

Poetry

Group 2



Bloom

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Boom! Boom! Boom!
Splashes of colours paint the gloom.
Letting out an amazed gasp,
As the child tightens her grasp.
Perched on her father's broad shoulders,
Thunderous wonders make her shudder.
Red, orange, yellow,
These hues pull her lips into a radiant smile.

Flowers are ephemeral.
Tender buds of luscious green unravel,
Delicate petals of baby pink unfold.
Bursts of fiery scarlet blossom, uncontrolled.
Shimmers and glimmers light up the sky,
Finally, it withers; finally, it dies.

Starting the Chinese New Year with a festive cheer,
Fireworks over the Victoria Harbour is a tradition we all hold dear.
A spectacle worth remembering,
The little girl has never seen something as exhilarating.

Thud! Thud! Thud!
Tendrils of smoke and stench of blood,
Permeates her home,
The poor child has nowhere left to roam.
Without her father's warm embrace,
She sulks in a shadowed corner for what seems like endless days.
A blank look in her eye,
She does not flinch as missiles fly.

Explosions are deafening.
Amber sparks of death scattering.
Poisonous puffs of mushroom billow in the shrieking wind,
No building left unsinged.
Screams of terror erupt in the dark,
Bloody stains leave an imperishable mark.
A fireball ignites and another fades,
Just like the life of a poppy in a summer haze.

She peers out the window,
Overflowing with sorrow.
Relentless raging tongues of flames,
Bringing her back to the blazing fields of poppies where she and her friends played games.
She wonders why, she wonders how,
Something so beautiful could be so catastrophic now.
Her home will never be the same,
After the blooms of doom came.

Wei Boyang, the father of gunpowder, would have never thought,
His creation terrorizes the world as a weapon of assault.
Illuminating the pitch black night,
Fireworks shine with all their might.
No innocent souls should ever succumb or feel pain,
The only wish I have is for peace to reign.
I hope the two young girls will meet one day,
Holding a bouquet of peace lilies under a magnificent fireworks display!

New Tales of China's Inventions

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Ancient China's many inventions, Paper, Compass, Printing and Gunpowder.
Like a miracle with power, we now always question how.
How could they do it without modern technology?
Because they are very smart to create new things!

China's great inventions are not only limited to the past,
the inventions in modern China can also last forever.
When Wechat and Tiktok were invented,
they are not going to be the last!

We love China's inventions,
love that can't be mentioned,
we will let China's inventions last forever!

New Tales of China's Inventions

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The Chinese inventions are so cool,
That proves that they are not fools.
China has made so many inventions,
Without any tension!

They invented a compass,
That actually works.
And the sailors used it,
When they got dispersed.

Write and write, draw and draw,
It is fun to draw on paper.
All thanks to China for inventing it,
They definitely had no time to be a caper!

The Chinese are very creative,
They made gunpowder which is very important for a rocket and a gun,
They must have took a lot of time until they were done!

The Ancient China invented wooden kites (Muyuan)
That sent messages while it has flights.

Brush brush brush your teeth,
Kill the germs with horse hair (bristles) and bones (handles).
China invented toothbrush!
Although it feels filthy to brush like that,
But they must've worked hard thinking on it,
While they sat.

Rain rain go away,
Give me an umbrella each rainy day,
Thank you Lu Ban for a waterproof day!

Hail hail pure silk!
Soft, smooth, slippery and light.
The Chinese invented fresh cocoon silk,
I will buy it if I might.

Sip,sip,gulp and gulp.
The Ancient China invented tea.
Yummy,green,old and drinkable
If someone wants to try it,
That would be me!

Not just these,
They also got us paper money (flying money),
And got it easy in our pockets with no metal coins,
Now it mustn't be hard,
For all girls and boys.

I want to see if there will be flying vehicles,
So I could see how they hover in the sky!
I'll always want to see if I could have a clone,
So I would never be alone,
It would be so much fun to travel through time!

Surely, it wouldn't be the same
Without the creative China.
They invented one of the most important things!

We should say a big thanks to that country,
Those inventions could cost
More than a sundry!

High Speed Rail/ Mobile Payment /Bike Sharing/ Shopping Online

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High speed rail:

The steel is painted, red, blue, and white,
The high speed rail is ready to blast with all its might,
It speeds faster, and faster, to reveal a glorious and blurred sight.
The wheels screech,
As the next stop meets,
Passengers flee,
Before the train leaves.
You look outside,
To see a second train pass by.
The train is blurred,
Neither could you see a bird.
When the train blasts through the air,
You could get a little scared,
For you might be unaware,
If you are going too high in midair.
The tip of the train,
Bursts through the air.
It starts the break in terrific speed,
It does not care.
The windows show the outside world,
It shows the pattern of the wind swirl,
Showing how much the trees grow.

Mobile payment:

The network is fast, knowledgeable, and wide,
The phone is about to pay for a ride,
The money goes faster, and faster, until it transfers to its new home to help it thrive.
The money stays,
Until it's time to go away,
They go and stay,
Before they could settle and stay.
You use it now and then,
Until you have less of it again.
You don't need to waste paper,
It could make the world stapler.
When you use it now, and then, you could get scared,
For you might be unaware,
If you spend it here, and there.
After travelling to another place,
The money would need to find some space.
It would start to settle down,
Before it needs to travel round.
It travels away from your device,
Before you could roll a dice.

Bike sharing:

The wheels go sprinting, squinting, and spinning,
It always starts from the beginning.
The pedals spin,
Around and around,
The wheels get pinned,
Down to the ground.
The handlebars move,
Left to right,
As they turn the bike,
Just up right.
When you balance on the bike,
You will notice it would be as easy as having a hike.
You have to scan the QR code,
Then you hit the road.
You could ride east,
You could ride west,
You could at least,
Do what you think best.
You could ride north,
You could ride south,
You could ride forth,
But close your mouth.
Feel the wind,
Cut through your chin.
Feel the rumble,
But don't tumble.
Sit up straight,
At this state.
You might fall,
Or crash into a wall.
It's up to you.

Shopping online:

The network is big, knowledgeable, and wise,
You could sit at home and rest your eyes.
For when you need something,
You could hold out your phone,
Then you look for something you would want to own.
The wheels stop,
The packages land with a flop.
The doorbell rings,
With all of the things,
The door swings.
You get your package,
That hasn't been damaged,
You open the box which you could manage,
So that you could take out your cabbage.
You buy more and more things,

Which means more and more they bring,
You could get rings, swings, and some other things,
When the doorbell rings.

An Omen for the Compass

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China' world's first civilization.
Developed a magnetic compass used for navigation.

South pointing fish was an amazing invention.
That helped explorers steer in the right direction.

Lodestone was the material used.
Steel as the indicator was introduced.

Made in the early 11th to 12th century.
It was Han dynasty's remarkable victory.

An aid when the sun and stars were concealed.
Became an eye for the sailors to see.

Shen Kuo was the creator.
His innovation made China greater.

Spoon was used as orienting arrow.
Helped navigators find directions to follow.

This glorious discovery was worthwhile.
It benefited the world from time to time.

China's creation helped geographical research.
To discover new terrains on mother earth.

The Four Great Inventions of China

ESF Kennedy School, You, Dora – 10

In ancient China, inventions profound,
Four treasures emerged, their legacy unbound,
Guiding us throughout our life,
Let's enhance this ode to their glory,
And tell their tales with poetic story

A needle, magnetised, in water's embrace,
Seems so plain and lacks elegance,
But beyond its simplicity,
An indispensable tool, that shows you the way,
Yep, that is the incredible compass!

A mix of sulphur, charcoal, and saltpetre,
Will not result into a magical potion,
Instead a deadly chemical is formed,
Which has caused tragedies but also joy,
Yep, that is the extraordinary gunpowder!

Wooden blocks, etched with patterns unique,
Dipped in ink,
Are the start of a thousand books,
Beginning with just one letter,
Yep, that is the marvellous printing press!

Rags, tree bark, hemp and water mashed then squeezed
Could possibly be considered as garbage,
But it bears history's light,
A canvas for wisdom and thought,
Yep, they are magnificent pieces of paper!

These great inventions, these great ideas,
Are priceless gifts from the past,
Enriching our world, forever to last,
China's legacy, woven in time's embrace,
Inspiring wonder and awe, leaving a glorious trace.

Gunpowder

ESF Quarry Bay School, Lau, Esther – 10

In ancient China,
Where secrets reside deep below,
Bamboo stands steady and tall,
A power is born from fire's delight,
Gunpowder,

A group of legends circle with pride,
Was it the monks or was it the alchemists?
Nobody knows,
Secret unrevealed,

A hint of charcoal,
A twinkle of sulfur,
A sprinkle of saltpeter,
Mixed, together, into an explosion,

Gunpowder, a force of might,
Invention that brought both dark and light.
With the power to conquer and defend,
But also, the destruction it did send.

Wars waged with deadly intent,
Lives lost, families torn, and rent.
The sound of gunfire filled the air,
Leaving behind a world in despair.

Communities shattered, peace disrupted,
Gunpowder's impact cannot be disputed.
Innovation and progress it did bring,
Negative effects and devastation sing.

Let us learn from history's strife,
Seeking peace and a better life.
For in the shadows of gunpowder's reign,
We must strive for harmony to regain.
Although, the negative impacts reigned...

