

Youngsters Enjoy Another Fun Week On Playgrounds

BOND STREET

The cheerleaders screamed when we finally won our first softball game of the season, easily defeating the Wilson Street Midgets, 17 to 5. Scoring three home runs were Susan Connolly and Marlene O'Donnell. Jeannette Clacia, Ann Wiggins, Elizabeth Hopkins, Mona Sansone, and Vicky Clacia boosted the score by each making two runs. Also, Mary Jane O'Donnell made a single for the team.

That afternoon a new intruder invaded the playground. Sargeant, a black dog, keeps hopelessly trying to join in playground activities. If anyone ever rode by the playground on Tuesday afternoon, they would have observed a mass of children located either on the jungle gym, the baseball back stop, or in Carole's car. We found the owner and then waved good-bye to Sarge as he left. This proved to be an exciting, chaotic afternoon, with the dog chasing after everyone.

Wednesday morning we learned how to play soccer, which is now one of our favorite games.

Presently, we are in the process of learning how to make embroidered felt purses.

CALLAHAN BOYS

Monday morning the Intermediates downed the Cleveland at the Rec Center. Once again Ed Fraher came through in relief when Tim Haughey's finally failed. However nothing is to be taken away from Tim. Tim pitched for the first time this season and with more practice he should be able to retain his fine control.

In the afternoon the Midgets upset the Prescott in a 2-1 decision. John (Lunch) Lynch pitched beautifully for the Callahan. All of Cork City was proud of the boys.

Barrel-ball was the big event on Tuesday. Gerard Shea is still undefeated. Another big event was soccer in the afternoon. However, the heat got to the boys and activities had to stop for ice cream.

Wednesday, Tappy Tamulinski pitched for the Callahan as we handed the Endean a defeat. Thursday Tom Deney was crowned King of the week. Along with the title of King goes a free week's supply of popsicles and ice cream. Friday morning Tom was a little upset because his older brothers and sister had raided his supply of goodies. Also his mother wouldn't let him have a popsicle for breakfast.

CALLAHAN GIRLS

Monday at Arts and Crafts we made plaster figures. They were fun, but accidents occurred when a few were stepped on. The girls had a midget game Tuesday against Prescott. Patty Gray and Mary Ann hit their homeruns as usual. As hard as we played we lost a close game, 11-9.

Wednesday, we made Japanese Lanterns. We had an intermediate game Thursday against Prescott. Mary Ann, Clare, Margie, Maggi, Linda, Donna, Janice, Clare, Terese, and Mary Ellen all played well but lost.

Friday we went to Neponset Valley for ice cream, and played softball, checkers, kickball and other games throughout the afternoon.

CLEVELAND BOYS

Monday morning the intermediates lost to the Callahan by a score of 7 to 7. "T" Kennedy made everybody stop laughing by finally getting a hit. Monday afternoon saw our midgets travel to the Spattuck. We tied 4-4 with Tom Trask's booming home run.

On Tuesday afternoon it seemed that most of our Pee Wees preferred to stay home and watch TV as we were forced to forfeit.

On Wednesday our midgets were finally knocked from

the underdog ranks as they lost a real heartbreaker to the Rec Center.

Thursday saw our boys fare especially well in the horseshoe tournament. Steve Fischer and Mark Malone had trouble in the doubles, but each did very well in the singles. In the midget division, Chris Malone and Tom Trask did well, and in the singles competition Tom managed to survive until the final round, finishing second.

CLEVELAND GIRLS

Tuesday, we played Shattuck, and won, 13 to 6. After a slow start we caught up in the third inning with four runs. Lynn Fischer got four out of 5 with 1 homerun, 2 singles, and a double. Kathy McGill got 4 out of 5 with a triple, double and 2 singles.

Wednesday, we played Red Rover, Red Light, Dodge and Kickball.

Thursday morning, Paula showed us how to make hot plates or plaques with the printer of Paris. Thursday afternoon, we had fun cutting designs from wallpaper, while the younger children colored.

On Friday, we had a practice game for the next game against Mr. Mac's, and we're ready for them!

ELLIOT PARK GIRLS

As the week ended Elliot Park came up with a girls' midget win against Pleasant Park 14-8. Sharon Elias was the big high with a 3 run homer in the 4th inning.

In the afternoon the playground marched up to Endean with Diana to make picture frames to put their beautiful colored pictures in. It was a lot of fun and enjoyed by everyone.

Wednesday morning we all watched Endean play Callahan at Elliot. It was an exciting game and we rooted for both teams.

Thursday the girls intermediates took on Ellis Gardens at the Rec Center in a well-played game all around. The final score was a very close, 5-3 in our favor. Later that day we practiced for our tough game against Prescott.

