



St. Anthony School News

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Upcoming Dates

- Nov. 1- No School - All Saint's Day
- Nov. 2- All Soul's Day - Service at 7pm
- Nov. 5- Outreach Fashion Show- 6-8pm
- Nov. 8- Tech Tuesday 3:15- 4-15 pm
Fundamentals of iPhoto
- Nov. 10- Flu Shot Day
- Nov. 11- No School- Veteran's Day
- Nov. 14- ACRE Religion Test –
Grades. 5 & 8
- Nov. 14-18- Scholastic Book Fair
- Nov. 16- Scholastic Book Fair Family
Night 5:00-7:00 pm
- Nov. 17- Make-up School Picture
Day
PTSG General Meeting
6:30pm
- Nov. 18- School Mass at 8:00 am
5th Grade Presents Food
Drive donations to Outreach
Teacher KCCL Meeting at
2pm
- Nov. 21- Honolulu Fire Department
visits ELC
- Nov. 23- Noon Dismissal for
Thanksgiving – No Hot
Lunch
- Nov. 24-25- Happy Thanksgiving
No School
- Nov. 28- Advent Wreath
Lighting at Morning
Assembly
- Nov. 29- Kindergarten
Excursion to Hawaii
Theater for Youth (HTY)
- December 3- PTSG Christmas
Dinner and Trolley Ride

Real Men.....Show Their Support for Their Moms, Grandmas, Sisters and Aunties

St. Anthony School Kailua's Student Body President, Cade Pedro and Vice-President, Fabian Pallares support the schoolwide "Wear Pink Day", on Friday, October 21st to raise awareness about breast cancer by wearing their pink shirts proudly. "We love our moms, grandmas, sisters and aunties and want to bring attention to this important cause", said Cade. The Student Council also raised funds to support breast cancer research by creating a Haunted House at the school's Fall Festival. The faculty held a "Pink Party" complete with pink snacks and guest speakers about Breast Cancer, to honor our vice-principal, a breast cancer survivor.



The Wizard of Oz



Congratulations to Mrs. Ott and the entire cast and crew for three spectacular performances!

MATHLETICS

Inspiring Better Results

This school year, our K-8 students will again be using **Mathletics**, a web based interactive math program. Students have 24 hour access to the program through an individual username and password. This means the student can work at his own pace, anywhere, anytime. The students enjoy and are motivated to use this program, which leads to noticeable improvements in ability levels. If you have any questions about how your child is using Mathletics, contact their math teacher.



Our students and teachers are buzzing about the recent addition of BrainPOP to our school's enrichment tools. BrainPOP creates short, animated, educational movies covering hundreds of topics in all subject areas. Each topic has related interactive quizzes, games and activities. The content is all online, so there's nothing to install or download. We have 24 hour access to **BrainPOP**, **BrainPOP jr.** and **BrainPOP Espanol**. Students have been provided the username and password so POP to it and join the fun!

Cross Country

St. Anthony School's Cross Country Team completed another successful season on Friday, October 21st at the King Intermediate Invitational. Of the 170 male runners at this meet, James Kintz placed 5th, Nathan Revor placed 45th, and Ben Shadle placed 60th.

There were 152 female runners. Victoria Kintz placed 47th, Jordyn Starks came in 71st. There were 44 sixth grade runners. Rachel O'Connor came in 10th and Megan Revor came in 13th. All of our runners significantly reduced their two-mile running time throughout the duration of the season. Go Warriors – We are proud of YOU!

TO THE BOOK FAIR AND BEYOND!

It's time once again for the Scholastic Book Fair! Each fall, St. Anthony School hosts a book fair as a fundraiser for our school library. This year the fair will be held from November 14-18 with a Family Night on Wednesday, 16 November from 5-7 pm. On family night bring a blanket and pillows to help you get comfortable while our medley of special readers read short books to the kids. Enjoy free popcorn and lemonade from the PTSG. Other food available for purchase. If you know of a charismatic person, local figure, or actor who would enjoy reading a short book at this event, please contact Donna Otto at 630-1690 or rdo@hawaii.rr.com And for parents who might like to sneak in a little early Christmas shopping, we will also be open Thursday evening, prior to the PTSG meeting. This year we will also be offering a new and exciting feature at the fair; the Online Book Fair that will run from November 7-22. For more details, look in the Tuesday folders, or check the library page of our school website. If you would like to volunteer, email Joyce Pollock at jpollock@saskailua.org.

Reading Is Out of This World!

SCHOLASTIC
www.scholastic.com/bookfairs

Book Drive for Kapi`olani Medical Center for Women and Children

The Scholastic Book Fair will run from November 14-18. During this time, we will also be accepting donations of gently used and new books as part of our Book Drive to benefit the patients and families of the Kapi`olani Medical Center for Women and Children.



