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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

WILSON AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

After an unfortunate but unavoidable delay, Wilson After School Program will begin during the week of September 20th-24th. Parents and/or guardians who responded to the survey sent out with the THURSDAY ENVELOPE on August 26th, should have received yesterday a green or yellow registration form (green for students in Grades K, 1, 2; yellow for students in Grades 3, 4, 5). Course offerings are expected to close quickly so recipients are urged to complete and return the entire form directly to the school office beginning on Thursday, September 16th. (Note that this a registration form only, and parents/guardians are asked not to remit payment with the form. A confirmation form requesting payment will be sent home once a student has been enrolled in a course) Registration forms will be made available to interested parents/guardians for those courses that remain open after survey respondents have been accommodated.

FEDERAL CENSUS SURVEY CARDS



Parents and guardians who haven't already done so are urged to please complete and return to Wilson School the Federal Census Survey Card that was sent home last week. While we fully understand and appreciate how wearisome a task it may be, both our federal and state governments have delegated to public schools the responsibility for ensuring that every family thoroughly and accurately completes and returns the cards. Please *kokua* in this very important annual requirement as the information provided directly affects the amount of impact aid the federal government allocates to our state. All cards should be completed immediately and returned to the school with today's THURSDAY ENVELOPE.

FREE BREAKFAST FOR GOOD HEALTH!

Start the day right with a healthy breakfast! The terrific staff of the Wilson School Cafeteria would like to encourage the great habit of healthy eating by offering complimentary breakfast to students and parents. See below the remaining schedule to take advantage of the free meals being offered to parents of specific groups on specific days!

Grades	Free for Student	Free for Parent ¹	Grades	Free for Student	Free for Parent ¹
PK & K ...	Wednesday, 9/08	Friday, 9/17	3 ...	Tuesday, 9/14	Thursday, 9/23
1 ...	Thursday, 9/09	Tuesday, 9/21	4 ...	Wednesday, 9/15	Friday, 9/24
2 ...	Friday, 9/10	Wednesday 9/22	5 ...	Thursday, 9/16	Tuesday, 9/28

¹With Paying Child; limit two parents.

Don't miss this delicious opportunity! (Flyers with details about the free breakfast program were sent out in last week's THURSDAY ENVELOPE)

FUN & FITNESS DAY



Wilson School *Ohana's Ka Lā Pā'ani No Ke Ola* (A Day of Games for Good Health) is set for Friday, October 1st. This activity represents the melding of the Department of Education's "Wellness" initiative of good nutrition and appropriate exercise with the *Ohana's* fund-raising efforts. It will consist of children going through a circuit of fun physical activities to promote physical fitness and a healthy lifestyle, and involves children securing pledges from family and friends for completing them. *(All children may participate regardless of pledges, but every child needs a permission form in order to do so. Please don't prevent your child from participating in this wonderful wellness activity by failing to send in a permission form!)*

Ka Lā Pā'ani No Ke Ola envelopes containing information and forms were sent home in a previous THURSDAY ENVELOPE and are due.



If you are an individual with a disability, please contact the School Office at 733-4740 to make arrangements for accessibility to any school event at least ten days prior to the event. Reasonable effort will be made to accommodate your request.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION (CONT)

PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES

Wilson School's Parent-Teacher Conferences for the first term will be held during the 9-day period Monday, October 18th through Friday, October 29th. (In accordance with a Supplemental Agreement between the Hawaii State Teachers Association (HSTA) and the Board of Education (BOE), the HSTA will be conducting a SWIM (Stop Work Information Meeting) on Wednesday, October 20th, so no conferences will be scheduled on that day) Conferences are scheduled on a first-come first-served basis with priority given to families with more than one child attending Wilson School. Parents should check elsewhere in today's THURSDAY ENVELOPE for a (blue) Fall Parent-Teacher Conference Preference Sheet.



(School will be on a Wednesday Bell Schedule throughout the period of Parent-Teacher Conferences so students will be dismissed at 1:25 P.M. Parents should plan accordingly and arrange for childcare services as appropriate)

CHILD PASSENGER SAFETY WEEK

Parents, guardians, and other responsible adults are reminded that the Driver Education Program (DEP) and Honolulu Police Department (HPD), in cooperation with police departments cross the state, have partnered with the State Department of Transportation (DOT) to promote September 20th-24th as the 2010 National Child Passenger Safety Week.

