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GENDER EQUALITY IN SPORTS

by Cecelia Frey

Worldwide, there have been challenges and inequalities between men and women in sports. Most recently in this past Olympics, the inequalities of training facilities between male and female Olympians was exposed!! At Hackley, we consistently promote sportsmanship and creativity. So reader, you must know about the Hackley field hockey team, they are an awesome team with lots of kind and respectful students. I have decided to interview the one and only drum roll please, thump, thump, thump, Mrs. Leffler/field hockey coach!!! According to Mrs. Leffler, she loves being a field hockey coach. She stated, “I love coaching field hockey at Hackley because my players are passionate and hard working and so much fun. They love to play the game but even more so, they love to play the game TOGETHER!” She also mentioned that Hackley has supported and encouraged all students’ sports experience, regardless of his or her gender. She declared, “Hackley values sportsmanship above all else....Hackley also values equality and works hard to live that belief. All teams have the same access to athletic trainers, strength coaches, equipment, busses for travel, etc. Mr. Edwards works hard to make sure that if there is an opportunity for one team, that other teams have the same opportunity.” Let's all give a round of applause to Mrs. Leffler: CLAP CLAP CLAP! Now you know how supportive Hackley is of gender equality!



Field Hockey Sticks
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BUILDING COMMUNITY

By Kyla Joseph and Misha Popov

At Hackley, we work hard to build a sense of community. Part of this is the teachers that work here! Let's take a deep dive to learn more about some of the new LS teachers that have joined us this year. The teachers we focused on in this issue are Ms. Folk and Ms. Dockery.

MS. FOLK

We interviewed Ms. Folk to find out why she chose to be a teacher. First, we asked her what she liked about the Lower School. "My favorite thing about the Lower School so far is how happy everyone seems to be here and how helpful everyone has been" she answered. Next, we asked her if she wanted to continue at Hackley. Her answer was "I would love to continue at Hackley because as a teacher I'd always like to work somewhere I'd like to send my son to someday and see him very happy there." Then, we asked her what drew her to the Hackley community. She mentioned that Hackley's openness and commitment towards students made it a very fun place to be. Afterwards, we asked her what drew her to teaching. "I have always been fascinated by the way not only what people learn but how they learn it and if we understand how people learn then our businesses will be better and our schools will be better because you're always learning, and you don't just stop learning and leave school" she answered. Lastly, we asked her what she liked about teaching. She mentioned that her favorite thing about teaching is that students always understand what you're talking about, whether you are teaching Lower, Middle or Upper school. Now hopefully you know a little more about Mrs. Folk. If you would like to know a little more, drop by 4F or 4S (and occasionally 4C).



Ms. Folk

By Chris Taggart

MS. DOCKERY



Ms. Dockery
By. Chris Taggart

Come with me on the journey to learn more about Ms Dockery and what she thinks about Hackley so far. First, I asked Ms. Dockery what she liked about the Lower School. “So my favorite thing about it is all the people. I love all the teachers, I love the students who make me smile everyday” she answered. The second question I asked her was “do you want to continue at Hackley and why?” According to Ms. Dockery, Hackley is a community and everyone is always so nice and kind and so helpful. Then I asked her what drew her to the Hackley community. “I live in Hackley. I teach at the Lower School and coach the Middle and Upper school Cross Country” said Ms. Dockery. Another question was, what drew you to teaching? Her answer was “I was drawn to teaching by my love of books and I wanted to share that so other students love that.” Our final question was “what do you like about teaching?” Her favorite thing about teaching is when a student is struggling with a problem and then it finally clicks, she mentioned. I hope that this helps you learn a little bit more about Ms. Dockery. You can now find Ms. Dockery teaching in the Middle School!

