Star of the Sea School

Ka`aha`ilono Hōkū



March/ April 2014

Calendar of Events

March

- 5 Mass 8:15 a.m. Ash Wednesday
- 7 Teachers' In-service No School
- 8:00 a.m. Stations of the Cross

11-14 WCEA Visit

- 14 11:45 a.m. Dismissal Faculty Meeting
- 18 8:00 a.m. Stations of the Cross
- Jump Rope for Heart

24-Apr. 4 Spring Break

<u>April</u>

- 7 Regular Session Resumes
- 8 8:00 a.m.
 Stations of the Cross
- 17 11:45 a.m. Dismissal-Faculty Meeting

LENT

The season of Lent began on Ash Wednesday March 5, 2014, with a Mass and the distribution of ashes. Lent is the forty days before Easter Sunday, April 20, 2014. It is a time for prayer and repentance. **Fasting and giving up meat on Fridays is observed by the church.** A focus on prayer, penance and repenting is a way to prepare for the Resurrection of our Lord on Easter Sunday.



Ashes are placed on our foreheads on Ash Wednesday as a sign of humility. We will be asked to "turn away from sin and live the Good News."

SUMMER First Grade Orientation

Summer orientation class for future 1st graders is scheduled for June 16 - July 17, 2014





RE-REGISTRATION FOR 2014-2015

Re-registration forms were mailed on January 29, 2014. **Deadline for re-registering was February 18, 2014.**

We are already receiving applications for potential new students for next school year so in order to guarantee your child's placement, it is imperative to return the registration form with the deposit as soon as possible!

SCHOOLWIDE LEARNING EXPECTATIONS

As part of the WCEA/WASC process, the Schoolwide Learning Expectations were developed. A draft of these expectations is being shared with you our parents and guardians for review. The Schoolwide Learning Expectations for Star of the Sea are:

Star of the Sea School's curriculum is structured to foster growth in our students to become...

ACTIVE CHRISTIANS WHO...

Respect and accept others as they are

Develop the ability to make good, moral choices

Understand the teachings of the Catholic Church

Value prayer as a pathway in their life

Respect and accept their role as caretakers of God's creation

SELF AWARE, CONFIDENT INDIVIDUALS WHO...

Understand that a productive society is one where people work together

Resolve conflicts peacefully

Read, write, and speck clearly and effectively

Understand and utilize their own gifts and talents

Develop self-control and responsibility for behavior

Acquire knowledge of growth processes, and relate that to healthy choices for their future

LIFE-LONG AND INDEPENDENT LEARNERS WHO...

Have continuing curiosity for education

Know where to go for information and how to interpret it

Are self-directed and self-starting

Read for enjoyment and learning

Embrace technology as a useful tool to locate, analyze, and communicate

Think critically and solve problems independently

Exhibit the discipline and academic skills needed to succeed in higher education

Recognize and appreciate the value of the performing and visual arts

RESPONSIBLE CITIZENS WHO...

Demonstrate social concern in their community, nation, and world by positive actions

Display and foster respect for others

Take initiative in maintaining a safe community

Are cognizant of their civic responsibilities

Are cognizant of current events, world affairs, and the effect on the individual's life

Respect individuality and appreciate cultural diversity

JUMP ROPE FOR HEART

Jump Rope for Heart, in its 35th year, is a program that promotes physical fitness and heart health through jumping rope.

Donations are used to help fund research, fight heart disease, strokes, and support the American Heart Association's public and professional education programs.

This year Star of the Sea's Jump Rope for Heart assembly is on **Friday, March 21, 2014**. Please be on the lookout the Jump Rope for Heart information and permission forms coming home soon with your child!



EAST HONOLULU FOOD FESTIVAL

It's that time of year! East Honolulu Food Festival's theme this year is "Under the Sea." Come and join us again for a wonderful night of entertainment, food, and fellowship. This years event is on Saturday, May 3, 2014.

Many food vendors have been contacted to bring in their awesome goodies. Donations are coming in for the silent auction. Invite your friends and family: they will have a wonderful time.

Our school Ohana has been asked to buy or sell two (2) adult tickets at \$65.00 each and two (2) children's tickets at \$25.00 each per family. There are also tables available at:

Platinum \$10,000

Gold 3,000

Silver 1,300

Please look for the tickets in your child's brown envelope as they were sent home this past Monday. If you are interested in purchasing one of our tables or you have questions, please stop by the office.



Augustine Educational Foundation Scholarship Deadline this FRIDAY, March 7th!!!

See our website for forms or get them in the office.



Have you spotted a new face on campus? In January, we welcomed Ms. Meghan Scassero to our faculty as the new 4th grade teacher in 4B. Ms. Scassero has her degree from University of Nebraska and has years of experience teaching at different grade levels. We are fortunate to have her as part of our Ohana. Please give her a warm Aloha when you see her on campus.



COMPASSION: Having a feeling of deep sympathy and sorrow for another who is stricken by misfortune, accompanied by a strong desire to help.

RESPECT: Showing others they are important by what you say and do

Spelling BeeWinners



Congratulations to our Spelling Bee and Geography Bee winners and the runnerups. They will now continue to represent Star of the Sea School in the next level of competition. We are so proud of you all!!

Geography Bee Winners



Jessie Desmarais, 8th Gr.