In ancient realms, the alchemist's quest,
From China's shores to Europe's crest.
Across the lands, their secret unfurled,
Creating wonders that changed the world.

In ancient China, gunpowder's power,
A monk's medicine, in every hour,
From skin sores to suffering's sway,
Healing herbs held the day,

In ancient China, gunpowder's might,
A monk's medicine, helps to ease the fight,
From skin to suffering, it brought relief,
Healing herbs, a soothing belief.

Heroes the day.

From healing herbs to war's fierce might,
Gunpowder's path took a daring flight.
Explosions of colour, fireworks' birth,
A journey of power, transforming Earth.

Paper Money

ESF Quarry Bay School, Lee, Michelle – 10

In days of old, when China's Song Dynasty did reign,
A new invention came to the land,
Paper money, born of wisdom and design.
With the need for coins no longer the norm,
Paper money became the new form,
a sheet of paper, with ink so fine,
became the standard, and all could design.
The first notes were issued by the state,
To replace the copper coins, so great,
Their value was fixed, and never changed,
The people rejoiced, with joy so true,
for paper money, a boon to them anew,
No more the need for heavy coins of old,
Just a light and portable paper to hold.
The merchants and traders, they did cheer,
For now their transactions were clear,
No more the need for barter or trade,
Just paper money, to ease the way,
China's economy, did take flight,
with paper money, the future in sight.

The Four Great Inventions

ESF Sha Tin Junior School, Dong, Elsa – 10

In ancient lands, where legends were born,
Four great inventions, from China's dawn.
In tales of old their brilliance unfurled,
Let's embark on a poetic journey,
Entranced by their world.

First the compass, a guide in the night,
Pointing true, a sailor's delight
Magnetic needle, steady and sure,
Navigating seas, unlocking distant shores.

Next, behold, paper, delicate and light,
A medium for words, ideas taking flight
Brush strokes dancing, calligraphy art,
Recording history,
Etching wisdom into every part.
Then the grand invention, gunpowder's might,
Explosive force, a formidable sight.
Fireworks illuminate the sky, colours aflame,
From celebrations to battles,
Leaving none the same.

Lastly the printing press, a gift to knowledge,
Carved wooden blocks, wisdom college.
Books, scriptures, spreading far and wide,
Enlightening minds, awakening the tide.

These inventions, treasures from the past,
China's legacy, a legacy that will last.
From the compass to paper, gunpowder's flame,
And the printing press, leaving an unfading name.

Let us honour these ancient creations,
Their impact was felt across generations.
Inventions of China, a beacon of light,
Guiding humanity, shining ever so bright.

China's Inventions

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In the land of China, where innovation thrives,
more inventions appear, helping countless lives.

In the ancient time, China's inventions sprout out like a bloom of flowers, making your dreams fly.

Firework filled the atmosphere with sparkling lights and sights.

Oh, something thin and light, made from bark, of course it's paper.

Their thoughts took flight in the night, through written paper where people use them every day.

Travelling through uncharted seas, bringing the compass, pointing at the true direction without any fees.

In modern time, China is a master in making garden green resources like solar panels and electric cars. WeChat, connecting hearts and minds, bringing people together, without using winds.

So let us embrace China's inventive future.

Oh, you know what?

Actually, we are the future of China's inventive minds.

We will build the future so grand, with hand to hand.

Those Billions

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To the six year old me, a worm was useless—just there,
Or even a bit of a scare,
“It is slimy and gooey, with a big, squishy snout!”
When she first saw in her snack, my friend Kiah did shout!

Then I was eleven, my grandmother showed me her hand,
Small cocoons, white and fluffy, how kind,
Stacked up on a bountiful of mulberry leaves.
“What are these delectable treats? ”

Oh Silly, cotton candy these are not,
They’re called Silkworms, hatched from specks of eggs I got,
They feast for 40 some days,
Then they spit out prizes fit to last the ages.

Fascinated, I watch those threads magically appear,
Day and Night, nonstop, spinning, pretty and fair,
Until they build their home,
Their cocoon is safe and quiet, a home sweet home.

Oh Child, how lucky these worms are to have you,
And how little do they know,
By Chinese invention, the Silk from ancestors built this shore to shore road,
Into the rich and powerful’s home, but regrettably the truth was never told.

The heartless merchants boil these cocoons to snatch the silk!
What horrible pain they must feel, my heart sank,
All things go black for them.
A rush of anger and sadness flood through me. “Why would these people do such to be condemned!?”

I gaze at the biggest cocoon on these bountiful of leaves,
The touch is soft like a marshmallow, in the sun, how it shines.
Would the top worm also want to rule above all?
I can only think about those lifeless silkworms inside factories’ wall.

I imagine the population in my hand multiply,
Not to go into some luxury supply,
I want them to flourish and thrive, to survive the wild,
Taking to the far and wide.

So many have traded, and traded some more,
To get to the silk, to claim more than before,
Billions of worms die with a dream every year.
This is really a nightmare.

But may be there is hope,
At least one more child has now spoke,
For the sake of those Billions,
Please form your own opinions.

The Compass

German Swiss International School, Pun, Jasmine – 10

The North star shone our way,
Back to our homes,
And sent us away.
Made sure that we were never lost,
Keeping us beyond the deep unknown.
With misty days dawning,
Misguiding and overtaking us in the haze.

Who knows the power of a spoon and a plate,
With the handle pointing South and the bowl pointing North.
Leading us to our fate,
Predicting our births and deaths,
Determining the best location and time.
A bronze plate carved with a square and a circle,
Together, they united Heaven and Earth.

The mystical magnetite then married a wooden fish,
Swimming for eternity in a bowl of water,
With its head always pointing South.
Opposite the North Star,
Forever apart and never as one.
Dry dock, canal pound locks and more.
Even predicting climate change,
Was he a fortune teller or just a genius?

Just like enemies parting ways,
Too mad to conflict face to face.

A fine man called Shen Kuo,
A scientist,
A strategist,
A mathematician,
An astronomer,
And much more.
What a knowledgeable man.

Madly in love with planets and stars,
Trying to map out their orbital paths.
Water clock, gnomon and armillary sphere,
What a knowledgeable man.

Discovered the secret of the true North.
Just like someone rubbing a genie lamp,
He rubbed steel needles against lodestone.
Transferring the magic of magnetism,
From a stone to a piece of metal.

Leading us North, South, East and West.
What a knowledgeable man.

All these never mattered,
'Til his death.
The compass saved the lives of many sailors and merchants,
Navigating them to safety.
Staying away from lands of mysteries,
Even during storms and gloomy days when stars couldn't be seen.
What a knowledgeable man.

Still widely used in aeroplanes and ships today,
Navigating travellers all around the world.
Global Positioning System comes in hand,
Working adjacently to our old compasses.
Locating devices that are in our pockets,
Again keeping us safer than ever.
Thanks to this knowledgeable man.

So this is the story of the compass and the extraordinary mind behind it.

World–Changing Chinese Inventions

German Swiss International School, Pun, Kini – 9

Paper, printing, compass and gunpowder,
These inventions gave China its power.
Bullets, weapons, propagandas and trackers,
These inventions were altered by the foreign makers.
Who were the original inventors?

How else can you slurp your noodles up?
Of course, with a pair of chopsticks, yup!
Chang fen, mi xian and la mian,
Transformed into pasta, udon and ramen.
Who were the original chefs?

Ketchup, tea, tofu and soy sauce,
Added great flavours into our dinner course.
Stir frying, roasting and braising,
Who said it's only for French fries dipping.
Who were the original gourmet cuisiniers?

England always hosts the European Championship,
Who knew the first kick balls were actually made in China with cloth strips.
It's called the ancient Cuju,
Again, this was claimed by foreign countries too.
Who were the original football players?

A game with shovelling tiles made of bamboo,
Carved with patterns like cuckoo.
Modified into games like Bridge,
Turned the Italian and French from poor to rich.
Who were the original gamers?

A match is a powerful tool,
Ignited firecrackers that were pretty cool.
Lighted candles and lamps,
But the foreigners used it to light soldiers' camps.
Who were the original innovators?

Gunpowder was an accidental find,
Longevity medicine was what they had in mind.
It was then used for firecrackers,
But later used for defending from foreign attackers.
Who were the original pioneers?

Origami is a Japanese word,
How absurd!
It was an idea taken,
Which made China's heart shaken.
Who were the original artists?

Wheelbarrow was a lifesaver,
Helped carrying heavy loads from here to there,
Transported wounded soldiers from battlefield,
Later transformed into all things that need to be wheeled.
Who were the original saviours?

Lurking, stealing, lying and altering,
Originators were often forgotten.
These are inventions that changed the world,
China has been the source of many innovations.
Still continuing to be the world leading mastermind.

Who knows what will be next?
It may be another out of the world project.
The future awaits,
For other magnificent creations,
Made by our great Chinese inventors.

Dragon's New Tale

German Swiss International School, Shin, Christabel – 9

As the centuries pass,
As the population grows,
The dragon soars through the clouds,
Who knows how far it will go?

With innovations in mind,
A new legacy sprouts,
Bringing imagination to reality,
I am quite sure, no doubt.

Before we had this life,
There were people who dreamed,
There were people who tested,
There were people who prevailed.

There were chopsticks,
There was gunpowder,
There was silk,
Making China prouder.

