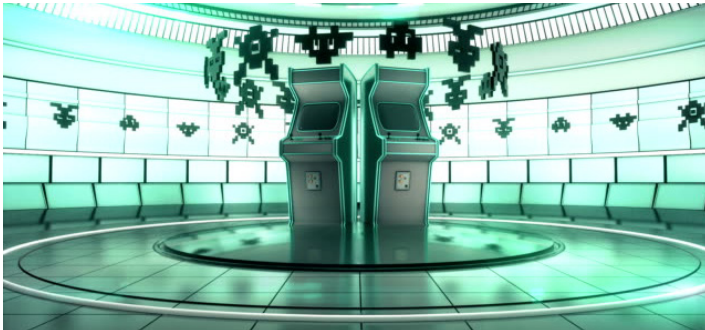
## Invasion in the Year 2030

By Kai S

There were new types of computers back in the year 2030 and they were great for gaming. They were a bit like a mobile phone but more hi-tech. You would put them on a table and tell them what to do. A 3D image would shoot

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out and suddenly you were inside the game.

It was so cool. Playing with friends was even better though as they could join the game. I played space invaders 2029 with my friend.

"Argh! Laser beams, ships everywhere. Ha take that space invader!" Bzzzzt! Peoow! And then Kaboom! Triple super hyperspace 999990 into the space invaders base, all from the lounge in the living room.

But the space invader bases forces were just too strong. So it was GAME OVER for us. We turned off the game and the living room was dark.

Suddenly bright red and green lights were flashing against our curtains. What was that? We decided to investigate. We opened the curtains thoroughly to see what was going on and what we saw was chaos: laser beams filling the sky and ships exploding everywhere.

This looked serious so we got our Nerf Guns and decided to go out and face the INVASION. We crept stealthily out the door and hid in the shadows of the shed at the end of our garden...

The lights and ships weren't real after all. They were just the projections from the half price GMC 3D projectors that Dad had bought from Bunnings.

The space invader took off its helmet and it was Dad all along.

"APRIL FOOLS!"

We finished the evening by toasting marshmallows by the fire in the back garden.

## The Titanic

by Kassem M

The R.M.S. Titanic was built in Belfast, Ireland in 1910. The famous ocean liner was owned by White Star Line. The Titanic was the biggest and most luxurious ship of its time.

The Titanic left off for sail without anyone knowing the fate of the ocean liner. It was 11:40pm and everyone was asleep in their cabins, except for the crew (apart from the crew member using the radio transmitter). The Titanic was going at full speed when one of the crew members spotted an ICEBERG! The captain ordered to stop the engines then reverse but it was too late and the Titanic hit the iceberg.



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All of the watertight compartments flooded very quickly. Everyone ran to the lifeboats and 2nd officer, William Murdoch was helping to get the women and children on first.

There were not enough lifeboats with 1,563 people still on board. The electricity stopped and the giant ship split in two with a big bang.

The stern (back of the ship) went down like an elevator. At 2:23am and to everyone's shock, the 'unsinkable' ship had sunk.

After two hours, help arrived. The R.M.S. Carpathia was going to Israel and had to go back to New York.

Now the shipwreck is being eaten by ocean bacteria.



## Escape

By Samuel G

It was midnight and no matter how many times I begged Dad not to send me to this school, well, I guess I just have bad luck. My dad is sending me here because, after my mum died, he was too sad to look after me.

On normal car trips I talk myself crazy but this was not normal. For the first time in my life, Dad wouldn't be by my side.

None of the neighbours looked sorry for me when the cops told dad I couldn't live with him any more. The "poor dears" and the "it's not your faults" had all stopped.

Bump! I woke up just as Dad drove into the school's car park. I knew this was probably the last time I would see him. I looked up into Dad's teary eyes, "I love you," I managed to whisper.

"Me too," he answered. I looked up at him again. That was the first time he had said those words in two years. He handed me a suitcase. "You go, Soldier Girl," he said.

"You go, Soldier Dad," I said in reply. I turned around to look at the school and when I turned back he was gone.

I walked over to the school office. "Can I help you?" said a stern voice from behind me.

"D-do y-y-you work here" I spluttered.

"Yes," said an old woman. Sorry, that wasn't a very good description, I was too shocked to notice her very much.

"I-I-I'm n-new," I managed to say. "I-I don't know the way to my d-dormitory."

"Name?" she said angrily.

"C-Clover Jagen."

"Miss Jagen, follow me."

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I followed her into the building. She opened up a door. "Dormitory 67!"