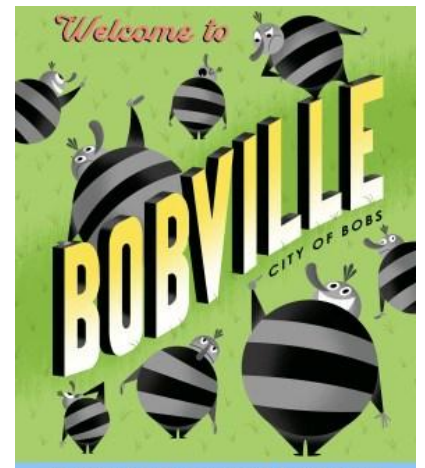
BOOK REVIEWS

By Tate Warshaw and Henry King

Are you looking for a new great book? No matter your age, a great book is just around the corner, and we’ll help you find it! 😊 If you think that you're too old for some of these books, think again! You’re never too old for a good book. If you are interested, visit a library and find it ASAP! If you can not find it, ask Mrs. Mckay at the Santomero Library.

Welcome to Bobville: City of Bobs (K-1st) by Jonah Winter

The book I reviewed is called *Welcome to Bobville: City of Bobs* by Jonah Winter. This book is geared for kindergarten and first grade students. In this book you will learn an important lesson in a funny way. The message in the story is YOU BE YOU. You are special just the way you are. In this book you will find that all the Bobs dress the same, wake up at the same time, think the same things, etc. You will find this book in the picture book section in the library.



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***Room to Dream (3rd-4th)* by Kelly Yang**

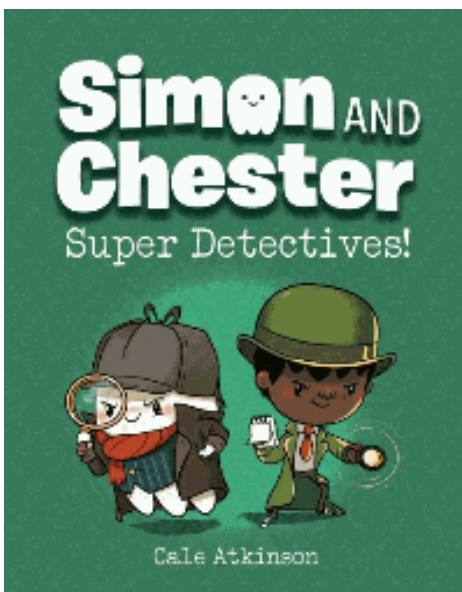
The book I am reviewing is called Room to Dream. If you like realistic fiction, this book is for you. This book is about Mia, a Chinese immigrant whose family owns a motel. In the third book, Mia can finally achieve her dream of going to visit Beijing. The book tells an important story about how people who are different aren't bad. If you have not read the first two books in the Front Desk series, I suggest you do. Now, if you're interested, what are you waiting for? Find it now! You can find it in the LS Library.

***Genie Meanie (1st-2nd)* by Mahtab Narsimhan**

The book I am reviewing is called *Genie Meanie*. The book is about a girl named Kiara. She misses her deceased grandmother. When she finds a bottle that has genie in it, she uses the genie as an advantage to confront a bully named Matt. If you like fantasy, this book is for you. You can find it at the Hackley LS Library. If you're interested, read it now!



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***Simon and Chester Super Detectives (K-4th/Young Readers)* by Cale Atkinson**

The book I'm reviewing is *Simon and Chester Super Detectives*. This book is kinda like a mystery book. A dog comes to the detective's office and then a big mystery comes to mind. **WHO** is that dog? **WHERE** did that dog come from? Read the book to find out!!!

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GOLF

By Ryuma Matsui

Welcome to part 2 of sports in the news! Today we are going to focus on golf at Hackley! There are many ways to show kindness in golf. First, if you lose your ball in the water your caddy (a caddy is a person that gives you the balls and your club) will gladly give another ball to you. Then, just like baseball, at the end of the game you respectfully say “good game” and shake hands. Next, your caddy also drives for you. Most of the time people are kind to other

people who don't have a golf cart. Sometimes, you can even hitch a ride on someone else's golf cart! Finally, people don't usually get that mad even if they lose. Now I hope you know a little more about golf. See you in the next article.



