My Tokyo Journal

Who am I?

Hi! My name is Santoshi Pisupati! I am studying 4th grade in Oakridge International School. This is my Tokyo travel journal. In this, you will see all the things I have done during my trip to Japan. I went to Tokyo for my 9th birthday, which is on Dec 1st: Today is 25th November, and tomorrow I need to catch a plane. So, see you over there!



Flights

Today is 26th November. Before coming to Japan, my dad said that we would have to go to Hong Kong, and from there we would go to Tokyo. We have been to Hong Kong before for my 8th Birthday, but I admit I forgot some details. So we packed our bags for the trip and went to Rajiv Gandhi International Airport, Hyderabad. We are travelling in Cathay



Pacific Airlines, so we checked our bags in at the Cathay Pacific counter and went for immigration as it's an international travel. When it was time for the security screening, which btw I am very excited about, we all put our bags into a tray. At 2:00 AM India time, we boarded our flight. We reached Hong Kong at 6:15 AM Hong Kong time. Hong Kong airport is basically an airport on a man-made island, so wonderful. In the airport we met a guy who was from Canada and he was in the Business Class and so he went before us. Mommy was talking with him and he mentioned that Shanghai has 20 million population and is fully crowded. After completing the immigration in Hong Kong, Daddy took us out of the airport as our flight to Tokyo was not until 1 AM Hong Kong time, so we needed to do something. Hong Kong time is two and half hours ahead of India time.

Hong Kong Activities

Today is 27th November, and Daddy said we were gonna visit the Lantau Buddha statue. It was pretty far though, so

we went by a gondola. I was a bit scared at first, but later I got over it. I really have to tell you the minor stuff. When we got to land (Finally), there were like so many shops! Of course we took lots of pictures, and we also bought lots of gifts for Tatayya, my grandfather. A few hours later, everyone started to climb the stairs to see the Buddha



statue. There were like, 12 flights of stairs! Then everyone started to leave. We went back to the airport. In there, we got tickets for the Tokyo flight. I also played around in the airport escalators. At 1:00 AM Hong Kong time, we started to board the flight. I was watching Ariel movie in the flight but Mommy and Daddy were snoring away! We reached Tokyo Narita Airport by 6:00 AM Japan Time.



At Tokyo

Today is 28th November, otherwise known as our first day in Japan. :When we got to the Narita airport, we waited until 7:55 AM. That was when we boarded the bus. It dropped a lot of people on the way, but finally it came to our hotel, Westin Tokyo. We got a room on the twentieth floor. Awesome view! We winded down for some time, then Mommy had to go to work so me and Daddy were on our own. I watched TV and took a bath. By that time it was 8:45 PM, and Mommy still hasn't come back. At 9:00 PM, she



finally came. It seemed that Mommy met some colleagues in Japan, who work in the same company that she does, Vistara, only they call it VistaNet in Japan. They invited all of us for



dinner. But me and Daddy could not make it as my tummy was not feeling very well. There was practically no vegetarian food in Japan. Looks like in Japan it's mostly meat. We had to go to Burger King for Dinner and ask for a burger with no meat on it. When we were done eating we came back to the hotel. Mommy showed us some cool pictures of her colleagues. Then we slept.

Stuff at Mount Fuji!

We woke up this morning, on 29th November, and got ready. Then we took a bus to go to Hakone. It was a very long way. There was a tour guide named Mai and she explained everything like the place Roppongi. After sometime, it was time for lunch. We got energized post lunch and were ready to go to Mt. Fuji. We saw it and it was very foggy, but we got down for five minutes, and it was freezing cold! Very big Snowy Mountain. Later we got back into the bus. The bus dropped us off at a square mall, the name was Yebisu Garden Place. We ate dinner at a Thai restaurant, then came back to our room and slept.



Aloha, Disneyland!

Today is 30th November. We got up this morning and went to the buffet. The food was so yummy! Then we took the elevator and came back to our room. We all took baths, and I got a bubble one! I also got to wear a nice bathrobe and a really cute outfit!

