

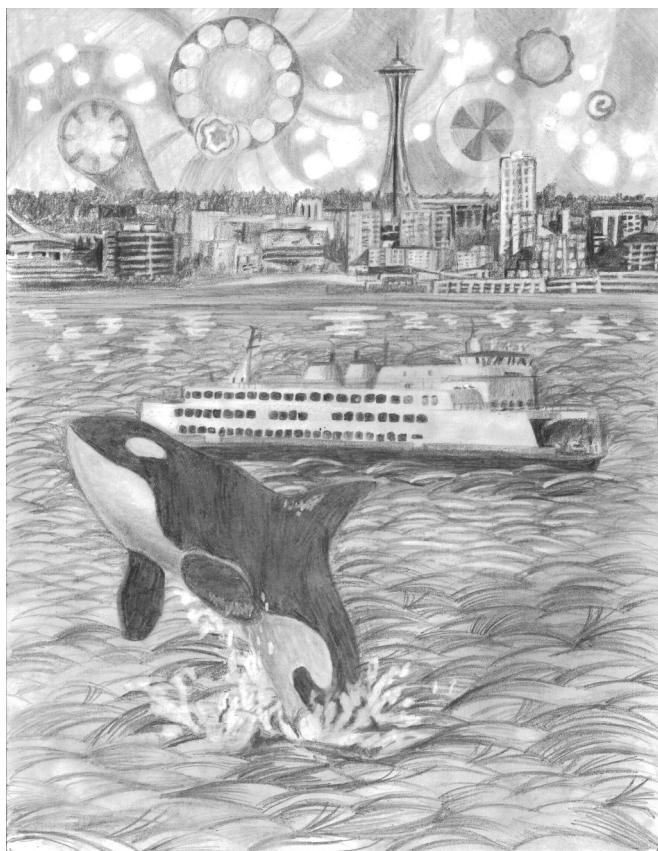
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Art Award Winner, Congratulations Kayla! *by Mrs. JoAnn Grambush*

Kayla Davenport has received several awards this year in displaying her work in local and national art competitions. Recently, Mrs. Grambush encouraged students to enter the Washington State Ferries Sailing Schedule Design contest for Middle School students. The purpose was to design the Spring Sailing Schedule Cover. Kayla was notified that her design was one of the five finalists! Congratulations, Kayla! In addition, she received top honors for her age group in the National Dick Blick Student Art Competition as well as winning honors in the Evergreen State Fair in Monroe. It can be really fun to participate with your peers in various art contests and events. The cartooning class submitted their posters digitally for the Crayola Creativity Poster contest on Leadership last semester. You can see these posters in the Commons and front office. We will let you know if and when our students receive any awards!



What is Art and Architecture? *by Alex Edwards*

D102—the art room—is a room crammed with art supplies and fascinating things to draw and to be inspired by; from globes to a fake skull to Greek busts. This is the room where Mrs. Grambush teaches Art and Architecture, an elective class about architecture and what it means to be an architect. This class is normally available every other year, alternating with Drawing and Cartooning, which is also taught by Mrs. Grambush.

According to Mrs. Grambush, Art and Architecture came to be when a class was needed that had an enticing title and clearly defined content. Specifically, she said, Art and Architecture is a class where you can learn about design, and combining art, math, and geometry to create mean-

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ing in a structure.

From personal experience, having taken the class, there are a lot of different activities; from drawing the layout of a house, to making a building out of boxes, to drawing in two-point perspective. Mrs. Grambush stated that her favorite project was the collected architecture piece, where the students took pictures of famous works of architecture and sketched them onto their paper, putting some in the foreground and background to make a city scene. She also enjoyed taking the students into Bellevue to see the city hall, and just going out and drawing the city.

“Art is a core subject and it is as important to the joy of learning as science, math, music, and history, and art includes all of those as we study what it means to be human,” Mrs. Grambush said. This is the most important thing to remember if you are considering taking Art and Architecture. It’s an interesting class where you can learn how to combine art and math, and where you can learn what it means to be an architect.



Cards for Good Wishes *by Emily Elbert*

Card for Good Wishes is where the student council signs cards to go with head wraps that will go to people experiencing hair loss.