Many projects completed,
More promises sealed.
Many dreams fulfilled,
More magic revealed.

These new inventions would blow your mind,
From auto-pilot to robot waiters,
From flying bots to electric cars,
New products, new inventors.

Making all kinds of things,
As hard as a steel block,
As soft as cotton,

A ticking of the careful, compassionate clock.

But is this the limit?
Is it here we will stop?
We will create even more for the future,
Ascending to the top.

Ice-cream enhancing your health,
Smart glasses bringing sight,
Space elevators outside earth,
Passengers in flight.

We will make successes,
We will make mistakes,
But in the end,
That is all it takes.

May we all be prepared,
As China continues inventing.
May we all cherish the future,
When an endeavour is made.

May we all be prepared,
As the dragon is shedding,
May we all be mesmerised,
As we admire its new, shimmering coating.

An Ode to Chinese Characters

Harrow International School Hong Kong, Hu, Winnie – 9

The characters turn and twirl,
As a story unfolds in a colourful swirl.
Phonogram whispers softly in a dream,
Ideograph flows with imagination like a stream.

From bamboo scrolls to paper scrolls,
History rolls.
With each stroke that binds,
History revives.

Though many legends are very old,
There's a lot left to be told.
All the things from the past,
Can eternally last.

All the characters from the past,
Humanity and wisdom will never be lost.
The beauty of form and rhyme always appears,
and the code of culture lies in the small squares.

From the corners of the world, where we may roam,
Our shared language bonds, a place we call home.
In torrent of times, bred our ancient civilisation,
Closely connected, to our grand modernisation.

The Invention of the Kite

Harrow International School Hong Kong, Shen, Tia – 11

I wanted to make a new invention
That represents peace and happiness
Peaceful like a feather,
That brought people together.

I stumbled into a bamboo forest
As the birds surrounding me joyfully chorused.
I picked out the perfect bamboo,
That is as lush as the vibrant forest view.

Step by step , I trotted back home ,
Wandering on a winding path full of stones.
With a rucksack full of organic bamboos,
Walking and driving away the autumn blues.

I put down my loaded bag,
It's time to get busy!
I got some paper from the market lately.
I started sketching my humongous masterpiece,
With endless inspirations that never seem to cease.

Next I coloured my artwork with various hues,
Working all night while the others dreamily snooze,
With a wide collection of colours to choose.

I polished my knife with a rough , hard stone,
Until it was so sharp that no one has ever owned
Crafting had always been my passion , but nobody knows
That I made it through the night , without a single groan.

Slowly and steadily,
Bit by bit,
I cut around the piece of paper,
Making the edges perfectly fit.

I pulled out some string from my massive shelf,
Remember to do it carefully ; A note for myself.
It took me hours to make it secure,
And I shook it around just to make sure.

In a blink of an eye , it was the morning,
The sun was beaming , and rays were pouring.
I released my kite into the air,
People in the distance were trying not to stare.
All we saw was a bird , flying across the sky,
Making sudden turns ,
And swiftly , down it glided by

Just like that,
I made a new invention.
By working through the night,
The invention of the kite.

The Teller of the Way

Harrow International School Hong Kong, Sze, Anna – 11

Once upon a time,
There was only the landmarks, star, sun and light,
To guide everything in your sight.
Once upon a time,
If the sky was cloudy,
And the stars cannot tell their say,
How are you to know the way?
Once upon a time,
If there was a flood on the only route
Landmarks, signs drowned,
How were you to get your fruit to the faraway market loot?
Once upon a time,
If it was midday, the sun wouldn't set,
How would you know which river to put your fishing net?
"It is totally unreliable,"
Anyone would scorn,
So I was born.

2nd Century,
Han Dynasty.

I was a spoon at first,
As smooth as soft dirt,
A ladle lodestone nerd.
But why?
What's the say?
When people go to the forest, desert or sea,
They need me to lead.

Handle to south,
Bowl to north,
Such a great sort.
I am,
A south China spoon.
I am,
The south China spoon

For magnetic was the answer to my superbness,
That made me reward rich.
Lovely, simple, dazzling.
Yet I wasn't enough,
So there was some remaking.

11th Century!
Forever victory!

Then I was round,
Light and easy, lots were fond.
My needs scorched and switched, very quickly,
To worship and which— something called geomancy.
I had a point, like a sharp sword,
Circles and circles of chinese words.

Sailers, military hail for my creation, my use rewinded again,
How many times has it lain down and gained?
I traveled and traveled and traveled,
Over the mountains and over the seas,
Through the lost and through the waves,
To the unknown and to the untamed.
But I was always right,
I have a flawless might,
I was a finding device.

Have I told to much? Can't you guess?
I'm *the* compass, a *Chinese* compass,
A lump of wholesome,
A teller of the way.

The Growing Thought

Harrow International School Hong Kong, Wong, Jessica – 10

The silver gleam of the sharp knife,
The bustling of the shop,
The barking outside my window,
That never seems to stop.

As the days grow longer
And I grow older,
Dreams come in and never come out
Each one of them getting bolder

I mix together a duo of trouble
The soft flour beneath my hands,
The fragrant olive oil that weaves the piece together
The water that binds it all together
When the dough lands

But, I knock a piece of salt,
Pure white with a silvery glaze.
It lands on the simple dough
As I fearfully gaze.

I chop the new dough apart
Lines and lines of it that are firm
I drop it all in water
And look at it as I learn

At last! A new discovery!
A mistake that I have made!
That boils and toils in water
After all the times that I've prayed

The invention is smooth,
With a creamy feel.
When it moves and slips away,
It slips away like an eel.
The food shall be called Noodles

The once small idea has become great
A never-ending thought
That slides from side to side
Every new idea being taught
That life is for being inspired
Said the growing thought

Fireworks

Hong Kong Adventist Academy, Aung, Myitzzu Si – 12

Boom!
My mother held me in her arms.
I was afraid
Afraid of the sound
Afraid of whatever was happening out there,
Fireworks, my mom had called them
I hated fireworks.
I wished they would go away
Never see them again,
Ever.

But that was when I was a little child
Afraid of everything.
I grew to enjoy watching fireworks,
Admiring the pretty colors
Blue and green, I've never seen
I found out soon
Those were the hardest colors
To create

“How disappointing” I would say,
Every time I miss the fireworks now.
Then a small smile
Would appear on my face,
Remembering how I hated fireworks,
And had wished
That it never existed

Kite

Hong Kong Adventist Academy, Hong, Wing Nam Aimee – 11

*Red, orange, and yellow soar through the skies
Green, blue, and purple float within the clouds
Animals of all kinds flow past each other in a race,
Trying to see whoever can fly higher up, some fall and some rise.*

*Big, medium, and small butterflies flutter, synchronized.
Large, massive, and ginormous dragons speed in the air
Groups alike glide together, and the fabrics collide.
Then a few other kites fly, types uncategorized.*

*The wind blows from east to west, up and down,
It spins and twirls and whirls.
The wind can be peaceful but sometimes harsh,
The collection of animals is swung around.*

*Some shoot farther ahead, and some get dragged and held back,
They move all around, falling through the clouds.
The sun shines, glowing through the fabric,
Most of them, though, can stay right on track.*

*But no matter if it's big, medium, or small, fast or slow,
No matter if it's red, yellow, blue, or green,
Whether it's a delicate butterfly or a fierce dragon,
Whichever direction the wind chooses to blow,*

*They all have a string tying them to the ground,
But even so, they all continue to chase freedom.*

Fireworks

Hong Kong Adventist Academy, Liang, Hok Lee Glory – 12

*Fireworks are beautiful,
They can give many different faces.*

*Sometimes it can be a brocade,
Which is the most common one.*

*Sometimes it can be a chrysanthemum,
Which looks like a flower.*

*Sometimes it can be comet,
Which really looks like a comet.*

*Sometimes it can be a peony,
Which will change its color.*

*Sometimes it can be a pearl,
Which looks like a dot.*

*Sometimes it can be a willow,
Which looks like it is falling.*

*Sometimes it can be a strobe,
Which looks like a bright little star.*

*Fireworks can appear in different festival,
Such as New Year.*

*And in Japan there is a festival that made for fireworks,
They will celebrate it for the whole month of July!*

Fireworks are so beautiful, attractive, and used in many different festivals.

The Big Four

Kau Yan School, Hon, Ho Kiu – 11

A meager piece of machinery,
But an invention that has flourished, for centuries,
A delicate disc with a dazzling glimmer.
Countless journeys ventured; storms weathered.
Indispensable in navigation history.

A formula that benefits all,
From old to young, big to small.
Crafting a piece of white we use
Now made of wood, once from bamboos
Infused with knowledge, on which we stand tall.

An ancestor of the pen,
Times the efficiency by ten.
Carved and marked on paper,
Preserving memoirs for millennia later
Revolutionizing writing for men.

Creation of this was not intended
In battles, always recommended
The Elixir of Life, through which it was born
The Powder of Death, through which enemies mourn
Hundreds of wars won, yet never commended

New Tales of China's Invention

Korean International School, Parnala, Czane Young Marion – 9

In ancient China, where dreams took flight,
A land of wonders and inventions so bright,
Li, a young boy with a curious mind,
Discovered treasures, one of a kind.

Beneath a tree, he found a surprise,
A compass, mysterious and wise,
His grandfather explained its power,
To guide lost souls, hour after hour.