ELLIOT PARK BOYS

Monday started with the boys rushing down the hill to greet Diane and John after a wonderful weekend. We visited the big bunch of boys, who beat us by the score of 10-1. Frank Eppich had the only hit, a homer in the first. We used eight pitchers.

Tuesday we watched the girls' game and we are thinking of playing them in a series.

Wednesday we tied 5-5 against the Pleasant Park midgets, making a great comeback to tie in the last frame. We had our bases loaded but Batman struck out with three men on.

Thursday, the girls played another thank goodness. We watched Winslow play Pleasant Park girls as John umpired a great game.

Friday we had infield practice as Mucker showed great pitching, but if only he could hit! The score was Mucker 81 and Diana 80.

ELLIS GARDENS BOYS

Our week began on a happy note with our midgets beating Elliot Park behind the one-hit, strong pitching of Bill Travers. Johnny Kelley and Bob Libby were our hitting stars. Johnny Graham played well, also. Tuesday, the Pee Wees played a game against Endean and were awarded a victory by the Commissioner on a protest Dennis Baker, Paul O'Donnell, and Pat Santoro received praise for a fine job.

Wednesday, our midgets lost their first game to a good Prescott team. Johnny Kelley pitched well in a losing effort. Rick DeMers played a good game at second. Davey Katchpole and Jimmy White showed a lot of hustle but didn't wasn't our day. Thursday, Bill Travers won the Horseshoe Tournament for the midgets. Friday saw a backstop game and a regular baseball game with Ensen Jensen, Eddie White, and Paul Travers playing well.

ELLIS GARDENS GIRLS

On Monday, the smaller ones traveled to the Callahan for a joint session in Arts and Crafts.

Due to the inefficient sleeping habits of the girls midget team, we had to forfeit a game on Tuesday. We were afraid the girls especially Mary Kelley would fall asleep on the diamond.

Tuesday afternoon, we made black ashlike skunks. Wednesday, the younger endean dressed while the older ones played softball. We also gave a picnic at the playground.

Thursday, the intermediates battled with Elliot Park. A tremendous game was played but Ellis Gardens went down to defeat, 5-3. In the afternoon, we made paper elephants.

Friday morning, we played various children's games and colored.

ENDEAN GIRLS

We are proud to say our intermediates are improving greatly game after game. For instance we lost a very close game with Fr. Mac's, 9-8. The star player was...



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bikes to Pleasant Park expecting to play Callahan but they couldn't find a team and we had to settle for a forfeit victory.

Thursday several of the boys went down to the horseshoe tournament at the Rec Center. Lucky Kane and Tom Taylor went to the finals in the intermediate doubles but only to lose to the Pleasant Park combo in a close contest. Our other entries were eliminated early in the tournament.

FATHER MALKER'S BOYS
Monday the boys intermediates had a bye, so we decided to have a world series between the Orioles and the Redlegs. After three games, the Orioles led in games 2 and 3, 1-0. The Orioles gained this advantage by Barry Sullivan's remarkable fielding at shortstop and their 4 base. In the afternoon the midgets won a 9-0 decision over Oldham (actually they forfeited to us) so we had a buck up game.

On Wednesday the intermediates beat Pleasant Park by the score of 5-4. Fr. Mac's won this game due to the great genius of "Benji" Maloney who called for a suicide squeeze with one out and the lead run on third with Mike Bohen at bat. Mike came through with a perfectly placed bunt. Once again the Maloney commission will be umpires, Harry Pascoe and Joe Gugliotta.

Thursday "Ticklish" Joe Curran was found in a bunch of little kids making a pot-holder; so to keep from embarrassing him, we joined him. We made the best of the whole bunch. Thursday afternoon there was a mixup of signals so "Benji" Maloney didn't eat at the Currans like Maribeth said but he has a ranchuck out at Fr. Mac's we didn't do very much at all thanks to "Ticklish" Joe Curran and "Remarkable" Barry Sullivan.

FR. MACALEER'S GIRLS
We did it again. The midget softball team won their third game in a row, by defeating Oldham by a score of 26 to 15. Gail pitched a fine game for us and everyone helped to score runs. Robbie, Paula, Donna, Lorri, Martha, Elaine, Eleanor and Patti were in the lineup.

Wednesday we played games including a new one: Time Bomb. In the afternoon we sat around waiting for the potholders. Finally when they came, it was almost time to put them away. Only Kevin finished one.

Thursday, the intermediates won a close and exciting game against Endean. Lorri and Kathy combined their

pitching talents and Cathy hit two home runs to help us win the game 9-4.