When asked the questions: “What is the service project and why did you decide to do this specific project? When did you start this project? Where is this project being worked on? Who helped with this project? How was this made possible?” Melanie Jump had this to say: “The project is where we sign cards to go with the head wraps that Good Wishes sends to people experiencing hair loss. We decided to do it because the district office recommended it to us. We started it about half way through the second quarter. It is being worked on in the student council room. The entire student council class from last semester and this semester is involved. It is made possible because Cards for Good Wishes send the district office a box. Then it is given it to student council. We sign them as fast as possible and send them back.”

The Capture the Flag Event *by Jordan Gray*

The capture the flag event was organized by the Bellevue Christian student council and involved more than 30 students. The event took place on Thursday January 26, 2017 from 7- 9pm at Bellevue Christian School. The purpose of the event was to get the student council members together and have fun. If you have never heard of this game before, capture the flag is a game that involves two teams with equal numbers of people, a large area to play on and two flags. Each team’s goal is to capture the opposing team’s flag and bring it back to your team’s territory. However, if a player gets tagged while in the enemy territory, then they go directly to “jail” (a small patch of land in the enemy territory). The first team to steal the other team’s flag wins.

The location for this event was the school gym and the dungeon (wrestling room). Two rounds of the game were played. The first round was the boys vs girls and it was super exciting and competitive, ending in a tie. The second was the green team vs the pink team and the green team won. The event was a big success, as all students had tons of fun running around and laughing while competing for their team.

The student council got to stay after the game and have pizza. Hopefully there will be another capture the flag event again sometime soon!

JH Student Among High Schoolers

by James Gibson

Joseph Qian, a student at BCS, is one of the few 7th graders currently in a high school math class. "I always enjoyed math," he says, "so I tried to expand my knowledge on it, and I ended up in Integrated 2."

Of course, it can be kind of intimidating for a 7th grader among older students, but as Joseph states, "Generally, the high schoolers are friendly. Some ignore me, but maybe that's because some of them don't really care." He says he is having fun, and is looking forward to learning trigonometry later on in the year.

"[If you want to get] into a high school math class," Joseph continues, "you can either wait two years, or study hard, starting with 7th grade math and working your way up. Remember that math always builds on itself, so you might need to use concepts you learn in [previous] grade[s]. When going ahead of your current math skill, don't be afraid to use resources like Khan Academy, the Internet, and your parents. Also, make sure you thoroughly understand concepts in grades leading up to anything above where you currently are, because, as one math teacher, Mr. Cairns said, 'It's like building a skyscraper. If you don't have a strong foundation, the entire building's going to fall.'"

International Student Profile

by Sophia Bold

Bill Wang is a 7th grade international student at Bellevue Christian School. He is 13 years old and moved to the U.S two years ago. He used to live in Beijing, China, but now lives in Bellevue. According to Bill, his favorite part about the United States is all the sports cars, like Lamborghinis. His favorite class at BCS is P.E.



8th Grade State Trip is Coming!

by Collin Neal

Ms. Schmer, the 8th grade social studies teacher, was interviewed about the 8th grade state trip that takes place on Tuesday, May 9th- Friday, May 12th. The 8th graders will be splitting up into 9 groups and going to different places around the state such as The Olympic Peninsula, The Columbia River Gorge, The Southwest Region (Vancouver, Washington and Astoria, Oregon), The North Central Region, (Lake Chelan and Soap Lake) and the South-Central part of Washington. Students will be going on this trip because learning out of the textbook is not as exciting or as fun as experiencing it for yourself.

The things that students like the most about the state trip is that you can swim, hike, make a garden, spend time with your friends and gain responsibility. You can gain responsibility because you have to do everything for yourself like choose where you will eat, your activities, and more. For more information, contact Ms. Schmer at dschmer@bellevuechristian.org.

State Trip Work Days

March 27

April 24

May 16

Goldilocks on Trial Review

by Isaac Germino

This play was a great! All the actors have said that they really got along well with the other kids in the group. The Junior High Drama Team, directed by Mark Ramquist, decided on this specific play out of a wide arrangement of plays, and it seemed to be a great choice. The students needed to attend numerous dress rehearsals in order to make sure everyone knew what they were doing.

According to Elise Germino, who played the judge, the play was exciting and really spectacular. She said it was the most amazing feeling to be up on stage with the lights shining, and the people you know and love in the crowd there to see you.