Inspired by this, Li's imagination bloomed,
He dreamed of inventions yet to be groomed,
With bamboo and silk, he crafted wings,
A flying machine, with magical things.

He pedalled and soared through the sky,
Like a bird, so graceful and high,
The Flapping Wings, his creation so grand,
Astounded the people, across the land.

News reached the emperor, wise and great,
He invited Li, eager to appreciate,
In the palace, Li shared his dreams,
Of inventions and wonders, like sunbeams.

The emperor saw the spark in Li's eyes,
The passion that within him lies,
He encouraged him to continue to create,
To explore, innovate, and never abate.

Li became known, a brilliant young mind,
Inventor extraordinaire, one of a kind,
Hi compass and wings, symbols of pride,
In ancient China, where innovation did reside.

So, dear year 5 student, let this tale inspire,
To dream big and let your imagination fire,
Like Li, explore, invent and create,
For in your hands, the future awaits.

New Tales of China's Inventions

Kowloon Tong School (Primary Section), Chau, Ji Nam – 10

Once upon a time, in a land so fair,
A special drink was made, beyond compare.
In ancient China, a wise man did find,
A leafy treasure, a drink so kind.

Shen Nong, the man with knowledge vast,
Sat beneath a tree, his mind steadfast.
A leaf fell into his cup of water,
And a magic happened, something to savor.

The water turned golden, a lovely hue,
With a soothing aroma that wafted through.
Shen Nong took a sip, and he did see,
The wonder of tea, so tasty and free.

He shared it with others, far and wide,
Tea became a joy, a comforting tide.
Across the lands, its fame did grow,
Bringing warmth and happiness, this we know.

So let's raise our cups, filled with delight,
To Shen Nong's discovery, shining so bright.
In every sip, a story unfolds,
Of tea's invention, a treasure to behold.

An Invention Which Changes The World

Kowloon Tong School (Primary Section), Cheng, Yi Man Trinity – 10

Long long time ago, we said Europeans were illiterate!

Because the books were extremely expensive.

Luckily, Bi Sheng appeared, a man of great skill.

He used clay and wood to make his type,
and positioned them on an iron plate just right,
then ink was exerted and paper suppressed.

Incredibly, he invented a printing thrill!

Now, the people young and old can read books,
and knowledge can spread to everyone's home.

We all appreciate Bi Seng for his invention,
the world has changed!

However, the compass, gunpowder.....

These are also the most important inventions from China's past,
they helped the world to grow and last.

So, let's remember and celebrate,
the things that make our world so great!

New Tales of China's Inventions

Kowloon Tong School (Primary Section), Cheung, Tinnie – 11

Amazing China inventions
Paper, compass, firework and more
Transcend your imagination
Ready to be amazed at the new invention

Present to you the new invention
AI Cooking Machine
Choose your food
Put the ingredients
Wait for five minutes
Then ready for have Michelin food

New tales of China inventions
Far exceed your expectations

New Tales of China's Inventions

Kowloon Tong School (Primary Section), Chiu, Ho Lam – 11

In a country of East Asia, where people call her China.
Since ancient times China has been so wise,
with wonderful inventions that give us surprise.
Printing, compass, paper making and gunpowder,
these change the world to become better.

Taobao that everyone should heard of,
an internet platform selling anything you can think of.
Online shopping has never been so easy and relax,
Just press a button, your goods will be delivered worldwide by express.

High speed trains that connecting places to places,
travelling from Tianjin to Beijing is only twenty minutes.
This high speed trains is very famous,
it has gone global and helps Indonesia railway to take place.

China's inventions light up our way,
With creations and determination that never go away.
Sooner or later more inventing wonders for all to see,
all we need is to wait with expectancies.

So let us cheer for the new tales of China's inventions,
as it reminds us to keep dreaming high,
maybe one day we can reach the sky.

New Tales of China's Inventions

Kowloon Tong School (Primary Section), Chiu, Tsz Ning – 11

A magnetic compass is very useful,
and it is also very old.

It can prevent us from being lost,
and help us find the way we want.

Gunpowder is extremely magical,
which is a very important tool.

It can help us win in wars,
but it is not safe at all.

Paper is so wonderful,
and it has a lot of functions too.

It can make books and others,
which helps us to get clever.

Woodblock printing is pretty fruitful,
which makes the spread of knowledge possible.

It can help us to print documents,
and to make our lives become comfortable.

So that's why I said these inventions are important,
as they make everything more convenient.

New Tales of China's Inventions

Kowloon Tong School (Primary Section), Guan, Shiqing – 12

Inventions of the Great China have been influential.

None of you would ever doubt that they are beneficial.

Various inventions have become more essential.

Each design was the result of their creativity.

Never give up to enhance the perfectibility.

Trying to improve life is their responsibility.

Imagine life without them would be very terrible.

Optimization of the inventions is achievable.

Nourish the dream of making our lives more comfortable.

Inventions

Kowloon Tong School (Primary Section), Hau, Ka Kiu Anson – 10

Innovation, Intelligence, Inspiration.

Not limited to four great inventions in China.

Vegetables grow rapidly with ploughing during Shang Dynasty.

Enabling metal producing by blast furnace during Han Dynasty.

Notes became paper money during Song Dynasty.

Turning flowing water into power by water wheel during Ming Dynasty.

Inserting needles for curing by acupuncture during Han Dynasty.

Obtaining food using chopsticks during Shang Dynasty.

Never give up, more inventions to come.

New Tales of China's Inventions

Kowloon Tong School (Primary Section), Huo, Connie – 10

From old times to now,

China is always on the stage,

No matter the four great inventions of ancient China,

Or nowadays the world wide internet shopping

Or even the mini video times

China's technology stands truly elite.

With new inventions,

Life becomes easier and easier

With new inventions,

Information booms everywhere

With new inventions,

Opportunities holds not only rich people's hands.

With each invention,

the future is spun,

China's tech journey has only begun.

Alipay

Kowloon Tong School (Primary Section), Ko, Lok Hei Samuel – 11

Ali- Ali- Alipay,
It's the best way you can pay.
With this e-wallet,
You can enjoy shopping anywhere.

Alipay is powerful,
Making your shopping experience wonderful.
With this fantastic payment platform,
You will forget what is cash.

With an QR code and a mobile phone,
Payment is as quick as a flash.
Without queuing up in line,
Scan the code and everything is fine.

Ali- Ali- Alipay,
You can't let it go away.
Try this new pay way,
It will make your day.

The New Tales of Chinese Inventions

Kowloon Tong School (Primary Section), Kong, Kai Dik – 11

Without inventions that we can use.
There is only history,
but nothing that let our lives or lives hack because of Chinese inventions.
There is no humanity, when we didn't have inventions.
China let us grow, that we can use it in lives or even goals.
Chinese inventions help our daily lives.
It can help us to let history grows.
Chinese inventions are the best.

New Payment Generation

Kowloon Tong School (Primary Section), Kwan, Ronnie – 11

WeChat Pay is the greatest payment invention in China
We can use it at traveling
We can checkout at shopping
We can pay the bills at dinning

We do not need foreign exchange anymore
We do not need to bring money anymore
We do not need to take care of small changes

Life is so easy nowadays with WeChat Pay
WeChat Pay is so convenient
Let us use this greatest invention together!

New Tales of China's Inventions

Kowloon Tong School (Primary Section), Man, Hoi Hei Michelle – 10

In ancient lands where legends dwell,
A tale of China's innovation I shall tell.
From the Middle Kingdom's ancient halls,
A symphony of inventions that enthralls.

Long ago, in distant past,
China's brilliance began to amass.
The compass, a gift to guide the way,
Navigating oceans, no longer astray.

Paper, the canvas for wisdom's ink,
Books and knowledge, no longer on the brink.
Printing press with movable type,
Spreading ideas, a glorious ripe.

Silk, a fabric of delicate grace,
Woven threads, a masterpiece to embrace.
Porcelain, vessels of exquisite design,
Beauty and function, forever intertwined.

Gunpowder, a force both feared and revered,
Fireworks illuminating the night, endeared.
The abacus, calculating with speed,
Numbers dancing, fulfilling every need.

Inventions flow like a mighty river's course,
A testament to China's creative force.
From silk to paper, from compass to tea,
Innovations that shaped history.

But the story continues, a tale anew,
As modern China rises, ambitions grew.
High-speed trains race across the land,
Connecting cities, a marvel so grand.

Drones take flight with precision and grace,
Mapping landscapes from high above in space.
E-commerce, a digital revolution,
Bringing convenience with each online solution.

From artificial intelligence to renewable energy,
China pioneers the path with visionary synergy.
Robots dance and factories hum,
Automation shaping a future to come.

Innovation blooms in the land of the Red,
A legacy of progress, never to be shed.
China's spirit, resilient and strong,
Inspiring the world with each invention's song.

So let us celebrate China's bright star,
A nation whose inventions have traveled far.
From ancient wisdom to modern-day,
China's innovation lights the way.

In classrooms filled with curious minds,
May this tale of innovation forever bind.
Dream big, dear students, let your creativity flow,
For you hold the power to invent and grow.

New Tales of China's Inventions

Kowloon Tong School (Primary Section), Sun, Linxi – 10

Once upon a time, in ancient China's land,
People dreamed big and made things with their hand.
They crafted paper, gunpowder and more,
Their clever ideas, we still adore.

