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## NEW TEACHERS

### Miss Meyer

Miss Meyer is the newest addition to the English Department. Graduating from North Carolina State University with a Bachelor of Arts in English Literature and a minor in Spanish, she considers herself a fast learner and loves learning new things from people around her. This skill has helped her adapt and adjust to her new environment, cushioning the culture shock of moving to a new country. Miss Meyer previously worked in marketing at a fiber internet company for 5 years before sensing a calling for Indonesia. Feeling unfulfilled in her job, she concluded that Indonesia was the path God wanted her to take. Since she first arrived, Miss Meyer fell in love with teaching at Mountainview.

-Leo Cross



### Mr. Button

Mr. Button is our newest secondary science teacher for the 7th-9th grade classes. He is originally from Arkansas, United States where he started teaching middle school math and science in 2016 at Quest Academy. Mr. Button loves teaching and enjoys helping students grow both academically and spiritually. Eventually, he found his way to Indonesia, a place he appreciates for its diversity and its people who are friendly, forgiving, and helpful. Mr. Button expresses how Mountainview is accepting of diverse cultures. The students also push each other to grow in learning while still having fun. At school, Mr. Button enjoys drinking coffee while getting things done! At home, he wants to learn how to make Indonesian food. Each day, Mr. Button is adapting to Indonesian culture, and he enjoys teaching at Mountainview.

-Dhika Ananta



### Ms. Vera

Ms. Vera Manondang Damaiany Butarbutar is our newest math teacher. Ms. Vera earned a Bachelor's degree in Math and a Master's degree in Education from UKSW. She fluently speaks four languages: Bahasa Indonesia, English, Batak, Javanese, and a little bit of Korean. Urged by her close peers, Ms. Vera decided to teach at Mountainview. She felt at peace with her decision after time in prayer with God. When asked about her initial thoughts on Mountainview, she said, "People are so friendly here; they don't allow me to be drawn into confusion; rather, they check on me to see if I'm okay and make sure I'm always included in all of the school's activities." In this way, she believes that Mountainview is a special place because it is based on Christian values that other schools lack.

- Angel Tan



### Mr. Alik

Mr. Alik is a new staff member in the elementary science and math department. He enjoys teaching as he gets to learn about his students and prepare exciting lessons for them. He previously worked as a teacher in Tangerang, West Java for 14 years. However, he began to miss his children back in Salatiga and decided to return to his family. He realized that they needed a father figure in their life, so he applied to Mountainview. His first impression of Mountainview was that it was an exclusive community; however, he later realized Mountainview and its community resemble a family. Mr. Alik enjoys the beautiful sights on campus and the diversity seen in the students and staff.

- Alex Salim



# SECONDARY RETREAT

BY DAVID PARK

The Secondary Retreat of 2023 was a mix of enthusiasm and joy accompanied by heavy-heartedness. It was a time where laughter and excitement filled the halls, where new friendships were formed, and where burdens were lifted. During the two nights and three days of retreat, students bonded through a series of activities, such as small groups, team games, and worship sessions.

On the first day of the retreat, the secondary students were divided up into four teams: Purple, Yellow, Red, and Green. These teams competed with each other in various games and challenges to earn points. The various team games also enabled students from different grade levels to bond and learn more about each other. Each team played to the best of their ability; however, at the end of all the struggle, the Purple team was able to secure their win.



At the heart of the retreat were the amazing worship sessions. A guest speaker named Ric Sun flew in from the United States to preach the word of God. Personally, my favorite session was the last evening's worship session. During this time, the secondary team participated in a special activity Rick prepared where students each received a piece of paper and anonymously wrote about their personal burdens. It was a time of both mental and spiritual restoration. I truly believe that the 2023 secondary retreat put a smile on God's face.