Behind the scenes, there was what seemed to be unlimited work for those who designed the set, worked the lights, curtains, and more. The play could not have happened without them.

Goldilocks was not just fun to participate in, but it was also fun to watch, Kathy Germino says, "It is just really awesome to see such young kids, getting a start in the performance arts." The play was full of funny jokes that were up to date, and all of the students were great.

The play was a lot of work, but it was worth it to watch and to participate in for the actors.



Be Mine

by Olivia Betts

Valentine's Day is annually celebrated on the fourteenth day of February all over the world. On Valentine's Day, everybody exchanges hugs, kisses, flowers, and chocolates. It originated as a feast that recognized one or more saints named Valentinus. Valentine's Day is not considered a public holiday in any country, but is recognized greatly all around the globe.

There is also a legend saying that saint Valentinus was imprisoned for performing wedding ceremonies for soldiers and preaching the gospel to Christians, which was all forbidden. While imprisoned, he healed the daughter of the jailer, and before he got beheaded he wrote a letter. At the end of the letter, he signed it, "Your Valentine,"

Student council put on a contest this Valentine's day. There was a locker decorating contest and best Valentine's outfit.

The Election

By Grace Sigl

On February 9th and 10th the High School put on an amazing comedy. Kelly Polito, who last year played Lysander in *A Midsummer's Night's Dream*, directed this Hilarious Comedy. *The Election* was about a student body president election gone crazy. The two students running make political ads airing all over the country and holding press conferences! They accuse each other of doing ridiculous things like being a fish killer, being French, and the most ridiculous of all, being a puppy killer. Out of just saying one word wrong, which at some point everyone does, one of the students gets labeled as being a puppy killer for six weeks! After six weeks of dumb yet hilarious political ads, press conferences, and hiring fake girlfriends the play concludes with both students losing and going on a date. The winner, however, was a surprise last minute entry and a surprise twist on a seemingly innocent character. Anyone who was able to see this hilarious comedy was extremely lucky to see it.



JH Girls Basketball Wrap Up *by Lily Reynolds*

On Monday, January 9, 2017 BCS JH Girls basketball started up. Right away 19 girls showed up, ready to try out for the D1 and D2 teams. After three days of practicing Mr. Adams, the D1 coach, announced the rosters for both teams,

D2: (2-4)

Lily Li, Elise Germino, Kendall Temp, Sophia Hinz, Olivia Betts, Alissa Davis, Jada Waters, Avery Brickman, Jordan Missad, Paige Erickson.

D1: (6-0)

Rylee Reese, Sophia Bold, Katelyn DeJonge, Mia DeJonge, Lily Reynolds, Annie Tacey, Ally Dodson, Ashley Lemery, Haley Ochs.

Mia DeJonge, A D1 guard, said, "I enjoy the fun atmosphere and I love how we work hard while having fun with our friends." With about a week left of the season, both teams would like to finish strong. If anyone is interested in trying out next year, they should. It is a ton of fun and one can learn a lot about the game of basketball.

Upcoming JH Sports *by Mia DeJonge*

In March the next Junior High sport starts: Track and Field. "Track and Field is a great way to stay fit and new learn new things," says Athletic Director Mark DeJonge, "There are many events to choose from, such as track events like hurdles or relays, and in the field there are options such as shot put, discus, or javelin." Signup sheets will be in the B Hall in the next couple of weeks and when track starts we will practice up on the track on campus. Mrs. Adams is the coach along with a few others. So, if you like to run or throw come out for JH Track! You will have so much fun representing BCS and learning more about the sport of Track and Field.

Wrestlers Working Hard

by Theo Crowe

The BCS Wrestling team is a place of hard-workers, hard fighters, and students who feel the need to simply get out some energy. Luke Fick, an 8th grader and a wrestler on the BCS Wrestling team, said he joined because he had a fun time wrestling, getting out energy, and being around friends. He said, "I've been wrestling for about 6 years now." The things that the BCS Wrestling team want to achieve are a great season, a lot muscle workouts, and a lot drills.

Luke says there is a strong sense of family between the members as the season continued. BCS Wrestling matches are held on Tuesdays and Thursdays so come down to the mat and watch a few awesome displays of wrestling!



