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DEAR MIDDLE SCHOOLERS,

Another wonderful school year of HAS student life has come and gone! After the fast paced excitement of quarter 4, we all part ways for summer vacation. As you move forward in your educational journeys, all of your teachers wish you the best and feel so proud of the progress you've made this academic year.

I'd like to take this opportunity to recognize our 8th grade graduating class! 8th graders, what an exciting time for each of you. After completing a three year middle school career, here or elsewhere, you are ready for new challenges, more difficult accomplishments, and growing up experiences. As you make the leap to 9th grade, remember to take risks and to push yourself beyond your levels of comfort. Find what you love and enjoy and pursue those focuses. Embrace challenges and learn from mistakes. While the unknown can seem frightening, I have the utmost confidence in each of you and your abilities to progress. It has been a true joy to be your teacher and adviser; thank you for making my experience at HAS so meaningful as well! Middle schoolers, let's prepare to celebrate the 8th graders at graduation together!

SINCERELY,
MRS. MAGUIRE

THE 4TH ANNUAL HAS POETRY SLAM

The Fourth Annual HAS Middle School Poetry Slam took place after school on April 19, 2019. The poetry slam was a pretty interesting event for many of us since we never experienced this event before. Most of the students and teachers were joyously listening to presentations from other kids. Students had to pick their favourite poems they created during literature class. The sixth graders performed their limericks and acrostic poems; the seventh graders performed their alliteration stories, personification poems and odes; the eighth graders performed their spoken word poems.

The school provided drinks and Oreos for all of the students. Poetry Slam took place at the cafeteria after school so it interfere with the time for some students but I hope that everyone enjoyed listening to our poetry. Because this was my very first time participating in a Poetry Slam, I have to admit I was pretty nervous presenting in front of so many people. I also finished my presentation pretty quickly because I was so nervous. I am glad that I did it though! Some kids had great and amusing poems and they were awarded at our school assembly the following week!

BY HUGH CHENG (G6)

WINNERS

6th Winner- Lian Chang
7th Winner- Dwight Tils
8th Winner- Michelle Liao
Best Overall Poem-
Bill Cheng
Best Performance-
Lanna Ma



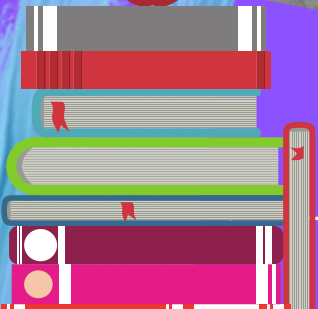
6TH GRADE LIBRARY TRIP

BY LIAN CHANG (G6)

The 6th grade library field trip happened on April 24th, 2019. Ms. Chen and the sixth graders went to New Taipei City Library in Banqiao. We arrived the library at around 9:00A.M. In the morning, we had a tour around the library. There are some cool machine to lend books and return books. The tour ended around 10:30A.M.

After the tour, we had free time until 12 o'clock. During the free time, we separated and went to different places. At the library, there are different areas, such as kids zone, areas for the elderly, and rows and rows of magazine. We saw lots of books in all kinds of different languages. After the library, we went to A-Mart to eat our lunch. Most of us had McDonald's but others had pizza and McFlurries.

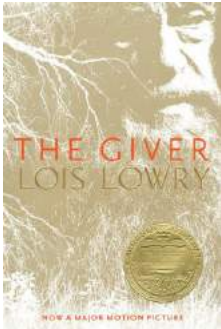
After eating lunch, we went to a park and started to play. After playing some games, we were all tired so we went back to the library which was cool inside. We left the library at around 2 o'clock. When we got back to school, we wanted to go back to play and read books in library. It was a really fun trip and we all enjoyed our visit to the library.



