

My Favourite Novel : A STREET CAT NAMED BOB

Good morning, Principal, Vice-Principals, Teachers and Schoolmates,

Happy New Year 2018.

I am Chong Tsz Fan from S6B. Today I would like to share one of my favourite English novels with you. The novel is called A STREET CAT NAMED BOB. James Bowen is a homeless man and former drug addict, living on the streets of London. With a social worker's help, James is given a council flat to live in so that he does not need to sleep on the street anymore. On his first night in the flat, James discovers injured cat rifling through his food. Even though James is still receiving treatment for his addiction, he decides to take the cat to a local vet and to look after him. In the clinic, James names the cat "Bob" and spends all his savings on Bob's treatment.

Afterwards, James tries to set Bob free because he doesn't want to see Bob go hungry with him. However, Bob keeps following James into town every day, and stays with James while he is busking on the street. James decides to keep Bob, and this clever, cute cat also draws larger crowds of people to James' performances. James is very surprised that Bob's is such an attraction and videos them as James busks spread rapidly on the Internet. Bob and James treat each other as family members and they transform each other's lives. At the end of book, James successfully quits drug and his stories are written in a book.

There is a striking phrase in the book: "Everyone gets a second chance, but not everyone manages to take it." It seems all of us have chances and possibilities to start new lives. No matter what happens in your life, think about your family and friends. I believe all of you can be brave like James and stay strong for the future. Remember; always feel grateful to your companions.