

THE CHILDREN'S HOUSE
PRESCHOOL &
KINDERGARTEN
PARENT BULLETIN
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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 Waiiau 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



One of our kindergarteners learning the parts of a frog and doing a beautiful job coloring the frog

Help your preschooler develop a sense of responsibility



It will take your child years to fully develop a sense of responsibility and to follow through on everything he needs to take care of. But this is a lesson he can begin to learn now.

As a parent, you are your child's first and most important teacher of responsibility. To build responsibility, remember to:

- Let your child do as much as he can on his own. Many preschoolers can dress themselves, do most of their self-care and perform simple chores.
- Understand that none of his chores will be done perfectly.
- Resist "rescuing" your child by swooping down to do it yourself. Instead, give your child gentle suggestions, such as "Sometimes it helps if you start from the bottom when you button a shirt."
- Try not to introduce new responsibilities on a deadline. Young children need time to complete tasks, especially new tasks.
- Let your child make mistakes. Your child must make many mistakes, and practice many times, before he can learn.
- Let your child face consequences when he fails to complete responsibilities. If he leaves a toy outside and it rains, it will get wet and may be ruined. This is a consequence. Your child will be disappointed. But the experience will teach him more than if you had gone outside at the first hint of bad weather and brought the toy in yourself.

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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.

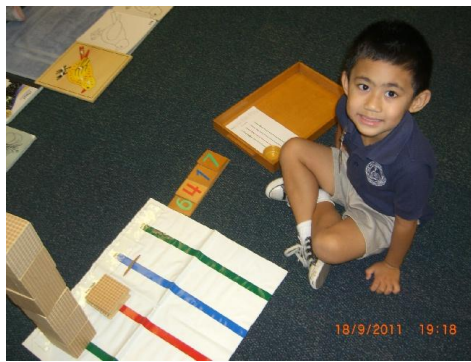


PICTURE TAKING



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.

We want to share these photos of your children delighted to be in school and busy working on their various activities in their kindergarten classroom.





God Bless,

The Children's House Administration

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