Golf ball & Golf club
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HACKLEY THROUGH THE YEARS

By Sophie Paley

Do you ever wonder what students in other grades are like and how we've grown from kindergarten to fourth grade? Doesn't it feel like sometimes we are in a completely different skin? I did too and decided to look into it. I interviewed a few students from kindergarten, second grade, and the seniors of the Lower School, the fourth graders.

Kindergarteners are just beginning to have some autonomy (freedom) in their life. At the beginning of school, their only morning choice was to head straight into their classroom for morning recess. Now, they are slowly beginning to have more choices, and in mid-October, they were allowed to go out to the playground for morning recess. This is a big step for them! Tucker Lisiak, a second grader, told me that his average day started with morning choices. I asked Ms. Enow-Pluchino what options second graders had. The answer shocked me. Second graders can not go to 3rd and 4th grade classrooms, but they can go to their classrooms, and drop in by 1st grade classrooms to say hello. They can also go to the library on Tuesdays and Thursdays and outside to the playground.

The fourth graders have the most variety in morning recess. They can go to kindergarten classrooms (if early enough), and the third and fourth grade classrooms. Along with those, they can also go to the library and playground, as well as the dining room. A fourth graders' average morning work includes finishing up

assignments, and working on extra challenges, depending on what they feel they need to start their day off right!

From kindergarten to fourth grade, a student's Hackley life changes. Kindergarteners have a little bit of autonomy in school, but by fourth grade you are expected to learn leadership and responsibility. Examples of 4th grade leadership include sharing the morning announcements, kindergarten buddies, and leading the Snack and Shares. Also, they have to develop skills necessary for Middle School! As you go through the grades, not only does school change, so do you. It's a bit like shedding your skin. You slowly start to actually feel truly used to it, and all of a sudden, it drops off and you change. There is a fast change from follower to



4th graders and their kindergarten buddies! By Waits May

leader as a Hackley Lower School student. All of a sudden, just because you are a fourth grader, you are expected to be able to lead. The teachers see us as the leaders of the school, and tell us that we are expected to set the example. This can be hard for some, because it was only four years ago that we were kindergarteners (and couldn't play outside for morning recess). And don't even get me started on going to MIDDLE SCHOOL!

Hopefully you can see that there are huge changes as a Hackley student and that everyone is going through it. It's okay to feel nervous, but make sure you just roll along with it!

THE JOURNEY TO JOURNALISM

By Kate Fahy

Do you ever wonder what is behind the scenes of "The Hackley Times?" Today we are going to take a deep dive to learn about the grown-up who is supervising this newspaper. This grown-up is Mrs. Enow-Pluchino. I first interviewed Mrs. Enow-Pluchino and asked her what gave her the idea to start the Journalism club. She said "it actually started in the summer of this past year, I went through a bit of a self transformation." After a few months of self-reflection, Mrs. Enow-Pluchino felt closer to herself. She thought about how she could continue to create authentic spaces for students to share their stories. At the same time, Ms. Everett sent out an email about creating a journalism club. This started our great adventure! The next question I asked her was what do you think you could have changed or prepared for when creating this Journalism club? She answered "we've never done this before in the Lower School. It was a new experience for me, and for everyone." She mentioned that this club was being created with the students. She doesn't know where it's going to go or how it will expand! She also mentioned that when she was in school, she struggled to be a "good" writer. She never felt that she was capable of succeeding in writing. She wishes she had a teacher who supported her through the writing process and encouraged her to share her stories! This is why the journalism club has begun. Mrs. Enow-Pluchino wanted to make sure that students had a safe space to share their ideas and stories as well as seeing themselves as journalists!

PHOTO HIGHLIGHT



Taking the Shot Photo by Amelia Madison

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