

School: Sir Ellis Kadoorie (Sookunpo) Primary School

Topic: Incorporating authenticity into writing tasks

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This was a whole year project to revamp the P4 writing curriculum. Our highlight was on enhancing students' motivation in writing through incorporating authenticity into the writing tasks. Students wrote to real readers under the buddy scheme – making pen friends with students in Canton Road Government School and Li Sing Primary School. The prompt responses from their pen friends motivated students to send cards inviting them to the school anniversary celebration activities and share more about their life and hobbies in Vlogs. Writing to the NET was another trial, in which students introduced places of attraction in Hong Kong to the NET's wife and designed an itinerary based on her interests. Students were greatly motivated to search for the best places to go and eat. The whole-year try-outs motivated not only students but also teachers.

