



## Scream for Ice Cream

By Luke Welbes

Ice cream ,ice cream, we all scream ice cream. Yum! The ice cream social sounded good. They had vanilla and chocolate ice cream, sprinkles, and cherries. The ice cream social started at 5:00 to 6:30 p.m. Sunday before school. The reason for the ice cream social before school was for students to get to see who they’re going to be with. The ice cream social was outside and inside, so when finished eating your ice cream, you can go outside and play kickball,

spike ball, and bean bags.

I ask Carter Brant some questions about the ice cream social. He said that he would go to a seventh grade social if there's one. His favorite game in the ice cream social was kickball. He also liked when he got to see his friends and be able to know what class they are in.

## Back to school

By : Hannah Tittle, Hanna Huntington, and Maria Roth

Sunny days spent outside in the pool, but now we are once again back in school! At Mazzuchelli Middle School we begin a new year with many changes and many new people. We went around the school and interviewed some students on their thoughts of this new year.

“I like the new school year, but I don’t really like the lockers,” Alison Unsen in 6th grade said. One of the biggest changes and struggles of going from elementary school to middle school is that you receive a locker to hold all of your belongings. A lot of people have trouble with them.

“I like the new school year because there are a lot more activities that I can be involved in this year rather than 6th grade,”

seventh grader, Chris Schmitt exclaimed. At Mazzuchelli, once you are in 7th grade you are opened to many more opportunities. You can be involved in show choir, more sports, and a lot more choices.

“I feel free,” said Tom Scherr. “I really like that the school is bigger.” At most elementary schools, they are most likely to be smaller than middle schools. In middle school you are given more freedom and are trusted more than elementary schools.

Mazzuchelli Middle School is always changing for the educational growth of students. It is a big school with many new students, and many new ways of learning, Mazzuchelli is a great school for students to attend and learn as much as possible.

## New Faces

By Will Voss

If you are in Mazzuchelli Middle School, then you know that there are new people in the building. Who are these new people? Well, the 6th graders are new and a few teachers, too. Let’s get to know more about them.

Sixth graders get a new start at school. Hannah Tittle, a sixth grader, likes art because she likes to paint and draw. She wants more free time and would be happy if she got some. She would like the free time before lunch. Julia Hilbun, another 6th grader, misses friends the most. Spanish is her favorite subject because the teacher teaches stuff in a fun and kind way. The teacher is kind, fun and the reason why she look forward to spanish.

On the other hand, ,there are two new teachers. Ms. Timmerman and Mrs. Elbert. Ms. Timmerman (music teacher) likes to help people learn. Her favorite subject besides music is science. It was her favorite to study in high school. Her mom is a science teacher. She wants to walk around the track again.

Mrs. Elbert (student help) “likes spending time with students. College helped with the classroom. With the help from college she got some hand on experience.

Now that you know who is new I have two things to say. Are you new to the school? Well, there are new people at the school, so if you see someone that needs help, help them or if you need help, you can ask a teacher. As always please follow the golden rule.

# We Are The Evolution of Learning, Do NOT Get Stuck In The Past!!!!

By: Gracie Godel and Sarah Bandy

Who are we?  
We are The Evolution of Learning! We belong to an amazing program called Personalized Learning! Ok! So what is Personalized Learning all about? Personalized Learning is a program that allows the student to work at their own speed and more importantly to be pushed beyond the edge in learning. When you are in Personalized Learning, you are learning in ways that other people can't even dare to dream of. You are learning habits and skills that otherwise would be practically untouchable while in the traditional school. In other words, through Personalized Learning you are growing into a person that would otherwise be impossible to achieve.

Awesome! So what exactly do you do in Personalized Learning?

In Personalized Learning, you are the teacher for yourself. It's your style of learning and nobody else's. You get to work as far ahead as you want. If you want to go to the next grade, go for it! This is your learning, and you are your own teacher.

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projects. These focus areas are more or less tests. Basically you get a ton of different resources ranging from videos to just reading to learn about the subject of the focus area. These "tests" are worth about 30% of your grade altogether. This 30% is what allows you to truly learn about your skills and expand your knowledge. The projects or cognitive skills make up the other 70% of your grade. This is where Personalized Learning becomes extraordinary! You learn how to APPLY these amazing skills. This is something that NO other classroom does. This is the part that makes Personalized Learning truly a life-changing program."

Ok, That's SO Awesome, I'm blown away!! But how do the students feel?

