

February Ohana newsletter

2016-2017

Waipahu Elementary School

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Our Purpose

Waipahu Elementary School's core purpose is to educate and support all children, to help them realize their full potential, and to inspire them to positively contribute to society.

Our Mission

Waipahu Elementary will work with our community to provide students with supportive learning experiences and the skills to achieve high standards to be successful lifelong learners

Principal Message:

Happy February!

This is our first newsletter since we returned from winter break! We combined out December and January into one given the shorter months resulting from vacation. Although we are in February, wanted to wish one and all a happy new year and welcome 2017!

For those of you who may not have been aware, I wanted to take this opportunity to speak a little about Waipahu Elementary School's School Community Counsel (SCC). The SCC is comprised of representatives from 6 role groups: administration, teachers, staff, students, parent, and community. Each member of the SCC is nominated by their sector of the community. Should there be multiple nominations then an election is held.

I would also like to introduce all of you to your community and parent representatives for our school's School Community Council (SCC):

Community Representative Mr. Charles Dias:

Mr. Dias is the community representative on the board. He serves our community through the YMCA right here in Waipahu. Mr. Dias is also the chairperson for the SCC.

Parent Representative Ms. Penny Deleon. She is a parent of a 6th grade student here at our school and we are expecting her younger ones to enter our school in the coming years.

If you have ideas, questions, or concerns, that you would like to be brought to the attention of Waipahu Elementary's SCC, you may contact Mr. Dias at charlesdias@waipahuelem.k12.hi.us, or Ms. Deleon at pdeleon@waipahuelem.k12.hi.us.

The other representatives of the SCC is comprised of:

Administration: Mr. Keith Hui

Staff: Ms. Shylo Clark

Teacher: Ms. Angie Fujimoto

Student: Miss Serenity Kalei

Student Advisor: Ms. Kathleen Bennett

As we are well into the 2nd semester, we are also beginning to plan for the new school year of 2017-18. As a result, we are initiating the nomination process through this month's newsletter.

Please also find attached to this bulletin, nomination forms for SCC. If there is someone you would like to nominate as a parent or community representative for the SCC, please submit nomination forms to the school office by the end of Friday March 10.

Thank you all. That's a wrap for this month.

Principal,

Mr. Hui



SCHOOL HOURS

Monday-Friday: 7:50 – 2:05

Except Wednesday: 7:50 – 12:50p.m.

Breakfast: 7:00 – 7:40a.m.

ONLY for Waipahu Elementary School students. Breakfast must be eaten in the cafeteria and cannot be shared with friends or family members. Family members are welcome to wait in the cafeteria during breakfast in the designated area. If you have any questions, please contact our Administrators.

SCHOOL FOOD SERVICES PRICES

Student Breakfast	\$1.10	Reduced	\$.30
Student Lunch	\$2.50	Reduced	\$.40
Second Lunch	\$5.50	Reduced	\$2.50
Second Entrée	\$2.00	Reduced	\$2.00

Prices may be adjusted in compliance with the Federal and State meal programs.

Parents/Guardians, you are responsible to maintain a balance in your child's meal account. If you are not purchasing school lunch, please send your child to school with a home lunch. **Please pay your lunch loans by the next school day.** The money belongs to School Food Services, not Waipahu Elementary School. Please call the office regarding your child(ren's) balance at any time. **USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.**

VISITOR'S INFORMATION

All visitors are asked to report to the office to receive a Visitor's Pass. Parents dropping off items for their children during school hours should do so at the office.

Unauthorized adults or non-Waipahu Elementary Students will be asked to report to the office or leave the campus.

Upcoming Events

February 6

Monies due for Kala Kokua

February 8

Drug Free Walk 8:15 – 10:00am

February 9

Flu Shot Vaccination 8:00a.m. – 12:30p.m.
Nutrition Education for Wellness Workshop 12:30 – 2:30p.m.

February 13

NO School "Teacher Institution Day"

February 16

Internet Safety Presentation 5:45-7pm

February 20

NO SCHOOL "Presidents Day"

February 25

Kala Kokua Fundraiser Pick up 9am-12pm

February 28

Make & Take Activity 7:50-10:00am

Notice and Request for Accommodations: If you are individual with a disability, please contact our administrators to make arrangements for reasonable modifications to school events at least **10 days** in advance. Please call 675-0150.