NOVEL STUDIES

BY YOYO LAI (G6)

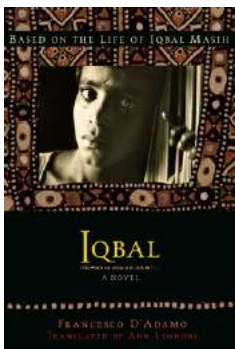
Each year, every grade in the middle school studies a special novel in their literature classes. Every student loves reading their novel and talking about it with their teacher and classmates. Read below to find out more about each novel this year!



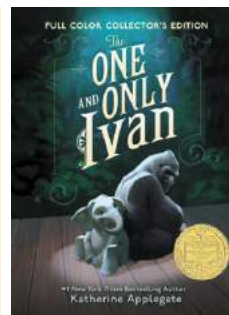
The Giver by Lois Lowry is the eighth grade novel study. It is about the future where all people are assigned jobs and everything is controlled very well. BUT the main character, Jonas think there is a problem about it and wants to help the Community...



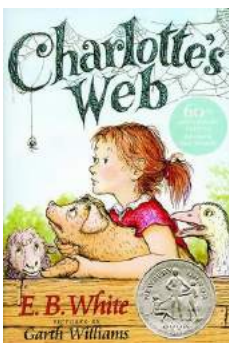
The seventh graders love their novel Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief. It is the first book in the whole series. Percy Jackson is the main character and he learns that his father is Poseidon, the Greek god of the sea. Percy is half human, and half god and is known as a half-blood. Percy is sent on an exciting quest to find the missing Master Bolt and faces many different challenges.



The sixth graders have a sad novel called Iqbal by Francesco D'Adamo. This story is about a young boy called Iqbal who is sold into slavery at a carpet factory. When he arrives at the carpet factory, he inspires all of the other overworked and abused children and his bravery changes the world.



The fifth graders are reading The One and Only Ivan by Katherine Applegate. It follows the story of a gorilla that is kept inside of a mall. When he was small, Ivan was taken away from his family. He lived there for many years but is saved when people bring him to a zoo.



Charlotte's Web by E.B White is the fourth grade novel this year. It's about Wilbur a barn pig who is raised by a girl named Fern. He's bored and lonely - until he meets Charlotte, the beautiful grey spider who also lives in the barn. Charlotte thinks of a wonderful way to save Wilbur from a pig's unhappy fate. Her clever plan will delight you, in this famous story about friendship and finding happiness.

glorious grad trip

BY BILL CHANG

There's nothing better than a chance to hang out with your wonderful classmates on a three-day trip. Some saw this trip as an outlet for unleashing the wild beasts in the cages of their hearts. When leaving for the trip, school would be tossed behind along with struggles and failures in assignments. For the past few months, the 8th-grade class had been looking forward to this temporary ticket to avoid two entire days of school. As a celebration, this traditional trip honors our achievements and progress we've made so far as a class.

Mr. and Mrs. Maguire, our chaperones for this trip, seemed to be in a good mood as they explained the overall plan in the classroom. On the minibus, excitement and positive energy surged through each of us like a lightbulb, generating extreme energy. At our destination, Taichung, buildings glittered with modern beauty. Though the architecture is not much different compared to Hsinchu, Taichung has a completely unique style to it. Without fuming air pollution, the crystal clear light blue sky seemed to flow smoothly like the glossy pacific ocean. After a refreshingly fun day, we were ready to crash at our pre-ordered hotel rooms. If you thought a graduation trip would be well regulated with middle schoolers adamantly staying in their own rooms, then you are terribly wrong. The first night at the Airline Inn turned out to be a room flipping disaster. Excluding the room checks, nothing went smoothly in a civil manner with blankets and pillows flying across the room with no particular reason. Nevertheless, the exploding chaos led to a reckless yet fun night.