Before I could even thank her, she had slammed the door behind me. "Don't worry about her," said a voice from the corner of the room. I looked up. Four girls sat looking at something. "What have you got there?" I asked nervously.

"Photos of our parents."

I smiled, maybe they were like me, maybe this school was right for me. I thought that for a second. "Why are you smiling?" they asked me. "This isn't a school, it's a kidnapping center. W-we aren't l-leaving!" From the way they were crying they weren't joking. There was only one thing on my mind, ESCAPING.

"Could we ESCAPE?" I asked.

"Many have tried and failed," a girl answered. "Let's discuss this over dinner. I'm Megen Angela, that's Georgina Campbell, that's Beth Hardy and that's Amelia Rigray."

Dinner felt like it was ages away, especially since we had to carry rocks up from the gold mine to the middle of the 'playground'. "So how are we going to ESCAPE?" I asked over dinner.

"I thought you would have an idea," Georgina replied.

"I have one," Beth said, her voice dropping to a whisper. "You know the gold mine, I was thinking, it ends somewhere underneath the town square..."

"We can dig up and ESCAPE!" we all said

together and plotted to start in the morning.

The next morning Amelia, Beth, Megen, Georgina and I crept down to the mine. It was still dark and because of our equipment we kept falling down. There were two soldiers standing guard outside the mine. "How do we get in?" I asked.

"Nothing a shovel can't handle," Beth said and suddenly the soldiers were unconscious on the ground. She handed me their pistol and I crept quickly into the mine, my thoughts buzzing around my head.

Georgina took a musket off a rack on the dirt wall. We were five metres into the mine when the torches on the wall lit up. Two soldiers came out from further in the mine and two appeared behind us. "What do we do?" I mouthed to Beth. She didn't answer, and had a pistol pointed at a soldier.

My dad did karate when he was a kid, but other than that my family have never had anything to do with fighting, until now. I snapped out of my thinking once I realised the roof was caving in. It's now or never I told myself as bullets hit the ceiling causing it to cave in more. I shot a guard and sprinted down the hallway after my friends.

"I think we're underneath the town square!" Beth yelled. Amelia attached some dynamite to the roof. "It's gonna blow in three, two, one!"

We all threw ourselves on the ground. BOOM! "We made it!" Amelia yelled.

"Not all of us," Beth looked at the ground, "Megen was shot back there." Amelia, who

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I later found out was Megen's sister, started crying. "We have to get to a police station," I said. "The cops need to know before this place goes into lockdown." I climbed up to the town square. I beckoned for the others to follow.

"Wait," Beth called out, "if some of the town square just blew up, where do you think the cops will be? Here or at the station?"

Sure enough she was right, a police car came whizzing into view. "Hands up!" the police officer said.

"I'll explain," I said to my friends. "Sorry officer," I said, "This is urgent. You know the boarding school up the road? Me and my friends were stuck there and it is actually a kidnapping center. We just ESCAPED."

"Hang on," said the officer. "It's a kidnapping center?"

"Yep and the building's already in lockdown. Let's go!" Georgina screamed. We all got into the police car and raced off.

In no time at all we were at the 'boarding school. The policeman hopped out of the car. "Stay in the car," he told us, so of course... we followed him. "What are you doing?" he said as we crept under the fence.

"Searching for our friend," Beth said. We raced past him headed for the mine. When we got there there was a soldier staggering round. Beth got a shovel and hit him over the head. Typical. We crept into the mine clutching pistols, our hair standing on end. "What?" Amelia said.

"I didn't say anything." Georgina answered.

Amelia looked at me and Beth, we both shook our heads. "Then who said that?" Amelia asked.

"Me," a small voice piped up. We looked around, Megen was curled up in a ball against the wall. "Megen!" we cried, "We thought you were dead!"

"Not dead but in pain," she replied. Beth picked Megen up and carried her out of the mine.

"Let's just hope the police officers freed the school," I said as we walked out of the mine.

We ran to the fence where the officer had made a hole. It was the most amazing sight, two thousand kids flooding out through the hole. Beth found the policeman who said he would take us straight to the hospital.

When we got there we weren't allowed to see Megen for eight hours. The nurse suggested we go home and get some rest. When we said we didn't have a home to go to she let us sleep in the hospital beds.

I was woken up by Amelia the next day. "Megen's up, Megen's up," she sang. We all went in to see Megen who we were starting to wonder whether she would ever get out.

I hate the hospital, the food is disgusting, the sheets are scratchy and... Dad, I really miss him. My friends could see that. "Do you want me to ask the nurse if you can ring your dad?" Beth asked me. The nurse said it was okay and gave us the phone.

