

THE CHILDREN'S HOUSE
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Pod 5 children having fun in the sand at Friendship Camp

Dear Parents & Grandparents:

Our Word of the Week is **HONESTY**

Honesty is truthfulness in word and deed. An honest person does not lie or cheat.

In the book of Proverbs, verse after verse tells us how much God hates lying and deceit, and how God honors the honest individual. Our God is Love and

“Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth.”
I Corinthians 13:6

Let us model love with honesty and honesty with love to our children. If they do not learn it from us, whom will they learn from?

In the classroom and in the world, too many people practice deceit as a shortcut to getting what they want. We need to teach our children that this is one shortcut that should be thrown out the window. Every lie, revealed or hidden, diminishes our world and often brings great pain and sorrow.

Even if no one sees you do something wrong—two people always see. God does. And you do. When you do wrong it hurts God’s heart and hurts your own conscience.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 9/23, Friday** **Last day to sign up for Parent-teacher conference**
(Sign-up sheets for Preschool is located in your child’s classroom,
Grades K-6 is located in the school’s main lobby)
- 9/26, Monday Due date for picture taking envelope and payment
- 9/29, Thursday POD 5 – Field trip to Ku`u Home Kula`iwi
- 10/3, Monday Picture taking for Preschoolers (Pods 1, 2, 3 and 4)
- 10/4, Tuesday Picture taking for Pre-Kindergarteners, Kindergarteners and
Elementary students (Pods 5, 6 and 7)
- 10/5, Wednesday POD 7 – Field trip to Aloun Farms and lunch at Waiau District Park
- 10/6 and 10/7 Parent-Teacher Conference Days - **NO SCHOOL** for students
- 10/10, Monday **NOT A HOLIDAY – SCHOOL IN SESSION**
- 10/20, Thursday POD 6 – Field trip to Aloun Farms and lunch at Kapolei Regional Park

Parent Quiz

Do you help your child deal with disappointment?



All kids face disappointments in their lives.

Are you helping your child learn to deal with these disappointments? Answer yes or no to each question below to find out:

- ___1. Have you helped your child understand what can and can't be changed? You can't change the fact that it rains on the day of your picnic.
- ___2. Do you help your child make a positive choice when the unexpected happens?
- ___3. Do you help your child learn from mistakes? "Next time, you'll study a little harder and your grade will improve."
- ___4. Do you have the rule: You can feel disappointed, but you can't sulk? Kids can control their actions, even when they feel let down.
- ___5. Do you help your child figure out his own solution instead of trying to fix the problem?

How well are you doing?

Each yes means you're helping your child deal with disappointments. For no answers, try those ideas.

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SIGN-UP FOR PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES

Tomorrow (Friday, September 23rd) is the last day to sign-up for your parent-teacher conference. Sign-up sheets for Grades K-6 are located in the school's main lobby and sign-up sheets for preschool are located in your child's classroom. This first conference is **mandatory** for all parents. No classes will be held on conference days, Thursday, October 6th and Friday, October 7th. Students should not report to school on these days.



PICTURE TAKING



Picture taking is scheduled for Monday, October 3rd for all Preschoolers (Pods 1, 2, 3 and 4) and Tuesday, October 4th for Pre-Kindergarteners through Grade 6 (Pods 5, 6 and 7). Picture taking packets were sent home with your child last week. If you did not receive your packet, you may pick one up at the office. The due date for completed order forms (on the envelope) and your check is **Monday, September 26th**. If pre-payment is not received, your child will **NOT** be able to take his or her picture. All students should wear their appropriate school uniform on picture taking day (please refer to the reverse side of the instruction sheet attached to the envelope.) If you miss picture taking day (due to illness or a trip), the make-up day for individual photos is scheduled for Wednesday, November 9th.

FRIENDSHIP CAMP FOR POD 5 AT CAMP HOMELANI

All of our students in Pod 5 had a wonderful time at Friendship Camp last week Wednesday through Friday at Camp Homelani. They had fun at the beach and played exciting games. The children especially enjoyed making S'mores by the campfire, the scavenger hunt and evening crab hunt. We hope they will have many fond memories of the time they spent together at Friendship Camp. Here are a few pictures of our children enjoying themselves at camp.



More photos from Friendship Camp at Camp Homelani last week. . .



God Bless,

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