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**TAI PO SAM YUK SECONDARY SCHOOL**  
**18<sup>th</sup> WRITING COMPETITION, 2022**  
**PRIMARY 6 -- ENGLISH**

Dear Jackie,

How are you? Have you been doing well in California since I last saw you? I heard from the last letter you sent that you were curious on how I felt ~~about~~ wearing a mask to school.

I think wearing a mask to school is a significant change we all had to go through. To prevent the spread of diseases, especially ~~Covid-19~~, my school needs to wear a mask and put a clear shield around our desks, we can't even do group projects anymore! I can only see my classmates' and teachers' forehead and eyes, not the lower half of their face, so I don't know how they exactly look like, it's almost uncanny to think about. In summer, it is so hot ~~that~~ that we have to turn on both the air-condition and the fans, which is such a waste of ~~electricity~~ electricity! On top of that, we still need to have Physical Education lessons. The mask makes it so hard to breathe, and our sweat makes the mask stick to our face, it's so uncomfortable!

Because we have to have a mask on at all times, we can't eat lunch at school. Schools are cut short to about one p.m., so it's likely that all students starve during the last few lessons. We also need to use a buttload of hand sanitizer, causing our hands to be really dry everyday. I <sup>absolutely</sup> hate wearing a mask, but

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I know it's for our own good. How about in California? Do you need to wear a mask at school?

Speaking of masks, I just joined a mask designing competition held by my school. The winner even gets a pack of masks printed with their design, for free! The competition is open for anyone, and it's still accepting designs. I know how much you enjoy digital art, so I think this competition is perfect for you! Here, I will send the template in the attachment below.

I hope Covid-19 doesn't affect your life much. Be careful and take care of yourself, and remember to put a mask on to protect yourself and others, even if it's not the most comfortable. Please reply soon and stay healthy!

Best wishes,

cousin Sam