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MAKE YOUR MARK

By: Arwen Dy Buco

On August 8th, 2023, AcaciaWood once again opened its gates, ushering in this new school year! Students and faculty were greeted with an Olympic-themed photo booth and Back-to-School gifts of sports ball fidget spinners and erasers, prepared by ASC. This pleasant welcome to the new year was the first of many exciting events in store for us all. As this school year unfolds, the AcaciaWood community can't wait to see you to push past your limits, work hard, and make your mark on the community!



JOINING THE NEST

AcaciaWood would like to welcome our new staff and students!

1st: Chrysa Bernier, Briella Blatz, Joseph Byassee, Misha Favorsky, Michaiah Hale, Amory Li, Athena Mangune, Hannah Marks, Ezekiel Medina, Isabella Mora, Camille Perez, and Living Tran

3rd: Ashley Lou

4th: Nancy Wu, the new 4th grade and elementary PE teacher!

5th: Itzel Concha and Emma Evans

6th: Sienna Concha, Chris Kim, Ben Marks, and Joshua Rodriguez

7th: Musa Azeem, Ariel Gomez, AriaHna Hanan, Kyrie Valdez, and Viera Wang

8th: Kiara Mora and Kaia Yang

9th: Nebi Ermias, Naod Kibrom, and River Wang

10th: Elijah Medina and David Polezhaev

11th: Sam Berhe, Timothy Lee, David Prim, and Jay Yang

This year's student body breaks our record for the number of students enrolled in one year at 130! The AWP family happily embraces these new eagles with open arms, and we can't wait to see what the year holds for them!

LET THE GAMES BEGIN

By: Sarah Bolton



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ASC has laid the foundation for this year's overall theme: The Olympic Games! Through utilizing many of our classic events like Family Fun Night and Spirit Week, the Olympic Games will provide plenty of opportunities to earn points and medals for your class. Through many games and competitions, make sure to give it your all in order to qualify for either the gold, silver, or bronze prizes at the end-of-semester Medaling Ceremony. ASC can't wait to reveal what's in store for our future champions—but for now, you'll just have to wait and see...



HUSTLE, HIT, NEVER QUIT!

By: Silvia Aramburo, Crystal Lai, Zoe Lee



The Lady Eagles have officially kicked off their 2023 volleyball season! With the guidance of Coach Rosario, the Lady Eagles have high aspirations for the coming season and hope to exceed the last two years of successes of two straight league championships that have seen

their seasons end in first round losses in the CIF playoffs. So far, the Eagles have already made the CIF preseason watch list for their division. Although their season began with a tough 3-0 loss against the Samueli Academy Firewolves, the Lady Eagles quickly regained their confidence in their own 3-0 sweep the next day against Anaheim High School. The Lady Eagles then trekked up to Big Bear where they earned 3rd place out of 8 So Cal teams in the Big Bear Tournament, only losing to one team and sweeping their rival for 3rd place 2-0. Most recently, the Ladies beat Marshall Fundamental Academy in a close win on Monday, August 28th, losing the 2nd and 3rd sets but coming out victorious in the 4th and 5th, winning by a mere 2 points. Based on this promising beginning, the Lady Eagles hope to continue to rise as they fight towards League Champions. A big shoutout to our starters Rebekah Rosario, Sarah Bolton, Lianna Alvarez-Sager, Silvia Aramburo, Alethea Fong, Anamaria Viana, and Crystal Lai along with the entire 17-player team. Congratulations to the JV team as well for beating Samueli JV 2-1 in their first game! Let's come out and cheer our Ladies on as they pursue a third straight league championship!



TEACHER TESTIMONY: COACH SUSANNA

By: Emmanuel Quinones, Lianna Alvarez-Sager



Q: How long have you been coaching?

A: I have been coaching since 2020, the year of the pandemic.

Q: How do you feel about your players?

A: I feel that I have the best group of players that a coach can ask for. It starts with their love for volleyball, their willingness to improve as players and to work as a team. They are amazing and I see so much potential in them.



Q: What is one thing you have learned from coaching?

A: The biggest lesson that I have learned from coaching is that I can't do it alone. For the team to be successful, we need the positive attitude of the players, support of the parents, the help of the assistant coaches, the cheering fans and the support of the school.

Q: What is some advice you would give to student athletes?

A: I would advise the students to manage their time and focus on finishing their homework before practices and games. In student athlete the student comes first and then athlete so it's important to prioritize your studies.

Q: What are your goals for your team this year?

A: Take all that you have and will learn in volleyball and apply it to your life. Things like, pushing yourself past any mental roadblocks. Working and playing your best even under pressure and rising to the challenge. Putting in the extra work to improve your game while outside of practice when others take it easy. The effort you put in is the results that you reap.



SENIOR SPOTLIGHT: VINCENT CHIANG

By: Anamaria Viana, Esther Jou



Q: What are your hobbies and extracurriculars?

A: My hobbies include basketball, piano, hanging out with all my bros, swimming, playing board games and cards. My extracurriculars are the Presidential Award, 1st team All-League in basketball last year, and volunteering at local food drives.

Q: Words of advice to younger students?

A: A word of advice that I would give the younger students is to not "be motivated" but rather "be disciplined". Reason being is because motivation is a fleeting impulse in the sense that you might only feel motivated for a few minutes or a few hours, but discipline is a life skill that lasts forever.

Q: What is your favorite memory from your years here?

A: My favorite memory since I've come here is making the playoffs for basketball because that represented a significant milestone in my basketball career. That playoff run served as my very first playoff experience.

Q: What are three words you would use to describe yourself?

A: Three words I would use to describe myself are accountable, confident, and sociable.

Q: What are your plans for the future (college acceptance, location, career, goals, etc)?

A: My plans for the future are to graduate from a UC school then hopefully go straight into medical school. After medical school, I plan to pursue a career as a doctor or a specialized surgeon.



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