On the following day of pure madness, the level of craziness intensified as the crowd was crammed into a trampoline packed room with all sorts of physical challenges. For those of you reading who have never been to a trampoline park before, trust me, you'll have a total blast. Even better, this amusing park was equipped with athletic equipment and low BASKETBALL RIMS. Dunking was the first thought that shimmered in my head. Our powerful dunks completely annihilated the rim as if it was a piece of tempered glass, shattering with every exploding blow. The special trampoline upgrade allowed our vertical jump to shoot up. Now, we were capable of doing NBA levels of athletic dunks including 360s, between the legs, and the rim hang. Laser tag came next on the list. Although this wasn't our first laser tag experience, I truly prefer this one over the previous laser tag place. Chris basically dominated as he carefully aims his blaster and eliminates his enemies one by one. By the end of it, the invigorating experience caused our sweat to pour like miniature waterfalls. It was a terrific workout.

Overall, this trip was more than just a celebration of a year of hard work and difficult times we've been through together. It was a great opportunity to strengthen our relationship with one another. Through only three days, our class really bonded together as a whole. We almost treated each other as lifelong friends despite only knowing each other for a year.

Although a few minor fights occurred throughout the process, we've learned our weaknesses and the ways to accept these. All in all, the heartwarming and emotional trip wouldn't have been better without our wonderfully patient chaperones. Without Mr. and Mrs. Maguire this trip wouldn't be possible. I'm sure that this trip will be one of the lingering memories we will never forget.

Interview

with Kelly Loo

by Edison L. Chi (G4)

What do you think about joining Student Council? I wanted to learn opinions about Student Council, so I interview Kelly Loo, the Community Service Coordinator.



What is your favorite thing about Student Council?

My favorite thing about Student Council is how we work together to improve our school.

What is the most difficult thing about being in Student Council?

The most difficult thing about student council is communication because we might have some misunderstandings because everyone thinks differently.

How do elementary or middle school students get into Student Council?

So, at the start of the year, students who wish to be part of the student council would talk to the student council adviser for middle school to ask for a sign-up sheet for any position they want in Student Council.

travelling to Hong Kong

by Lanna Ma & Ms. Chen



Hong Kong is a very good place to visit. It has a lot of delicious food, diverse cultures and many fun tourist attractions. Hong Kong people love to eat and they have a good reason too. All over Hong Kong you can find food such as traditional dim sum, delicious seafood, and Chinese barbeque. If you have time, you can wander into any old-fashioned tea house and enjoy a "milk tea" or a cup of yuanyang (a coffee and HK milk tea mix). Hong Kong also has many kinds of sweets like flakey butter egg tarts, soft delicious tofu pudding and pineapple buns. Hong Kong food comes in many different shapes, sizes, tastes and smells.



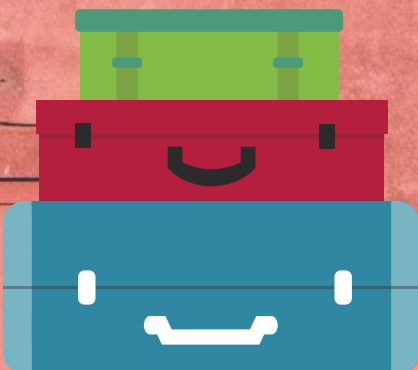
In Hong Kong, there are must visit places. Hong Kong has one of only three Disneylands in Asia and it is a must visit if you love Disney characters and amusement park rides. Hong Kong is also home to Ocean Park, a theme park with wild animals and even wilder rides! Besides theme parks, Hong Kong also boasts beautiful hikes like Dragon's Back and Victoria Peak. You will never run out of fun things to do in Hong Kong!



If you like shopping, you must visit Hong Kong's extensive shopping malls like IFC or Pacific Place or the local markets in Mongkok like Ladies' Market or Temple Street Market. You will surely find a wonderful souvenir to take home here.



Hong Kong is a very good place to visit. That is because if you know English that it is very easy to socialize. Because of the British colonization, most people in Hong Kong can speak English which is why I can learn in an American school. So if you want to travel to somewhere during summer vacation, travel to Hong Kong!