They birthed a compass, a guide so neat,
And found gas, what a feat!
Through bamboo pipes, energy moved like a fleet,
Their bright minds could never be beat.

These days, China's still weaving dreams,
With TikTok dances flowing like streams,
And WeChat messages light up the night,
Their ideas burst forth, a spectacular sight!

Solar panels sparkle in the sun's friendly glow,
And electric cars, oh they steal the show!
Their inventiveness continues to grow,
In China, creative seeds they sow.

In a world where anything can be,
China's minds dance wild and free.
Their wisdom and whimsy, the perfect spree,
They're painting a future we can't wait to see!

The Useful Compass

Kowloon Tong School (Primary Section), Tang, Lok Lam – 10

In the word of adventure, let's go explore.
With you, the useful compass, everything we will be sure.

Pointing to the East, where the sun rises.
Pointing to the South, where we may find surprises.

Pointing to the West, where the sun sets.
Pointing to the North, where we must not be sad.

North, East, South, West, you guide us every day.
But now we will say.

In the past, we used compass together with a map.
Nowadays, we use Google map.

Yet, we will still thanks compass.
You are still our traditional asset.

The Four Great Chinese Inventions

Kowloon Tong School (Primary Section), Wong, Sum Wing – 10

What are the four great inventions of Ancient China?
The compass, papermaking, printing and gunpowder.
With these great inventions,
They revolutionized world civilizations.

The compass was invented by Si Nan.
It is an indispensable navigational tool.
This device is definitely so cool.
The Chinese used the compass primarily for geomancy in the past.
It was then used for navigation at last.
New expeditions and maritime undertakings are made possible now.

The pulp papermaking process was invented by Cai Lun.
A kind of paper was made from bark, rags, wheat stalks and other materials.
With the invention of papermaking,
It brought about a revolution in writing
And paved the way for the invention of printing.

Clay-type printing technique was invented by Bi Sheng.
Individual characters were caved on fine clay pieces,
Which could be used again and again.
With his great innovation,
It led to the development of education and communication.

Gunpowder was invented by Chinese alchemists.
It was originally used to make fireworks
For celebrating festivals and events.
But it was used as explosive material in later years,
For cannons, fire-arrows and other weapons in warfare.

Thanks to the intelligent ancient inventors,
Their inventions make the world more convenient.
I hope someday I can be an inventor,
To develop new and innovative ideas.

Father of Fiber Optics

Kowloon Tong School (Primary Section), Wong, Zi Yun – 10

Father of Fiber Optics, Nobel Prize winner in Physics, Charles Kuen Kao.
Little Charles was smart as an owl.
His physics journey started when he's still a child.
Little Charles' imagination soared, like a magician.
Malimalihome..... malimalihome..... malimalihome.....
POOF! POOF! POOF!
He turned moist mud into an exploding ball!
Charles wanted to create more, to create more.....
To create an optical fiber to transmit signals over the world!
Being laughed, failures, lack of resources...
Nothing could stop Charles!
He took failures as lessons.
He's as persistent as a mosquito!
His hard work paid off.
Like a super magician, he made light to carry signals all over the world, as fast as a shooting star.
The groundbreaking achievement changed the world, connected the world.
This successful inventor who contributed to the world,
a person should be honored.
A person worth writing about, Charles Kuen Kao.

New Tales of China's Inventions

Kowloon Tong School (Primary Section), Wu, Sin Yu – 10

The old Four famous inventions were great, important and strong,

They have existed for so long.

How old are they? Already thousands of years since they were born.

Time flies and flies.

The four new inventions make us high.

Ask me! Ask me why!

I 'll tell you how they change our life.

The machine is running real fast,

High- speed rail can bring you here and there.

Cities now become near and not too far.

Wherever you go from South to North, from East to West, it's always easy to access.

A great platform is here for us to sell and buy.

Everyone in the society should be having a try,

From products to payment, from supply to inventory, it's all proceeded online.

Electronic commerce is the smart and helpful guy.

Sell and buy can be managed by a little device.

It's good to use, convenient and works 24/7.

No case, no card, only login and input password with your device, so please must have a try!

The mobile payment becomes indispensable in our current life.

Have you ever thought of bike sharing?

Imagine how good it is if bikes are available in the cities?

Please don't think I'm silly! It's all about technology.

Bike sharing is now very common in lots of different famous cities.

The new four inventions can also last for long.

They are also great, important and strong.

You now know what they are, please try and feel how they change your life.

New Tales of China's Inventions

Kowloon Tong School (Primary Section), Yau, Hei Tung – 10

The old days of China, people dreams start flight.
Innovations explore, day and night.
Enchanting Tale of China inventions world,
To become a wonderful and amazing world.

The kite make people dream to fly,
Fly over the world to explore the sky!
Fisherman fishing with kites fitted with hook,
Other people was shook!

Chinese alchemists discover gunpowder,
It's China people power!
From firework to flamethrowers,
A new era of the world began to come.

Fireworks crossover bamboo stick,
Miracle fuses lighted tick.
Taking eternal dream: explore the vast cosmos.
Take the rocket— Tianwen— 1.

Tale Chang'e 5 lunar sample return.
Orbit the moon, land the moon and return.
People fly up to sky come true,
The eternal legend of China.

Cai Lun: The Inventor of Who We Are

Maryknoll Convent School (Primary Section), Chow, Sonja Kit – 11

In the dark dark world of China,
In the unknown corner of Leiyang,
there lived a bright, vibrant mind.
Where Cai Lun lives,
he allows his fingers to connect with hemp and tree bark, instead of tons of bamboo scrolls that tire the knowledge of
a simple book.
He dreams of something that can carry this book further.
It is this stack of dog-eared paper that defines who we are and what stories we tell.

The amount of intellect in his mind,
his perseverance intertwined,
he made paper,
then paper created a world of carrying,
the inky world he was born in,
How could he ever imagine a page of snow?
Without that spark of light,
there would be nothing,
just like a starless night.
There would be no love letters,

There would be no newspaper,
There would be no source of learning.
We would all be soundless.

But Cai Lun wanted us to be heard.
he wanted something to pass down for generations,
something as thin as the skin of a tree.
He waited months and years,
for the leaves to change into brown,
so as his hair from black to ash white.
He no longer feels the scorching pain of the labour,
but the trail of words leave scars on his hands.

Not enough words in this world could describe the story of this maker,
The maker of all maps.
Endless stacks of poetry,
Lives in a library.
His ideas were first rough,
but he did not give up.
The piece of paper I am looking at now,
there were once a thousand trees,
a thousand years of history speaking to me.

Cai Lun made an ark of light,
that's why the ink finds a voice to rhyme.

The Four Main Inventions of China

Maryknoll Convent School (Primary Section), Leung, Yan Ka Shermaine – 11

A thin , white sheet made from trees,
Carries knowledge across the seas.
Sometimes folded into something odd,
Created into a book with the words of god.

Shows you the way from where you are,
Guides the route to someplace far.
Metal giants high up in space,
Maps out every possible little place.

A destructive powder used in war,
Used to mine out valuable ore.
Forging the way through the land,
Giving construction a helping hand.

Ink on paper that's seen not heard,
Alerts the press to spread the word.
Nowadays it can print a home,
Giving the homeless people hope.

The Footprints of China

Maryknoll Convent School (Primary Section), Ng, Chin Pui Bella – 11

From porcelain to compass to the Silk Road,
Our China's potential and talent showed.
From abacus to printing to paper-making,
Our innovative hometown is record-breaking.

From TikTok to WeChat to Alipay,
The modern China has paved the way.
From hydrogen cars to the fastest trains,
Inventors strive for the country's gains.

While products require intense devotion,
They promote China's great reputation.
The future of inventions is still a question,
Let's picture it with imagination!

What if we invented flying cars?
Or teleporters that travel to Mars?
A jetpack from China would be cool
To fly across town and go to school!

We'll produce batteries that never run out.
How about seeds that instantly sprout?
Medicine with all sorts of nutrition—
With effort, this will soon not be fiction!

China shall promote a green future,
With products that benefit our mother nature.
Such as plastic that can be decomposed,
And tissue that doesn't need to be disposed.

We can develop underground housing,
Or fashionable, colour-changing clothing!
Forever-lasting pens, egg-dispensing AI hens,
We can set these fabulous trends!

With these groundbreaking possibilities,
We shall break current boundaries.
The future of China is bright— who knows?
Inventions are the legend that echoes.

What If China Invented Nothing?

St. Joseph's Primary School, Lee, Ching Yu Cyrus – 12

What if China invented nothing?
I bet you won't feel anything.
For America invented Iphone,
which helps us make phone calls.

Well, I am telling you
that you might regret this,
especially your parents,
for wine wouldn't exist!

What's more?
No more Fortnite,
which people play day and night!
This will make you cry all night.

Now you might start to feel something,
It's your wallet aching!
You have to pay more for paper,
as Europeans' papers won't be cheap!

Is that all?

You may say,
when there aren't bank notes,
and you need to carry coins loads!

In a nutshell,
you can tell,
if China invented nothing,
you won't live well!

