

Kiwanis Honors Longden Elementary School Students Ethan Ashman, Ivan Barreto, and Natalie Robles November 19, 2019



The Kiwanis Club of Temple City recognized three outstanding students from Longden Elementary School. Accompanying the students was their 5th grade teacher, Ms. Sarah Baham.

Ethan is 11 years old and enjoys playing video games and hanging with his friends. Ethan said, "The best things about Longden are having a big field to play on, having recess every day, and doing math fractions". The best thing that ever happened was when his cousin Sarah was born. If he could change one thing, it would be to not have any homework. If he could build one thing, it would be a device that could stop time. Personal goals are to become a better reader, get more sleep, and to become a surgeon someday.

Ivan is 10 years old and has a younger brother. He enjoys playing soccer, football, and basketball. Ivan said, "The best things about Longden are the super nice people, getting Subway sandwiches for lunch sometimes, and playing soccer everyday". The best thing that ever happened was successfully using the behavior management tools that are taught to him through the GOALS Program (Gaining Opportunities of Achievement for Lifelong Skills). If he could change one thing, it would be to make it easier for people to stay in the United States. If he could build one thing, it would be the newest version of a smart computer. Personal goals are to manage his behavior every day, graduate from the GOALS program, and become a computer engineer.

Natalie is 10 years old and has an older sister. She enjoys singing, playing the French horn, drawing, and baking yummy treats. Natalie said, "The best things about Longden are my teacher, Ms. Baham, the lunch tables outside, and the GOALS Program". The best thing that ever happened was receiving a 8 pack of macaroons and it was actually a 10 pack by mistake. If she could build one thing, it would be a laptop computer that could read her mind and do automatic searches for her questions. Personal goals are to master the French Horn and play in a concert, get into Harvard Westlake College Prep School, finish a successful year and reconnect with her friends from last year.

Each week the Temple City Kiwanis Club is pleased to recognize outstanding students and their teachers from Cloverly, Emperor, Longden, Oak Avenue, Temple City High School, and the Dr. Doug Sears Learning Center. Kiwanis treats students and their teacher to lunch. Students receive a certificate, a letter for their parents, a bumper sticker, a gift certificate for North Woods Inn for \$15, and a photograph of them receiving their award. Their photo and story will be posted on the Temple City Unified School District website and on their Facebook page.

Temple City Kiwanis has been serving our community since 1939. Members are dedicated men and women who desire to make a difference in the quality of life for the youth of Temple City. Kiwanis meets at 12:00 noon each Tuesday at North Wood's Inn Restaurant. To find out more about Kiwanis, please contact Jerry Jambazian at (626) 643-9460. You can also visit their website at www.templecitykiwanis.org.