The very lucky students that are a part of Personalized Learning truly love and enjoy it, however, nothing is ever perfect, which is why there is always room for improvement and what better way than with feedback.

Most students believe that the program is amazing. They have shared with us about how much they love this program. They are looking forward to seeing it improve and to see it grow in the future of Personalized Learning. All the teachers are SUPER excited to see how the program runs in the long run. They are excited to see the growth and the amazing and stunning people that it turns out!!!!

Wow.....

This is why YOU should join Personalized Learning if YOU want to take control of the way YOU learn, and if YOU want to be incredibly successful in life, JOIN US in Personalized Learning! You won't regret it!!!!!!

## Mock Trial

Mock Trial at Mazzuchelli

By: Catherine Ihrig and Theresa Kircher

"I have made the conclusion that the defendant is guilty!"

This is what you may hear at a trial in the United States, and if you have ever wondered what it would be like to go to court, then Mock Trial is for you.

What is Mock Trial you may ask? Mock Trial is an extracurricular activity where a group of students study the law and act out a realistic trial that could play out in real life. This happens right here at Mazzuchelli Catholic Middle School every Tuesday and Thursday after school when they practice.

As we learned from two of the Mock Trial students and the coach of the team, it helps students learn about how the U.S. legal system operates and learn about the different parts of a trial. After you read this article if you are interested in joining Mock Trial contact Mrs. Gonner and you may be able to join the team this year, if not, next year you can try out.

We interviewed 6th grader Isabella Park, a student in Mock Trial. This is what Isabella Park had to say about the activity.

We asked her, "What is your favorite part of Mock Trial?"

Isabella responded, "One of my favorite things is the case of Mock Trial. The case is that a girl who's under the age of 18, goes to a camp, and gets bit by a tick. She catches a lyme disease from the tick. I also like how my friends are there."

We asked her, "Why do you think other people should do Mock Trial?", Isabella answered, "You get to learn about the law. It's fun because you

get to act as someone, so if you like to act, it will be fun."

Then we spoke to 7th grader Gracie Godel who is a two year participant in Mock Trial.

We asked her, "What made you want to do Mock Trial?"

Gracie responded, "Last year I couldn't do sports so I tried Mock Trial and I loved it, so I decided to come back this year."

We asked Gracie, "Why do you think others should join Mock Trial?"

She answered, "If they enjoy debating and if you like to pick sides. Also if you like to act and dress up."

And the last person we interviewed was Mrs. Gonner, the Mock Trial coach.

We asked her, "What do you do at the first practice?"

Mrs. Gonner answered, "The first practice is laying down the foundation of all the different parts, they learn about how to do an opening statement, closing statement and objections."

We asked Mrs. Gonner, "How do you think Mock Trial benefits students?"

She answered, "It makes them think on their feet, because when they're questioning the witness they may have to change their argument."

We asked the question, "Do you think the students enjoy Mock Trial?"

She responded, "Yes, it is a lot of work at first, but once they get the hang of it they really enjoy it."

As we have learned from the three people we have interviewed, Mock Trial is a very educational and fun thing that takes place at our school. It provides students with many important skills in life and all of the Mock Trial participants are very grateful for all the things they have learned in it. We hope this article has shown you how amazing Mock Trial is, and encourage you to possibly join in the future. Juries Out!

# Band

By Julia Hilbun  
Were you in band when you were younger? Here’s the latest on Mazzuchelli band!

There are lot of new students as well as instruments. There are drums, flutes, bass clarinets and more! The music students are practicing Halloween music picked out by Mr. Tebbe, the band teacher. They are working on the music for the Halloween parade.

Mazzuchelli band is starting off great! As Mr. Tebbe states, “Band is going very well so far. All of my groups have been learning the music very quickly, which makes it easier to focus on musical aspects of the pieces as the concert gets closer.”

I asked Mr. Tebbe what his favorite part in band was, and he said, “My favorite part is when we have been working on a difficult piece of the music for awhile, then all of a sudden it just clicks, and the band begins to have fun with the music. I always want the students to have a fun experience in band.”

The Halloween parade is October 29th.. At first, it looked like the band members weren’t going to participate this year because the YMCA discarded it’s sponsorship. Then things changed. “It looked like we were not going to be able to participate in the parade this year because the YMCA dropped its sponsorship,” says Mr. Tebbe, “but, it was picked up and it is back on. When I told the students that we were going to march in it, they were excited. It will take place on Monday, October 29th at 6:30 pm I believe.”