Q & A WITH HAS



What's your favorite thing about StuCo?

"The [StuCo] trip. The trip I went to [in] the beginning of the year."

- Kerdis

"We can organize stuff."

- Steve



What is your favorite class?

"Performance, because I like to act."

- Lanna

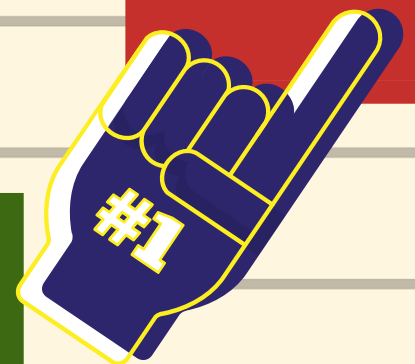


"My favorite class is PE because I can play in PE."

- Steve



"All, because it's all fun."



"Probably PE because I don't have to learn."

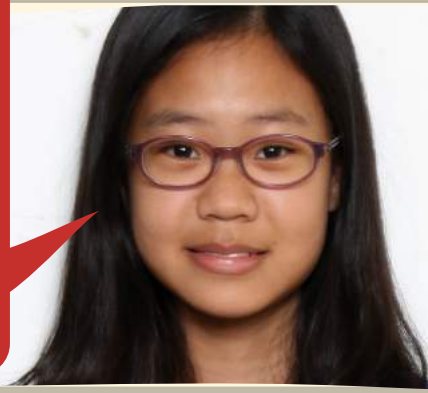
- Hugh





"Hmmm...I want to pull up my grades. Also [I want to] still be friends with my best friends."

- Casey



What is your favorite book?

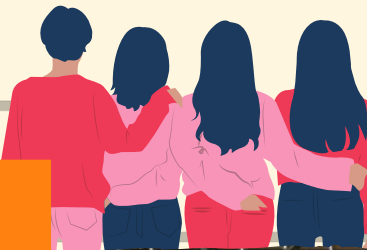
"The Ocean', because it's full of love, is interesting, and has mysteries."

- Yoyo



"I wanna be rich because I can buy anything I want!"

- Lupita

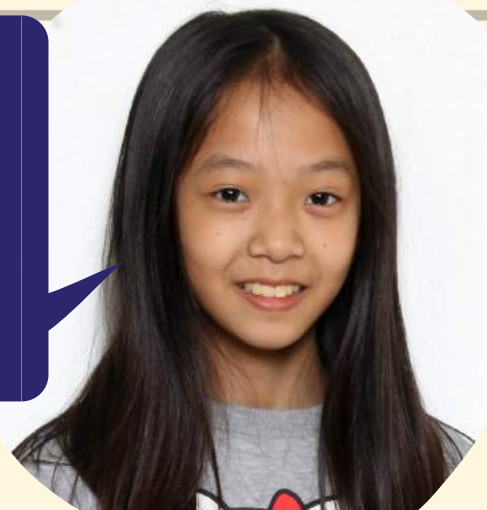


"Hmmm...I want to make my grades higher."

- Gigi

"My goals for next year are to get straight A's because I want to. Also make lots of good friends that I like."

- Lian



WHAT IS YOUR GOAL FOR NEXT YEAR?

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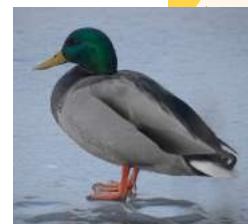
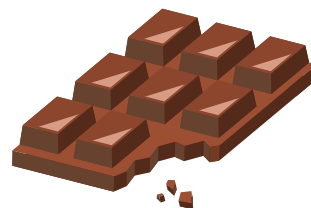
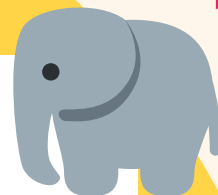
The Hyped NBA Prospect:

ZION WILLIAMSON



As the ACC player of the year and a potential number one pick in the NBA Draft, there is an overwhelming amount of hype surrounding Zion and his teammates. Listing as a 6ft 7 forward and weighing 285lbs, Zion manages a shocking 22 pts and near 9 rebounds per game with a field goal percentage as high as 68%, excellent for forwards his size. Not only does Zion put up good numbers but he also electrifies the crowd with his mind blowing dunks, making him internet famous. Zion is also an outstanding passer. With his remarkable vision, he can get the ball across the court with ease. He also has the amazing ability to protect the basket. Highlights of Zion swiping the ball away is purely credible. As the center of attention, Zion still manages to exceed expectations while only being a freshman in college. The way his body operates while slicing through defenders makes the execution look absolutely effortless, which makes his moves so eye-catching. His overall athleticism and power he displays earn him the title, "The Next LeBron". Although Zion is already in one of the top basketball colleges in the US, he still has a strong competitive spirit during easy games. Besides being super athletic, videos of Zion doing crazy free throw dunks spread like wildfire and have made him even more popular. According to the head coach at Duke, Coach K, "Zion is the most unique athlete I've coached at Duke. Everybody talks about his ability to dunk and jump, but he has great body control, he has guard skills. He can play any position." But, what really makes him a beast is that he has not developed to his full potential. Rumors say that if Zion learns to shoot accurately, he will become a major unstoppable threat in the NBA. Overall, Zion is a great athlete with good hand-eye coordination. If he maintains his ability and health, I believe that he will thrive in the NBA.

JUST FOR FUN



Across

4. The small orange men in Charlie and the Chocolate Factory
8. The state that Mrs. Maguire is from
11. School that Harry Potter attended
12. President before Donald Trump
14. The name of a male duck (and also a famous Canadian rapper)
16. The name of the baby elephant in The One and Only Ivan
17. What type of race is the Tour De France?
18. How many players on a volleyball team
19. The age in The Giver when you are given your job assignment
21. They invented the airplane
23. Wilbur in Charlotte's Web is a very _____ pig.

Down

1. The Greek goddess of love
2. Mr. Maguire's favorite baseball team
3. The country where Iqbal takes place
5. A group of lions is called...
6. Currency of England
7. A famous half blood; son of Poseidon
9. The season after Spring
10. What type of animal is Abu in Aladdin?
13. Ms. Chen's very good boy!
15. The location of WSC Global Round
19. A sport involving a bat, a ball and a tee
20. Took place on May 18, 2019
22. The largest moon of Saturn

SPRING FAIR

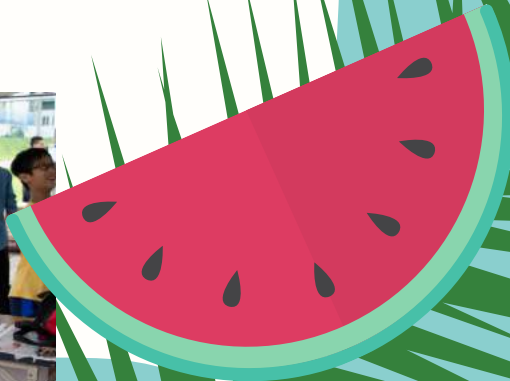
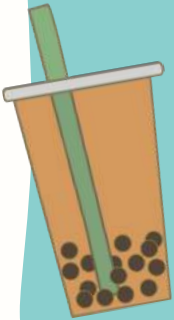
by Steve Loo (G6)

Spring Fair, a time to meet and enjoy, was held on May 18th. This annual event brings back memories and fun for all who attend. All middle schoolers get a chance to experience planning a business and working at their booth to raise money for a class party!!