Tryout for the Catholic Schools Week Talent Show

Talent Show tryouts will be here before you know it, on December 5 – 6, 2011. It's not too soon to start planning and choosing your solo songs, partners or groups. Watch for upcoming flyers coming out soon in November. Good Luck!

Kawainui Visioning Meeting

November 8, 2011, 6:30-8:30 PM, Father Henry Hall

Join the Kailua and St. Anthony community to learn about and contribute to the interpretive plan for Kawainui and Hamakua Marsh. St. Anthony 8th graders have been working on a challenge based project to help envision ways to make Kawainui and Hamakua Marsh a better classroom. Students visited the areas in September and will be presenting some of their ideas and action plans. Community members are encouraged to come and share their ideas with the planning committee on how best to identify interpretive opportunities for sharing the history and resources of the important natural area with residents and visitors.



Left: Students visit Hamakua Marsh with Dr. Paul Brennan

Right: Maia Graham tests the QR code that will take visitors to a student created website informing people about the Kawainui and Hāmākua Marsh.

November Food Drive

This is the season of not only giving thanks but also giving back. Saint Anthony School is currently collecting various food items to benefit our Outreach program. Each classroom will have a collection box to store the items. The boxes of food will be presented at our Thanksgiving Mass on November 18th. The food will be distributed to families in need on November 23, 2011, from 9-11 a.m. in Father Henry Hall.

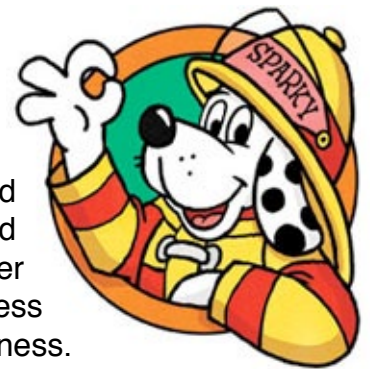
The items needed are: pre-cooked turkey dinners purchased from Foodland or Zippy's (turn in receipts as proof of purchase and Outreach staff will pick up for distribution later), or a whole turkey; rice; bottles of water; bread or rolls; stuffing and gravy; juice boxes or cans; canned milk; canned or packaged fruits; and canned vegetables; canned meat (such as Spam, vienna sausages, corned beef, etc.); canned chili; canned spaghetti, ravioli, etc; canned soup and canned tuna. These items **MUST** be turned in before November 18th.

This is a wonderful way of educating our children about empathy and service to others. Thank you for your generosity and assistance in spreading the spirit of the season and the joy of the Feast to those in need.

Fire Prevention Month

October was Fire Prevention Month. Both students and faculty alike completed various activities in order to help raise awareness and ensure preparedness.

The students were given activity booklets to complete, courtesy of the Honolulu Fire Department. Students were also advised to diagram, discuss, and implement a "Family Escape Plan" for their homes. All students, from Preschool to 8th Grade, participated in fire drills. In keeping safety as our first priority, the faculty has been preparing for our annual Fire Inspection from HFD. Please go over your family escape plans with your children and make sure all smoke detectors are working and are easily located. Remember, in the event of a fire, **LIFE** before **PROPERTY**.



PTSG News

The first quarter of the school year is complete, and the PTSG Board is truly appreciative of the awesome support from the families that make the events successful. The Give Aloha Campaign, Fall Festival, and Christmas Tree sales were huge successes, raising about \$10,000 to benefit our school and various organizations. A special thanks to Stephanie Caires (5A), Fall Festival Chairperson. The SAS PTSG's Pink Lemonade sales raised over \$200 for the American Cancer Society. Mahalo to you all for your support of these wonderful fundraising events!



In our third full month of school, we move into the holiday season with our Great Lakes Scrip program. Gift cards are now available for purchase. Danica and Sharon are hard at work, familiarizing you with this sensational program, and we are amazed at the school's initial purchase. Over \$13,500 in gift cards were purchased with proceeds to the school totaling just over \$900.00. Look for our next order form to go home in your student's folder on Thursday, November 3, or order on-line at www.shopwithscrip.com, just in time for the Thanksgiving holiday!

Also, the Christmas Scrip order will be distributed on Friday, November 18, to help you get a head start on the holiday shopping season!



Keep clipping and saving your Box Tops for Education and Campbell's Soup Labels. Also, have you registered your Safeway Club Card (Code 141915055) and/or Target Redcard (Code 128188) yet? These organizations donate a percentage of your purchase to St. Anthony School.