IMPORTANT NEWS

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION NOW OPEN – School Year 2017-2018

If your child was born on or before July 31, 2012, please register your child for school. Please bring the following items to the Waipahu elementary School Office:

- 📄 Birth Certificate
- 📄 Proof of residency (electric bill, cable bill, rental agreement: must have home address)
- 📄 Form 14 (from the doctor's office, or you can pick up a form at the office)
- 📄 TB test clearance

Waipahu Elementary School office hours: Monday-Friday 8:30a.m.-3:30p.m.

Samoan

Afai na fanau lau tama ae le'i ia Iulai 31, 2012 faamolemole lesitala lau tama mo le a'oga. Faamolemole aumai mea nei ile Ofisa ole A'oga a Waipahu Elementary:

- 📄 Pepa Aso Fanua
- 📄 Pepa faamaonia o lou nofo mau i Hawaii (pili ole uila, pili ole cable, konekarate/pepa ole rent: e tatau ona iai le tuatusi o lou fale).
- 📄 Form 14 (pepa mai le ofisa ole foma'i, pe piki ilea'oga)
- 📄 Pepa kilia su'ega TB

Taimi e tatalaai le Ofisa ole A'oga: Aso Gafua –Aso Faraiile 8:30 am – 3:30 pm

Marshallese

Elañe ajiri eo nejim ear lotak mokta jen July 31, 2012 joi im register e ajiri eo nejim ilo jikuu. **Joi im boktok men kein ñan Waipahu Elementary School Opiji eo:**

- 📄 Pepa in lotakeo
- 📄 Kamol in jikin jokwe (bill in jarom, bill in cable eo,rental agreement eo: (aikuij in walok address in mweo))

📄 Form 14 - pepa in kakölköl jen takto (komaron böke jen opiji eo an taktö, ak jen opiji eo an jikuu eo)

TB Clearance eo

Awa in Opiji eo an Waipahu Elementary School: Monday-Friday 8:30 am – 3:30 pm

Chuukese

Ika pwe noum ewe semirit e uputiw mewn July 31, 2012 kose mochen regesterini ika makei itan an epwe fiti school. Kose mochen kopwe chunato ekkei metoch ngeni ewe Waipahu Elementary School office:

- 📄 Birth Certificate
- 📄 Toropwe epwe annetata pwe en mei nonom non ewe neni (imw) (electric bill, cable bill, rental agreement) (epwe wor adresin om ewe nenien mour won kewe toropwe)
- 📄 Form 14 (seni an ewe doctor office, ika en mei tongeni angei seni ewe office)
- 📄 Ewe toropwen kensa ren TB

Waipahu Elementary School office hours: Sarinfan – Eniuw 8:30am – 3:30pm

Ilocano

No ti anak yo nayanak saktbay ti julyo 31, 2012 pangngaasi yo ta ipalista yo nga agjiskuwela. Pangngaasi yo ta iyeg yo dagiti sumaganad nga document ditoy opisina ti Waipahu Elementary School:

- 📄 Sertipico iti pannaka-iyanak (Birth certificate)
- 📄 Panganeknek iti pagnaedan (a kas pagbayandan ti electric, cable, katulagan ti panag-renta: masapol nga adda iti nomero ti balay)

📄 Form 14 (nga aggapo iti poisina ti doktor, wenno pick-uppen/alaen yo ditoy opisina ti eskuwelaan)

TB Test Clearance

Oras ti Opisina ti Waipahu Elem. School: Lunes-Biyemes.8.30 ti bigat – 3.30 ti malen

Tagalog

Kun ang anak ninyo ay ipinanganak nang Julyo 31, 2012 mangyaring ipalista na pumasok sa eskuwelahan. Mangyaring dalhin ang mga sumusunod na bagay sa opisina ng **Waipahu Elementary School**:

- 📄 Sertipico ng kapanganakan (Birth certificate)
- 📄 Katibayan ng panirahan (gaya ng electric bill, cable bill, kasunduan ng pag-renta: kailangang may numero ng bahay)

📄 Form 14 (na makukuha sa opisina ng doktor, o puwedeng pick-uppin/kunin sa opisina ng eskuwelahan)

TB Test Clearance

Oras ng Opisina ng Waipahu Elem. School: Lunes – Biyemes 8:30 ng umaga – 3:30 ng hapon

KALA KOKUA FUNDRAISER

Thank you for participating in the fundraiser. The monies raised will go to student academic awards, certificates & guest/volunteer appreciation. The monies for the fundraiser are due February 6, 2017. Pick up of products is on Saturday, **February 25, 2017 from 9:00am – 12pm**. Any questions, please call 544-6283.



