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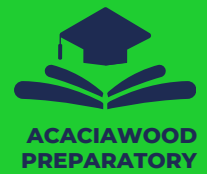


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SPRIT WEEK: COLOR DAY

By: Bethel Enriquez

On Tuesday, February 18, students and staff celebrated the first day of Spirit Week with a vibrant burst of colors for Color Day! Each grade was assigned a specific color and brought it to life with enthusiasm, personality, and creativity. From head-to-toe outfits to fun props and accessories, the school displayed a rainbow of colors.

First grade shone brightly in yellow, with students wearing Pikachu costumes and sunny shades. Second grade went all in on green, featuring everything from leprechaun leis to bright green hoodies. The third graders dressed in bold orange, showing off funky sunglasses. Fourth grade wore tan, with bandanas and fashionable hats. Fifth grade was clad in light blue, featuring hoodies, caps, and dodger



accessories. Sixth grade dressed in purple, with an impressive variety of hues. Seventh grade impressively was able to come all in white. Eighth grade gave off earthy tones in brown, mixing cozy sweaters and stripes. Ninth grade went soft and comfy with gray, many dressed in hoodies and sweatpants. Tenth grade mixed it up with red and plaid, rocking pajama bottoms. Eleventh grade wore shades of blues, complete with denim layers and navy hoodies. Finally, twelfth grade brought the drama with sleek black, classy wear and shades.

Color Day was a refreshing and spirited break from the usual uniforms, setting a fun and festive tone for the rest of Spirit Week. Each class brought their A-game and showed off their school spirit in the most colorful way possible!

SPIRIT WEEK: SPACE DAY

By: Max Luna and Naod Kibrom

One of the most memorable days during the spirit week was Space Day which took place on Wednesday, February 19. During Space Day, students were encouraged to wear space themed attire, matching the school's theme this year. Some prime examples of this attire were alien themed outfits, space themed shirts, Star Wars characters, and so much more. After the regular school day finished, all classes were brought out to the P.E. area in which we played a game of hot potato.



SPIRIT WEEK: RHYME WITHOUT REASON DAY

By: Henry Liu and Sherlock Li

Thursday, February 20, was Rhyme Without Reason Day. In a nutshell, two or more students pair up with each other wearing costumes that rhyme but otherwise didn't have much else in common. For example, cats and bats, referee and bumblebee, worker and teacher, and etc.



Tie Dye and Butterfly



Book, Cook, and Crook



Strawberry and Fairy

Our students' creativity was nothing short of impressive, as they roamed the halls in the most unexpected yet cleverly rhymed outfits. From princesses and fitnesses to wizards and lizards, the day was filled with laughter, photo opportunities, and school spirit. Rhyme Without Reason Day truly showcased the humor and originality of the student body, and it became one of the most memorable highlights of Spirit Week. Teachers and staff joined in on the fun too, making it a whole-school celebration of wordplay and whimsy. The buzz of excitement was felt from homeroom to lunch, with everyone eager to spot the next punny pair strutting down the hall.

SPIRIT WEEK: CULTURAL DAY

By: William Chiang and River Wang

On Friday, February 21, AcaciaWood wrapped up Spirit Week with Cultural Day, the week's final and most anticipated event. Each grade level was assigned a different country or culture to represent, and students came dressed in traditional clothing, national colors, or outfits inspired by that culture.

The Juniors and Seniors represented South Korea, with many students wearing hanboks or attire inspired by modern Korean fashion. Ninth and tenth graders represented the Middle Eastern culture, donning keffiyehs, abayas, and UAE-themed accessories. The Junior High students showcased Mexico, with vibrant embroidered tops, sombreros, and festive scarves. Fourth and fifth graders represented Brazil, with green and yellow outfits and Carnival-inspired elements. First through third graders focused on Italy, dressing in red, white, and green and incorporating symbols of Italian culture. Kindergarten students represented Spain, bringing flair with flamenco-inspired outfits and bullfighting-themed accessories. The school campus transformed into a colorful, international celebration of global traditions.

At lunch, the event expanded beyond clothing into a full cultural experience. Teachers, parents, and volunteers organized an international food fair, preparing and serving dishes from various regions of the world. Tables were decorated to reflect different cultures, and students had the opportunity to sample a wide variety of foods—ranging from Korean kimchi, to π , π , and more.

Cultural Day not only brought Spirit Week to a festive close, but also gave students a meaningful opportunity to learn about and appreciate different backgrounds and cuisines.



Brazil



Mexico



Italy



UAE



Spain



South Korea

Boys' Volleyball

By: Isaac Kim



The boys' volleyball season is underway at AcaciaWood, and the Eagles have kicked things off with energy, determination, and a whole lot of heart. Led by team captains Emmanuel Quinones, Jeremy Bautista, and William Chiang, the Eagles are showing early signs of a team with serious potential.

