Migrant Teacher Comments

“Mr. Johnstone is very funny and always keeps us laughing. He always keeps tutoring fun. It was nice to have him all to ourselves. He’s really the best.”

–Alejandro

“Mrs. Pearson taught us how to be great reporters. She is always nice and spent a lot of days after school with us teaching us about journalism.”

–Regina

“Mr. Calvillo is very helpful and smart. He helps me when I need help. I now write better and faster because of what I learned in the journalism program. Whenever I have a writing test I will look back at what he taught me and I will be able to write. He is very helpful and kind.”

–Anahy Cabrera

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–Felipe Cabrera

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“Mrs. Stewart helped us use our 5 W’s. I love the field trips where we went together. We interviewed people. First, she let us research. Then, we had to come up with questions. We ask questions when we interview people.”

–Natalia Gomez

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Journalism project impact

By Leith Sanchez

Tulare City School District, ELP Curriculum Specialist

Beginning in September and concluding in December, our TCSD Migrant students were given the opportunity to participate in a specially designed journalism curriculum that exposed them to the world of newspaper journalism, while developing their listening, speaking, reading and writing skills through analyzing the structure and elements of written investigative journalism articles.

Our third through fifth grade Migrant students became investigative reporters researching “The effects of the drought in our community.” Throughout their 10 weeks of research, students interviewed various members of our community to get “their side of the story” in relation to the drought. These articles were published in a Tulare County Office of Education special newspaper showcasing the hard work of our Migrant students and teachers. Because this endeavor was so successful, our Migrant students, supported by their teachers, went on to investigate and research topics of their choice to be included in a second edition newspaper. It has been a privilege to work with these teachers and students and see them accomplish things that seemed very difficult and almost impossible in September. I commend the hard work and effort put forth by all involved in starring Tulare City School District Migrant students succeed.”
The plan for High-Speed Rail – plan for water?

California has thought about the high-speed rail for a long time. If the train does come to California, it will go to Sacramento and turn around in San Diego. It can catch speeds up to 250 mph, and although there is sometimes fog, the train can navigate through it. Planning began to build a high-speed rail in California in earnest because our growing population was straining on the highways.

In 2007 Senate Bill (SB) 1856 was passed and a $9.95 billion bond (SB) 1856 was passed. Then in 2008 Proposition 1 A was approved by the state’s voters. It was the first time ever that voters approved for the high-speed rail. In 2009 $8 billion in federal funds was made available nationwide as part of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA). It was to be used to help stimulate the economy, and demonstrate a new commitment of making the high-speed rail. Then in 2012, Governor Edmund G. Brown Jr. made the high-speed rail a priority for his Administration. Also, in 2012 the High-Speed Rail Authority adopted a business plan for implementing the high-speed rail. California can use a plan for water. Agriculture requires water. Big agriculture requires, like in our Central Valley, uses large amounts of water. A long time ago, a hundred years, there was a lot of water in California. Now, according to the New York Times, “The depletion of groundwater has terminally damaged California’s soil, lessening its ability to reabsorb and return water to plant the crops—where’s where we get our water to plant the crops— California needs water. We need to work hard so they can take people to their jobs quicker but California’s soil, lessening its ability to reabsorb and return water to plant the crops—we get our water to plant the crops—California needs water. We need to work hard so they can take people to their jobs quicker but California’s soil, lessening its ability to reabsorb and return water to plant the crops—California needs water. We need to work hard so they can take people to their jobs quicker but California’s soil, lessening its ability to reabsorb and return water to plant the crops—California needs water. We need to work hard so they can take people to their jobs quicker but California’s soil, lessening its ability to reabsorb and return water to plant the crops—California needs water. We need to work hard so they can take people to their jobs quicker but California’s soil, lessening its ability to reabsorb and return water to plant the crops—California needs water. We need to work hard so they can take people to their jobs quicker but California’s soil, lessening its ability to reabsorb and return water to plant the crops—California needs water. We need to work hard so they can take people to their jobs quicker but California’s soil, lessening its ability to reabsorb and return water to plant the crops—California needs water. We need to work hard so they can take people to their jobs quicker but California’s soil, lessening its ability to reabsorb and return water to plant the crops—California needs water. We need to work hard so they can take people to their jobs quicker but California’s soil, lessening its ability to reabsorb and return water to plant the crops—California needs water. We need to work hard so they can take people to their jobs quicker but California’s soil, lessening its ability to reabsorb and return water to plant the crops—California needs water. We need to work hard so they can take people to their jobs quicker but California’s soil, lessening its ability to reabsorb and return water to plant the crops—California needs water. We need to work hard so they can take people to their jobs quicker but California’s soil, lessening its ability to reabsorb and return water to plant the crops—California needs water. We need to work hard so they can take people to their jobs quicker but California’s soil, lessening its ability to reabsorb and return water to plant the crops—California needs water. We need to work hard so they can take people to their jobs quicker but California’s soil, lessening its ability to reabsorb and return water to plant the crops—California needs water. We need to work hard so they can take people to their jobs quicker but California’s soil, lessening its ability to reabsorb and return water to plant the crops—California needs water. We need to work hard so they can take people to their jobs quicker but California’s soil, lessening its ability to reabsorb and return water to plant the crops—California needs water. We need to work hard so they can take people to their jobs quicker but California’s soil, lessening its ability to reabsorb and return water to plant the crops—California needs water. We need to work hard so they can take people to their jobs quicker but