From that afternoon on, we'll sit under our spreading oak tree and make potholders. Nona, Lisa, Martha, Marybeth, Faith, Gera, Barbara, Tommy, Joan, Susan, Mary Ellen, Leslie and Donna are busily at work with their loops and looms.

OLDHAM GIRLS
Monday we had practice for softball while the other children played games. In the afternoon we made flowers out of straws and colored paper.

Tuesday was a heart-breaking day for our girls' midget team. Oldham lost their first game and of the year, 26-15, to the midgets of Father McAleer's.

Wednesday we had a coloring contest; winners were Jackie Murphy and Susan Serani.

OLDHAM BOYS
Basketball was the main amusement in the early part of the week with Bill four time loser to the other Bill B. The ice cream fund was well stocked and the gold ball unswitched.

Tuesday we had an interesting walk through the Shattuck woods back from Cleveland led by Steve. The game of the week was played Wednesday against Wilson St. with Billy Breen looking good in his debut behind the plate and Kevin Polan and the Big Bear from Shattuck being the big stickers.

Friday was tragic as in the pregame warmups the ever-present Bill mashed his finger and is out of action. Hopefully the return of Carlton will save us. We were happy to hear that Jay and Ervay made the semifinals of the horseshoe tournament.

PLEASANT PARK BOYS
Monday was a good day for both our intermediates and midgets. The intermediates beat Endean, and the midgets were victorious over the same playground. Lou Rondinelli, Jerry McTernan, Mike Wertheim, and Joey Anello all played well for this team.

The Pee Wees lost to a strong Prescott team on Tuesday. The Greasy boys, Frank Ruscio, and Steve, all played well in defeat.

The intermediates lost a real tight ball game in a pace-setting Fr. Mac's team. The midgets did better, however, as we tied Elliot Park, the Abely and Steve Carey played good games.

Thursday was the day of the Horseshoe Tournament. Pleasant Park won the title for second year in a row. Lou

Rondinelli ("Mr. Horseshoes") won the single title for the third straight year. Frank DeRose and Fred Ravens won the midget doubles. All of these boys deserve a lot of credit.

On Friday, the Pee Wees practiced for the upcoming games. The DeMasi's, P. J., and David Ravens were captains during the day.

PLEASANT PARK GIRLS
Monday morning we started out with our much needed practice in softball, while the smaller ones colored. In the afternoon we watched the midget boys and cheered them on to a victory. After the game we had a swinging contest with Betsy Bernazzani and Ed DeMasi the winners.

Tuesday, the midgets played Elliot Park. It was a close game with Elliot the final victor.

Wednesday started with Arts and Crafts. We made wall plaster of Paris. Most of them were very good, but a couple were dried.

Thursday, another day, and a disappointing loss in softball to the Winslow. Mary Laarhoven brought in a homerun in the 5th inning with the final score 30-7. We tried anyway.

In the afternoon Paul and Gale organized a "Clean-up" game and we kept our park clean. Chris McDonough was the most outstanding paper-picker-upper. Later we played volleyball. Friday, it was quite cool in the morning. We played softball most of the morning to keep warm.

PRESCOTT GIRLS
Monday morning life softball was just surprised Nancy with a birthday cake which was later enjoyed by all.

On Tuesday we played Callahan's Midgets in a home game and won 11 to 6. Prescott's star players were D. Domenica and J. Downs who scored home runs.

Wednesday Paula came and showed us how to make Plaster of Paris picture frames. Unfortunately, only a few hardened and turned out well. Among those present were Johnny and Sammy Lazzaro, Fay Donovan, Mary Jane Thompson, Barbara Jean and Danny Hogan, and Mary Croft.

Thursday the Prescott Intermediates swamped Callahan's team 41 to 19 in a game at their school. A grand slam was hit by Lorraine and most of the other team members scored during the course of the game.

Four square has proved to be one of our most popular playground games as it shows up to many kinds who line up to play almost every day.

Friday morning the boys tramped up girls in a softball game. Later we collected money for the trip to the Red Sox game.

PRESCOTT PLAYGROUND
Our high point of the week occurred Wednesday when Prescott played Ellis Gardens for the championship. Billy Porcello pitched us to a first place tie with Ellis Gardens for the midget championship.

They scored three runs in the first inning while we scored four runs on a homerun by Billy Porcello and 4 hits by Gary Donovan, Bart Shea, Joe Porcello, and John Reynolds. The score was all tied up until the third inning when Pete Salls bunted and reached second safely on an error. The second men went down in order, leaving Richard Woodall as our last hope. "Woody" came through for the single scoring Salls and pushing our lead to 4-3. In the sixth inning we scored nine more runs with the final score 13-4. On the stars of the

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