Pitter–Patter Pitter–Patter

St. Joseph's Primary School, Ting, Yi Hang – 9

Rain down the lane
Cheerful children rushed together
Stepping in puddles and avoiding the drain
Under the eave they were all soaked in laughter

Rain down the pond
Frolic froggies leaped into the air
Singing their best a capella afar and beyond
On lotus leaves they held the most joyous funfair

Rain down the willow
Lu Ban the Carpenter frowned deeply
'What if I make a moving pavilion, how wonderful!'
Under the tree he wondered curiously

Rain down the windowpane
Lu Ban's wife rummaged about
With a big cloth, some bamboo sticks and a long cane
From the house she dashed out

Rain down the meadow
The couple crafted the first umbrella
At the end of the rainbow
Casting sheep's eyes at each other
Saying, 'I love you so!'

Rain down the river
Lu Ban raised his newly made umbrella
Sitting with his wife on his cloud ladder
Toasting their success of old and new inventions in shower

Rain down the umbrella
However loud the rain roars
Raindrops kiss me tender like no one ever
With an umbrella I fear no more when it pours

Acupuncture

St. Joseph's Primary School, Yeung, Hok Ting – 9

In ancient times, inventions did arise,
Chinese wisdom, a treasure to prize.
Acupuncture, a marvel of old,
Relieving pain, its tale untold.

Tiny needles in the skin,
Relieving pain, letting healing begin.
A natural method, ancient and wise,
Enduring through time, a precious prize.

The flow of Qi, the vital force,
Bringing balance, staying on course.
Through pathways in the body, it streams,
Guiding health, fulfilling dreams.

Fu Xi, a sage, his knowledge profound,
Among the first healers, he was renowned.
With needles, symptoms he did treat,
To world civilization, a gift so sweet.

Inspired by his remarkable feat,
We carry on, traditions we meet.

Technological advances, we embrace,
Creating a future, filled with grace.

Let's honor the past and forge ahead,
Innovation and wisdom, hand in hand we tread.
A brighter future we shall create,
Guided by ancient wisdom's fate.

An Oriental Octave

St. Mary's Canossian School, Chen, Zhihan Cecilia – 11

Planted in Yunnan tea forests,
Universally loved by both locals and tourists.
Every year its taste and price grow,
Rich fragrance as its dark red colour show.
Helping us stay younger and calmer,
Taking a sip of it daily makes us slimmer.
Every time when others pour new tea to your cup kindly,
Always tap two fingers on the table to show your courtesy.

The Father of Umbrella

St. Mary's Canossian School, Choi, Hoi Lam – 10

Use it when there is a thin mist, a heavy fog or a thick haze,
Most of us cannot live without it on rainy or stormy days.
Bring it along with you wherever you go,
Rather than getting soaked in the snow!
Ever wondered who created the first umbrella?
Lu Ban got this marvellous idea from a young fella!
Lotus leaf had been turned into a portable shelter,
All of us will be grateful for his invention forever!

The Home of Umbrellas

St. Mary's Canossian College, Wan, Joey – 10

Underneath the pouring rain,
May this invention reduce your pain.
Bringing it has no harm,
Right in the rain, it's a charm!
Even on bright and sunny days,
Like a shield, it protects you from ultraviolet rays.
Let's learn to dance in the rain with it on our hand,
All the glory to the umbrella inventor in my homeland!

The Chinese Compass

St. Paul's Co-educational College Primary School, Chow, Lok Ting – 11

In lands of ancient wisdom, where legends reside,
Chinese creativity, with inventions as our guide,
Let us flourish over the time garden where thoughts intertwine,
Studying the jewellery of the magical compass divine.

With needle pointing towards the truth, a traveller's reliable aid,
The compass appears from China's ancient glade,
A vessel of harmony and peace,
Guiding voyagers' hearts against challenges they dare to face.

In magnetic embrace, Chinese ancestors discovered the call,
Leading throughout the adventurous lands,
From North to South, through the Fast East till the end of the West,
The compass unveiled the secrets, with fortunes to tell.

From gunpowder's splendid dance in the air,
To paper's gentle touch, printed with fables and enlightenment to share,
Porcelain and silk adorn, a deluxe art of grace,
China's talents spread beauty to everywhere.

That is not the end of the adventures,
Chinese inventions never end,
Leading the world beyond the seas and the lands,
A compass of imaginations manifest.

Now there are new inventions delicately made,
Like the electric car shining as if it was a jade.
And the grand telescope zooming in on afar,
Letting us see the stunning glowing stars.

Dear Chinese Compass, so dependable in times of mystery,
Always there to support us when we are lost.
Thank you for all the creations that have been conceived,
Assisting us all along the way.

Taobao-holics

St. Paul's Co-educational College Primary School, Ip, Ngo Ying Spencer – 12

From compass to gunpowder,
There's only one that stands out—
One invention that's magical,
One invention that you'll never doubt.

Traditional tea set ordered by Steve,
A digital wallet should be his
Over the world people believe—
Best invention it surely is!
Ancient antiques bought on New Year's Eve
Open the parcel, hoping it remains in one piece.

An ordinary boy betting on “The Game of Life”,
Living as a legendary figure,

In creation of this mind–blowing kingdom!

Buying, selling, whatever you want,

Aprons, apples, and arrows,

Bicycles, blades, and barrows,

All there for you to “Tao”.

Shopping spree, shopping spree,

Get your rewards free.

If you want a Christmas tree

Within the day, you shall see.

China's Inventive Journey

St. Paul's Co–educational College Primary School, Kwok, Sofie – 10

Amidst the world, I pause and see,
wisdom of China, beckoning to me.

In the realm where dragons dance and wisdom gleams,
in the scrolls of history, a timeless stream.

Text dancing ballet in books,
knowledge and wisdom evoke.

With a compass in hand, I seek the way,
navigating to truth without delay.

In the realm of dreams where possibilities soar,
I envision the inventions of a future in store.

A machine captures dreams at night,
turning aspirations into tangible delight.

Flying cars like birds in the sky,
effortless travel without a sigh.

Robotic companions with hearts of steel,
listen without judgment and they always heal.

Ancient wonders shimmering like a precious jade,
China's innovation shaping a brighter day.
The next chapter to be stored,
our nation forever to adore.

New Tales of China's Inventions

St. Paul's Co-educational College Primary School, Lau, An Yu – 12

Papermaking and printing,
China's technology started sprinting!
Later they made gunpowder,
War zones were being a lot more louder!
Last we made the compasses,
Looking for directions was not a fuss!

Now, Chinese creativity is not just a thing of the past.
Nothing we invent will ever be the last!
Online platforms became such a blast —
Taobao, TikTok and WeChat,
China's got the technology stat,
Other countries could never do that!

Technology development, who's the leader?
China is right on the seizure!
Solar panels, plantation, electric cars,
Chinese inventors are the stars.
Oh, they're definitely not ending here,
They're working to stay on a high tier!

These are the tales of China's inventions,
They're a proud, confident mention!

Paper

St. Stephen's College Preparatory School, Lee, Lok Yi Rosie – 10

Soaked mulberry bark and rags,
From old, broken bags,
In a big barrel: wood, brown,
Make pulp for the crown.

Ts'ai Lun hopes
This will work
For the Hon
Dynasty.

Take a wood-flame screen,
Drag it in the soaked pulp and catch,
The best try he's seen,
He now had a big pulp patch.

China will
be the first
to make this
new paper.

Then, Ts'ai Lun put the paper
Out in the hot sun.
Thank the heavens, it was done,
Delightful paper!

China's Exciting Inventions

The French International School, TKO, Chau, Aaron – 8

Let us explore and learn,
Many inventions that China has spurned.
Long long ago from China's past,
Many discoveries were made to last.

Gunpowder creates sparks that fly,
Beautiful fireworks satisfy!
Swish, swish...BANG! They light up the sky!
Quickly they disappear like "Hi and Bye".

The toilet paper that we use,
Comes from China – A great produce!

Solar Panels saves energy and light,
Making every person's home so bright.
They catch the sun's rays in the day,
Giving power in many ways.

Many inventions that China has spurned,
We are thankful in return.
Many inventions that China has spurned,
Will remain in our lives for us to learn!

The Peace Machine

The French International School, TKO, Shi, Evelyn – 9

There was a very cute little girl.
Who liked to go in a boat made of pearls.
She is keen to go everywhere.
But somewhere she just can't go.
There were wars and battles going on.
People dying and people gone.
With people alive, losing their hope,
Ladies saying "no, no. nope.
People running around with tear stained faces.
She started investigating the different cases.
She put on her little blue coat.
And jumped on her pearl made boat.
She travelled day and night.
Until she found what caused the fight.
There was a magic spell cast on a wall.
Which draws curtains on people's eyes.
So they see things neither fair nor wise.
She decided to make a peace machine.
That changes people's minds and routine.
So she made one with her clever mind.
And with her heart so very kind.
She put it on the people there.
And soon they became just and fair.
They see things from each other's eyes.
And how stupid they were they suddenly realised.
The little girl felt safe and happy.
That she can see her boat flag so flappy.

Who Am I?

The French International School, TKO, Shin, Shaun – 8

A poor kid to a billionaire
Which has the best skills of football
Has a family of six
Has a lot of trophies
He always practice football
Only eats chicken and salad
Owns a lot of stuff
Famous all over the world
But Fifa hates him
But has the most fans
People troll him
But does not care
He continues to train
And scoring like a beast
He is a crazy superhuman
Scoring like a robot
The top goal scoring footballer with 865 goals
He scored 147 goals with his head
Just like you say he is a superhuman

Who am I?