SCHOOL BEHAVIORAL EXPECTATIONS

- We Take Care of Ourselves,**
- We Take Care of Others,**
- We Take Care of This Place**

STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

Waipahu Elementary School offers an array of student support which begins with the support of your child's teacher through Positive Behavioral Support, differentiated instruction and classroom interventions. Throughout the year, various tutoring opportunities may also be available to your child through our 21st Century programs. Our Comprehensive Student Support System is a school-based delivery of supports and services that ensure student achievement. CSSS is a collaborative effort involving the Department of Education, the family and the community that provides resources and assistance so each child will meet the educational standards for his/her grade level. The collaborative decision-making process ensures that student support services match the severity, complexity and frequency of need and can be delivered in a timely and efficient manner. If you have questions about your child's progress in school, contact your child's teacher, counselor or administrator at any time. You may also contact our Student Services Coordinator, Mr. Kai Kuboyama.

School Uniforms "Mandatory"

School uniform T-shirts are required for all students in grades K-6 EVERY DAY! We do allow students to wear T-shirts from previous years or special events that clearly display Waipahu Elementary School. Special days may be designated as non-uniform days, such as College Fridays, or other events. Parents wishing to exempt their child from wearing a school uniform may make a written request to the principal for medical, religious or other serious concerns. Please review the school's dress code guidelines in the binder reminder or calendar for more information on the dress code and non-compliance with our uniform policy. Limited support is available for families in need; you may request an assistance form from the office. We also accept donations of lightly used uniforms that may be too small for your child, which we offer to our students. Shirts may be purchased at the school in room P-1 or directly from our vendor, Kula Threads. If you are unable to come during above hours you may call Mrs. Kailii at 544-6283 to make an appointment.

HOURS:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursdays
7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.

Afternoons

Monday, Tuesday & Thursdays
1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Wednesday

12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

CLOSED on FRIDAYS, school breaks & holidays

PRICES:

CASH, CHECK or DEBIT/CREDIT CARD!
Make check payable to "Kula Threads"

\$6.75 each

2 shirts = \$13.50

3 shirts = \$20.25

4 shirts = \$27.00

5 shirts = \$33.75

NO refunds. We only EXCHANGE uniform sizes, providing you DID NOT WASH or WEAR the uniforms.

Website: www.kulathreads.com

Office Phone: 808-847-6600



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We at Waipahu Elementary School take our students SAFETY/HEALTH very seriously

VENDING MACHINE

The vending machine with healthy snacks is accessible for students **before and after school**. Please be sure to keep your money in a safe place at all times. Also, pay attention to the prices on the machine as students have been putting in money and walking away when changes is left in the coin slot.

HEALTH AIDE – MRS. GARCIA

Healthy Tips:

- Wash hands before and after activities.
- Eat a healthy breakfast; it is the most important meal of the day.
- No activity immediately after eating, especially running.

Get your Flu shot!



JUNIOR POLICE OFFICER (JPO) – MRS. MATSUMOTO & JPO OFFICERS

JPO traffic safety campaign runs from February 6-9. "STOP If You Love Me" encourages all drivers and pedestrians to observe traffic rules, for the sake of those they love. If everyone stops risky behaviors such as texting while walking and driving, speeding, drinking and driving, and road rage, there will be fewer deaths and injuries.

WAIKELE ROAD "SAFETY FIRST"

Recently there were concerns brought up at the Waipahu Neighborhood Board meeting about the parking and pick up on Waikele Road. If you pick up your child on Waikele Road please be cognizant of the marked red zone for our school bus. There have been times where our bus students had to walk into the street to board the bus due to cars blocking the bus zone. Also, if the bus is parked in the street it creates a traffic jam where cars have to wait until the bus moves before they can get by. Thank you for your cooperation on this matter.

BULLYING/CYBERBULLYING

At Waipahu Elementary School we will not tolerate bullying. With all of the technology available to students, we provide student rules on usage and access. We teach students to be effective and ethical users of technology. There are times, however when students intentionally misuse technology for purposes other than what has been taught, namely to taunt, tease or harass other students. These cases of cyber-bullying are prohibited by Chapter 19, but are becoming more prevalent in our schools today. We strongly encourage you to be aware of how your child uses the internet and monitor what they are doing at home. Be their "Friend" on Facebook and always be a Parent when you see something inappropriate. Consequences from Chapter 19 for cyber bullying may apply when the impact disrupts school operations, even if the offense took place outside of school. Parents should report cases of bullying or cyber-bullying to the school whenever assistance is needed.

