

Kiwanis Honors Emperor Elementary School Students Hakan Sabol, Pearl Hsieh, and Alivia Castro March 10, 2020



The Kiwanis Club of Temple City recognized three outstanding students from Emperor Elementary School. Accompanying the 6th grade students was Emperor teacher Mr. Greg Giangregorio.

Hakan is 12 years old and in Mr. Giangregorio's class. He has a younger sister and enjoys martial arts and Scouting. Hakan said, "the best things about Emperor are the teachers, music programs, and the library". The best thing that ever happened was when his father began teaching him at an early age and making school easier. If he could change one thing, it would be to fix climate change. If Hakan could build one thing in the world, it would be a community from nature. Personal goals are to get an A on Wonders tests, completing video games he is making, and start teaching his little sister more words.

Pearl is 12 years old and in Miss Trieu's class. She enjoys speech and debate, writing, reading, and coding. Pearl said, "the best things about Emperor are the nice teachers, all the books, the science labs are fun and interactive". The best thing that ever happened was when she won 2nd place at a elementary debate in the 5th grade. If she could change one thing, it would be to end bullying because children are our future and they should not be hurting each other. If Pearl could build one thing in the world, it would be a happiness jar to cheer people up and encourage them. Personal goals are to read more, manage her time better, and win a trophy from Oak Avenue in a debate tournament.

Alivia is 11 years old and in Mrs. Scanlan's class. She has two younger brothers and enjoys singing, dancing, acting, playing the violin, soccer, swimming, and reading. Alivia said, "the best things about Emperor are the amazing teachers and staff, the fundraisers, clubs and student activities". The best thing that ever happened was the birth of her little brothers. If she could change one thing, it would be to have activities at school for all grades. If Alivia could build one thing in the world, it would be a school where kids could learn about music and the arts. Personal goals are to become an author, star in a musical, and make the world a better place.

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 \$10, 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.