At this year's Spring Fair, the elementary and middle school had four different booths. If you visited the 4th and 5th grade booth, you could have joined in on some Minute to Win It games to win a delicious ice cream. Some of their challenges included M&Ms sorting games and stacking cups. At the Grade 6 booth, the students planned a fun game where participants had to toss the ball into many different cups to get points and win lollipops, pens, Rubiks cubes and others. The seventh graders had a mini basketball game and any shot that makes it in can get a soda, a candy, or even bigger prizes. The 8th grade booth used cups to stack and the attendees were challenged to use a NERF gun to shoot them down. Any person can get a 10 NTD discount voucher for a bubble milk tea which costed 40 NTD.

Besides the middle school booths, the high schoolers also had a lot of games and foods as well. And if you didn't just want to visit the student booths, you could have tried playing at the bouncing house and watching performances. We were very lucky this year to have a number of outside vendors as well including Samba Pizza, La Croqueta, Leo's Tuck Shop, Souy the Junction and Mr. Ta Wey, who all served up delicious food for everyone to eat.

Although it was raining, we still all had a great time. Rain or shine, HAS always knows how to have fun!



INTERVIEWS W/ STUDENTS & TEACHERS

Question: What do you like the most about spring fair?

Michelle (G8): I liked selling things

Steve (G6): I liked playing the games at the booths

Jia Qi (G7): Meeting new people

Mrs. Maguire: I had a fun time helping the 8th graders prepare; they're great business men and women.

Chrissie (G12): Spending my last Spring Fair with my friends

Hannah (G10): Water balloon fights!

Mr. Lines: Mr. Perez's amazing food!

Alex (G10): The games

Erwin (G11): Definitely the water balloons!

Mr. Swarthout: Watching Richard Lin roll around in the rain

Molly (G8): Water balloon

Dwight (G7): Eating Mr. Perez's quesadilla

Lian (G6): Walking around the parking lot with my friends.

Casey (G6): Hmm...selling stuff...and playing with my friends

James (G8): Money..duh!

Kerdis (G7): All of the food

Ms. Chen: Seeing all of the students' hard work in their booths is always rewarding!

By: Lian Chang and Hugh Cheng (G6)



INTERVIEWS

Q1: How do you feel about becoming a high schooler? Why?

A1: I feel like being more mature.

Q2: What has been your favorite class in middle school? Why?

A2: Civics was my favorite class because I like to study U.S. government.

Q3: What has been your favorite memory in middle school? Explain.

A3: My favorite memory was Lock-in because I was able to spend time with friends at night.

Q4: What advice can you offer other middle schoolers?

A4: Take your grades seriously and make it your first priority.

Q5: What do think about graduating from middle school?

A5: I think graduating from middle school will be a great impact to my life and I will have more responsibility.

By Tim Chen



McKenzie



Michelle

Q1: How do you feel about becoming a high schooler? Why?

A1: I feel that I am going to a place that isn't my own world and I feel that I should be more serious.

Q2: What has been your favorite class in middle school? Why?

A2: My favorite class is Civics because Mr. Maguire will help me to improve my English.

Q3: What has been your favorite memory in middle school? Explain.

A3: My favorite memory in middle school is the school trip when we went to Taipei Arena.

Q4: What advice can you offer other middle schoolers?

A4: That you guys need to be mentally prepared, do not only focus on play something that you like or not focus in the class.

Q5: If you are a boy what will you do?

A5: If I am a boy, I will do something that a boy should do. Like play more sports or drink more milk that can make me taller.

By Eagle Lee

Bill



Q1: How do you feel about becoming a high schooler? Why?

A1: Good, because I get to choose my classes.

Q2: What has been your favorite class in middle school? Why?

A2: I don't have one. I like all classes the same.

Q3: What Has been your favorite memory in middle school? Explain.

A3: The 8th grade trip, because we had a great time.

Q4: What advice can you give the other middle schoolers?

A4: Do not mess up on History Fair!

Q5: Why do you like Duke university?

A5: They have a great basketball team.

