

STAR OF THE SEA SCHOOL

Ka`aha`ilono Hōkū

Where learning never stops

Student Council 2011-2012

Great Leaders.... Great School



Newly elected Star of the Sea Student Council officers, pose for a photo with Principal Carola Souza following their induction ceremony in the church. L. to R. they are Richard Tramantano, sergeant at arms; Pacha Cozzo, vice president; Shannon Bay Gregory, president; Hayato Kamata, treasurer; Keen Ching, historian; Elik Tanuvasa, representative at large, and Mrs. Souza. Not pictured is Taylor Pi`i`ohi`a, secretary.

CHARACTER TRAIT OF THE MONTH

COMMITMENT

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sept 1 and 2	Parent Teacher Conferences Early Dismissal: 11:45
Sept 5	LABOR DAY No School
Sept 6	Flag Raising Blessing of our Garden 8 am
Sept 12-16	School Book Fair
Sept. 20	ECRA WRITING TEST Grades 4, 6, & 8
Sept 21	Early Dismissal: 11:45
Sept 27	Fall Picture Day
Sept 28	Middle School Challenger
Oct 3-14	Fall Break
Oct 17	School Resumes
Oct 17 - 21	Terra Nova Testing Week

"Commitment unlocks the doors of imagination, allows vision, and gives us the "right stuff" to turn our dreams into reality." JAMES WOMACK

School BOOK FAIR

Here's to our Heroes!

Reading saves the day!

The annual **Star of the Sea Scholastic Book Fair** – will be held September 12-16 and is one of the biggest and best events of the school year. This year's fair is called "Here's to our Heroes."

Mrs. Ann Githere, Star of the Sea librarian, describes the Fair as "a reading event packed with excitement for students and families."

"It brings the books kids love to our school in an atmosphere of fun," Mrs. Githere said. "Because everyday heroes surround us, the heroes theme allows students to celebrate all types of heroics, from the ordinary to the extraordinary, inspired by a love for books."

"The book fair connects students with books at affordable prices and makes reading a positive experience," said Mrs. Carola Souza, principal. "Children are more likely to read the books they personally get to choose."

Mrs. Souza encourages parents to visit the Fair in person, if possible. But to accommodate those who cannot come



to the school library between 7:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m., a Book List Order Form has been sent home to all Star of the Sea Families.

Mrs. Githere is also asking for parents to volunteer to help students find books, fill student orders, ring up sales and collect money, and to keep books in order. Shifts are from 30 minutes to an hour-long.

s.o.s. adopts a ship

This year, Star of the Sea is proud to announce that they are participating in the **"adopt a Sailor/Ship" program**. Each ship involved in the program is adopted by a classroom throughout the school year. During the year, the class and the ship's crew correspond and share experiences. The plan fosters interests in geography, history, math, science, transportation, foreign and domestic trade, and English. It affords children an outlet for natural interests in the sea and teaches them something of the steadfast character of the men and women of America. We will be welcoming home our sailors from the USS CHUNG-HOON in December! The ship is named in honor of Rear Adm. Gordon Paiea Chung-Hoon, who was born and raised in Hawaii.



Once again, Star of the Sea School students and families will answer the call of Jesus to help the poor and needy. One of the humanitarian endeavors that is supported by the school are the doctors and medical staff who aid the poor in foreign countries. Annually, since 1999, Star of the Sea has made donations of cash and checks to enable the PMAH Ohana Medical Missions to aid in the humanitarian endeavor of helping the poor and sick of the Philippines."

Star of the Sea families are asked to send in donations by **September 27**. Donations are tax deductible.

Flu shot coming to school this November



Please have your flu shot forms in to your child's teacher by **September 7**, if you wish to have your child receive the flu shot at school.

School Blessing of Our "New" Garden Māla O Malia

will be held on
September 6
following our 8 am
Flag Raising Ceremony



PICTURE DAY

SEPTEMBER 27

*Please remember
to submit your child's pose
and order form*

Middle School Students Show They Care!

Mahalo to our Student Volunteers from Middle School who will be raising and lowering our national and state flags on a daily basis, and will be leading us in our flag raising ceremonies throughout the school year.



Flag members include: Richard Tramontano, Camille Muir, Hayato Kamata, Harrison Bull, Stone Chun, Evan Low, Keen Ching, Malia Desmarais, Shannon-Bay Gregory, Paloma Higashi, Kristina Kealoha, Megan McCrary, Micah Nishimura, Nicholas Wong

VOLLEYBALL

The **STAR OF THE SEA GIRLS AND BOYS VOLLEYBALL TEAMS** are getting ready for their first season game on **WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7** at STAR OF THE SEA GYMNASIUM.

Come out to support your SOS VOLLEYBALL TEAMS!

BOYS' TEAM: Charles Lavoie, Brendan Wong, Eleu Choy, Peter Izumi, Luke Horiuchi, Travis Akana, Kamakoa Wong, Nicholas Wong, Nalu Coito, Keen Ching, Micah Nishimura, Hayato Kamata, Nate Lohr.

GIRLS' TEAM: Isabelle Gary, Kamalani Kekoolani, Kirsten Myhre, Sydney Edwards, Sofia Lizares, Jessie Desmarais, Megan McCrary, Kristina Kealoha, Malia Desmarais, Pacha Cozzo, Jewel Taitano, Camille Muir