EDITORIAL

DRC eMag is the latest work of the members of the computer club. The eMag is an online monthly magazine initiated for those people who want to know about the activities carried out at & by DRC students. The making of the eMag was a challenge for the members of the computer club and they fulfilled it with great enthusiasm. We hope that after going through this eMag you’ll be satisfied and will wait for the next edition with great impatience.

Members of the eMag team…
Beach cleaning and tree planting activity at Flic-en-Flac

The presence of the Green School Committee and its members at Flic-en-Flac for beach cleaning and tree planting on Saturday 30 May 2009 was indeed a great success. There, they had a briefing session with the officers from the Beach Authority Ministry of Local Government.

The project comprised several activities namely: beach cleaning, tree planting, sensitizing people by talking to them and distribution of pamphlets.

Officers of the Beach Authority distributed to DRC Students the endemic plants for planting, in protected enclosures:

1. Pongamia Pinnata (commonly known as the Pongam).
2. Veloutier,
3. Casudrina Equisetifolia (commonly known as the Filao tree)

These plants are being planted for their beneficial properties:

(i) The Pongamia Pinnata is planted for its leaves which are large, thus providing shade.
(ii) The Veloutier controls the pH of the soil
(iii) The Filao trees have hard stems which enable them to withstand cyclonic gusts.
Moreover, the Filao trees are one of the rare plants which carry out nitrogen fixation. One other advantage of this plant is that it allows light to pass through its leaves. Consequently, the grass growing underneath can photosynthesize easily. According to the officers of the Beach Authority, the project organised by the Green School Project not only motivates youngsters to protect the environment but also encourages other schools to participate. They have also said in one of their statements that this activity should be encouraged throughout the country. One thing which many DRC students will be surprised to know is that our Rector Mr. Nojib also participated fully in this beach cleaning activity. We should not forget Mr. R. Chundhoo and Aruven Ramsamy of VS1 who were the organisers of this event. Our credits go to the others also, who volunteered and made the event a success. I hope we always stay united, and lead others on the right pathway to success. For those DRC boys, I would say: thank you a lot for believing and striving hard, for themselves and their families.
Rêve et Espoir

Rêve et Espoir is a school which takes care of the disable children and young adults of the region of Blach River, from Bambous to Le Morne. Rêve et Espoir which is run by a non-profit making association, and register association, and registered at the register association at number 4921, helps these young people with disabilities to improve the quantity of their life and the betterment of their social integration. To that effect, the school offers to them the appropriate educational projects which are implemented by a trained personnel and competent volunteers in safe and pleasant surrounding with all the required amenities.
WORLD OF WARCRAFT
Four years have passed since the aftermath of Warcraft III: Reign of Chaos, and a great tension now smolders throughout the ravaged world of Azeroth. World of Warcraft lets you assume the roles of Warcraft heroes as they explore, adventure, and quest across a vast world. Thousands of players can interact within the same world.

THE SIMS 3
The Sims 3 allows you to immerse your unique Sims in an open living neighborhood right outside their door. The initial feature-set unveiled includes the new seamless, open neighborhood, new Create-A-Sim, new realistic personalities (every Sim is a unique person, with a distinct personality) and new unlimited customization, You can customize everything! (SOURCE: gfqs.com)

PROTOTYPE
Discover what lies beyond the edge of evolution. An all-new, 3rd person open-world action game, Prototype puts gamers at the helm of Alex Mercer - a genetically mutated shape-shifter with no memory of his past hell-bent on solving the mystery of his existence - as he tears through a densely populated New York City moving with Parkour-style fluidity and consuming anybody that gets in his way... assuming their physical identity, memories and abilities.

TRANSFORMERS: REVENGE OF THE FALLEN
Based on Hasbro’s legendary Transformers property and the highly anticipated blockbuster film, Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen thrusts players into a battle for supremacy across the globe as either Autobots or Decepticons to drive, fly, fight and blast their way through intense, pressure-packed levels. Delivering more control than ever before, players can select from an extremely diverse range of playable Transformers - each with distinct personalities, abilities and weaponry - and jump straight into action as they instantly switch between robot, vehicle and weapon modes to fight for the preservation or annihilation of

STREET FIGHTER 4
Street Fighter IV brings the legendary fighting series back to its roots by taking the beloved fighting moves and techniques of the original Street Fighter II. Everything that made the legendary Street Fighter II a hit in the arcades, living rooms and dormitories across the globe has been brought back in Street Fighter IV. Players will be able to play their favorite classic characters, such as Ryu, Ken, Chun-Li and Guile, along with new characters, including Crimson Viper, Abel, El Fuerte, and Rufus. Characters and environments are rendered in stylized 3D, while the game is played in the classic Street Fighter 2D perspective with additional 3D camera flourishes. Street Fighter IV brings a brand new fighting game to fans the world over.
Dear Animal lovers,
Most if not all DRC boys have a pet at home and I am deadly sure that you will be interested on this article concerning the protection of animals.