REQUEST FOR ADMINISTRATION/STORAGE OF MEDICATION IN SCHOOL

No medication will be stored in the Health Room or administered by the authorized Public Health Nursing Branch and/or DOE personnel without the completion of form PHN/SHS36, Rev. 4/03, and prior approval by PHNB personnel. Medication must be in a container/vial dispensed by the Pharmacist with instructions "FOR SCHOOL USE", with the name of the student, name of the medication, dosage, strength, time of administration, and name of prescribing physician. This form is good for the current school year and needs to be renewed yearly. Parent/legal guardian is responsible to obtain the form for the following school year. Policies and Guidelines for Administration/Storage of Medications developed by the Hawaii Chapter of Academy of Pediatrics-PHNB-DOE (H-AAP-PHNB-DOE), the PHN/SHS 36 form and General instructions are available at the website address: http://www.hawaii.gov/health/family-child-health/publichealth_nurseing/index.html

children matter!



NO SMOKING

All public school campuses are tobacco-free. **Electronic cigarettes** are considered contraband and are not allowed on campus. Thank you for your cooperation.



NO PEANUTS!!

For the health and safety of students and staff with allergies, we ask that parents and students join us in creating a **"peanut free"** environment. Please be mindful of this effort as you pack school lunches and snacks for your child/children. Also, if your child/children have any type of allergies, please let our office staff, teachers and/or health aide know.

PHOTO

Please note that many parents have signed forms asking that their children **NOT** be photographed. We would like to remind all parents to please refrain from taking photos of students other than your child, especially if you will be posting to social media. Thank you!

"ANNUAL NOTIFICATION OF PRIVACY RIGHTS"

"Know your privacy rights as they apply to"

1. Student record information;
2. Directory information;
3. Surveys and other information collection; and
4. Military recruitment information.

For information on your privacy rights, the laws that protect them, and how to exercise your rights, contact your school administrator or visit

<http://ferpa.k12.hi.us>

Mi or awewen ei poraus non 14 sakkun fosun fenu nukun fosun Merika. En mi tongeni kuna ekkewe toropwen awewen ei poraus me won ewe website: <http://ferpa.k12.hi.us>

O le Fa'aliliu ina o nei tusi o lo'o maua ina lea i isi gagana e 14 e ese mai i le igilisi. O nei fa'aliliuga e mafai ona maua i luga o upega tafalagi i le <http://ferpa.k12.hi.us>

Emōj ukōt peba in ilo 14 kajin ko me rejlab Kajin Palle.Ukok ko rej pād online ilo <http://ferpa.k12.hi.us>.

ENGAGING FAMILIES & COMMUNITY



MS. KURASHIGE - MUSIC TEACHER

Local celebrity, Jake Shimabukuro dropped by to pick up some broken ukulele from our Music program. He, along with Leo Daquioag, from the Music For Life Foundation, have been going around to different schools, fixing broken Kamaka ukulele for free. Jake's generosity and spirit of giving back to the community truly exemplifies the Core Values, and we look forward to seeing him when he returns.



MRS. BARRETT 4TH GRADE CLASS -

They have a powerful message to share with their peers, families & community. It says: **We are unique and creative. Put us together we burst with Brilliance.** They wanted to make sure we hear their message so they decorated their classroom door to reflect that message.



4th GRADE HSA SCIENCE TESTING - 2/14 – 2/24/17.

The 4th grade students have 3 opportunities and this is their 2nd (out of 3) opportunity to take the HSA science test. Any questions, please contact Ms. Imakyure at 675-0150.

ELL ACCESS TESTING - 1/17 – 2/28/17

Any questions, please contact Mrs. Tanaka at 675-0150.

EVENTS

Nutritional Education for Wellness Workshop – 1/24-2/9/17 in P-1

This was an exciting 6 session class. Our parents engaged, learned, made new friends and most of all had fun!! These parents attended all session to graduate & receive a certificate. After completing this class they have the opportunity to start the new series "Grow your Own." This series will teach the families on growing your own garden to produce vegetables they can eat.

Drug Free Walk & Sign Waving – 2/8/17, 7:30a.m. – 10:00a.m

What an exciting day our students, community, faculty, staff & ohana had. We took a pledge to be a safe, healthy and substance free community. The message is clear that our school, community & ohana want our future generations to continue living in a HEALTHY & SAFE community. Thank you for joining your child/ren.