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Two days later the front office got a call. My dad proved he could look after me again. Dad arrived ten minutes later. Dad walked into the room, "Hello, Soldier," he said.

## Gran Turismo 4

Game review by James T

Gran Turismo 4 is an excellent game for the PS4 and PS5. Gran Turismo 4 is one of the top ten racing games for the PS4, rating a whopping 4.5/5 stars!

Gran Turismo is a 1 or 2 player game and the world shop is where you can buy different types of cars, ranging from Alfa Romeos to BMWs to Aston Martins.

The types of modes you can have on your cars are stability, speed, acceleration, tyres and km per hour.

On different tracks you have roads, some are smooth, some are dirt and some are sport.

Gran Turismo is compatible with VR headsets to give you a real feeling of driving. When in the garage, you unlock different cars to paint and write on. When you get to level 30, you can bring in cars to submit in competitions.

Gran Turismo has made over 4 billion dollars. Originally founded by Sony, the hit racing game has spread worldwide. Personally, my favourite car on Gran Turismo is either the Mini Kart or the Porsche 370 and my favourite

PlayStation 2



track is the Golden Gate bridge you unlock at level 12.

Gran Turismo is for all ages with a G rating so everyone can play this awesome game.

Pit stops in Gran Turismo slow you down BUT they improve your chances by a landslide. Three races you can enter are beginner, intermediate and hardcore mode. Each has a different level of experience but also more money.

If you are looking to beat friends, race cars, buy vehicles and relax to the sound of wheels screeching, you have the right game in your hands.

I give Gran Turismo 3 out of 5 stars. It is a great game with excellent graphics but could improve with the bends and background.

## We Are Animals

By Jasmine P

### Chapter 1 Getting Ready

Beep beep, beep beep went my alarm clock. It was the start of a very exciting day. I woke up and went downstairs. "Hi Mum, hi Dad," I said to my parents.

"Hi honey," they replied. I got out some cereal and milk then ate my breakfast. "Are you excited for today?" my mum asked.

"Are you kidding!" I said excitedly, "of course!"

"Then get packing," Mum suggested. I nodded then ran upstairs. I packed and packed then finally i was ready.

We got in the car and drove to the airport. I was jumping up and down in my seat, I couldn't sit still. "Calm down," mum had said repeatedly, about 10 times.

We finally arrived at the airport and wheeled our bags to the check in, then we hopped on the plane. We were flying over the Amazon Jungle when I saw my favourite type of animals, black panthers! I also heard the howl of wolves, the tweets of birds. "This is amazing!" I thought to myself.

"Wow, this really is incredible," said my mother. Just then there was a BOOM! The engines stopped, it felt like we were in space. Suddenly, the plane crashed!

### Chapter 2 The Big Surprise

I woke up, my head spinning. Fire and smoke surrounded me.

"Mum! Dad!" I called. No reply. "Mum! Dad!" I called again. Suddenly a pack of black panthers came sprinting towards me. After a few moments they skidded to a stop in front of me sending sand in my face. "Hey!" I shouted, then I remembered who I was talking to. "Oh, you're alive! I thought you were dead!" said a familiar voice "Mum? Is that you." I asked, stunned. "Where are you?"

"I'm right here!" I turned around to see, and there she was, leading the pack of panthers! I looked down at my hand, which had turned black and they weren't hands anymore, they were paws! "Holy moly, what is happening to me?!" I exclaimed, running around. "You're a panther!" cried Mum happily.

"Wow, you're a panther as well," said an unfamiliar voice.

"Who said that?" I asked.

"Me" said the voice again. Suddenly a panther stepped forward. "Dad?"

"Hello, daughter," he replied. "This is way too weird," I observed.

"It sure is," said Mum, "for you anyway." They started walking and I followed. It was going to be hard to get used to this life but I knew I had to.

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## New Opportunity Arises for CPS Koori Kids

By Chloe M, Amelia H and Tiare J

### Yarning Circle

A Yarning Circle is the practice of speaking and listening to the heart and building respectful relationships and connections with one another. It is an important part of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures. The use of a 'talking piece' helps make it clear who is speaking and who is listening.

### Smoking Ceremonies

Smoking Ceremonies are also used in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture and are often held to ward off bad spirits and make a pathway for a brighter future. It involves burning native plants to create smoke and must be performed by Aboriginal people with specialised cultural knowledge, such as an Elder, Aboriginal people with the spiritual knowledge or a cultural teacher.

### Interview

We interviewed Evie and Daniel, two senior Koori Kids who told us a bit more about the Yarning Circle and the fire pit. "Learning about Smoking Ceremonies and the Yarning Circle would be important for connecting to culture, especially for future generations," Evie says.