PAWS (Protection of Animals Welfare Society) is a Mauritian Animal Charity which was founded in 1999. Our mission is to improve the lives of the domestic Animals and to reduce the population of stray dogs and cats in a humane way. We aim at sensitizing people about the true value and role of their pets specially dogs and cats which are no ‘Burglar Detectors’ and ‘Rat Catches’ only. We believe that the best way to achieve this is through free Sterilisation and Education. Sterilisation is far the best way to reduce the number of stray dogs in our country since the catching and killing policy has proved to be ineffective and inhumane. It is only through Education that certain archaic beliefs and mindsets concerning animals would change.

**DISTEMPER-SERIOUS DISEASE AFFECTING DOG SKIN IN MAURITIUS**

Distemper-an insidious disease caused by viruses which affect the nervous system of dogs and their immune status. It starts by attacking the lower spine causing weakness, stiffness and pain on the hind legs and slowly progresses meningitis (a serious infection caused by microorganisms). Along its way up it shuts down the immune system of the body, making it prone to all sorts of secondary bacterial infections and the animal eventually dies from these secondary infections rather than from the virus itself. The epidemiology here in Mauritius is that after a heavy rainfall followed by heat bouts, the Distemper virus is disseminated in vapour droplets which evaporate and infect unvaccinated or immune deficient vaccinated dogs-dogs who are vaccinated but whose immune system is not working for various reasons such as old age, sickness, stress to name a few amongst others.

There is no cure for the virus and all we can do is treating the secondary bacterial infections.
More than likely you said, ‘A bird in the bush,’! And. .......
If this IS what YOU said, then you failed to see
That the word THE is repeated twice!
Sorry, look again.

You may not see it at first, but the white spaces read the word optical, the blue landscape reads the word illusion.
Look again! Can you see why this painting is called an optical illusion?

What do you see here?
This one is quite tricky!
The word TEACH reflects as LEARN.
Bring & Buy

Here are some pictures of the preparations for the Bring & Buy organised at our school.
De nos jours on a tendance à croire que le football diminue. Oui, c’est la vérité. À la une des grands journaux européens, on entend quotidiennement que Ronaldo a fait ceci, Beckham a fait cela entre autres. C’est surtout les stars qui sont citées. Et quand on fait des bourdes en dehors des terrains, le respect envers vous disparaît et on en paye les frais. Le cas le plus récent est celui de Ronaldinho. Considéré comme un roi a devenir dans le domaine dans son pays, a très bien commencé sa carrière barcelonaise en s’offrant même un ballon d’or mais ensuite ce génie de Ronaldinho a commencé à péter les plombs et il s’est éventuellement fait viré du Barça. Si on peut le prendre dont ce sens. De nos jours malheureux pour ce plus grand magicien jamais eu depuis une bonne décennie. Et en même temps, on nous fait part de la discipline qui règne au Barça, parce qu’un joueur comme Ronaldinho, on ne le vend pas à Milan, un concurrent direct de la ligue des champions. Par contre, on le préserve ces dernières années. On a eu des coaches inexpérimentés au sein de l’équipe cataclastique. Il y a eu Rijvaard et Guardiola mais avec le discipline, ils ont parfaitement réussi leurs coups. Regardez Xavi, Inesta, Messi, ce sont des “gentlemen”. Les gens les aiment. Maintenant faisons un détour. Destination, Angleterre, plus précisément à Chelsea. Sous l’ère de Scolari, les joueurs faisaient un peu ce qu’ils voulaient. Ils arrivaient à l’entraînement en retard, en jeans et tee-shirts avant les matchs entre autres et il y avait un moment où l’équipe était confrontée aux embûches, l’arrivée du sorcier blanc, en un clin d’œil, tout a changé. La discipline est revenue. Les joueurs ont recommencé à être ponctuel et ils venaient en costumes et cravates avant les matchs. En fin de compte, l’équipe a recommencé à gagner.

Tout cela pour vous dire comment la discipline est importante en football. Sans la discipline, vous n’allez jamais être un ‘clean player’ comme l’était à l’époque, Michel Platini, ce triple ballon d’or. Pour emboîter ses pas, Lionel Messi est un bon candidat.
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