By: Erwyn Murphy



Brenda

Q1: How do you feel about becoming a high schooler? Why?
 A1: Nervous. I don't think I'm ready yet. My organization needs improvement!
 Q2: What has been your favorite class in middle school? Why?
 A2: Art class, because drawing is satisfying!
 Q3: What has been your favorite memory in middle school? Explain.
 A3: It would be Lock-in. I really enjoyed the dinner and the xiao-ye (midnight snack)!
 Q4: What advice can you offer other middle schoolers?
 A4: You should get into the habit of turning in homework on time and studying before every test. These habits help you to get ready for HS.
 Q5: If you were about to die what's your last word or sentence?
 A5: My last word would be "Bye".

By Sophie Su



James

Q1: How do you feel about becoming a high schooler? Why?
 A1: I don't have any special feeling. I feel a little free though, for being able to choose classes. I am really excited and have no negative feeling.
 Q1: What has been your favorite class in middle school? Why?
 A2: Math and Science; they require thinking and are easier for me.
 Q3: What has been your favorite memory in middle school? Explain.
 A3: My favorite memory will probably come up in grade 8 trip. It is a feeling, don't ask me why.
 Q4: What advice can you offer other middle schoolers?
 A4: Students, you guys, should study hard. However, you guys should still stay happy.
 Q5: Would you rather eat a bag of tissues or an eraser? Why?
 A5: An eraser; Eagle did it before and I would be "honoring" him.

By David Kim

Q1: How do you feel about becoming a high schooler? Why?
 A1: Nervous, because the lessons will be harder than now.
 Q2: What has been your favorite class in middle school? Why?
 A2: Civics, because Mr. Maguire is nice and teaches well.
 Q3: What has been your favorite memory in middle school?
 A3: Lock-in, it is funny and special
 Q4: What advice can you offer other middle schoolers?
 A4: Remember to do your homework.
 Q5: What is your favorite anime?
 A5: My favorite anime is Black Clover.

By Dwight Tils



Molly

Chris



Q1: How do you feel about becoming a high schooler? Why?

A1: I feel excited about high school because I get to choose the classes I want. Second, I feel nervous about it because I don't know if my grades are going to be good or bad. Most importantly, I have been enthusiastic about new classmates that I am going to make friends with.

Q2: What was your favorite class in middle school? Why?

A2: My favorite class has been Algebra 1 because I helped some of my classmates with their problems in class. It was mostly full of great memories because I have good grades in the class. Ms. Tsai has been a great teacher in the class, I am excited to go to her class next year!

Q3: What has been your favorite memory in middle school? Explain

A3: My favorite memory in middle school is Lock-In (don't ask me why, it's a long story...). It was an event in the school where students and teachers sleep in the school. It was also the time where I get a good reputation in school.

Q4: What advice you offer other middle schoolers?

A4: If you guys have been knowing me for a long time, then you probably know what I'm going to say, "Math is fun" - Chris. Also, the middle has actually been the most time where I have good memories, so sometimes if you have trouble or anything else, think positive! One last advice that I'm going to give to you is to be patient.

Q5: Why are American universities better than other countries'?

A5: I think they are better than in other countries. For example, like better teacher all from different countries, they also have students coming from around the world meaning that they can learn about culture.

by Jacob Chiang

Q1: How do you feel about becoming a high schooler? Why?

A1: I feel nervous about becoming a high schooler. I feel nervous because the pressure of being high schooler will increase. Also the classes will be harder than in middle school.

Q2: What have been your favorite class in middle school? Why?

A2: Physical Education has been my favorite class in middle school because I like sports.

Q3: What has been your favorite memory in middle school?

A3: Lock In has been my favorite memory in middle school. Lock in is a whole school participation event. Everyone plays together and has fun.

Q4: What advice can you offer other middle schoolers?

A4: Be a good kid. Be nice to others. Stop fighting.

Q5: If there was a pig walking in the school what will you do?

A5: I would ride on the pig.

