

The Daily Bayley

Mother Seton School Student Newspaper

The MSS Science Fair

By Elliott Brown

When MSS held its annual Science Fair, students were very excited to see over 50 projects made and presented by the sixth, seventh and eighth graders and judged by MSS alumni.

First, each middle schooler (not including 5th graders) wrote a logbook, and they had two weeks to complete their project. On Monday, November 22, the judging began. During 3rd period, all 6th-8th graders went to present their experiments. Then, after the judging, the awards were given out. There is a third-place, second-place, and first-place award, with one set of awards given out to each grade, resulting in a total of ten awards (three 1st place winners, three 2nd place winners, three 3rd place winners, and one grand prize winner).

The first-prize winning projects included “Understanding Tsunamis” by Jacob Putman, “Which Flour Has The Most Gluten ?” by Jemina Nana, and “Wheelie Bar Invention for Bicycles” by Noah Rasher, Carter Reaver, and Evan Ryder.

The other winners were Erich Erdman (2nd place, 8th grade), Tierney Burns (3rd place, 8th grade), Ranye Nzekwesi (2nd place, 7th grade), Camren Snapp (3rd place, 7th grade), Emma Wheatley (2nd place, 6th grade), and Matthew Shriner (3rd place, 6th grade).

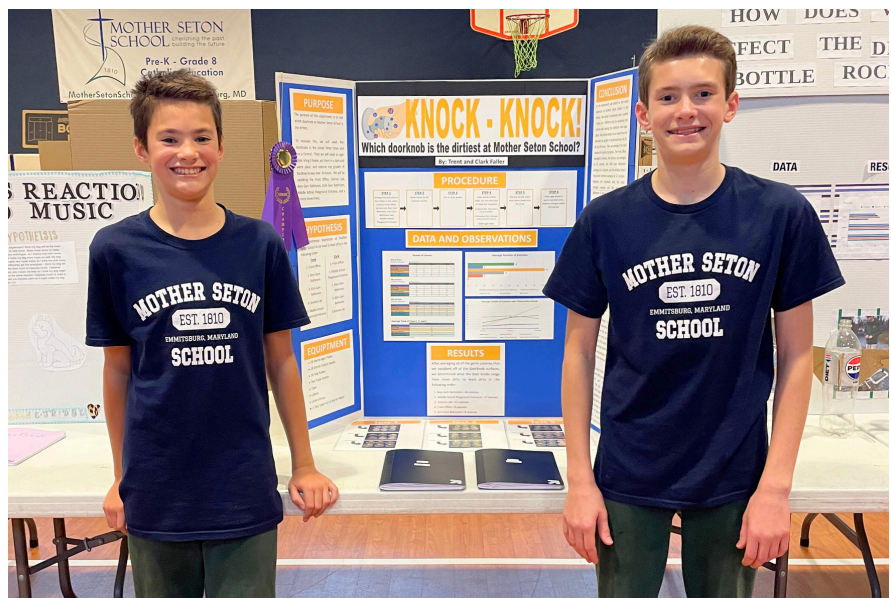
“I was proud of the hard work the students did on their projects,” said Mrs. Kuykendall.

But the thing everyone was most excited to find out was who would take home the Grand Prize. This year’s winners were Clark and Trent Faller. Their project was: “Knock Knock: Which Doorknob In The School Is The Dirtiest?” (By the way, the knob on the men’s bathroom by the gym. Who knows why? Not me.)

“We were surprised,” said 8th grader Trent when asked about his reaction to the news of the victory, only possible because of the exceptional teamwork of the two brothers. According to Clark (6th grade) they did this because, as brothers, they make a very good team (also, because Clark asked to).

They did this specific experiment because it was an interesting idea, Trent said. During the experiment, Trent and Clark first swabbed the doorknobs, then put them on argyle plates.

Next, they put the plates in a dark area for 84 hours. Finally, Trent and Clark checked on the grown germs, counted them, then averaged the totals. It was hard when the equipment was dropped, and they had to start some doorknobs over again, but, as Trent said, “Practice what you’re doing, and you’ll get better at it.”



Student Spotlight

By Ava Donovan

I interviewed Morgan Fogle, one of our student newspaper staff members. Morgan thinks Mother Seton is a good school because of the homemade food in the cafeteria. He also enjoys all of the fun activities Mother Seton School has to offer. His favorite MSS activity is the Walkathon because he likes to spend the day walking and talking with his friends.