The students are looking forward to a great year, and lots of fun! Hanna Huntington, a 7th grade band member, said that band is pretty fun, and would recommend it to everyone.

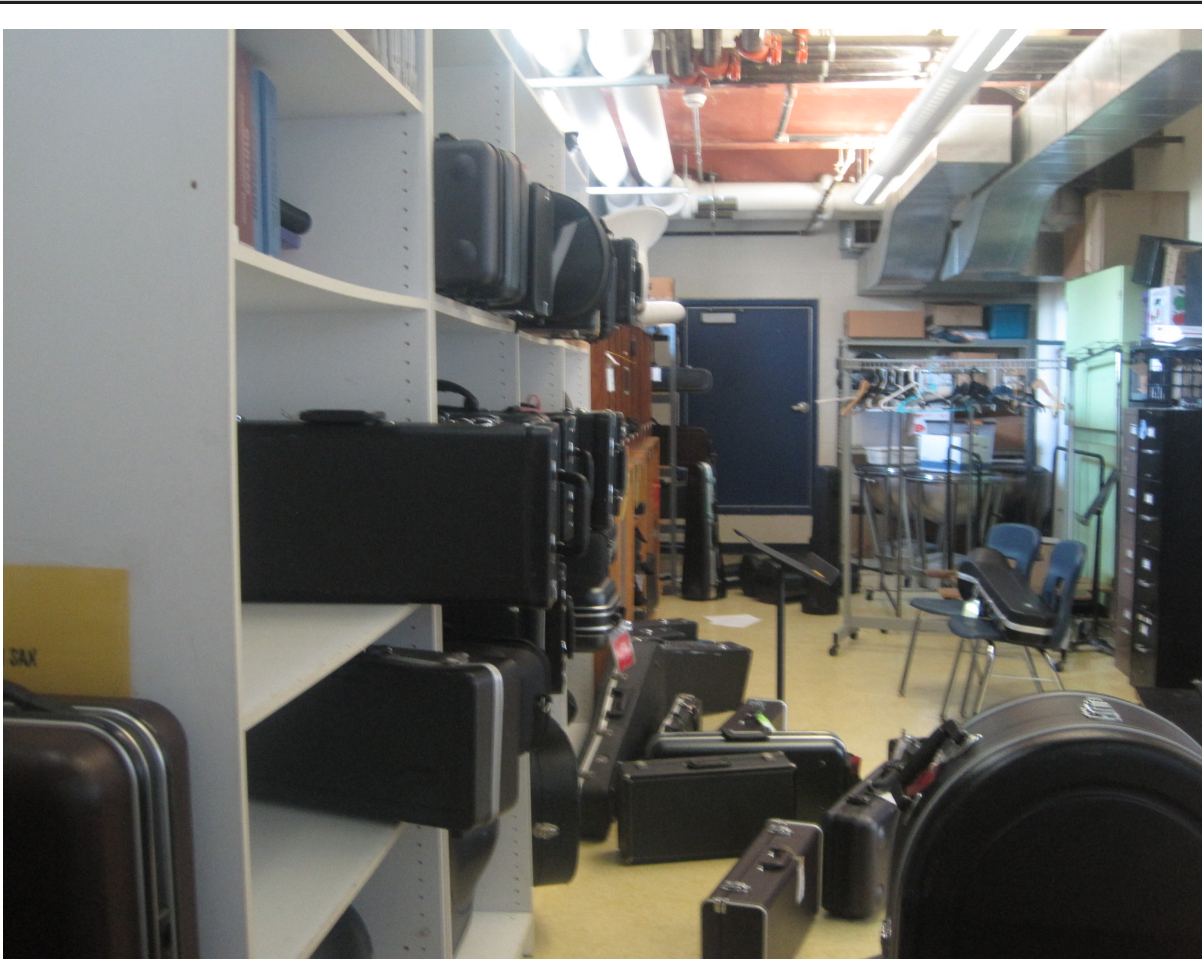


# Show Choir

Mazzuchelli Ignite Show Choir  
By Alyssa Kirby and Josh Chapman

1, 2, 3, IGNITE! If you love to sing and dance, then show choir is the activity for you. At Mazzuchelli, show choir is open to 7th and 8th graders. It is a non-audition activity, meaning if you want to be in show choir, you’re in! Practices are twice a week, and they are 2 hours and 15 minutes long. Show choir requires a lot of hard work for months, but the end result is amazing. Show choir is a very fun activity if you put forth an effort. Once you have the songs and dances learned and down, running through them and performing them is really fun. 8th grader Blair Hughes is a very talented dancer. She has been dancing since she was 3, and competitively since she was 5. Hughes says that what she enjoys most about show choir is being with her friends. She thinks she will continue show choir in high school. Ignite it a great opportunity to use your talents of singing and dancing. You don’t even have to be great at singing and dancing, you just have to push yourself to be the best you can possibly be. The great

