Hong Kong School Drama Festival 2023/24

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學校名稱	:	觀塘官立小學(秀明道)
Name of School	:	KWUN TONG GOVERNMENT PRIMARY SCHOOL (SAU MING ROAD)
劇名 Name of Play	:	The Magic Finger
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故事大綱 Synopsis:

The cruel Gregg family LOVES animals – they love hunting and eating them. Susie decides to let them learn a lesson with her magic finger. She turns them into ducks! The family breaks into the house of the Duck family, who has just lost two members killed by the Gregg's. They sue the Gregg's for breaking in and murdering. In the courtroom, the animals find out the truth – they are the guilty humans. The family is sentenced to death! In the end, the Gregg family returns to the real world and become humans again. They learn to be empathetic and promise Susie they will never hurt animals anymore.

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Scene 1 (Classroom)

(Students are seated and the teacher stands off to the side, while Student 1 finishes their presentation.)

Student 1: And that is how, after months of searching and planning, I finally caught Charizard on Pokemon Go!

(Class erupts with applause and wows.)

- Teacher: Thank you very much for sharing your inspiring story with us. Now class we have one student left who is going to tell us something amazing that happened to them during the summer. Please Susie come to the front of the class.
- Susie: Thank you teacher and students. This summer something truly amazing happened to me. I found out that I have a magic finger.

(Class laughs)

- Teacher: Excuse me a magic what?
- Susie: Finger! A magic finger, see look!

(Susie pulls her hand out of her pocket brings it up into the air to show her finger to the class and the teacher and waves her finger in the air.)

Do You Believe in Magic Do you believe in magic in a young girl's heart? How the music can free her whenever it starts And it's magic if the music is groovy It makes you feel happy like an old-time movie I'll tell you about the magic, and it'll free your soul But it's like trying to tell a stranger 'bout a rock 'n' roll If you believe in magic, don't bother to choose If it's jug band music or rhythm and blues Just go and listen, it'll start with a smile That won't wipe off your face no matter how hard you try Your feet start tapping, and you can't seem to find How you got there, so just blow your mind

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Student 2:	What's so magical about it?		
Student 3:	Yeah it looks just like a normal finger to me.		
Susie:	Oh it might look like a normal finger to you, but it's not. It's a magic finger!		
Student 4:	If it's really a magic finger, prove it.		
Susie:	Fine I will. Any volunteers? How about you? Do you want to see what my magic finger		
	can do?		
(The students are reluctant to believe Susie but none of them want to volunteer to be a test subject.)			
Teacher:	Is there nobody in this class that is willing to be a volunteer?		
Students:	Noooooo.		
Teacher:	Are you telling me that you are all too scared of Susie's finger?		
Students:	Yessssss.		
Teacher:	Well okay then I guess I will have to be the volunteer.		
Students:	Hoorayyy!		
Teacher:	Susie I must warn you, I have no patience for little liars and I will tell you now, this story		
	you are about to tell sounds like a lie. Please don't be a stupid little girl and lie to me!		
Susie:	I'm not as stupid little girl; I'm a very nice little girl! And I most definitely am not a liar!		
(Susie sticks her finger in her teachers face.)			
Susie:	I must warn you sometimes I can't control my own magic finger.		
(Susie begins to waive her finger wildly. You can hear the sound of electrical charge being built up hey			
Susie has a harder and harder time holding back the power of her finger.)			
Teacher:	Now Susie what has gotten into I just can't believe this! You threatening me with your		
	finger that way is absolutely unacceptable!! Go and stand in the corner right now-		
(At this very moment Suzy appoints her finger at the teacher and the teacher is zapped with the energy and			
frozen in place.)			
Students:	Wooooooow.		
Susie:	See I told you.		
Student 1:	You froze the teacher!		
Susie:	Yes I did, didn't I? Look what else I can do.		

(Susie puts the frozen teacher into a silly pose. The students laugh and applaud until Susie raises her finger again and they fall immediately silent.)

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Susie: Now that I have your attention, where was I? Oh yes I was starting to tell you how I found out that I have a magic finger. (As she starts to tell the story, the students quietly move their desks away and start to set the scene) It happened about a month ago, I was just minding my own business when suddenly I saw my next-door neighbors; the Gregg family. 2023/24 香港學校戲劇節



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Scene 2 (Outside Susie's Neighborhood)

(The Greg family enters all carrying shotguns.) (Boasting) And that my boys, is how I killed the last Moose in Canada! Mr. Greg: And your father mounted its head on our wall for our anniversary! Isn't he so romantic? Mrs. Greg: Wow dad when I grow up I want to be just like you! Phillip: William: Yes maybe we can kill the last Lions in Africa! No way I'd rather take down the last African elephant. Phillip: William: A Giraffe would be even better! Slow down boys! Let's start small. How about we look for some ducks! Mr. Greg: I can cook roast duck tonight!! It will be simply amazing. Mrs. Greq: Well I think it's absolutely terrible! Hunting poor defenseless animals is simply brutish. Susie: Who do you think you are? Mrs. Greg: Phillip: Oh look it's stupid Susie. Yeah go away stupid Susie nobody's talking to you anyway! William: Listen here little girl; you do best to mind your own business, why don't you go inside and Mr. Greq: play with your little dolls? Don't make me go and tell your parents that you've been mouthing off to us. Mrs. Greq: (The Greg family chants and taunts Susie until she gets very frustrated and suddenly we hear the sound of her finger being charged up again. She finally points it at each of them zapping the Greg family. They freeze for just a moment and then suddenly snap out of it.) What was that??!! Mr. Greg: Phillip: It was her finger Daddy! She shot us with her finger!! She's a witch! William: Susie: I'm not a witch! I just happen to have a magic finger. (The Greg family looks at Susie and then each other before bursting into laughter as they walk away.)

Susie: (To Audience) Did you see that? They think I'm joking but wait and see. The Greg family is about to learn a lesson.