Snowstorm

The French International School, TKO, Lee, Grace – 10

Snowing rapidly
No sunshine
One cup of hot chocolate
White snow
Snowflakes everywhere
Tornado? Maybe
One cup of ice? Nope
Riding in sleigh
Might be a no

New Tales of China's Inventions

YK Pao School, Chane–Yene, Anaïs – 10

China made many useful inventions

That we use in our daily lives,
What more interesting creations
Can really help us thrive ?

Sometimes we are blank,
We just don't know what to think
You'll be filled like a bank
Before you can even say Pink

China is going to make
The best thing the world will enjoy
Maybe a net that cleans a lake
Or a magical drink that will turn sadness into joy

But the most important invention
Would be a tool
That would stop war and destruction
Because worldwide peace is super cool

Four Inventions of Ancient China

YK Pao School, Zheng, Yang – 10

Inventions, ancient, beyond guess,
But even now, with uses no less.
The four inventions of ancient China,
Without them, life would be more irksome.

A black powder bursting into flame,
Either in a firework or a deadly aim.
Laughter here, and colourful sparks,
Shrieks there, with terrible remarks.

All the same thing, double-sided.
Dead corpses, or happiness uncounted.
Depends how you use it,
Gunpowder, with two cores.

Ships sail far into the west,
Not straying far, because of this.
Never lying, pointing north,
Showing their masters, the correct course.

To this day, they are used,
This title has not yet been refused.
Even in the long, long future,
Compasses shall not be a loser.

Hundreds of books, empty and waiting,
A person works, tired and fading.
In another room, several plates of symbols.
High efficiency, no more grumbles.

To this day, printing is used,
Though in other ways and forms.
Without it books would be extremely rare,
And knowledge would be blank and bare.

One smooth sheet on a long table,
Containing knowledge and wisdom in strange symbols.
A pen moves, swift and intricate.
Something is stored, in the thin miracle.

Long later, when people use phones,
The paper is found, in ruin and stones,
Containing the wisdom, that would've been lost,
If not for this sheet so soft.

Gunpowder, compass, printing and paper,
Fiery sparks, and the knowledge maker.
Faithful pointer, and a box of wisdom,
All used today, everywhere and anytime.

Four such inventions always with us,
Helping so much to avoid a fuss,
Yet we do not seem to appreciate them,
As they, to us, are a gem.

Creative Writing
Poetry
Group 2



Fly into the Sky and Beyond

Kowloon Rhenish School, Yick, Chun Ka Kayley – 9

Once a little kid,
Crying over a lost kite,
I wondered where it hid,
After such an exciting flight.
I was told that kites helped those who spied,
And inspired people to glide.
I wished I could fly,
Fly high in the sky.

I opened my eyes wide,
Fascinated by a fireworks-brighten sight.
Vivid, thrilling, magical...
What a wonderful night!
I was told that fireworks were made from gunpowder,
For celebration but not for fight!
Now I am even prouder,
When I learn about the new achievement in spaceflight.

What are there in the space?
Stars we observe and wonders we long to explore.
Despite difficulties and failures,
Enthusiasm and devotion never stop.
Rockets, spaceships, space stations...
Every journey is supported by ingenuity and dedication.
Satellites, spacewalks, space experiments...
Every step leads us to accomplishments.

From legend to reality,
Chang'e flew to the moon.
From ancient times to the present,
China's inventions are a great boon.
Standing on the solid ground,
I look up at the starry sky again.
I wish I could fly,
Fly beyond the sky.

Printing

LKWFSL Wong Yiu Nam Primary School, Chan, Yu Ching – 9

Plenty of inventions in the world.
Remind me which inventions are from China.
Interested questions?
Namely, compass, paper, printing and gunpowder.
Think about what we need for printing
Ink.
Now, printing is popular in the world.
Good invention to human.

Wonderful electric cars

LKWFSL Wong Yiu Nam Primary School, Cheng, Ho Hin Hayden – 10

Heart filled with passion in designing electric cars.
A shining star, like a guiding light with China's brand.
Your presence in sitting them with joy and happiness,
Dedicating myself invent gorgeous cars with China's style.

Enthusiastic soul, constantly inspired,
Never giving up, always admired.
Constantly seeking new engines,
Harnessing wisdom, always yearning.

Humble and kind, always lending a hand,
Eager to design, to understand.
Never ceasing, always striving,
Greatness within you, always surviving.

Genuine and true, a new brand so dear,
Cherishing moments, spreading cheer.

Printing

LKWFSL Wong Yiu Nam Primary School, He, Sum Lui Melody – 9

Please follow me.
Read history books.
It is very interesting.
News
To be informative.
I'm proud of my country.
Nowadays
Great achievements.

Gunpowder

LKWFSL Wong Yiu Nam Primary School, Lam, Tsz Long Jack – 10

Great!
Unique inventions motivate us to have new ideas.
New inventions are coming.
Paper, compass, printing and gunpowder.
Outstanding inventors will create new inventions.
Watch out!
Demand of gunpowder is increasing.
Everybody can be an inventor.
Right! A lot of dreams can come true.

Paper

LKWFSL Wong Yiu Nam Primary School, Lau, Ho Yi – 9

Pens and pencils create a dance,
A woven story on a chance.
Pondered words, they still alive,
Every sentence strives to thrive.
Revealing thoughts, a canvas so grand.

Compass

LKWFSL Wong Yiu Nam Primary School, Li, Yuen Han – 10

Coming together, guiding the way.
Onward we sail, amidst the fray.
Marking the path, steadfast and true.
Pointing us north, through skies of blue.
Always there, a trusted friend.
Seeking direction, until the end.
Sailing through waters, calm or rough.

Paper

LKWFSL Wong Yiu Nam Primary School, Ma, Hok Kiu – 10

Picking up the pen, we begin to write,
A world of words, taking flight.
Pages eager, awaiting their tale,
Every sentence woven, never to fail.
Revealing stories, with each turn of the leaf.

Fantastic Motor Cars

LKWFSL Wong Yiu Nam Primary School, Rafiqat, Zariq – 9

Radiant mind, lighting up the idea of designing motor cars.
Alluring presence, a spirit in bloom with Chinese mood.
Fantastic, cherished and true,
A beacon of kindness, that is you,
Quick wit that brings laughter near,
Always uplifting, spreading cheer,
Thoughtful, always there,
Zest for life, beyond compare,
Ambitious and driven, with dreams so grand ,
Radiating positivity, across our Great China,
Inspiring others, with your grand engine,
Questioning norms, making your choice of my new electric car.

Compass

LKWFSL Wong Yiu Nam Primary School, Shah, Hussain – 13

Caring, it guides us on life's winding road.
Offering direction, it helps us be bold.
Moving steadily, it doesn't falter or sway.
Pointing true north, showing us the way.
Always compassionate, it gives us hope.
Steadfast and true, through all we cope.
Seeking adventure, it leads us to explore.

Firework

LKWFSL Wong Yiu Nam Primary School, Tsang, Siu Chi Elfa – 10

Fireworks in the sky. Pretty as a butterfly.
It's bright as the morning sun, colouring the black night sky.
Rising into the bright moon,
Effecting the darkness in the black night sky.
White, red, purple and green, blooming like a sunflower, resting under the sky.
Offering a spectacular view, breathtaking.
Refreshing and amazing, as they fall down the sky,
Kindness through the cast clear skies.

Umbrella

LKWFSL Wong Yiu Nam Primary School, Wan, Tsz Lam – 9

Under the rain it's shelter I provide,
Making sure you stay warm and dry inside.
Blocking the drops that fall from the sky,
Ensuring your clothes and hair won't go wet.
Let me shield you from the stormy weather,
Let me be your shield, now and forever.
As we walk together under the gray,
I'll keep you safe, come what may.

Paper

LKWFSL Wong Yiu Nam Primary School, Wan, Tsz Yan – 9

Pristine pages, so pure and white,
A medium for thoughts take flight,
Perceiving stories in every line,
Every word, a treasure to find,
Revealing secrets, both old and new.

My dream car

LKWFSL Wong Yiu Nam Primary School, Wu, Kit Yin Dennis – 10

Divine dreams lead me on my way in invention.
Endless creativity my mind does sway to design a new car.
Navigating through life with a curious view,
Nurturing passions, I always stays true.
Immersed in the beauty of the outlook of my car.
Seeking inspiration with Chinese style,
Wow! Devising with Chinese taste,
Unleashing my spirit with my Chinese heart.

China's Inventions

Po Leung Kuk Choi Kai Yau School, Chin, Leah – 10

In Ancient China's land so bold,
Inventions like silk and gunpowder unfold.
Bamboo brushes move as quickly as a roar,
They paint a picture of China's ancient lore.

The abacus “clicks” and “clacks,”
Like a river's flow,
Counting coins and crops,
With an ancient glow.
The compass points the way,
Like a guiding star, leading travellers near and far.

The paper lanterns, like a firefly in the night,
Shed its gentle glow, a beautiful sight.
Chinese inventions, like a dragon in the sky,
Soaring high as time goes by.

In ancient China inventions abound,
Silk and paper, compass to astound,
With wondrous words like “boom” and “bang,”
Gunpowder mimicry, a crafty pang.