Basketball

By Dalia Cortez, Yadira Sintegio, Natalia Gonzalez, Daria Ramirez, Olga Gonzalez (OPMHS)

Would you like to know about a skilled basketball player? On February 23, 2016, we interviewed a Tulare Western High School basketball player to learn about the game of basketball. His name is Bryan Paredes.

Bryan really enjoys playing basketball. He has a deep passion for the game. We interviewed Bryan because he was one of the top players on his team. Also, we learned more about basketball. Bryan is a former Maple student and Mr. Calvillo was his fifth grade teacher. He is a varsity basketball player. He was the high score for the basketball team when they played Madera. He is a point guard, he brings the ball down the court. His favorite player is Kobe Bryant and his favorite team is the Lakers.

The Tulare Western High School basketball team came in second place in the league. It is not easy; they need to work hard so they can be good at basketball. They have an indoor gym and they usually practice two hours a day when they do not have games. Bryant’s basketball coach is Mr. Rickard. He used to coach girls basketball. He says that they listened to his instructions. His players do drills to learn to work together. Mr. Rickard has been coaching for 11 years. He also teaches Physical Education and coaches’ golf. His favorite team is the San Antonio Spurs and his favorite player is Michael Jordan. We learned a lot about basketball. While researching on the internet, we learned the history of the San Basketball; Page 4
By James Padilla

Kendama craze

What is the new toy played with in schoolyards that kids of all ages can use to do tricks, have fun, and exercise with? If you guessed a Kendama, you are right. No technology, electricity, or batteries needed yet kids are fascinated with this new schoolyard craze. During recess or free play periods schoolyards are crowded with students trying out their skill of this simple toy. A Kendama's parts consist of a spike, string, small cup, big cup, and big ball. Kendamas can be made out of wood or plastic, come in a variety of colors and designs, and can be big or small. The average price of this new toy ranges from as low as five dollars to hundreds of dollars depending on the size and style. This toy is nothing new, but youTube technology has helped it to spread quickly.

The withdrawals of water in the ground far exceed the replenishing. We can't keep doing this!

Scientists say that underground water is critical to California's future. Our soil is layers of sand or clay and it is being per- manently damaged by the excess pumping and removing water. There is nothing anyone can do to make the ground moist again and it will never again store as much water as people are pulling out.

In Porterville, California a lot of people have no water. They have to buy or find water from a well or even flush a toilet. They have to wait on water being delivered to them. People with brown lawns are prob- ably without running water, while people with green lawns have running water. More than 7,000 people do not have running water. What if others who have water, the water is brown because it is so dirty.

To those of us with water, maybe we should try not running on the water fau- cet for a whole day and find other ways of getting water to really understand the drought and what people are going through.

The internet. Students stated that they paid from 8 to 21 dollars for their Kendamas. We also found that the older students liked wearing a Kendama around their necks as a fashionable or cool way to carry it everywhere. Posture plays a very important role in maintaining a Kendama move. It is im- portant to keep your center of gravity forward, relax your shoulders, and stand naturally with one foot in front of the other in order to perform the intended trick correctly. Furthermore, a benefit of Kendama tricks is that it can strengthen hand and eye coordination as well as help with balance and reflex skills. A Kendama is a remark- able toy that has a ton of benefits. If you are lucky enough to have one, you ought to want to learn to use it to view some cool moves that you could learn and impress your friends at school or home.

Summer Olympics

What are you doing this summer? Well, you could go to the Summer Olympics! The Olympics are being held in Brazil. The Olympics are different sports played by athletes from different countries. The Olympics started out as a reli- gious festival the Greek god Zeus. Now athletes compete to see who is the best in the world. We are going to be giving some information about some of the sports.

