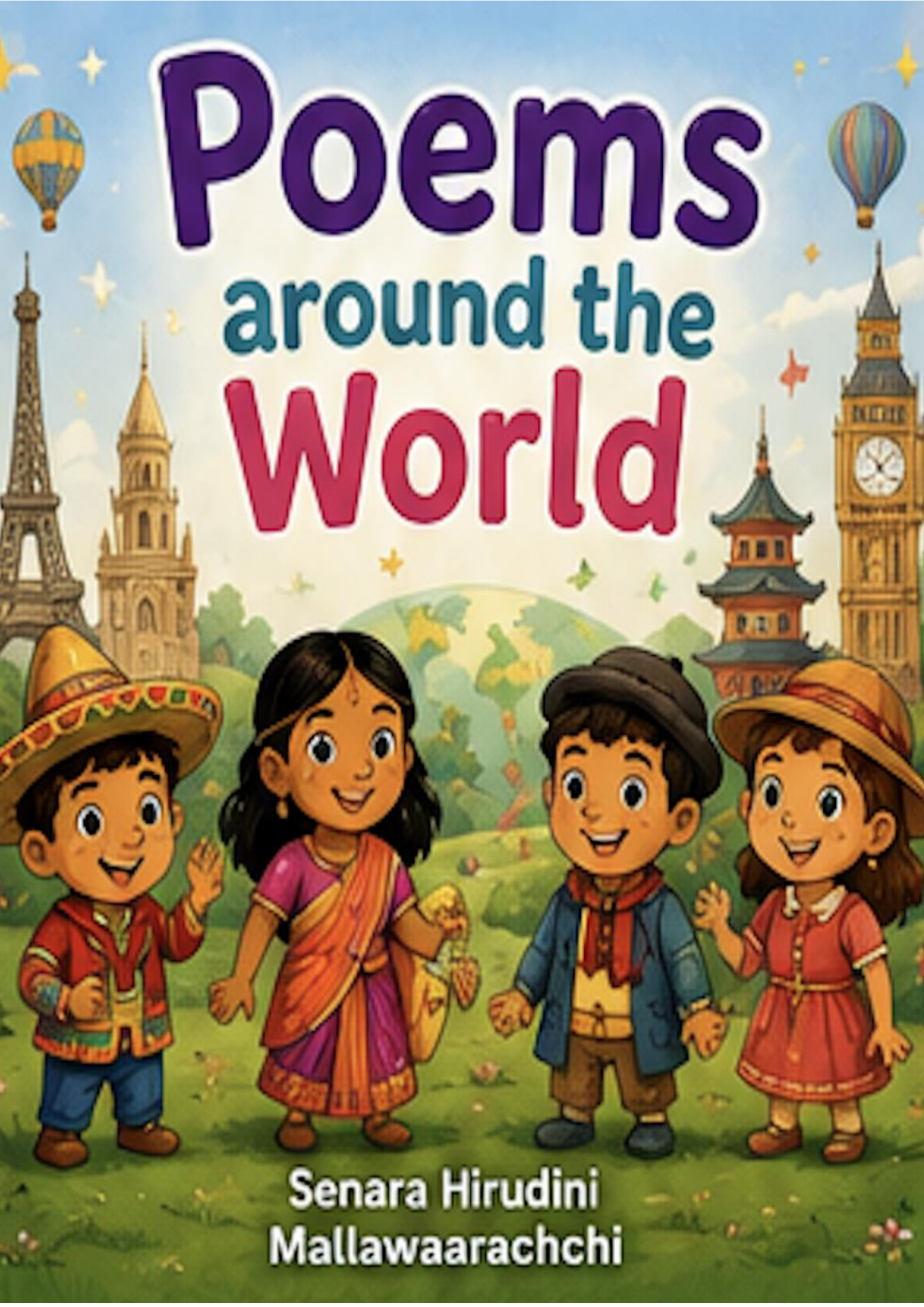


The book cover features a vibrant, cartoon-style illustration of four children standing on a green field. From left to right: a boy in a red jacket and a large sombrero, a girl in a purple and orange sari, a boy in a blue jacket and a brown hat, and a girl in a red dress and a straw hat. In the background, there are stylized representations of the Eiffel Tower, a Gothic church spire, a traditional Chinese pagoda, and Big Ben. Two hot air balloons are floating in the sky, and a globe is visible behind the children. The title 'Poems around the World' is written in large, colorful letters at the top.