Flu Vaccination – 2/9/17, 8:00am – 12:30pm in Library

Every year our school participates in the STOP Flu vaccination clinic. With the partnership of the Department of Health they are able to provide the flu vaccination free to our students. If you completed the vaccination form your child will receive the shot. If you miss the vaccination clinic, sorry it's only 1 day event. You will have to take your child to their doctor. Any questions, please contact Mrs. Kalili.

Internet & Social Media Safety Presentation – 2/16/17 in Library, 5:45-7pm

Join us as we share important information on internet dangers NOT visible to parents, online predator, crime stats, texting, social media apps, internet related safety laws and much more. It's Free & light dinner. Any question, please contact Mrs. Kalili.

Make & Take Activity – 2/28/17 in P-1, 7:50 – 9:30a.m.

Ohana, please join us as we learn together on creating some exciting tools our friends, families & children can utilize. It's Free. Any questions, please contact Mrs. Kalili.

Spring Picture Taking - 2/22 – 2/24/17, any questions, call Mr. Suster, VP

YEARBOOK FOR SALE

The cost of the yearbook is \$18.00. Our yearbook club (6th grade students & teachers) will be selling the yearbook after school under the monkey pod tree. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Raquel or Mrs. Arcano, yearbook advisors at 675-0150.



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OHANA Resource Center

Mrs. Kalili, PCNC

Phone: 808-544-6283

Located in P-1, behind the cafeteria.



What does a PCNC Facilitator do?

Our Parent Community Networking Center (PCNC) Facilitator works a maximum of 17 hours a week. The PCNC will create supportive partnerships among the school, organizations and the community for the purposes of supporting student success, pride, empowerment and a sense of family. Coordinate school wide activities and provide volunteer opportunities for parents, guardians, Waipahu High School students and community partners. The PCNC will also establish a trusting relationship with the parents to break down the barriers that sometimes exist between parents and school. Thus, creating a climate where families relax and talk story about: culture awareness, child/family success, experience, volunteering and ask questions on school related issues or resources. Through their stories create workshops and resources based on their needs.

Call us if you:

- *Have a question and don't know who to ask
- *Want to volunteer at the school
- *Want to request a Workshop activity and/or event

WE BELIEVE:

"By establishing trusting relationships with our families, we demonstrate our belief in the benefits of working collaboratively and supporting each other's efforts in helping our students succeed".

GRADE LEVEL FIELD TRIPS

Thursday, 2/2/17	Grade 4 th
Tuesday, 2/7/17	Grade K
Tuesday, 2/21/17	Grade 6 th
Thursday, 2/23/17	Grade K, 1 st & 6 th
Friday, 2/24/17	Grade 1 st & 6 th
Tuesday, 2/28/17	Grade 1 st & 6 th

FUNDRAISERS

"KONA ICE" at Waipahu El.

February 9 from 2 – 3p.m.

March 9 from 2 – 3p.m.

April 13 from 2 – 3p.m.

May 11 from 2- 3p.m.

KALA KOKUA

Monies are due on 2/6/2017.

Pick-up is Saturday, February 25, 2017

From 9am – 12pm behind F bldg. parking lot. Any questions, please contact Mrs.

Kalili at 544-6283

All proceeds from the fundraiser will support parent involvement, hosting of guest, club events, grade level field trips, school contest, awards assemblies, academic awards/certificates, yearbook & school wide activities.

Waipahu Elementary School
School Community Council

Nomination Form for 17-18SY

I, _____ would like to nominate the following person for the Waipahu Elementary School Community Council to represent the (Please circle one):

Parents

Community

My nominee is: _____

(optional) Please provide a brief description/background of the nominee:

My contact number is _____.

Nominee may be reached at phone number _____.

Thank you for your nomination. Please submit this form to the school office by **Friday, March 10th** (SCC Chairperson Charles Dias' mailbox).

If you need assistance in translating this newsletter in your language, please call 544-6262
Ika ka mochen ailiis ren awewen ei simpung (newletter) non kapasen Chuuk, kose mochen kokori phone 544-6262
No kasapulanyo ti mangipalawag ti Newsletter ti Ilocano, tawaganyo ti 544-6262
Mo se fesoasoani I faailiuga I lau gagana faamaolemole valaau 544-6262
Elane kwoj aikwij jiban nan ukot news leta in non kajin Marshall, joutj im call e tok, 544-6262



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