Boys Varsity Basketball Barely Wins on Senior Night *by Ben Schroeder*

BCS boys' varsity basketball edged out Cascade Christian by three points on senior night. The game took place at Edwards Gymnasium on January 31st. Christopher Sibley, Matthew Lew, and Andrew Kats were the three seniors getting honored as a BCS player. BCS was able to win the close game by three

points against Cascade Christian on the last home game. This was a league game starting to wrap up the season. BCS out-scored Cascade Christian 49-46.

This is not the end for Christopher, Matthew, and Andrew. Their love and joy of the game will continue on as they leave BCS. The boys still have the post-season to focus

on, and when their time is done they will surely miss playing for BCS. BCS was still able to make the post-season. Fighting strong they were able to come away with their first win in the post-season. Their next game was against Cascade Christian again, but this time they could not pull it off. Even though their season is over, the returning players will be excited for next year.

Phones in the Classroom

by Talia Fortune

At BCS, we aren't allowed to use our phones in the classrooms or hallways. Why, though? I think we should be able to use our phones when necessary. I focus better when I listen to music. Whenever my mom tells me to clean my room, I work almost twice as fast when I listen to music.

However, as we are not allowed to use our phones in class, I am often distracted. Another reason why we should be able to use our phones is, sometimes, I need to look something up that would take a few seconds, but instead I have to ask the teacher if I could search it up. Also, I like to read E-books on my phone. So, while a few classmates pull out their tablets or kindles, I'm stuck with a giant physical book that I have to pull out of my backpack and then figure out how to put back in later.

These are a few reasons why I believe we should be allowed to use phones in the hallways and classrooms.



2017 Blood Drive by Lilian Shenfield

According to Dr. Ribera, on February 27, 2017, a group of professional people trained in blood draws are coming to Bellevue Christian School to do our school's second annual blood drive.

With the help of Dr. Ribera, I learned that the goal for this year is to get 50 people to donate. Last year they reached their goal of 40! Every person donates one pint of blood. That one pint saves three lives! Unfortunately, you have to be 16 and older. If you want to donate and you are 16 or 17 you have to have a signed form by your parents. A special thanks to Clara Liu for organizing the whole thing!



What's New in the LRC? by Chloe Ng

The LRC as we know it is never permanent. There are always new books, new layouts, and more things to try. People spend a lot of time in there, playing the chessboards, computers, or just reading a book. But, what else is new? Mrs. Johnson, one of the librarians, happily gave us a tour.

First of all, the bookshelves and their layout have changed. Most of the books are in their familiar placement, but now several books have cleared the second shelf to make way for a row of books showcasing that month. Also, the graphic novel section has shifted to be next to the fiction section.

Theme tables are also new to the library. Every month, there will be a table in the library with books that match a theme for that month. This month's theme is *Mystery*. You can find Agatha Christie books, Sherlock Holmes, and many more there. Don't forget the display rotates monthly!

Now, to discuss new books to the library! As you might have noticed, the library is working on developing the manga section. Most series they have generally only feature book one, but if you like it, you can always request more. In the novels and chapter books of the library, there is something new for almost everyone.

For those who liked the first book of the Leviathan, you will be happy to know that Book Two and Three have arrived. Rick Riordan fans can also now find *Magnus Chase* and the *Sword of Summer*, while *Allegiant* and *Four* have now joined the rest of the Divergent series.

If there are any books that you would like to see in the LRC, you should try emailing the library's email at library@bcsmail.org.

So, go check out the library sometime. I think you'd like it.

Bus Driver Profile *by Audrey Ochs*

Mr. Nakamura is a bus driver for Bellevue Christian. He only drives this bus in the morning. The route he drives on is called the *Butterfly Route*. He decided to work for this school because his kids, who are in 11th, 9th, and 3rd grade, go to this school.

According to Mr. Nakamura, the funniest thing that happened this year on the bus was when the bus broke down. Everyone who was on the bus was stuck on the side of the road for an hour. It was not funny then, but now when you think about it, it is kind of funny.



Ms. Foster (The Person Who Does Everything) by Sophia Hinz

Ms. Foster works in the office and has worked there for two years in 2000 to 2001. Now has come back and worked here for the last two years. Ms. Foster does a lot for the school. She schedules all the substitutes, puts all the appointments on Mr. DeYoung calendar, orders all the school supplies for the teachers and office, schedules student admission interviews, plans all the senior and 8th grade graduations, sometimes substitutes, and lastly she coordinates all the Iowa tests for the junior high.

