

Star of the Sea School

Ka`aha`ilono Hōkū



Where learning never stops

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VOLLEYBALL STARS

Our school boys' and girls' volleyball teams had an exciting season this year. The girls became the Girls Pool B Division Champs while the boys closed the season with a 7-3 winning record. **Congratulations to all who participated.** Next sport season upon us now is the Division 2 Boys and Girls Basketball season. Come show your support and cheer on our players at the games.



BINGO NIGHT FUN

On November 5th, 2012, our hardworking PTG hosted another fun-filled evening of Bingo. Another successful event where the Star of the Sea Ohana was able to gather for some dinner while enjoying each other's company and winning some fun prizes.

Thank you PTG!



RESPONSIBILITY & SELF DISCIPLINE

RESPONSIBILITY - Think of it as "response ability" - the ability to choose your response, so choose wisely!

SELF-DISCIPLINE - "With self-discipline, all things are possible. Without self-discipline, even the simplest goal can seem like an impossible dream." -President Teddy Roosevelt



HALLOWEEN FESTIVITIES

One of the highlights of October was our annual Halloween festivities. All students were invited to wear Halloween colors. The younger children came dressed in costume and took part in a Halloween parade. The Student Council with the help from the older students organized fun activities for everyone. It's no wonder Halloween has become a holiday the students look forward to year after year.



DATES TO REMEMBER

November 20	Giving Tree Kick-off
	Thanksgiving Basket Deadline
	Tuition Option 2 Payment Plan Due
	5th Grade - Thanksgiving Mass
	Scholastic ONLINE Book Fair Ends
November 21	Faculty Meeting
	Early Dismissal - 11:45 a.m.
November 22-23	Thanksgiving - No School
November 26	WCEA Parent Survey sent home
November 30	Middle School - "Winter Wonderland" Dance
December 6	Middle School Spelling Bee
December 11	Field Trips - Discovery Center (Gr 1-3) / Ice Palace (Gr 4-8)
December 14	Christmas Program - 8 a.m.
	Early Dismissal - 10:30 a.m.
	Report cards mailed home
December 17 - January 4	Winter Break
January 7	Classes Resume



SAINT MARIANNE COPE

On October 21st, Blessed Marianne Cope was canonized by Pope Benedict XVI at a ceremony at St. Peter's Basilica in Vatican City and became Hawaii's 2nd saint. St. Damien was the first. Saint Marianne dedicated 30 years of her life, from 1888 to 1918, to the people of Kalaupapa on Molokai. She has been credited with two miracles - a requirement to be considered for sainthood.

THE SPIRIT OF GIVING

During the Holiday Season of Thanksgiving and Christmas, Star of the Sea participates in two philanthropic programs which teach our students about giving to those less fortunate Thanksgiving Food Drive and The Giving Tree. For the Food Drive, the school collects canned-goods and more, to create Thanksgiving Baskets for Maili Land Families. The Giving Tree project (a joint effort between Catholic Charities and Homeless Solutions) is a popular one with the children. They pick a child's name from a tree and will shop for a Christmas present for the child. Make sure to check your child's brown envelope which will contain more information soon.

ISLAND TREASURES

On November 10th, our very own PTG President, Jennifer Wharton, received a special award from the parish. The parish recognized those individuals who have given of their time to serve our school and church communities.



Jennifer has served on our PTG board now for 2 years as president and also chaired last year's very successful East Honolulu Food Festival Silent Auction. Jennifer is also the proud mommy of our 2nd grader, Emma.



Scholastic Book Fair

A big thank you goes out to all who participated in our annual book fair. Thank you to our librarian, Ms. Githere and all the volunteers who helped run the book fair. The students walked away with some captivating books, posters, bookmarks, and more.