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# **BLESSED SACRAMENT** QUARTERLY

# **SCHOOL FAMILIES**

This year Blessed Sacrament has added a new program called school families. It is where one or a few students from each grade go into a group with a teacher at least once a month. In these families, the students do fun activities relevant to what the school learned about in the assembly. These families' purpose is to get students in all grades to get to know each other.

Last month, families ate lunch together and played Thanksgiving BINGO. For December, families will be getting together to make Christmas ornaments.

Article by Charlie Mattern

#### WHAT'S NEW IN 8TH GRADE

This year's 8th grade class has gotten a new classmate! Rose joined the class at the beginning of the year and her classmates are happy to have her here. I asked everyone in the class what they liked about school and every single one of them said their friends. I also asked each of them if they liked the two new junior high teachers this year. Their reply was all yes.

**ISSUE 2** 

Mrs. Mahler's school family enjoying a Thanksgiving meal together!

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Article by Sam Gak

# **STUDENT SPOTLIGHTS**

There are so many great students at Blessed Sacrament, but for this issue, we chose to focus on three in particular.



Meet Magdelena. Magdelena Quinones is a 1st grader, she won the most positive office referrals for quarter 1. She is kind, responsible, and nurturing. If someone gets hurt Magdelena is the one to see if they are okay. Her teacher, Mrs. Jochum, said that if her classmates are fighting, she is the one to break up the argument. Magdelena enjoys reading and art. At recess, she likes to play on the monkey bars and the slide. Magdelena is a positive role model, and a great leader in her school.

Article by Claire Danner

#### Article by Sara Diedrichsen

Meet Chelsea. Chelsea Tran is in the eighth grade. She is really funny and nice. She is 13 right now and will turn 14 in December. She has one brother in the sixth grade. Her favorite thing to do with her brother is joke around with him. She played on the volleyball team and enjoys playing it at recess. She does not play any other sports. When she grows up, she wants to be a lawyer. For Christmas she is going to go to Christmas Mass at midnight. She will open presents in the morning and eat a lot of food. She hopes she gets the iPhone 13 in pink for Christmas.





Meet Zach. Zach Lehr is 13 years old and he's turning 14 on December 28th! He has two older siblings that are in college now. He likes to play basketball at recess with his friends and he plays basketball for our school Blessed Sacrament! When Zach grows up, he wants to work at a fancy restaurant. I asked him would he rather own a snake or a lizard as a pet and he said he would rather have a lizard and I would agree. He doesn't only play basketball, but he also plays baseball . For the last question I asked him what his favorite movie was and he went with "Spiderman", I guess it is a pretty good movie.

Article by Chelsea Tran

### **SPORTS & CLUBS**

### BASKETBALL

One of the sports offered right now is boys' basketball. The team is coached by Jason Lehr, Zach's dad. The team consists of eight players, and they practiced every week on Mondays and Wednesdays. We interviewed Zach about basketball. We asked him what his jersey number is. He answered seven. We asked him how far he wants to go with basketball. He answered until high school. We asked him what his favorite position was. He answered the point guard. The team finished off the season with 4 wins and 4 losses.





### ARCHERY

Another sport offered is archery. The archery team is coached by Mark Stoley. They practice on Wednesdays and Thursdays. We interviewed Xavier about archery. We asked him what his favorite distance to shoot from was. He answered ten meters. We asked him if he uses a right- or lefthanded bow. He answered right-handed. We asked him what his favorite part of archery is. He answered shooting arrows.

Articles by Natalie Meysenburg and Reese Taylor

## 4H CLUB

4H is a club for ages 5-18. They do different projects in different areas. They are a community service team build. They meet every first and third Tuesday of each month. There are about 30 members in the club. We interviewed a member in 4H named Natalie Meysenburg. We asked her what you do in 4H. She said that they learn about fair projects and nature. We also asked her what her favorite part was of 4H. She said she likes doing projects. The last thing we asked her was would she recommend joining. She said yes that you would have fun.

Article by Nestor Mendoza and Xavier Tinsley



4H Officers (left to right): Pledge Leader: Kendal Danner, President: Claire Danner, Secretary: Michael Eronmwon, Vice President, Natalie Meysenburg, and Treasurer: Lucy Stegman

### **POLL ON THE PLAYGROUNDS**

We asked several students which playground they preferred and why. Out of the 50 students that we asked, almost half said they preferred the basketball court. 18 students said the new playground, 7 said the old, and 2 said they prefer playing 4-square.

Some of the kids like the new playground more because it has more slides than the old playground. They also said that they liked the rock-climbing area because they like to do obstacle courses on it.

For the old playground this is what a few of the students thought of it. The old playground has monkey bars, and the other ones don't. It also has a zipline and more stuff and room to play on.

Then for the basketball court they liked it because you can shoot hoops and play other basketball games. Some of them also like to use the space by it to play kickball and other games.

Article by Jearlyn Cazun Avila and Angelyna Huerta.



