

## THE EAGLE'S POST

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## **BOAT RACE**

BY MINGTA F.

Our student council started off the semester with MCS' first highschool team-building event, the 50km Boat Race! Each class built a boat that represented their creativity and class spirit. At the event, they attempted to row their boats across the school pool twice. Following the race, the student councils prepared three awards: "The Bullet" for the fastest boat, "The Vogue Cover" for the most attractive boat, and "Titanic 2" for the most dramatic sinking. The Sophomores won The Bullet and The Vogue Cover award, while the Seniors won the Titanic 2 award.



Seniors win "Titanic 2" award with Ellie the Narwhal







7th graders with Mollie



Juniors with Freddy the Shark



8th graders with Sinking Eagles



9th graders with Usain Boat

# Spirit Week

TWIN DAY













ANIMAL DAY













BASKETBALL DAY







# Basketball Dep Rally!



















## BASKETBALL MIT

BY ANGELIQUE TAN.

The gymnasium buzzed with excitement on January 26-27 and February 2-3 as the girls' and boys' MIT (Mountainview Invitational Tournament) began. Over two days, the girls played four games. The girls ended the first day by defeating SMAN 1 Salatiga with a score of 30-7, and on the second day, the girls maintained their winning streak against Lab school with a score of 32-20. With Coach Hannah, Coach Meyer, and Coach Beth as their guide, the girls' team got off to an incredible start, winning all their games.

On February 2, the boys' team faced SMAN 2 Salatiga, winning with a score of 28–13. The thrilling intensity caught everyone's attention as the final game against SMAK 1 started, keeping them on the edge of the bleachers with persistent attention. They sadly lost with a close score of 38–43. Even though they earned second place, the boys' team fought determinedly and tenaciously. During these two days, Coach Stadel and Mas Ari gave continual assistance and encouragement to the boys, making sure they were well–prepared and enthusiastic for every game.

Throughout the four days, the players and coaches gave it their all, making us extremely proud. A huge shout out to the juniors for energizing us with delicious snacks and drinks. In the end, our goal is to play for Him!







## Q & A

#### What was the biggest challenge of the tournament emotionally?

Jung Hwan: "There were times when I missed a lot of shots and times when I made a lot of shots. But every time I missed, [I] slowly felt no hope to make more shots, and at that time I didn't think about anything else. During the game, I noticed how God had worked in me, by missing a lot of shots and making a few of them... [I] controlled my emotions. Without God, I would've left the court and considered quitting. God reminded me about the team and Him"

Nadia: "Trying not to panic with my ankle. Trying not to get frustrated with each other"

Midem: "Panicking"

#### Did you feel like you had to prove something to the school and what did you feel you have to prove?

<u>Jung Hwan</u>: "I wanna say that in every failure, you will learn something, you will find more success, and more importantly, God is the center. Without Him we cannot find success."

<u>Yeseong</u>: "Not really to the school, not really to [the] coaches, not really trying to prove anything to anyone; just trying to win [with] gratitude. [I'm] very thankful to be given the opportunity to have fun and face other schools."

<u>Midem</u>: "I did not really feel like I needed to prove to the school but to the coaches. By playing well, I could prove to the coaches that I could still be effective [on] the basketball court."

### What was the difference between this year's competition and last year's?

Nadia: "Last year's competition was much harder, especially the final game, while this year's was slightly easier."

<u>Jung Hwan</u>: "The team had more freedom in their [style] and more creativity, making the game more enjoyable. In contrast, last year's play was mostly based on set plays instructed by the coach."

Midem: "Although the team team has improved this year, the competition remained high."

## BASKETBALL IISSAC

BY HANS TAN

Being in a competition is one of the most challenging experiences to be a part of. It's finally the time when our abilities are being tested, and we are filled with high expectations and a lot of nerves. That is exactly what happened for our MCS boys and girls basketball teams. After months of rigorous practice, our teams were ready to face the real challenge of competition at Wesley School, Malang. Coming in third place last year, the MCS boys wanted to showcase their ability and finally regain the title while the MCS girls aimed to defend their reigning champion status.



On the first day of IISSAC, our girls team came in strong, setting a record for both of their two games. However, the boys team had a rough start, losing to the home team in the second game after a solid win against Bali. However, the loss experienced by the boys team did not diminish our team morale; instead, it encouraged us to strive for better results the next day.

On the second day, both the girls team and boys team faced a long day with three consecutive games. Our unbeatable girls team secured three wins, placing them in first place in the bracket. The boys team won two games but lost the other against the reigning champions, BAIS, after a tough fight, placing them in third place in the bracket.

Finally, after two days of round-robin matches, it was time for the elimination games where everything mattered. Our boys had put up a dominating performance against BIS in the first round. In the semifinal against the home team, the pressure was against us. With the help of MCS supporters, we held a 6-point lead in the last 2 minutes. However, Wesley's team made back-to-back three-pointers to tie up the game, and in the last second, our nightmares had come true as we fouled one of their players, leading to a heartbreaking loss by one point. For the boys team, this was not a new experience as last year we were also beaten in the semifinal by one point. Everyone in the team was devastated, and as a manager, I could feel the pain that they were going through. But winning or losing is not the true reason why we were here because the most important thing for us is to play to glorify God's name.



Fortunately, despite the loss for the boys team, our girls team was able to secure victory in the final game with their dominating performance, making them champions once again for the third consecutive year.

















## TRAVEL DAY

BY DAIN LEE



Travel Day was an event you did not want to miss! The Elementary classes presented their countries with creativity and effort. As I visited each class, I was fascinated by their unique dishes, activities, stations, and room decorations. Their hard work and dedication allowed me to experience each country with all of my five senses. Overall, I was impressed to see students confidently explain their countries to parents, teachers, friends, and upperclassmen. I am looking forward to seeing students and teachers come together for Travel Day next year.



Kindergarten: Norway





5th Grade: USA



1st Grade: Turkey





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## Q & A

## What was the most challenging while preparing for travel day?

Mr. L (6th grade teacher): "It was very challenging to include all 5 senses in our activities." Haeum Koo (6th grade): "The most challenging part was making the props for the games."

### What was the most exciting part of Travel Day?

Yoonjin Kim (12th grade): "I was excited to see kids being passionate with games and smiling. I also was excited to learn new things such as a yurt in Mongolia, which became my favorite word."

Mira Frasier (3rd grade): "The most exciting part was making the books!"

### Out of all the countries that other classes have researched, which one would you want to visit?

Mr. L (6th grade teacher): "I really want to visit New Zealand."

Haeum Koo (6th grade): "I want to visit Türkiye and the USA."

### If you had to live in one country for only 1 month, where would you live? Why?

Nadia Svoboda (10th grade): "I want to live in Mongolia because it is cold there."

Mira Frasier (3rd grade): "I actually want to live in Guatemala because it is a tropical country that has margays."

## ELEMENTARY CLUBS

BY CALEB BERGLUND

Elementary Clubs are run by secondary students who meet with elementary kids four times over the course of the third quarter. Secondary students offered elementary kids from grades four to six a range of exciting clubs to choose from: Art, Science, Drama and ASL (American Sign Language). These clubs encourage creativity, offering students a way to expand their knowledge and skills in subjects they are passionate about. The clubs meet for 40 minutes every other week. For the last week of clubs, students hosted a club fair and invited parents to see their kids demonstrate what they learned. The students showcased the skills they had learned across the quarter. From art, science, drama, to ASL, all the students earned something valuable and new, allowing them to pursue their passions through the various clubs offered.