We then packed our bags, went downstairs and checked out of Westin Tokyo Hotel. Then we went to The JR Maihama station. We went through so many trees, trains and shops, but finally we came to our hotel: The Hilton. We got a room on the 4th floor. Ours was a magic room, so it had this key and when you put the key into the keyhole, another





white keyhole turns green! It was truly a magical room! Later, we went to a subway and caught the Mickey Mouse train which led us to Ikspiari Square mall. We ate French fries and a doughnut, plus Daddy drank some coffee. After eating, again we took the Mickey Mouse train to Bayside station. Then we walked to the hotel. All of us chillaxed for a while, watched TV, ordered room service Dinner and I read my diary to Mommy. Then the three of us got into our comfy beds and slept. I am so excited for tomorrow. It's my birthday! :





Disney Park!

Today's my birthday, 1st of December! First, we got ready and I wore my Minnie mouse dress and all Disney gear along with the pink sparkly shoes. Then we took the Mickey Mouse train to go to Tokyo Disneyland Station. We got our tickets and got a picture with Donald and Daisy. All three of us then went on so many rides, and one of them was this space roller coaster and another one was this car race. I got to drive the car, try chocolate popcorn and I even drew a picture of Rapunzel from the movie 'Tangled'. Then we came to the exit as it was already 6:00 PM, and I talked and got a photo with Sleeping Beauty. It seemed that Sleeping beauty got to eat a lot of food, just like me! We took the road to the train station, but the Mickey Mouse train had just left, so we had to wait for another one to come. We got off at Resort gateway station and ate pizza with spinach in it, and we again took the train to go to Bayside station. We walked to our hotel, came to our room, Mommy and Daddy watched TV and I started writing in my diary. Then later Mommy asked me for a Coke, so I went to the vending machine and got her one. After an awesome birthday, we all slept.





Bonjour- DisneySea!

Today is 2nd December. We woke up this morning and got ready. I wore a nice, red dress. Then we took the Mickey Mouse train to go to DisneySea station. First, we got our tickets and a picture with Donald Duck. Later the three of us got into a castle in which we drank hot cocoa. Then we went to this roller coaster ride called Journey to the Center of the Earth, which turned out to be some lame roller coaster ride with weird creatures. We also went for a boat ride, which I'm guessing Mommy didn't enjoy much. Later we walked around the park for some time and ate French fries for lunch. We then went on Aladdin's carousel and I sat on an elephant. Finally I got what I wanted: A picture with Ariel. By that time it was evening and a light magic show was supposed to start in 15 minutes, so we all went to the place where it was taking action. The show was about Mickey Mouse using his imagination to create so many adventures with water, but it was pretty boring to me, so I just watched, and from time to

time I fell asleep. Then we went to the train station. We took the Mickey Mouse train back to Bayside station. We then got into the cruiser, it's a bus, came to Hilton hotel, but before that went and ate something for dinner. After we got to the hotel, we came to our room and slept.

Kyoto trip!

Today is the 3rd of December. We woke up this morning and got ready for breakfast. I ate pancakes and Daddy drank coffee, plus Mommy had some nice, good tea. Then we got in the cruiser and went to the JR Maihama station. All three of us got Suica cards and we then just walked around, had pizza for lunch. Then we all came to the waiting room where you sit until your train arrives. I played a lot in the waiting room. Me and Mommy went upstairs and saw a real bullet train! She took a picture, then we both came back. Now we are waiting for the bullet train to arrive. When we boarded the train, we found out that Japanese people





call a Super Nozomi Express (otherwise known as a bullet train), a 'shinkansen'. On the train I ate a box of Pringles. In 3 hrs, we finally came to Kyoto. The three of us came to our hotel, New Miyako. Later we came to our room, which was on the fourth floor. Then we ate dinner and slept.



Tours of Kyoto!

Today is the 4th of December. We woke up this morning and got ready for the Sunrise morning tours of Kyoto, like it says on the heading. We went to our groups and got into a bus. Just like last time on the Mt. Fuji tour, this time there was a tour guide. First we came to a Shogun's house. Next a temple, an imperial palace, we went to so many places! Finally we stopped at a restaurant to eat, but it was average. There were noodles





and French fries and soup plus some other wacky stuff. Then the three of us came back to New Miyako hotel. We relaxed for a while, then went to a shop across our hotel. At the shop Mommy bought an umbrella and some other stuff like a Disney 2015 princess calendar for me! Then we came back to our hotel, had some nice good food and we all slept.