SEEK THE LORD WHILE HE MAY BE FOUND,  
CALL ON HIM WHILE HE IS NEAR

ISAIAH 55:5





# SOCCER

BY CALEB BERGLUND



## INTERVIEWS

Coming off great IISSAC results last year with the girls team winning the tournament and the boys team making it to 2nd place, the teams' excitement and anticipation for this year's season is higher than ever. The girls' coach, Mr. Leverette, is looking forward to training for the upcoming season. Mr. Leverette noted that a good team is one where you see growth and improvement in individual players. The team as a whole with good team unity and chemistry can have fun together while playing the sport. Most of the players' responses echoed Coach Leverette. As well as committing the sport to God and encouraging others, Yeon Seo and James agree that having good chemistry, communication, game fundamentals, and teamwork is what ultimately leads to a solid team. Coach Leverette and the girls soccer team are ready and buzzing with excitement for the upcoming practices and will give it their all in the upcoming tournaments!

## Q & A

Q: What was your most embarrassing moment?

A: "I ran into a kid during a game and knocked him all the way to the benches!" (James)

A: "I missed the ball when I had a chance to score against SIS during IISSAC!" (Yeon Seo)

Q: How does participating in sports provide students with valuable skills?

A: "Sports is about managing mistakes, and so is life. Although no one can be [perfect], sport practices help provide students with a place where they feel comfortable to make mistakes and get feedback to improve on themselves." (Mr. L)





# VOLLEYBALL

BY DAIN LEE, CATHY SUGIARTO, ANGEL TAN



## INTRODUCTION

It's volleyball season! The coaches leading the boys volleyball team are Jeong Hoon, as head coach, and Coach Town. For the girls team, Mrs. Ruth is the head coach, but Coach Hannah and Coach Alm also contribute to the team. Despite a slow start the first day of MIT, the girls rallied to win two games and make it to the semi-finals. Both teams had a great time participating and are looking forward to competing next year. Although both boy's and girl's teams may face challenges, they are growing in skills and faith in God every week. Please come by and cheer for our teams. For Him!

## Q & A

Q: What are your most enjoyable/memorable memories with your team so far?

A: "Probably favorite memory was when we played the 3rd place game in MIT and we all played really well and hustled to get all the balls" (Esther)

Q: What advice would you give to someone thinking about becoming a student athlete?

A: "Try all the sports, find what you are good at and pursue that sport." (Coach Town)





# THE NEST & MULKEY SPACE

## THE NEST



HAJUN, JAMES, BOKUM

The nest is a student-owned business, selling beverages, snacks and food. The students work hard to manage the business while enjoying practicing as cashiers and finding out the products people usually buy. The most popular items include Coke and Popmie, supplied by Niki Baru. Though their business is up and running, it's been difficult without Mr. Fosdahl. As the year goes on, the snack shop is hoping to sell merchandise and expand the menu.

- Alex Salim

## MULKEY SPACE

Students were excited to kick start this year in the new Mulkey Space. The Mulkey Space features a long awaited science lab with plentiful lab equipment, two spacious classrooms, and bathrooms. The building is separate from the main building, and is about a minute's walk away from the pavilion. The Mulkey Space took more than half a year of construction and cost more than 3.5 Milyar Rupiah to build. Although it was a tough journey to finish the new school building, it was worth the effort. Mr. Mac, head of the science department, says, "The lab is a huge upgrade; now we have room and equipment to do more experiments. It's a nice [and] quiet space." With the help of fundraisers and donations from the community, Mountainview managed to pull off this expensive but much anticipated project.

- Leo Cross





# SENIOR RETREAT

BY ALEXA WASITO

Growth, unity, and vision-driven mission were the themes central to the senior class retreat. On September 1st, the seniors left for Yogyakarta for two days to be in community with one another. The speakers, the Alms and the Stadel, delivered four sermons and led discussion time as students split into separate groups. Evenings concluded with a worship session led by the students themselves. Dispersed between the worship sessions, free time consisted of gelato trips, card games, swimming, and, most entertaining, a cutthroat game of Assassin. The senior's time in Yogyakarta ended with a trip to Pakuwon Mall where the class spent a few more hours together, running to and from restaurants and stores. On the long ride home, seniors caught up on some much-needed sleep as they left a time of growth and reflection in Yogyakarta.



WORSHIP TIME...





# YEARBOOK/JOURNALISM TEAM

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## DESCRIBE THE YEARBOOK/JOURNALISM TEAM IN 3-5 EMOJIS!

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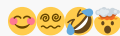
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