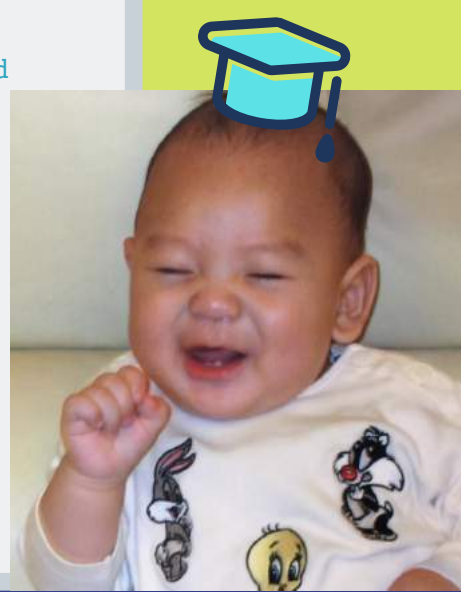
By Ray Huang



Evelyn L.

Q1: How do you feel about becoming a high schooler? Why?
 A1: I feel exhausted, because I will have to do more homework and classwork.
 Q2: What has been your favorite class in middle school? Why?
 A2: My favorite class is Art because it is the easiest class.
 Q3: What has been your favorite memory in middle school?
 A3: My favorite memory was the trip to Daja Old Street because it was fun.
 Q4: What advice can you offer other middle schoolers?
 A4: Be content. Review for tests and you will be fine.
 Q5: Will you choose a banana or a potato? Why?
 A5: I will choose a potato because fries are made out of it.

By: Andrew Kao



Ethen



Evelyn H.

Q1: How do you feel about becoming a high schooler? Why?
 A1: I feel excited. I feel nervous.
 Q2: What has been your favorite class in middle school? Why?
 A2: I like literature. Because I enjoy analyzing stories.
 Q3: What has been your favorite memory middle school? Explain.
 A3: The Winter Performance because it's special.
 Q4: What advice can you offer other middle schoolers?
 A4: Respect every teacher. Don't be naughty like students in 7-8 Art and Performance class.
 Q5: If you were a zombie, what would you do?
 A5: I would eat Chris and Ethen.

By: Kerdis Pan



Johnny

Q1: How do you feel about being a high schooler? Why?
 A1: I feel nervous about my grade.
 Q2: What has been your favorite class in middle school? Why?
 A2: Art, because I like to draw and create things.
 Q3: What has been your favorite memory in middle school? Explain.
 A3: Lock In, that was the first time I slept in school.
 Q4: What advice can you offer other middle schoolers?
 A4: Work hard and grow taller!
 Q4: How do you feel being one of the only HAS students to have one of your parents being one of your teachers as well?
 A5: I feel awkward.

By Jia Qi Gooi

End of the Year Trip

by Casey Chiu (G6)

On May 20th, 2019, the middle school had a trip to Flip Out and E7 Play. We arrived E7 Play first, around 10:00 A.M. At E7 Play, there were a lot of activities and games, such as bowling and video games. We had a lot of fun playing arcade game and video games. Many of the middle school boys played NBA 2K18 while others played games like drums and other things. We stayed at E7 Play for about two hours. We left around 12:45 after eating delicious Subway sandwiches for lunch.

After few minutes of bus riding, we arrived at Flip Out. A coach from the trampoline park taught us how to do some cool moves on the trampolines. After some teaching, we had some free time to practice the moves. Students learned how to sit down, lie down and bounce back on the trampolines. There was a really fun area full of sponges at the back and bouncy trampolines in the front. We bounced on the trampolines first, and then jumped and sank into soft and squishy sponges. We also spent two hours in Flip Out, then we left at 3:00 P.M. to go back to school.

We had lots and lots of fun in both E7 Play and Flip Out. The middle schoolers and teachers enjoyed the bonding with each other. Even though we were all sweaty and tired, it came to an end with the best End of the Year School Trip ever!