Inventions rhyme with time's sweet tune,
Echoes of destiny from Sun to moon.
The Great Wall stands, as ancient as a rune,
A dragon tail, stretching mile by mile.
Protecting the land within entering style.

Chinese inventions, ancient and bright,
With whispers of wisdom and wondrous light,
Gunpowder and fireworks burst and boom,
Invention soaring beyond the silence gloom.

The compass guides like a wise old friend,
Paper and printing, spreading stories without an end,
The abacus “clicks” like rain on a tin roof.
While kites dance and soar, like a falcon aloof.

From porcelain to silk,
Like a river so smooth.
These gifts from China, like treasure to behave.
Inventions aplenty, an endless stream,
Flowing like water in a timeless dream.

The legacy of ancient China's inventions,
Like a river flowing through the centuries.
Their impact is felt far and wide,
A testament to human time and creativity.

New Tales of China's Inventions

Po Leung Kuk Choi Kai Yau School, Chong, Ching Yan Claribel – 10

Have you seen the compass,
An astounding Chinese invention?
Made in the Han Dynasty by Shen Kuo,
The compass grabbed plenty of attention.
Before the Chinese compass was invented,
People used the North Star to find the way.
When the night came, they looked up,
In the sky where the North Star laid.
More than two thousand years ago,
The first Chinese compass was made.
In the early Warring States Period,
People used it for war and trade.
The compass has an interesting look:
With a wooden frame that's spherical,
And a spoon-like object on top.
What is it? A steel needle!
"The South Pointing Fish" was what
Ancient citizens called a compass usually.
Since a "fish" came out of the compass,
This name for the compass fits perfectly.
The "fish" was actually a lodestone piece,
In the water, the "fish" pointed south.
After that amazing discovery,
The compass was given this title.
The compass was then used for navigation
When the Song Dynasty came.
Now that this invention has a new purpose,
The compass is full of fame.
The magnetised compass we use nowadays
Wasn't invented until Medieval Europe arrived.
It's always wonderful to know
That our invention has survived.
Compasses are very useful
In both ancient and modern days.
With the technological advances,
Would people still think of compasses in the future days?

Gunpowder

Po Leung Kuk Choi Kai Yau School, Hung, Song Yeo Jamie – 9

In old stories, a tale is told,
Of gunpowder strong and bold.
A tiny fizz, sparks so bright,
Releases the gunpowder, causing fright!

Gunpowder, a miracle they say,
Made from charcoal, sulfur and salt in a day.
A special mix, fierce and strong,
Equipped in war, where heroes belong.

Cannons roar, their powerful blast,
Passes the night sky, fierce and fast.
In fireworks, it fills the night,
Beautiful sight, a true delight.

In the hands of heroes, it can amaze,
But in the wrong hands, it isn't a game to play.
We don't use it to endanger our lives,
Gunpowder is much stronger than a knife!

New Tales of China's Inventions

Po Leung Kuk Choi Kai Yau School, Mui, Amanda Genevieve – 9

In ancient lands where dragons roam,
A tale reveals China's home.
Where inventions, bold and grand,
Shape the history of this hoary land.

Long ago, in the kingdom of old,
China's cleverness began to unfold.
Silk, a fabric of elegance and grace,
Made with care, a treasure to embrace.

From paper, the written words took flight,
Ink and brush, a poet's delight.
The compass, guiding explorers from far,
Mapping the world, like a guiding star.

Tea, a soothing beverage to be sipped,
Its fragrance and flavour forever cherished.
Ceramic, delicate and beautifully designed,
Decorated with art, a treasure refined.

So let us celebrate their ingenuity,
Their inventions, a heritage for eternity.
Through stories told, these tales we weave,
China's inventions, forever to believe.

New Tales of China Inventions

Po Leung Kuk Choi Kai Yau School, Wong, Sik Yu Elisa – 9

China made a lot of things we use today,
Maybe they will make more someday.

The Chinese wanted a potion of immortality,
But instead they made gunpowder.
The army used it to make flaming arrows,
To defend themselves from their foes.

The Chinese also invented the first compass,
Used for geomancy and fortune telling.
And it developed gradually for navigation,
Now we know the direction to our destination!

The Chinese made paper for writing,
They didn't want to write on animal skins, bones and bamboo.
Paper was easier to store and deliver,
Now people can record things forever!

The Chinese invented silk for clothes,
At first when silkworms were found.
Only the royal family was allowed to wear,
Now it's available for everybody and it's fair!

China made a lot of things we use today,
Maybe they will make more someday.

Father of Hybrid Rice

Shanghai Singapore International School, Li, Caiden Wei Han – 11

Few could imagine,
The agony of famine.
The heart, lungs, and muscles shrink,
Till one can barely think.
Clawing for survival,
Each one becomes a rival.
Scavenging for resource,
There seems to be no recourse.
Broken policies, natural disaster,
Economic blunders, and social pressure.
These are claims for how famines happen,
How, then, to prevent such abjection?
Born in early 20th century,
Having witnessed the dire calamity,
Yuan Longping rose to the call,
Determined to end hunger for all.
He toiled and laboured in the field,
Thought of ways to maximize yield.
Finally, there came a solution,
And it was rice hybridization.
The results exceeded his expectations,
He shared and helped the other nations.
Not just in donations of hybrid rice strains,
But having sent teams to teach and train.
Yuan's effort saved millions of lives,
His legacy is immortalized.
For generations he's been recognized
As Father of Hybrid Rice.

Great Inventions of China

Yaumati Catholic Primary School (Hoi Wang Road), Cheng, Lok Man – 11

What are great inventions of China?

They include the compass, paper,
Movable printing and gunpowder.
They are important here and afar.

To replace strips of wood and bamboo
Which were heavy for people to move,
Cai Lun invented sheets of paper
With mulberry and bast fibres.

Paper was gradually spread worldwide
By travellers on countless camel rides
With textiles, tea and heavy loads
Criss-crossing the ancient Silk Road.

The first compass was used in warfare,
Where a ladle pointed on a calibrated square.
It was later used to explore and navigate,
Making an impact in culture and trade.

In a modern compass, the needle
Is made from a magnetic metal.
It always points to the north,
No matter where you go forth.

Bi Sheng invented movable printing
For efficiently books reproducing.
Cuts of Chinese characters were made,
They were as thin as a coin in sticky clay.

Single types were assembled
In a metal frame without trouble.
On the solid block, paper was pressed
So as to create a duplicate of a text.

The first explosive was gunpowder
Which comprised carbon and sulphur.
Gas was produced when ignited,
In a gun it propelled a bullet.

Black powder was multi-functional:
It was used in fireworks and signals,
Weapon making, stone digging,
As well as pipe and road building.

The inventions are ancient but great,
As the inventors never stopped to innovate.
Thanks to advances in technology and science,
We can enjoy daily comfort and convenience.

Ancient Chinese Inventions

Yaumati Catholic Primary School (Hoi Wang Road), Fan, Lai Man – 11

Great inventions of China:
Compass and gunpowder,
Printing and paper making,
They are simply stunning.

The first compass, *si nan*,
Invented in the dynasty of *Han*,
Is a south-pointing ladle
That seems common and usual.

A modern compass is round,
The needle can turn around.
It always points to the north,
No matter what you go toward.

People wrote on strips of bamboo
Which were too heavy to move.
They also wrote on fabric of silk
Which was as expensive as gilt.

Cai Lun created the first sheet of paper
With mulberry and other bast fibres.
It was used for wrapping and padding
As well as writing and printing.

Gunpowder was developed by Taoists,
Originally for medicinal purposes.
It was later used in weapons
At war, such as in cannons.

Gunpowder produces flares in signals
That illuminate but do not explode.
It produces power in rockets
That propels, with gases ejected.

Incised were characters of Chinese
On wood blocks and pieces.
Buddhist scriptures and beautiful cloth
Came from printing with wooden blocks.

Great inventions are all-inclusive
As well as functional and creative.
With advances in culture and science,
Our lives have been more convenient.

Ancient China's Inventions

Yaumati Catholic Primary School (Hoi Wang Road), Wong, Hei Yin – 11

Ancient Chinese inventions include paper making,
In addition to the compass, gunpowder and printing.

Not only strips of bamboo and wood,
Writing on fabric of silk was just as good.
There were various media of writing before,
But paper was the only thing people adored.

China's paper wasn't perfect or white,
But it was good enough for people to write.
It is not a problem to carry piles of paper,
As it only weighs as much as a feather!

Invented long ago in the dynasty of *Han*
Was the earliest compass called *si nan*.
The spoon that always pointed to the south
Is like the one you put into your mouth!

How can people navigate a mountain trail?
This is because the compass never fails.
No matter in what way spins the needle,
It points to the north without trouble.

Gunpowder was used to make fireworks
To celebrate festivals and days of birth.
It consists of fuels of charcoal and sulphur
As well as an oxidizer called saltpeter.

Black powder has been used in cannons
Fire-arrows and other military weapons.
It has been used as an agent of blasting
In quarrying, mining and tunnel building.

Reproduction of Buddhist scriptures
Gave rise to the first print culture.
On wooden blocks, Chinese characters
Were carved and then pressed on paper.

Bi Sheng changed wood to ceramic,
To make printing much more rapid.
Thousands of characters were assembled
To print plentiful copies of messages textual.

Which ancient Chinese invention is the best?
Best? They are all the best!