Back to Tokyo

Today is 5th December. We got ready this morning and took a shuttle bus to go the Kyoto train station. We then took the bullet train to go back to Tokyo, arrived at the Tokyo Central Station and kept our bags in a locker. All three of us got tickets for the local train to go to Akhibara the electric city of Tokyo. We searched for a robot. But we couldn't find a robot, so we explored a little more, mommy bought a head phone set then we came back to Tokyo station. But we could not remember where the lockers were, so we spent 30 minutes looking. On the way, we stopped at McDonald's. Finally we found our locker, and we took the Narita Express to go to the Airport Terminal 2. We took a shuttle bus to go to a hotel called the Hilton Tokyo Narita hotel, for the night. We ordered some nice Indian food and slept.









Last day

Today is the 6th of December, otherwise known as the final day of our

trip. We got ready this morning and took a shuttle bus to go to the Tokyo Narita Airport. Our flight to Hong Kong was at 10:30 AM, so we caught it. We reached Hong Kong by 3:00 PM Hong Time. We got into Terminal 1 and I made my own airport with some blocks. I had so much fun making my own airport. Later I drank this awesome cocoa, Daddy drank some soup and me and Mommy shared a sandwich. Our flight back to India was supposed to be at 9:30 PM, but it got delayed by 2 hrs due to a storm





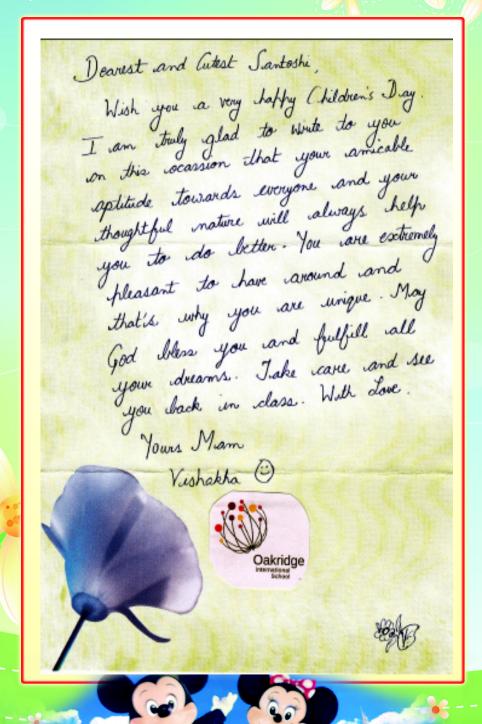
in the Philippines, so we had to wait for more time. I had to make my own block airport again because someone spoilt it. There I met a boy called Rajesh who was two years old. Finally they announced boarding at Gate 3, so we went to Gate three, boarded our flight and at 3:00 AM India Time, reached Rajiv Gandhi International airport. It's the 7thof December today. First we did security check and immigration. Then as we were going out, a man asked us where do you want to go, and Daddy told him, 'Medhipatnam'. Luckily there was a taxi for Medhipatnam, so we hopped in and sat. Me and Mommy sat in the back, and Daddy sat in the front in the taxi. As we reached our house, we got out of the taxi, said thank you to the driver, got into our house and slept. It was a fantastic trip!













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Santoshi is a caring, diligent, and sociable student who excels academically in all areas. She is well-liked by both her peers and teachers. Santoshi welcomes the opportunity to be a classroom helper and is willing to help her peers reach success.

Santoshi reads above grade level and enjoys any moment in the day where she can pick up a book. She pays close attention to the plot of the story, and as a result, has a high comprehension level. She looks to increase her vocabulary by utilizing our technology and dictionaries. In regards to her writing ability, Santoshi uses proper conventions and enjoys writing her own stories which include many details.

Santoshi is consistently reaching our math and science goals for her. She is a hard working student who strives to do her best on all assignments with great accuracy and neatness. Her computational skills in addition and subtraction are impressive as she is able to solve story problems well. She exceeds grade level expectations with her knowledge of multiplication. In science, she is enthusiastic about the subject matter, is eager to participate in class discussions, and produces quality work. Her enthusiasm for learning is evident in her positive attitude, attention to detail, and consistent effort each day. Santoshi is delightful to have in class and is a great example for her peers. Santoshi would make a wonderful addition to your classroom and we recommend her with our highest regards.

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