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It was a great day for grandparents!

In what has become a tradition at the Academy, over 750 kupuna were welcomed to campus for the school's 2016 Grandparents' Day celebrations.

On November 16, grandparents joined their granddaughters in grades seven to 12 in the Gymnasium for a special prayer service celebrating the blessings of fall. After, they ventured to classrooms for heavy refreshments, such as made-to-order pancakes, and activities, including ornament-making, bingo and even a few poker games!

Students in grades Junior Kindergarten to six welcomed their grandparents to class on November 18, sharing special presentations and songs and dances and engaging in fun, fall-themed activities.



ABOVE: Carl Tadaki, Ava Cramer, Paula Tadaki, Juliette Cramer, Florence Kanayama, Chloe Kanayama, Lily-Grace Kanayama, Grace Nakata, Kaitlyn Choy, Brianna Choy, Barbara Choy, Marcia Hakikawa, Ayla Hakikawa and Elia Hakikawa

ABOVE RIGHT: Clarisa Ishii Babauta and grandmother Marjorie Babauta

LEFT: Lacey Royce and her grandmother Esther Shibata

From the Head of School

CELEBRATING AND GIVING THANKS

This has been a joyous week with the Academy hosting hundreds of grandparents. The students, are very proud of their



kupuna, and the Academy is happy to have the opportunity to show them a small slice of what the typical day is like for their precious granddaughters.

I take this opportunity to thank our families for their generosity in sending in food items that have already been distributed to families, who, for one reason or another, are being challenged. Most of the donations were gifted to Saint George Parish in Waimanalo and to Loliana Hale, the shelter in Kakaako that has been "adopted" by the school for 25 years.

The Academy is holding its annual Open House this Sunday from 2:30 to 4 p.m., and we are very appreciative of the role that our parents play in the recruitment and retention process! A crew of parent volunteers will help host on Sunday.

Thank you to many, many parents who pass the good news about Sacred Hearts to neighbors, friends and families. When I am asked, "Which type of advertising is most effective for Sacred Hearts?," my answer is always the same, "Our parents are our best ambassadors!"

Soccer and basketball are in season. Check the website for games if the turkey has already been bought and the house cleaned!

Betty White

Physician assists community

Sandy Arnobit's Junior Kindergarten (JK) students are studying what comprises a "community" and all the "helpers" who assist with its functioning.



Recently, the students were thrilled to get a "house call" from *Dr. Januario Natanauan*, a Family Medicine physician with Straub Clinic and Hospital.

He shared about his role in keeping the community healthy, discussed the importance of eating well to stay strong and demonstrated various instruments he uses to treat patients.

The youngsters were thrilled to reverse roles with the doctor – testing his stethoscope to hear actual heartbeats! And, of course, some even are thinking about becoming doctors when they grow up!

2016 FALL CHOIR CONCERT

NOVEMBER 22
CHAPEL FROM 6 TO 7:30 P.M.

The Beginning, Intermediate, Concert and Select Choirs will take the audience on a musical journey with pieces from various genres and cultural influences.

Admission is FREE.

Bowlers aim for strike

Under the leadership of *Head Coach Lana Mink*, the *Lancer bowling team* found much success on the lanes!

The *Varsity* finished fourth in *Interscholastic League of Honolulu (ILH) Division I* competition with junior *Catherine Palmer* and senior *Marissa Okamoto* leading the charge.

At the league championship tournament from October 24 to 26, Palmer and her doubles partner *Ivana Lourdes Salon*, a sophomore, bowled to a top-ten finish, and qualified for the *Hawai'i High School Athletic Association State Championships* on November 3 and 4.

Joining them at the State meet were Okamoto and *Kamaluloaonalan Aiona-Kaai*.



The Varsity bowling team: (front) Ivana Lourdes Salon, Catherine Palmer, Alexiz Hicks and Kiarah Gomard; (back) Head Coach Lana Mink, Marissa Okamoto, Mikaela Dolor, Kamaluloaonalan Aiona-Kaai and Assistant Coach Jeremy Ledet

Pirates pillage for reading treasure

Clifford the Big Red Dog and a shipload of pirates were spotted on campus from November 7 to 10 during this year's *Scholastic Book Fair*, sponsored by the Lower School Library.

Themed the "*Pirate Book Fair – Where Reading Is the Treasure!*," the goal of the event was to get students excited about reading and to develop their own personal "library" at home.

Media Specialist Laurel Oshiro organized the Fair, with assistance from 20 amazing parent volunteers.



The Fair raised \$3,280 to purchase 300 new books for the Library!

Fourth graders rock it during studies

The fourth graders have been studying as future geologists! The students, including (right) *Kira Chu-Maxson*, *Aureanna Vendiola*, *Olivia Gentry* and *Danielle Woo*, delved into the science behind the formulation of the Hawaiian Islands, learned about different types of rocks and explored the dynamics of erosion.

They also applied what they learned in class during a tour to several geology-rich sites on Oahu. At the *Ko'olau Mountains*, the students examined the geology from different viewpoints as well as the effect of erosion, and during their stop at *Awawamalu Beach*, known as "*Sandy Beach*," they searched for specific rock types.



Academy community honors veterans on special day

To honor the sacrifices made by those serving in the military, past and present, members of the Academy community participated in the 70th annual *Veterans' Day Parade* in Wahiawa on November 11.

The 68 musicians in the school's *Marching Band*, along with *Color Guard* participants, marched to "Kohala March" and the Jackson 5 hit, "I Want You Back."

Led by *Band Director Keith Higaki* (above), the Band was accompanied by a cadre of parent volunteers, who also walked the route.

About 15 members of the *Leo Club*, along with *Advisor Whitney Miyahira*, also participated in the parade, passing out candy to parade-goers.



TOP RIGHT: Nodoka Machida and Kelly Do

BOTTOM RIGHT: Drum Major Faizah Shyanguya leads the Band during warm-up exercises.

TEACHING teachers

Academy High School *Social Studies* teachers *Mario Dilello* and *Kinga Wojtas* (right with *Bob Buss*, executive director of the Hawai'i Council for the Humanities, *Abdul-Karim Khan* from *Leeward Community College* and *Mitch Yamasaki* of *Chaminade University*) delved into "*Muslim Journeys: History and Cultural Traditions of Islam*" during a workshop on October 15 sponsored by the Hawai'i Council for the Humanities and Chaminade University.

The day was filled with educational and engaging presentations by local scholars who discussed the history of the Middle East, the prophet Muhammad and the birth of Islam and themes related to Muslim art, poetry and literature.

