



INSIGHT

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A Willamette Christian School Newsletter

Gracious words are like a honeycomb, sweetness to the soul and health to the body

Proverbs 16:24

Affirmation—

I shared last week Charles Schwab’s words re: recognition. In this week’s newsletter I want to share with you some awards we presented at last week’s staff meeting.

Our staff members contribute beautiful impact to the students they work with every day; and while I want to recognize those gifts, I want to affirm everyday actions just as much.

How often do we miss opportunities to affirm the blessings others offer us? Are we people who easily say “thank you” to those who make our lives better?

Whatever the answers to those questions, I hope each of us will work toward the practice of affirming others. Sure, it will bless those we acknowledge; just as much, doing so will work something remarkable in us as well.

Mike La Sage



RECOGNITION

EXCELLENT OR PRAISEWORTHY
TRUE // NOBLE // RIGHT // PURE // LOVELY // ADMIRABLE

Last Friday, we presented three awards to WCS staff members for their contributions to what we do for kids.

Robyn Mitchell:

Recently, we completed the second round of MAP testing at WCS. While most of you have seen some of your child’s results, what we don’t acknowledge is how those results change instruction.

Robyn Mitchell saw her students struggling with some of the vocabulary on their literature assessment. Her response? Immediately she looked for creative ways to help students improve. For her willingness to embrace something different to serve students, Robyn was the recipient of the **IC Award (innovation and creativity)**—captured through a pair of oversized gold-painted sunglasses.

Connie Kelly:

Last week we hosted a kindergarten open house. As I watched Connie Kelly interact with families, I was impressed with the quality she offered. She does this in so many capacities and because of that, Connie was chosen to receive the **Golden Cue (Q for quality) award**—a gold-painted pool cue.

Lizzie and Duawayne Taft:

Most of you have been blessed through Lizzie’s and Duawayne’s ministry at WCS. The most beautiful part of that commitment is the humility they share. Because of that, they received the **SH (Service through humility) award**—a gold-painted miniature noisemaker (because they never toot their own horns).

These were small tokens compared with how they bless us, but we needed to affirm them all the same. Thanks to each of you for making us better.

PLANNING AHEAD



- APRIL 22nd** Early Release: Noon
- APRIL 25th** Spring Break Begins
- APRIL 1st** School Resumes: Full day
- APRIL 2nd** PT Conf Schedules Available
- APRIL 3rd** MS Electives Chosen
- APRIL 5th** Movie Night: WCS Athletics