



Kiwanis Honors Oak Avenue Intermediate School Students Ariel Thio and Theo Lu December 15, 2020



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



Ariel is 13 years old and in the 8th grade. She is in Ms. Kasuyama's class. She has a younger brother and enjoys art, acting in musicals, spending time with her family playing games and going on vacation. Ariel said, "The best things about Oak Avenue are the teachers are easy to connect with and are always there to help students, all the clubs you can join or start your own, spirit week when students and teachers dress in funny outfits. The best thing that ever happened was getting a part in a musical and learning she loved to act.

If she could change one thing, it would be the way we treat others. We should learn to respect everyone's personality. If Ariel could build one thing, it would be a dream home for her parents because they always make her happy. Personal goals are to try her best to become an actress or star in a movie, have enough money to help her parents when they are older and pay back all the good things they have done for her, and to procrastinate less.



Theo is 12 years old and in the 8th grade. He is in Ms. Deana Ho's class. He has a younger brother and enjoys reading, business, video games, indoor rock climbing, playing with his bunny (Boba), and eating food. Theo said, "The best things about the Oak Avenue are the wonderful teachers and staff, the large variety of clubs like gaming and the Builders Club, on Tuesdays they sell Boba tea, Green Milk, and Thai Tea, and a big shout-out to the lunch ladies. The best thing that ever happened was getting 1st place in two math tournaments.

If he could change one thing, it would be for America to not have any national debt and being able to will things into existence. If Theo could build one thing, it would be a snowman that does not melt on a hot day in California. Personal goals he is striving for is to become more wiser and knowledgeable in finances, establish better friendships, and learn to cook lots of new recipes for everyone.

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.