Poems around the World

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Author's Other Publications

1. Fish All Around Us
2. Fly High Little Birdy
3. Animal Information
4. Natural Disasters
5. Water's Journey
6. Solar System Poem Wisdom
7. Poems Around the World
8. Mary and Sungold Catch Criminals
9. Bamboozle Mystery
10. Talking Guitar
11. A Search for Blue Whales
12. Harry and Jen
13. Lucy's Pet
14. The Amazing Child

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Foreword

In an increasingly complex global future, the "Hemamala Upahara" book project, led by Mahamaya Girls' College, stands as a turning point in girls' education. Over a decade, it has successfully nurtured thousands of children to become young authors.

This year, by collaborating with other schools, we aimed to provide students with a wealth of new experiences. The goal was to develop multi-faceted skills, including communication, values, and creative growth. As a result, children have written books that pay tribute to Princess Hemamala, who brought the Sacred Tooth Relic—the supreme symbol of the Buddhist world—to the Hill Country (Kandy).

I extend my gratitude to everyone involved, including the students who contributed their creativity and the teachers who guided them.

Shashikala Senadhira

Principal

Mahamaya Girls' College

Congratulatory Message

It is a great honor for me, as the Governor of the Central Province, to send a congratulatory message for the launch of the books created through the Hemamala Tribute Book Creation Project initiated by Mahamaya Girls' College, Kandy.

Education is the fundamental foundation for the progress of society, and it is further strengthened through books and literary creations. It is clearly commendable that students' talents, creativity, and intellectual abilities are emerging through projects such as this.

I believe that this book creation project will provide valuable knowledge and a precious literary contribution not only to the students but to the entire society. Furthermore, I hope that through such efforts, future writers who will bring pride to Sri Lanka will emerge.

I extend my heartfelt appreciation and blessings to the Principal, the academic staff, the students, and everyone involved who dedicated themselves to this successful endeavor. I wish this project and the book launch ceremony great success.

Sarath B.S. Abeykoon

Governor, Central Province

Emeritus Professor, University of Peradeniya

2026-05-10

Congratulatory Message

I highly appreciate the noble and outstanding effort of the Principal and the academic staff of Mahamaya Girls' College, Kandy, the student daughters, the students of other participating schools, and everyone who dedicated themselves to plan and implement this book publication project. The project was organized under the leadership of Mahamaya Girls' College, Kandy, with the participation of other schools in the Kandy Zone, with the aim of encouraging children toward book creation within the current school system, as a tribute to Hemamala Kumariya who brought the Sacred Tooth Relic to Sri Lanka.

For several decades, Sri Lanka has been committed to providing free, compulsory, quality, and equitable education to all children, thereby producing a future generation of intelligent and skilled citizens. In such a context, this book creation program for school children helps develop creative ability, critical thinking, and other positive qualities for a balanced and well-rounded personality, and contributes to building a future knowledge-based society.

May all activities of the Hemamala Tribute Book Creation Project be successful through the blessings of the Sacred Tooth Relic.

Pradeep Nilanga Dela

Diyawadana Nilame,

Sri Dalada Maligawa.

2026.05.10.