For more information on upcoming events, please attend the PTSG General Meeting on Thursday, November 17th. Childcare and dinner will be provided for students in 4th grade and below. As always, go to www.sasptsg.weebly.com for more information.

Fall Festival



This month has been a busy one. With the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi and Blessing of the Animals, it was a perfect time to invite Icarus. On October 11th, the ELC and Kindergarten students were treated to a visit by Icarus and her trainers. Icarus is an incredibly cute penguin from the Hilton Hawaiian Village. Sitting there observing Icarus and the students interacting, one would never think Icarus is 24 years old. Her outgoing and spirited “personality” captured the hearts of all. As students were instructed about where penguins come from, what they eat, and their life span, Icarus walked around among the students and loved the attention! It was a fabulous learning opportunity that allowed the students a unique visit with their new friend. Anyone interested in meeting Icarus, may visit her and her friends at the Hilton Hawaiian Village.



Icarus Visits SAS

Marissa Minjarez

The family of Marissa Minjarez would like to thank St. Anthony School and Parish whose combined efforts raised over \$2,800.00 for Marissa’s liver transplant surgery. Seventh grader Naomi Honma was so moved by Marissa’s story that she organized various activities for both school and parish. The 7th grade class held a school-wide bake sale, sold lemonade over the weekend, and collected cards and letters to help raise awareness about Marissa’s condition. Marissa’s brother Anthony, who was here on a month-long leave from Afghanistan, organized a car wash fundraiser on October 9th at Audi of Hawaii in honor of his sister. St. Anthony School students were proud volunteers at that event. Marissa was diagnosed with progressive Familial Intrahepatic Cholestasis, a

disorder that causes progressive liver disease. Family members said she needs a liver transplant to survive. “We deeply appreciate your generous donations, cards, and prayers for Marissa,” said Mrs. Minjarez in a recent phone conversation from the family home in Stockton, California. Updates on Marissa can be found at the [Children’s Organ Transplant Association](http://www.childrensorgantransplantassociation.org) website.

Above: Marissa Minajarez gives a thumbs up.
Right: Naomi Honma and Bridget Barnard prepare posters for the carwash.



Thank You God for Creation

Thank you, dear God, for my life.
Your wondrous ways
Make my heart sway with your love.

Thank you God for the land and sea,
For the birds in their most splendid glee.

And the mountains, when in silence,
They speak loudest of all for you.

The fish in the ocean, the beasts on the land,
The wings in the sky, they all fill your hand.

The wind and silence, water and song,
They praise you all day long.

So thank you again for giving me love,
and send your spirit in the form of a dove.

And thank you God for all your creatures, land, and sea
All different features.

Amen

Prayer written by 4th grader Grace O'Connor in honor of
the Feast of St. Francis

Discovering Our Community

On Thursday, October 20th, the first graders visited the Kailua Public Library and the Kailua fire station. Our students enjoyed meeting our community helpers and learning about the valuable resources in our neighborhood.

During our library visit, our students were able to get their very first public library card and listen to the librarian's expressive tale of a very witty rabbit. The students then walked over to the fire station, where the captain of the engine truck went over fire safety and ways to stay safe. They included our students in demonstrations and engaged them with questions. What a wonderful walking trip our first graders had. We are very grateful to our community and its helpers.

"Bearing" Good News about the ELC



In keeping with the theme of empathy and service, our Early Learning Center students have chosen "Operation Christmas Child" as their service project for this year. Both of the three year-old classrooms are creating "care packages" consisting of toys and other

necessities to send to children around the world who are not able to experience Christmas the way that we are, due to their living circumstances and situations. A total of 10 boxes will be sorted, sealed, and shipped by November 21st in order to make it in time for Christmas.

The two four year-old classes are collecting donations for the Keiki Tree. Each student is encouraged to "earn" some money by doing chores or helping around the house. The money is donated towards the class purchase of a

Christmas gift to benefit one boy and one girl who are less fortunate. These gifts will be added to the donations from the rest of the school and will be presented at our Christmas Mass on December 16th. Our littlest learners are gaining some big knowledge in faith, service, and awareness and love for others.

Family Salvation Plans – A Time to Review Your Coverage

When we recognize that Jesus Christ is Lord and Savior, we change. Our family ends up as top priority and a salvation plan becomes part of the weave of our life. Do you have children in need of sacraments? Are you in need of sacraments? Please go to our webpage: www.stanthonyskailua.org and find sacramental request forms for adults and children. These can be submitted to Donna Estomago, Director of Religious Education either in person at the parish office or through e-mail reledudept@stanthonyskailua.org.

Please call with questions 791-6526. We look forward to serving your family's sacramental needs.

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