Ms. Foster has a daughter who attends Three Points Elementary and has a mom who works at the school as well. BCS changed her life because this school gives a better community than other office jobs would give. She decided to work here because her mom works here and so her daughter could go to school here. Next time you are in the office make sure to say hello to Ms. Foster.

Sixth Grade Visit

by Lucas Delamarter

On January 17th, the 6th grade students of both Mack and Three Points Elementary Schools came to visit the Junior High and High School campus of BCS. This is a very important event for students. Coming from Elementary School to Junior High is a very big jump and takes a lot of work. This event was a good way to get students to be somewhat prepared for Junior High life, which is why we do it.

In the morning, the 6th graders rode the bus from either Mack Elementary or Three Points Elementary to the Junior High and High School campus, where they attended chapel and listened to a panel of speakers from the Junior High Student Council about what Junior high is like. After this the students ate lunch.

This event is a great way for 6th grade students to get a small taste of what Junior High is like, and prepares them to be students in a Godly way.

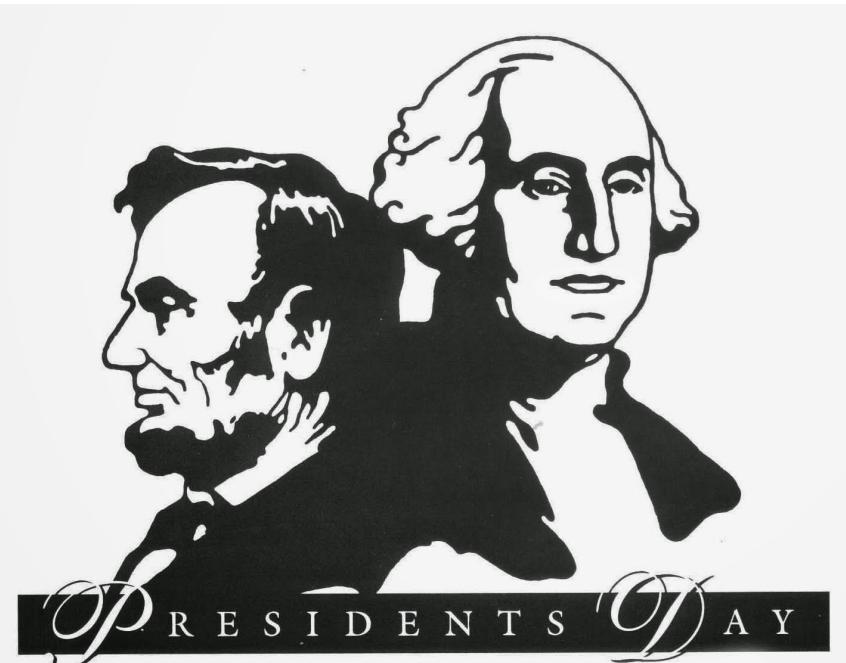
**Welcome to
the Class of
2023!**

President's

Day by Marshall Montgomery

Why do we have a holiday to celebrate a bunch of dead presidents? Well, *President's Day* is George Washington and Abraham Lincoln's birthday observed. This year it is celebrated on February 20, 2017. It is always on a day between February 15th and 21st. *Presidents Day* is also known as a day to remember all the past presidents.

As students, we get a four day weekend and we should remember what all of our past presidents have done a lot to change our world.



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Upcoming Events

- 2/28 Wrestling @ Inglewood JH
- 3/2 Wrestling @ Evergreen JH
- 3/7 Wrestling @ Redmond JH
- 3/8 & 3/9 Iowa Testing
- 3/9 Wrestling @ Kamiakin JH
- 3/10 No School
- 3/14 Wrestling @ Rose Hill JH
- 3/15 Track & Field Begins
- 3/16 Wrestling @ Redmond JH
- 3/17 St. Patrick's Day
- 3/21 Wrestling @ Kirkland JH
- 3/22 Early Release
- 3/23 Wrestling @ Kirkland JH
Band Concert
- 3/27 Wrestling @ Kirkland JH
Choral Concert

