



Kiwanis Honors Emperor Elementary School Students Maya Alysia Naylor and David Tjandra December 15, 2020



The Kiwanis Club of Temple City recognized two outstanding students from Emperor Elementary School. During this time of pandemic our club recognized these great students at a virtual Zoom meeting.



Maya is 11 years old and in the 6th grade. She is in Mrs. Shelley Scanlan's class. She has an older brother and enjoys making Baby Yoda figures out of clay, and perfecting her design for working limbs. Maya said, "The best things about Emperor are the kind teachers like Mrs. Scanlan who does a Fun Friday Zoom, all the clubs she could join such as Student Council and Peace Squad, and Ms. Ruedel who once braided her hair and let her hold her phone to take photos of College Day. The best thing that ever happened was when she got her two long-haired dachshund puppies, Bella and Juno.

If she could change one thing, it would be for all people to be treated equally despite their race, religion, gender, and sexuality. If Maya could build one thing, it would be a time machine to meet Marie Curie and Ada Lovelace. Personal goals are to improve her art skills and learn to paint, to perform singing, acting, and dancing, and to keep all her grades at A's.



David is 11 years old and in the 6th grade. He is in Ms. Roxanne Trieu's class. He has a younger brother and enjoys playing video games, watching T.V., math, basketball and tennis. David said, "The best things about Emperor are the teachers, curriculum, and P.E.. The best thing that ever happened was when his brother was born.

If he could change one thing, it would be to flip all the hate in the world. If David could build one thing, it would be a church. Personal goals are to get better grades, to be healthier, and to finish homework faster.

Each month the Temple City Kiwanis Club is pleased to recognize outstanding students and their teachers from La Rosa, Cloverly, Emperor, Longden, Oak Avenue, Dr. Doug Sears Learning Center, and Temple City High School. Students receive a certificate, a letter for their parents, and a bumper sticker. 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 normally 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.