Police officers will be randomly stationed at public elementary school throughout the state during drop-off and pick-up times to ensure that children are properly restrained. They will be prepared to answer questions regarding Hawaii's child restraint laws and cite violations if necessary.

Information card for students in Grades K-3 were sent home in last week's THURSDAY ENVELOPE. Parents who haven't already done so should review the information, then sign and return the tear-away coupon to the school. Students who return the signed coupon on the information card will receive a free pencil.

UPCOMING EVENTS

PRIMARY ELECTION DAY

Saturday, September 18th, is Primary Election Day in Hawaii. The Governor, the Lieutenant Governor, the Congress, the Mayor, the Legislature, the City Council, the City Prosecutor, the Board of Education. Decisions to be made. Important decisions.

Don't forget to exercise your right to vote! The success of a democracy is based upon an informed, active, and responsible citizenry. *Please vote. . .and take your child with you for a truly hands-on learning experience!*



FALL INTERSESSION, OCTOBER 4TH-8TH

Please be reminded that this year's Fall Intersession will occur on Monday-Friday, October 4th-8th. Because Monday, October 11th is a furlough day being held in conjunction with the intersession, students return to school on Tuesday, October 12th. Please be sure to arrange for childcare services as appropriate.

GENERAL INFORMATION

FOR-A-FEE CHILD CARE PROVIDERS

Wilson School's After School Plus Program does not operate when Wilson School is not in session. Parents interested in other available for-a-fee childcare services during the intersessions, recesses, and holidays should refer to Leaf 34 of the SY 2010-11 DOLPHIN CALENDAR AND & HANDBOOK for a list of childcare providers.

SCHOOL EMERGENCY INFORMATION FOR PARENTS & GUARDIANS

The Hawaii State Department of Education is committed to providing a safe environment for students, staff, and visitors. To fulfill this commitment, the Department of Education works closely with national, state, and local officials and agencies (Police, Fire, Emergency, Medical, Health) in order to ensure that schools are prepared to deal with emergencies.

Please find elsewhere in today's Thursday Envelope an information card that provides important guidelines for parents, guardians, and other responsible adults to follow in the event of an emergency. (Similar guidelines are printed on the inside of the back cover (Leaf 37) of the SY2010-11 DOLPHIN CALENDAR & HANDBOOK that was distributed earlier this year)

(Parents, guardians, and other responsible adults should also note that, because of the nature of our facilities, Wilson School does not differentiate between procedures for Lockdown and Shelter-In-Place. Our classrooms are used as sanctuaries for both types of emergencies)

GENERAL INFORMATION (CONT)

INFLUENZA VACCINATION

Parents, families, and friends are reminded that Wilson School is participating in the 2010-11 School-Based Influenza Vaccination Program. The program offers free flu vaccination for all students and staff. The program is being held on Tuesday, October 26th. The program is voluntary for all students and staff, and signed consent forms are required in order to participate in this community service opportunity sponsored by the Department of Health. Last day to return completed forms was Thursday, September 9th.

APPRECIATIONS

STEAK & BINGO NIGHT

Mahalo Nui Loa to all parents, families, friends, and staff who turned out in support of the Wilson School 'Ohana (WSO) first ever Steak & BINGO Night on Friday, September 10th! The event was co-hosted by Wilson School's PCNC Cynthia Hakikawa, and supported by the Koko Head Lions Club. Steak dinners were provided by No Bull Steaks, and BINGO! prizes were either purchased or donated.

Steak & BINGO Night was sponsored by the WSO and PCNC as a way of providing an opportunity for family fun and friendships while raising a modest amount of funds for the school. Thank you for joining us for an evening of food, fun, and fellowship by having dinner, BINGO, or both!

DONATIONS

Schools such as ours are often required to operate on very austere budgets, and every donated dollar, time, material, or other gift from the heart is a "windfall" to help us improve services to our children.

Mahalo to Eagle Scout Candidate Aaron Dung who, with sponsorship of parents Dr. & Mrs. David Dung, prepped and painted Wilson School's PE equipment storage container located at the east end of Building F.

Mahalo to Mr. & Mrs. Davin & Cheri Hidano (Kaylin, 3-F8) for their donation of Ziploc bags and liquid soap to the teacher and students of Mrs. Kodama-Nii's Room 3-F8.