This year's roster is a blend of experienced upperclassmen and promising newcomers. Seniors Emmanuel Quinones and Jeremy Bautista bring leadership and consistency to the court, while junior captain William Chiang offers both skill and vision. Supporting them is a deep team that includes juniors Paul Lee, Isaac Kim, David Chiang, and Zachary Lee; sophomore River Wang; and freshmen Enoch Lai, Isai Quintana, and Daniel Lim. With such a young lineup, the Eagles are not only focused on this season but also building for the future.

February was a packed and exciting month for the team. The Eagles opened their league season with back-to-back 3-0 sweeps over Legacy College Prep and Nova Academy, setting a confident tone and putting AcaciaWood at 2-0 in league play. These wins highlighted the team's chemistry and strong fundamentals, especially impressive considering the youth of the squad.

The team then competed in the Liberty Christian Tournament, where they showed their grit and potential. AcaciaWood pulled off two solid wins against Liberty Christian and Calvary Chapel, both with 2-1 victories. In those games, standout performances included Paul Lee's strong serving, which put opposing teams on their heels, and the powerful hitting from Daniel Lim, Isai Quintana, Jeremy Bautista, and Emmanuel Quinones, each of whom consistently found ways to finish points and put pressure on their opponents. Though they fell short in the next three matches against Avalon, Trinity Classical Academy, and Southlands Christian, the Eagles walked away with valuable experience and a clearer picture of how to grow as a unit.

The team's growth is also fueled by the leadership of head coach James Kuan, who has been instrumental in helping the young squad develop both their individual skills and team cohesion. While the team may be young, they are already proving that they can compete with heart and hustle. With continued growth and dedication, the Eagles are poised to make a strong impact as the season continues.



SENIOR SPOTLIGHT: KARISSA LIM

By: Nebi Ermias



Q: What has been your favorite memory this year?

A: I have two precious memories from senior year. The first is the unforgettable senior trip to Japan. While we definitely struggled with navigating the train stations and lines, we also bonded as a class and blended with the saints in various cities. The second is the time spent playing board games with my classmates. Whether it was playing Secret Hitler during sixth period while waiting for the ASC meeting to start, or Mind and Mafia during lunch and homeroom, all these seemingly normal moments have truly made my senior year memorable and filled with laughter.



Q: What advice would you give to your younger self?

A: If I could speak to my younger self, I would tell her to relax a bit and enjoy high school more. You only get to go through it once, so make the most of your opportunities and have fun. Don't dwell too much on the past or worry too much about the future. It's important to set goals and dream big, but it's even more important to live in the present and make sure you have no regrets later on.



Q: If you could accomplish one goal before the end of your senior year or during the last summer before starting college, what would it be and why?

A: One of the main goals I want to achieve before the end of this summer is getting my driver's license. I haven't had much time to study for the permit test yet...so far, the only progress I've made is moving my DMV handbook from downstairs to my room upstairs.

Q: What excites you most and what frightens you most about finally graduating?

A: I'm excited about the next chapter of my life and all the new experiences that college will bring. While I can't wait to start this new adventure, I'm also a bit scared since the future is uncertain. But no matter what happens, I am looking forward to meeting new people, making more friends, and learning invaluable life skills.

SENIOR SPOTLIGHT: ALETHEA FONG

By: Andrea Villanueva



Q: How long have you attended AcaciaWood?

A: I've been at AcaciaWood since I was 4, when AcaciaWood used to have a preschool parent co-op.

Q: What are your plans after graduation, and how did high school influence those plans?

A: While I haven't set my college plans in stone, I'll most likely be going to UCI in a med-related field. High school has made me realize that although this might be difficult, if I apply myself I'll be able to push through it.



Q: What advice would you give to your younger self?

A: If I was to give advice to my younger self, especially my self in middle school or early high school, I'd tell myself to stop procrastinating and to just finish what needs to be done. I realize now that if I just applied myself consistently instead of flipping back and forth from being laid back to grinding out all my assignments that I could've made life a lot easier for myself.



Q: What is your favorite memory from your time in AcaciaWood?

A: My favorite memory from my time in AcaciaWood has to be going to Japan with my class for our senior trip. Being able to go to a new country and experience the culture and food there was amazing, and being able to do it with my friends was even better.

Q: How do you feel about graduating this May?

A: It feels very bittersweet, as I'll miss the people I've grown up with and the memories I have tied to this school. But I'm also excited to leave the bubble of AcaciaWood and see what I can do for myself.



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