He also likes the oranges that they give out at the stations. Morgan's favorite subject here at MSS is religion with Mr. Cosentino. He likes that they get to watch a lot of religion videos and because of all the fun religion games they get to play.



Teacher Spotlight

By Lyla Doll

I interviewed my teacher, Mr. Brown. His favorite color is orange, and shockingly, his favorite animal is a rhino. His favorite quote is 'Those who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it,' by George Santayana. I asked him if he had to give one piece of advice to his students, and he said, 'Discipline yourself now so it's easier later on.' Mr. Brown's favorite thing about teaching is all of us, the students. I asked Mr. Brown what his lucky number is, but he said he does not have one. Lastly, his favorite food is hamburgers.



Ice Cream Poll

By Francesca Kinnamont

Hello, readers! I asked 21 5th graders if they like chocolate or mint ice cream better. Mint turned out to be the winner, which is surprising, because many families buy more chocolate ice cream than mint. The votes were very close—Mint 11, Chocolate 9. So, can two votes really separate which ice cream is liked better? And, anyways, 5th graders are only a small portion of the 2,000,000,000 (two billion) people in the world. So, do a small amount of people and votes really count in the real world? We may never know!

Acts of Kindness

By Abigail Null

On November 15, 2024, my class visited the Seton Shrine. During the trip, my friends and I spent time walking around, praying, and exploring. When it was our turn to visit the home and grave of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, I had my jacket on, but it was still so cold. As we approached the gravesite, my friend Faith kindly tricked me into wearing her sweatshirt. I was finally warm! Once I was comfortable, I returned the sweatshirt to her. We continued to explore a little longer before heading to the gift shop. I bought two coins: one featuring St. Patrick and the other a blessing for families. Faith made me warm and happy because she did an amazing act of kindness. She didn't have to do that, but she did. So, I want to give a special thank you to Faith for what she did for me. And to anyone who has shown kindness as she did. Thank you, Faith!

Creative Corner

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By Sophia Monsour

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Poetry

By Francesca Kinnamont

Fragrant plants
 Lovely
 On bright stems
 When winter comes
 Early I wither
 Rose or lily
 Still evenly beautiful

Comics



By Gabriel Lucas



By Ava Fout

Alumni Stories

By Autumn Trout

I interviewed my dad's friend who went to Mother Seton School and I asked him a few questions. He went to Mother Seton School and graduated from there in 1982 in 8th grade.

The first question I asked him was how was his relationship with his friends at MSS? He said that he still has some relationships that he made with some of his friends! He also said that they have a good relationship. Then I asked him if he liked his time here at MSS. He said that he liked it there but by 8th grade he was ready to move on to a new school.

Then I asked him if he liked being in private school or if he would have rather gone to a public school. He said he absolutely thinks that it was great that he went to a private school.

Then I asked did you send your children to a private school or public school? He said he has a son and he wanted to go to public so he went to public for middle and high school. But his daughters went to private school. But, he wanted to send his children to private because he thought it felt safe and he knew it was a good learning environment. He also told me that his one daughter liked Mother Seton School so much that his two grandchildren are going there and one is in Pre-K right now.

Then I asked him if he thought going to private school helped him in his career? He said yes, he thinks all of his education helped him, especially the foundation of MSS. That is what he said about his current life after he went to Mother Seton School.

Healthy Habits

By Maximillian Field

Offer variety, Include choices from each food group – fruits, vegetables, grains, protein foods, and dairy and soy alternatives in meals and snacks during each day.

Connect at mealtime. Eat meals together whenever possible. Turn off the TV and put away phones and tablets so you can “unplug” and focus on healthy foods and each other.

Think about drinks

Make water and low-fat or fat-free dairy milk and soy alternatives easy options to grab in your home. Have ready-to-go containers filled and in the fridge to take on outings.

Advice Column

By Autumn Trout and Bayley Grossnickle

We went around to 4 different people in each grade. We went to them and asked them what advice they would give to someone to have a good friendship. Graham from 5th grade said his advice is to not make your friends feel negative. Emily from 6th grade said that her advice is to always be kind to your friends and to always smile. Camren from 7th grade said that his advice is to be nice to your friends. Sophia from 8th grade said that her advice is to always be confident. This is the advice we got about being a good friend to others.

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