

THE CHILDREN'S HOUSE
ELEMENTARY
PARENT BULLETIN
October 20, 2011



*Elementary students welcome
Smokey Bear to The Children's House*

Dear Parents & Grandparents:

Our Word of the Week is **DILIGENCE**

When we think of diligence, we can almost hear the words “focus, focus, focus.” Diligence is the quality of being careful and paying careful attention.

Any skill we need in life is seldom instantly available to us. They come as the result of diligence, careful and patient practice. Charles Dickens said, “I never could have done what I have done without the habits of punctuality, order, and diligence, without the determination to concentrate myself on one subject at a time.”

We see that kind of diligence even in our youngest students as they carefully focus on their work. One of our first ladies, Abigail Adams, once said, “Learning is not attained by chance, it must be sought for with ardor and diligence.” To accomplish great things takes diligence at small things going step by step, working at it with all of our hearts.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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| 10/28, Friday | Harvest Festival – All Pods |
| 11/1, Tuesday | PODS 5, 6 & 7 only – Flu vaccine clinic |
| 11/4, Friday | NO SCHOOL – Staff Inservice Day for teachers |
| 11/9, Wednesday | Make-up day for individual photos |
| 11/11, Friday | NO SCHOOL – Veterans' Day Holiday |



The Children's House does not celebrate Halloween. Please do NOT send any treats to school other than items requested by the teachers for Harvest Celebration. You may refer to page 19 in our Parent Handbook regarding special treat days.

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Christmas Program Schedule

We want to let you know ahead of time the date of your child's Christmas Program so you can arrange your work schedules to attend. Parents, grandparents, aunties and uncles are all invited. All programs begin at 9:00 a.m. and will be held in the Pavilion. Admission is **one dozen** cookies per family (**PLEASE NO NUTS AND NO NUT PRODUCTS**).

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| 12/1, Thursday | Christmas Program for Pod 4 |
| 12/2, Friday | Christmas Program for Pod 1 |
| 12/5, Monday | Christmas Program for Pod 2 |
| 12/6, Tuesday | Christmas Program for Pod 3 |
| 12/7, Wednesday | Christmas Program for Pod 7A |
| 12/8, Thursday | Christmas Program for Pod 7B |
| 12/9, Friday | Christmas Program for Pod 6 (Grades 1-2) |
| 12/12, Monday | Christmas Program for Pod 5 (Grades 3-6) |



SMOKEY BEAR VISITS THE CHILDREN'S HOUSE

On Wednesday, in observance of Fire Prevention Week, Smokey Bear came with his friends, Miss Michelle and Mr. Jack, to visit our students. A cute video and short skit were presented to the children. We had a few children volunteers go on stage and try on firefighter's gear, and special slap-on bracelets were given to those students answering questions correctly. At the end of the presentation, each child received a "Prevent Wildfires" bracelet.

We would like to express our appreciation to the State of Hawaii, Division of Forestry and Wildlife for volunteering their time and effort to put together a very educational presentation on how to prevent wildlife fires! A special mahalo to Mr. Ryan Peralta, father of Ayden in Pod 2, aka Smokey Bear, for coordinating this entertaining and informative event for our students.



God Bless,

The Children's House Administration

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