"This opportunity will benefit future generations at our school by teaching them

what it means to be Aboriginal and learning about our cultures," Daniel added.

And while this opportunity is certainly a step forward that will be valued for generations to come there are still many opportunities for improvement such as getting people in to tell stories and teach us how to cook traditional foods.



## The Magic Garden

By Olive M

I was sitting in my garden, eating a ham and cheese sandwich when I saw a sunflower rise to the sky. I went to have a look when a pink rose flew into my hand. I walked back inside to put my dishes away.

The next morning at school I couldn't stop thinking about what happened. When I got home I went back to the garden. It was all still. Nothing was moving. After dinner I checked again but still nothing was moving.

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Before bedtime I had a piece of carrot and went outside and an orange tulip flew and landed in front of me.

Five days later I invited my friends over to show them my weird garden. When they came over everything was still and my friends didn't believe me. They were about to go home when I gave them a chocolate biscuit to eat. Suddenly, soil raised from the ground and landed on the biscuits. All my friends were disgusted but then I told them that it was the magic not me. They still didn't believe me. I kept thinking and thinking until I had an idea. I thought that if I ate then something would do some magic. I tried eating raspberries and some danced around. It worked! I wondered what I would do next...

## Mario Kart 8 Deluxe

By Felix L

When you log into the game you can pick multiplayer or single player. I usually go for multiplayer so I can beat my brother Fin. There are opportunities to play different games. There is a grand prix (four rounds of the game), a vs race (a race with teams or hard, medium easy race against the computer), a battle (a game with no track but point/score) and last but not least time trials (a record of how fast you can complete the map (my brother once glitched in a wall!)).

### How To Use Controllers

#### Multiplayer

The red controller will be on the right side.  
The blue controller will be on the left side.

The button on the bottom goes backwards and the right top button goes forward and the very top makes you look at yourself (that is really hard to drive).

If you have two Switch controllers, turn the Switch controllers side -ways then there will be two blue/red/yellow/green/purple buttons. The Switch will say press those two buttons.

#### Single player

Hold the red controller in your right hand and the blue one in your left hand with the two black buttons on the top and one the bottom.

There will be two controllers. Turn them the opposite way to how you hold them in multiplayer mode. Instead of the other colours there will be a black button to select.



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## Super Mario 3D All Stars

By Hamish H

Everyone loves Mario right? There are so many Mario games to choose from so over in Japan, Nintendo have decided to put the best 3D Mario games in one to create Super Mario 3D All Stars. In this game you can choose to play either Super Mario 64, Super Mario Sunshine and Super Mario Galaxy.

### Super Mario Galaxy

This is by far my favourite from the creative levels to the creative names (the funniest is King Kaliantay but I'm getting off topic). I recommend if you get Super Mario 3D All Stars to play Super Mario Galaxy because if you get stuck there's lots to do (trust me, there is). My goal is to get to the giant globe in the middle of the comet observatory.



Now for my top three galaxies (levels):

1. Ghostly galaxy. I only chose this because it has the boo mushroom that turns Mario

into a ghost.

2. Honeyhive galaxy. This is the second galaxy in the game. It is a good break after the first galaxy and it is very relaxing and you will love the power up.

3. Beach bowl galaxy. This galaxy is a giant toilet bowl with water going out but somehow still in and there are no bosses.



### Super Mario Sunshine

This is the game I played as soon as I got my hands on this game. It is super fun but very annoying. Still, it has a cool aesthetic. Long story short, Mario and Peach are on a holiday. Their plane crashes and bad things happen but the companion is the best. It's name is F.L.U.D.D and it shoots water.



### Super Mario 64

0 star review. It has terrible graphics and terrible companion. I would not recommend playing this one but your parents may like it.

## The Amazing World of Minecraft

By Toby G

How do you expect a normal villager to live their life? Book #1

I grip my netherite sword as tight as my blocky fist can. I have heard stories about the end and the mythical ender dragon. But here I am standing in front of the end portal, wearing only gold armour. "I am doing this for my animal pack," I thought.

Now, you may not know about my animal pack, so I ought to tell you. You see, my animal pack is made up of chickens, horses, cows, wolves, mooshrooms and basically every other passive mob in the overworld. They provide company, offence and defence. And I couldn't survive without them.

Now, back to me. Sadly, I hadn't noticed I was waist deep in cobwebs. Or that I was surrounded by spiders. And not just spiders...

"Cave spiders!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!" I try to get away, but then I remember that cobwebs slow you down. I swap my sword for a pair of shears. "Maybe they'll help me in the end," I think to myself. As I pass through the ender, I see my ender animal pack. I'm not worried, though.