thing is, as long as you are trying, you will only get helped, not judged. Patrick Rambousek is a talented male singer who enjoys show choir. He admits that he is a stronger singer than dancer, but enjoys show choir just the same. Like Hughes, Rambousek also hopes to continue show choir in high school. He wants to “continue his brother [Michael Rambousek]’s legacy.” Show choir encourages you to work on a team. That’s right. There are teams other than sports teams. Sometimes you will break off into groups to work on something to make it clean. There are also times where Ignite will do group activities. You may be familiar with Riff Offs from Pitch Perfect. Ignite enjoys having their own Riff Offs once in a while. This requires the Ignite members to work together in groups that they didn’t choose, and it also just it a great opportunity to use your knowledge of music and have fun. Ignite makes it very clear that working as a team will lead them to be champions.



Band supplies ready for students!

# School Safety

By: Addie Freiburger

## ALERT!

Is school safe for you? Why should we care? What to do in these situations? When do you put these safety measures first? Who should we be aware of? Where do we go for when these situations arise? Well, before school started staff from Holy Family had an in service on school safety. Mrs. Ellis, Wellness teacher of Mazzuchelli, described the training of the main sources of fight, flight, or hide. In any situation everyone has a choice of what they want to do.

Running is the first thing that anyone should do in these situations. Find a way out and get out. Don't worry about anyone else but yourself and run until you feel safe again whether it be down the street or a neighborhood over just run and don't look back.

Hide in the case that we can't get out of the building. Find the area that is safest in the room you are positioned in. Block the doors, get up on counters, anything to delay the intruders until the police arrive. If you want to go the extra mile make it look like you ran to through off the intruders.

Fighting is one of the last things you should try to do in an extreme situation of the intruder being inside. Grab everything around you and throw books, desks, chairs, even backpacks. Aim for arms, legs, even the head anything to put the person off balance or distracted. In any of these times try to do anything to survive. And if you follow these procedures you will be more likely to survive. That's it and stay safe.



# Hut, Hut!

By: Michael Spahn and Kevin Mendoza

Boom! The football season is finally here! The Mazzuchelli 8th grade football team will be taking Drexler Red on for their first game of the season. The 7th grade team will also be taking on Drexler Red in their first game of the season.



By: Cailyn Ernst and Anna Roling

Bump, set, spike! The Mazzuchelli volleyball team is back and ready to play. They are playing in games now at schools all over Dubuque. Anna Knockel said, "I joined the volleyball team so I could be involved in a school activity and make new friends. Abby Kluck said, "I joined because I love volleyball, I have played it most of my life."

When are practices? The eighth grade girls practices are every school night at Mazzuchelli from 3:00-3:45 or 3:00-4:30. Anna Knockel and Ella Kelleher said at their practices they practice calling the ball, serving, rotations, drills, footwork, and bumping.

Who are the coaches? The 8th grade coaches are Mr. Willis and Ms. Thyne. The 7th grade coaches are Ms. Cesarek and Mrs. Coppes. Eighth grade coach Mr Willis said, "I always enjoyed sports when I was younger. I am passionate about helping young players develop as athletes

The Mazzuchelli 8th Grade is against Drexler Black September 27 so make sure you tune in for that. The 7th grade football team is against Drexler Black to for their third game of the season. Will they win? We don't know! So make sure you come and watch the game.

## Bump, Set, Spike!

as well as well rounded individuals. Coaching gives me the opportunity to do that." Mr. Willis enjoys coaching.

How are teams decided? Mr Willis said, "Teams are decided each year by the two coaches. After the first week of practice, the coaches will get together and try to split the teams as evenly as possible so that both teams are balanced and competitive. Each team is then further divided into an A team and a B team. The A team is for players with more experience playing volleyball, while the B team helps players who are newer to the sport develop the fundamentals of the game and a appreciation for the sport. This is a great system that ensures everyone gets fair playing time and grows throughout the season." The coaches work together to make the teams fair so all students will get enough playing time.

Good luck eagles we hope you do good this year!