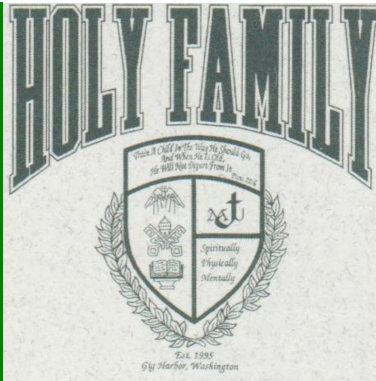
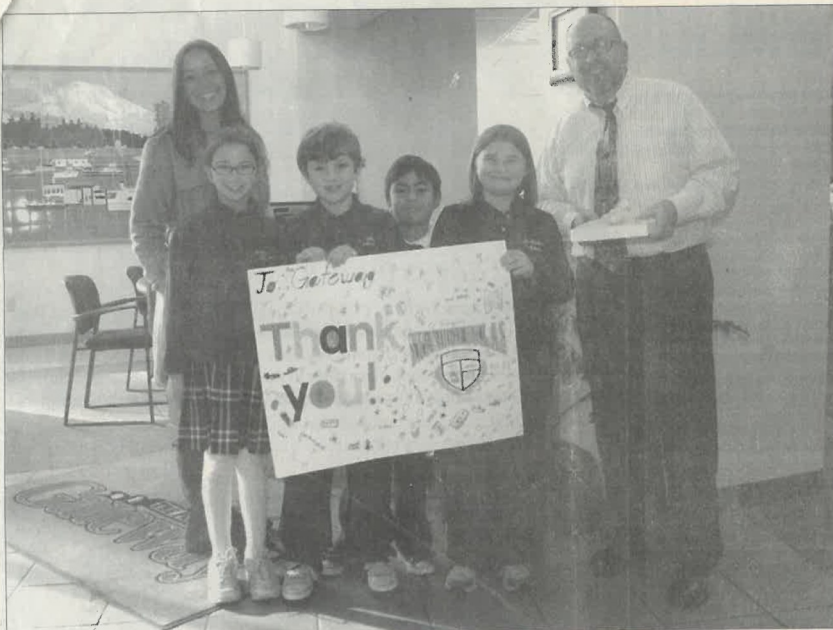


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Catholic Schools Week 2011: 3rd graders thank businesses and donors!
Sports teams below

St. Nicholas students appreciate community for its support



Peninsula Gateway General Manager Mike Leonard promises to share a box of cookies with the newspaper staff as Anna-sara Home chaperones her small flock of St. Nicholas Catholic School third-graders, Eleanor Home, Tyler Hurd, Anthony Ocampo and Toni Bubb.

Third-graders visit library, city, chamber to thank business leaders for their help

In Home, assistant principal and teacher at St. Nicholas Catholic School in Gig Harbor, invited me to accompany third-graders during their annual Community Appreciation Day, for which parents baked cookies and students made thank-you posters. Last week was Catholic Schools Week, which included an Appreciation Day for the Parish, students, parents and teachers.

I joined one of several teams which went into the community to deliver cookies and posters made specifically for each business and individual who has supported St. Nicholas School.

"We rely on businesses for monetary support, for volunteer assistance, printing, graphic design and catering, among other things," Home said.

I followed Home's wife, Anna-sara, and her charges, third-graders Anthony Ocampo, Tyler Hurd, Eleanor Home and Toni Bubb, on the team's mission.

Our first stop was a surprise. The Gig Harbor Chamber of Commerce had vacated its facility as it prepared



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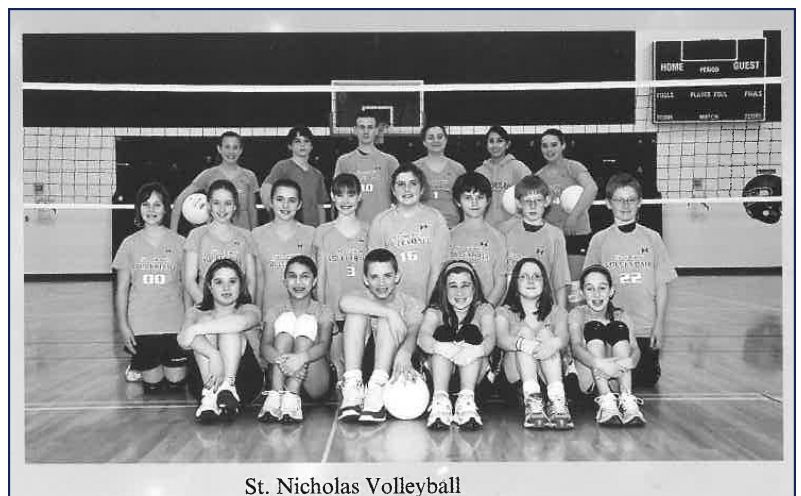
to move to new quarters on Judson Street. We tracked them down.

President Warren Zimmerman and crew made the kids very much at home even though the move was still in progress.

"Delivering cookies was fun," Molly McCain said. "I met a lot of important people. I loved representing our school in the community."

Home said the purpose of Appreciation Day is to recognize all the supporting partners in the students' Catholic education. It's important for students to understand how many different groups have a vested interest in their school, and that each is vital to the success of St. Nicholas, he said.

Ryan Potter of another team wrote, "When we went to Ace Hardware, the manager said 'I love your poster' and hung it up high for all to



St. Nicholas Volleyball