You see, my Steve is a programmer, so he made his own mod. The mod makes it so animals are always tame, and so when mobs change form, an exact replica of them appears in block heaven. Block heaven is

home to some of the only natural outputs of prismarine, dark prismarine and magic block but to get there you need a flying helmet or chariot. You need a turtle shell, elytra and magic sand to craft a flying helmet, and you need seven flying helmets and magic sand to craft a flying chariot.

But right now I have to defeat the ender dragon, the one thing keeping me from my friends. I hold a block of stone. I know how to be prepared when I'm travelling to a bunch of barren islands floating directly over the void. Apparently, it also helps make stairs to get up obsidian pillars.

After a while, I make it up there, so I take out my redstone pickaxe and give it a big ol' whack. You see, my Steve's mod also allows redstone tools, which triggers a block's function which, for an end crystal, is to instantly blow up and remove the layer of blocks beneath it from existence. Then I varied between stone and my redstone pickaxe. Suddenly, the dragon eyes glowed gentle purple...

To be continued.



## Who is Miss Iacullo?

By Joanna G

Miss Iacullo is a teacher at Canterbury PS. She has been teaching here at Canterbury PS since the start of 2020. I was able to interview Miss Iacullo to learn a little more about her.

1. What was your first day of Canterbury like?

I was very nervous to meet all of the new students and hoped that they liked me. My first day was filled with students who were very kind and staff that were very welcoming and made me feel like I belonged here. I knew that I would love Canterbury after my first day.

2. Who was the first person you met at Canterbury?

The first person I met was Ms Murray. I came to the school a few days before school started to see the classroom space and bring things in. She was lovely and very helpful and made me feel calm about starting a new school.

3. What is your date of birth?

(Miss Iacullo is lucky she has a birthday in the holidays. It is on April 12th).

4. What important dates are coming up for you?

My birthday is coming up so that's always fun but the most important date for me this year is my wedding date. I'm definitely looking forward to it and starting the next chapter in my life.

5. Where would you like to live in the world?

That's a hard question because I love Australia so much. I don't think I would want to live anywhere else, but I would like to travel the world some more and visit new places.

6. Who is your idol?

This is a hard one to answer, but I would have to say my nonna and nonno (that is grandmother and grandfather in Italian) because they left their country of Italy to come to Australia to build a better life. My nonno came over here alone for three years setting himself up before my nonna came and joined him. I couldn't imagine how hard it would be to leave your parents, wife and siblings behind to start a new life. It's pretty incredible.

7. What is your favourite animal?

I love all animals but I do love cats just a little more.

8. What is your favourite colour?

My favourite colour is blue.

9. If you could have another job what would it be?

I love teaching, but if I could do something else, I would love to have my own café filled with amazing coffee and pastries.

10. What is one of your hidden talents?

I loved to bake desserts of all kinds and I'm pretty good at making cupcakes.

11. And the most important thing.... What is your favourite chip flavour?

I know it's a little simple but a good packet of Smith's Salt and Vinegar Crinkle Cut chips are the best!

## Olympic Sports

By Daniela B

Hi, Daniela here, giving you a sport report about three different sport events for this year's rescheduled summer Olympics in Japan which are: Modern Pentathlon, Diving and of course, what I'm really good at, Swimming.

### Modern Pentathlon

There are five different sport events during this event which are: Fencing Racking Round, 200m Swimming, Bonus Round of Fencing, Riding and Laser-Run. Some of the athletes include Gösta Lilliehöök from Sweden, Gustaf Dyrssen also from Sweden, Bo Lindman from Sweden and a bunch more Swedish people and other competitors from different countries.

### Diving

For Diving, men have to do six dives and women have to do five dives. For Platform Diving, all the dives must be performed from a 10m platform and the six categories for this type of diving are: forward, back, reverse, inward, twisting and armstand. Springboard Diving in the Olympics is performed from a 3m platform. Some of the athletes for this event are George Sheldon from the USA, Hjalmar Johansson from Sweden, Erik Adlerz also from Sweden and many more.

### Swimming

Each heat of Olympic Swimming includes a maximum of eight swimmers but there can be multiple heats for each type of swim. There are qualifiers for 50m, 100m and 200m distances, then the top 16 fastest swimmers move on to the semifinals in two heats. The two winners of the semifinals plus the next six

fastest move onto the finals and compete for 1st, 2nd and 3rd medals. Some of the athletes or really good swimmers are: Micheal Phelps from the USA, Ian Thorpe from Australia, and many more that are coming up to be Champion Swimmers.

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