Ladybird

Red, orange or yellow

With many black dots

Don't say hello

You can find them in many spots

Crawling all around

Walking on leaves

Look what I found

A ladybird on a tree

Bee

One of the best little insects

With a very sharp sting

It hardly ever rests

It's a great little thing

Working together

I'm sure is it's motto

Flying quickly to a flower

What an active young fellow

Butterfly

Flying from one flower to another

Look at these little creatures go

Drinking some nectar

And helping flowers more

As light as a feather

As smooth as one too

Butterfly do remember

You are great too

Ants

Black, red and brown

Ants are all around

Even in the town

Ants are always found

Going in a straight line

Sharing water and food

Making team spirit shine

Ants are always good

Mosquito

Black and white

Girls and boys

In the light outside in the light

I see a boy

Boys suck from leaves

Girls drink blood

Mosquitos always breed

When there's water all around and a flood

Moths

There are daytime moths

Even nighttime ones

They're like butterflies a lot

Know the difference everyone

Wasps

They're a bit like bees

But bigger than them

They live on trees

They're not at all lame

They have sharp stings

It can be very poisonous indeed

They have lovely little wings

They always have a leader to lead

Grasshopper

Green like grass

Hopping about

Looking at stars

Grasshoppers are about

They can easily hide

In the grass that's green

They live world wide

And isn't at all mean

Cockroaches

There they're a bit of red

And a bit orange

They have six legs

And have a lovely image

Even though so

People hate them.

Why, I don't know

Cause, they're creatures us well

Insects

Insects have six legs

Some have antennae as well

They're tiny not at all big

They're very interesting I can tell

A mind full of poems

By: Senara Hirudini Mallawaarachchi

Hippos

What's that I see

I just got a glimpse

Behind that tree

It's an animal that swims

Covered in muddy water

It's smooth grealy skin

Going nearby was a porter

And each other like their twin

Giant grey hippos

Each of them looks the same

They kept staring at me always

And how did they get their name

Best school ever day

I was going to my school

I knew that today was the best day

I didn't break any rule

I was good as gold anyway

It was the most exciting

With some English competitions

Did I win or not I'm thinking wondering

I'm very very nervous

Fruits

Bananas and Pineapples

They're yellow in colour

Mangoes and Oranges

They're orange in colour

Fruits are very healthy

They keep us safe and sound

It doesn't matter being wealthy

In you healthiness must be found

The toad

I was walking along the road
With my parents clever and kind
That's when I spotted a toad
A frog or toad it's hard to find
leapt across the road
when It glimpsed a lovely pond
With a gigantic splash the toad
Plunged into the pond
it was fond

My mother

She's kind and clever

She cooks the most delicious food

She helps me get better

And she's very very good

She gives me advice

She's a recognized leader

She's always wise

The best mum ever

My father

He's great and kind

He's got the best brains ever

A fault I can't find

The best dad ever

In a situation of trouble

He always takes the lead

Everyday he's humble

He's there time of need

The tree

Strong and tall

The little tree grows

If it's weak it might fall

It might even stand who knows

Let's water the tree

Let's put compost to it

It's growing let's see

I've never seen such a

tree that's fit

What?

I saw something which past me

Like a quick gush of

wind near the sea

I went out to look and see

Who this mysterious being could be

Again it went in

front of me

But this time like a red light

I think I know

who this is going to be

A ladybird flying

at midnight

Sweets

Chocolates, toffees and ice creams

It makes our mouths water

Chocolate fountains and streams

Do you want one from the porter

Does the porter sell them

Only today, for his birthday

A happy birthday from me to him

Have a smashing day

Afterword



With the approval of the Ministry of Education, this research-based project has empowered thousands of student authors for over ten years. Educationists recognize it as a program that significantly enhances the quality of school education.

In alignment with modern educational reforms, encouraging students to author a research work is a milestone in this journey. In this digital age of "Smart" technology, the modern school must demonstrate through research that books and technology should be used together. This is because the unique joy a child receives from a book cannot be replaced by anything else.

To prevent children from drifting away from books—which remain our primary educational tool and storehouse of human knowledge—Mahamaya Girls' College has spearheaded the "Hemamala Upahara" project for many years. Its primary objectives are to foster academic discipline, promote values, and pay tribute to Princess Hemamala, who fulfilled a historic mission to empower women.

We express our gratitude to the Principal, teachers, parents, alumni of Mahamaya Girls' College, representatives of other schools, the Diyawadana Nilame, and the staff of the Sri Dalada Maligawa (Temple of the Sacred Tooth Relic) for their support.

Seneviratne Mahalekam

(Project Creator)

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