



Columbia Eagles' Watch

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Columbia's First Jump-A-Thon a Success



Ade, and cucumbers with chili.

Many jump ropes were set up at the basketball court, which was where the "individual jumping" took place. Next to the individual jumping was group jumping. Students got to jump rope with their homerooms.

Mr. Skull was in charge of the electric slide. Many

students were dancing the electric slide on the volleyball courts. Most people who were dancing were eighth graders, although other students tried to dance to the quick music.

Tenikling, a traditional Philippine dance, was very popular, although some students ended up with sore ankles. Many eighth graders got to try out the dance; seventh graders, on the other hand, had already learned the dance in P.E.

The Jump-A-Thon was a great success, the school raised a lot of money for the future field trips to Knott's Berry Farm and other student activities.

The Jump-A-Thon took place on, April 8, 2009, on the Columbia Middle School playground after seventh period.

There were four main activities: individual jumping, group jumping, a dance called the electric slide, and tenikling. There was also a snack stand that that sold pico de gallo, fruits, Power-

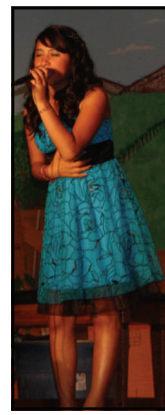


Columbia Choir Solos Concert

Columbia hosted its Vocal Solo Concert on March 18. Ten of our choir students sang solos.

The concert started off with Jeffery Phong who sang *You're Beautiful*. He was followed by Mirna who sang *A Thousand Miles* and then Jesus Cobian who sang *Love Story*. They were followed by Mylan Math, Alejandra Flores, Jasmine Meza, Oscar Duran, and Melissa Gonzalez, each of whom sang their own solos. It ended with Vanessa Morales singing *Te Quads Grande La Yegua* and Allyssa Merjil singing *Fall for You*.

Thanks to Mr. Jansen, the entire staff, Mr. Herrera, Ms. Garcia and all of our performers. The concert was a great success and everyone who went had a great time!



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Basketball: Teachers Vs. Students



On Wednesday, March 11, there was a basketball game. It was eighth graders against Columbia staff and teachers.

The game took place on the middle basketball court during lunch. The whole basketball court was surrounded with students from the sixth, seventh, and eighth grade. There were even teachers around the courts.

Some of the eighth-grade students that played were Angel Salazar, Deon Tong, Alex Casas, Kevin Nguyen, Antonio Ruiz, Ruben Jimenez, Christopher Contreras, and Gustavo Gonzales.

Teachers who played included Mr. Raygoza, Mr. Sham, Mr. Jansen, and even our principal, Mr. Herrera!

Many students were cheering for their favorite side. Whenever the teacher of a student made a score, someone would always be cheering. The game began after fifth period, and ended a little after lunch. Most students stayed to watch the game until the end. Even though the game ended, it seemed that some students didn't know who won. Later, during seventh period, an announcement was made that the teachers had won the basketball game.

But on March 31, Columbia held another teachers vs. students basketball game during lunch. It was a very close game: the score was 20 to 22. In the end, the students triumphed over the teachers.



March Madness Basketball Tournament

For weeks, seventh and eighth grade homerooms competed in March Madness — a basketball tournament to find out which homeroom the best of all!

Some of the seventh grade games included Homeroom 31, Sloat, against Homeroom 30, Moreno, who played on March 16. The winner of the game was Homeroom 31. The next day seventh grade games included Mrs. Sham and Mrs. Shommer.

When Homeroom 52, Lachica, and Homeroom 49, Ogaz, played against each other, Mr. Lachica's class turned out to be winners in that game. After many games, the homerooms played, the championship game, and it came down to be Homeroom 43, Mason, versus Homeroom 52, Lachica. Mason won.