Would you like to know what a long jump is? The long jump is a track and field event in which athletes combine speed, strength and agility in attempting to leap as far as possible from a take-off point. To begin with, it’s measured from the front edge to where you land. Whoever wins the long jump gets a gold medal for the first place and for second place they get a silver medal. Olga Gyarmati was the first woman to win the long jump in the Summer Olympics. She jumped very far and tried her best. Some people practice so they can get better and better in the Summer Olympics. She jumped very far and tried her best.

The year 1942 they first started using metal and manufacturing basketballs out of leather or rubber with a standard size and shape. The basket has been replaced with a net attached to a medal ring. This is connected to a board called the "backboard." The backboard can be used to make a shot or to stop the ball from going past the basket. The basketball net is 10 feet tall. Basketball has been played for 125 years. Over that time there have been changes to the game we know today. We hope you have learned a lot about the history of basket- ball, we sure did!

The history of basketball

By James Padilla

The history of basketball

For a century water flowed out of the Sierra Moun- tains and down the Central Valley. It only needed to be captured and stored to make it available. After a hundred years of diverting rivers there is now a lot less water to work with. Now the ground is also pumped dry. There are being wells being dug deeper. In some places, water tables have dropped 50 feet or more in just a few years. With less underground water to keep it up, the land surface is sinking as much as a foot a year in spots. This has caused roads to buckle and bridges to crack. Shallow wells have run dry, leaving several poor commu- nities without water.

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The drought continues

By Jaime Padilla

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ARTICLES: Maria Villarreal

Dribbled the ball. Interceded out on the court and game better, we even sport. To understand the Mr. Calvillo, Bryan Paredes

The world of soccer

Soccer is a fun game played all over Tulare, the United States, and Europe too! Soccer is the most popular sport in the world played by both girls and boys. There is no answer from where it was started, but once you start playing you just can’t stop.

In the game of soccer the rules are very easy. The idea is to put the ball in the other team’s goal. It is played with two goal posts. Back in medieval time punching, kicking, bitting, and gouging was allowed. Since then, a soccer association formed called the Football Association and came up with seventeen basic rules of (futbol) soccer for everyone around the world to enjoy the game.

On a Tuesday afternoon we had the opportunity to visit Mulcahy School to watch a soccer game. After the game we interviewed an eighth grade player named Vidal Ramos Salazar. He was one of the defensive players for the Stallion team.

We asked vidal who inspired him to play soccer? “Lionel Messi and Neymar Jr. are my two favorite players at this time.”

We then inquired why he chose soccer over other sports “I started playing soccer just for fun and to try it out.”

Part of loving soccer means loving the professional players. Our favorite player in the professional soccer leagues is Lionel Messi. By the age of 21 Messi had received many awards through his years of dedication. Ballon d’Or and FIFA’s world player of the year nominations. His personal best to date was the 2011-2012 season in which he set the Liga and European records for most goals scored in a single season.

He still had an injury during the following two seasons. Messi had his best form during the 2014-2015 season breaking the all time goal scoring records in both La Liga and the champions league and led Barcelona to a historic second treble. Soccer plays a huge role for kids here in Tulare and people all over the world. The equipment, the awesome players, and love of the game keeps people playing.

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length of their jump. Athletes try to jump as far as they can go. For this, athletes run down the runway to the jumping pit which is made of sand.

Now that you’ve learned what a long jump is you might want to be interested in being in the long jump.

By Yadira Santiago

Would you like to be on a championship team? If you do then you need to do the 400m relay race. Fanny Rosenfeld, Ethel Smith, Jane Bell and Myrtle Cook were the first gold medalists. Each runner must hand the baton to the next runner within a certain zone, usually marked by triangles on the track. The initial runner in the 4x100 relay begins the race in the starting blocks. The next three runners receive the baton exchanges. The 4x100 meter relay was held at Amsterdam. The woman’s world record stands at 40.82 seconds set by the USA team in 2012. Now you know the 4x100 meter relay race takes a lot of practice.

By Donna Ramirez

The Summer Olympics will be held in Tokyo in the year 2020. It has been a long time since it started in 776 BC. The winner then received an olive branch when they won but we would rather have the medals they earned now. We hope you enjoyed reading the information we wrote about.

BASKETBALL

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Mr. Cortez, Bryan Paredes sport. To understand the game better, we even went out on the court and dribbled the ball. Inter-viewing, Bryan helped us understand that it is not easy to play basketball.

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