

THE CHILDREN'S HOUSE
ELEMENTARY
PARENT BULLETIN
February 2, 2012



An elementary student helps preschoolers after nap time

Dear Parents & Grandparents:

Our Word of the Week is **PATIENCE**

Patience is the act of calmly or contentedly waiting for something due or hoped for, rather than demanding to see results at once. Patience is also tolerating troubles, aggravation or delay without complaint. Cultivating patience in our children and ourselves is one of the secrets to building strong character. With patience, comes dedication and perseverance.

God wants us to be patient with one another. Ephesians chapter 4, verse 2 says,
Be humble and gentle. Be patient with each other, making allowance for each other's faults because of your love.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

2/2, Thursday and
2/3, Friday

2/3, Friday

2/8, Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.

2/10, Friday

2/20, Monday

2/23, Thursday

2/27 thru 3/7

3/12 – 3/16

3/19, Monday

3/23, Friday

3/26, Monday

3/29, Thursday

Conference days for Preschool and Kindergarten

NO SCHOOL for Preschool and Kindergarten only

Note: School will be in session for Grades 1 through 6

POD 6 – Field trip to the Polynesian Cultural Center

Parent Workshop: “Disciplining Children With Love”

POD 2 – Field trip to the Bishop Museum

NO SCHOOL – Presidents’ Day Holiday

POD 4 – Field trip to the Waiau Fire Station

SAT testing

NO SCHOOL – Spring Break

Students return from Spring Break

POD 3 – Field trip to the Honolulu Theatre for Youth to see
“May Day is Lei Day”

NO SCHOOL – Prince Kuhio Holiday

PODS 7A & 7B – Field trip to the Honolulu Theatre for Youth
to see “May Day is Lei Day”



RE-REGISTRATION FOR 2012-2013

Thank you to our parents for returning your Parent Contracts on time. The re-registration deadline has now passed. We are encouraged by our re-enrollment and look forward to the upcoming school year. We appreciate your continued support.



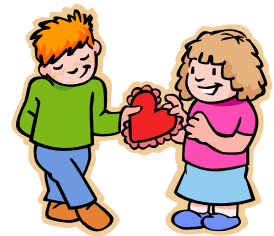
GOT CROWN FLOWER PLANT?

Do any of our families have crown flower plants growing in their yard? We would like to plant these shrubs around The Children’s House. We are looking for cuttings about 12” in length and about one inch in diameter. If you are able to provide us with cuttings, please let Mr. Todd Los Baños know. Thank you!



VALENTINE’S DAY CARDS

If your child is planning to give Valentine’s Day cards to their classmates, please do not put gift items or candies in the envelopes. Also, do not put names on the envelopes. This makes passing out the cards easier for the teachers. Thank you for your cooperation.



Our children are looking forward to their classroom Valentine celebrations. Please remember that only special treats that parents have already signed up for should be sent to school.

WELCOME JAIME SAYAMAN

We want to welcome Mr. Jaime Sayaman to our staff. Mr. Sayaman will be helping to direct traffic in the parking lot during the afternoons. He will also be performing maintenance work during the evenings. Please say “hello” and welcome Mr. Sayaman to The Children’s House family.



BOOK FAIR



Our first Scholastic Book Fair was a success! We were delighted to see so many of our students with their families selecting books together. Scholastic provided a wide variety of books to choose from, and we hope all of our children found books that they will enjoy reading. We are pleased to report that book sales totaled approximately \$7,500. Thanks to your support, The Children’s

House earned \$3,700 in Scholastic dollars, which our school will use to purchase books for classroom libraries. Mahalo to all of our families! We would also like to thank Mrs. Leoni in Pod 2 for spearheading the Book Fair, and to the teachers in Pod 4 for allowing us to use their classroom every day for the Book Fair.



STATE AND FEDERAL TAX ID NUMBERS

For income tax purposes, the tax ID numbers for The Children's House are as follows:

State #W40474882-01

Federal #99-0340922

IMPORTANT TO UPDATE YOUR CHANGES



Parents, we want to stress the importance of notifying the office of **all** changes to your personal information. This includes changes to your address, e-mail address, and all telephone numbers (home, work and cellular) in case of an emergency. Your personal data should be kept current at all times in case the school needs to contact you regarding your child. Please call or come to the office to pick-up and complete a "Change In Student Status" form so we can update your records.

REMINDER TO SIGN OUT YOUR CHILD

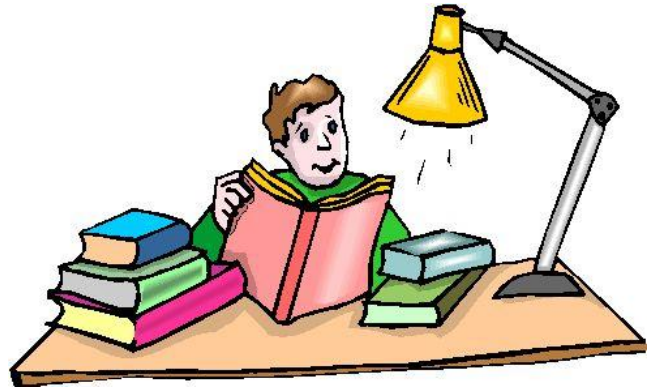
We notice that some children are still not being signed out when they are picked-up in the afternoon. Parents, please remind all persons picking up your child to sign out your child on the sign out sheet each day. This applies to all full day preschool, pre-kindergarten and kindergarten children and all elementary students enrolled in the After School Care Program. Thank you for your cooperation.



ELEMENTARY PARENTS MAKE THE DIFFERENCE

Building Character

Researchers say grit is key to school success



What do spelling champions and West Point cadets have in common? It's a quality known as grit--the ability to stick with something even when it's hard.

These days, researchers say grit is important. People who persist when a task gets challenging are most likely to be successful. To build grit:

- Teach your child to focus on how good it will feel to finish a tough task. "You did your homework. Now you can relax and enjoy yourself."
- Emphasize starting. People with grit don't put off unpleasant tasks. So help your child develop the habit of getting started. "You work on homework and I'll clean these drawers. Let's see what we can finish in 15 minutes."
- Stress effort versus ability. Tell your child that success requires dedication and effort as much or more than intelligence.

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God Bless,

The Children's House Administration

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