FOOTBALL FOOLISHNESS

FIRST GAME

A guy took his girlfriend to her first football game. Afterward he asked her how she liked the game.

"I liked it, but I couldn't understand why they were killing each other for 25 cents," she said.

"What do you mean?" he asked.

"Well, everyone kept yelling, 'Get the quarter back!'"

MATH TEST

A football coach walked into the locker room before a game, looked over to his star player and said, "I'm not supposed to let you play since you failed math, but we need you in there. So, what I have to do is ask you a math question, and if you get it right, you can play."

The player agreed, and the coach looked into his eyes intently and asks, "Okay, now concentrate hard and tell me the answer to this. What is two plus two?"

The player thought for a moment and then he answered, "4?"

"Did you say 4?" the coach exclaimed, excited that he got it right.

At that, all the other players on the team began screaming, "Come on coach, give him another chance!"

ANIMAL SUPER BOWL

During the Super Bowl, there was a little known football game between the big animals and the little animals. The big animals were crushing little animals and at half-time, the coach made a passionate speech to rally the little animals.

At the start of the second half the big animals had the ball. The first play, the elephant got stopped for no gain. The second play, the rhino was stopped for no gain. On third down, the hippo was thrown for a five yard loss.

The defense huddled around the coach and he asked excitedly, "Who stopped the elephant?"

"I did," said the centipede.

"Who stopped the rhino?"

"Uh, that was me too," said the centipede.

"And how about the hippo? Who hit him for a five yard loss?"

"Well, that was me as well," said the centipede.

"So where were you during the first half?" demanded the coach.

"Well," said the centipede, "I was having my ankles taped."

SOCIAL SKILLS FOR SEPTEMBER

Social Skills for September are *Active Listening; Following Instructions*
Please work on these at home as we emphasize them as school.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

September 2010

- 18 Saturday *Primary Election Day—Please Be Sure To Vote!*
- 20 Monday_{5-E} Gr. PreK to Kalihi Kai Fire Station & Kakaako Park, 8:30-1:30 P.M.
- 21 Tuesday_{5-F} Second Official Enrollment Count Date
- 23 Thursday_{6-B} Grs. 3, 4, 5 w/ Maui Academy for the Performing Arts, 1:00-1:50 P.M.
- 24 Friday_{6-C} Grs. K, 1, 2 w/ Maui Academy for the Performing Arts, 8:30-9:20 A.M.; PSAP In-Take, 8:30-2:00 P.M.; Parent-Teacher Conferences Preference Forms due

October 2010

- 01 Friday End 1st Quarter; (43 days); *Ka Lā Pā’ani No Ke Ola Day*: 8:15-9:30 A.M.—Grs. K-2; 10:00-11:30 A.M.—Grs. 3-5
- 04-08 Monday-Friday *Fall Intersession*
- 08 Friday *Furlough Day (HGEA, UPW)—School Campus & Office Closed*
- 11 Monday *Furlough Day (HSTA, HGEA, UPW)—School Closed*
- 14 Thursday_{7-D} Gr. 1 to Aluon Farms, 9:00-12:00 P.M.; WSO Board Meeting, 5:00 P.M.
- 18-29 Monday-Friday Parent-Teacher Conferences (9 days) (1:25 P.M. Dismissal)
- 20 Wednesday_{8-B} HSTA SWIM, 1:25 P.M.; WESCC Meeting, 5:00 P.M.
- 22 Friday_{8-D} Gr. K to Kaimuki High School Performing Arts Theater, 8:30-11:00 A.M.
- 26 Tuesday_{8-F} Influenza Clinic, 8:00-11:30 A.M.
- 29 Friday_{9-C} Pumpkin Carving Night, 6:00-8:00 P.M.
- 31 Sunday *Halloween (BOO!)*



November 2010

- 01 Monday *Professional Development Day—No School for Students*
- 02 Tuesday *General Election Day—School Closed—Please Vote!*
- 04-05 Thursday-Friday Gr. 5 at Camp Mokuleia (2 days)
- 04 Thursday_{9-E} Gr. 1 to Kaimuki High School Performing Arts Theater, 8:30-10:45 A.M.
- 05 Friday_{9-F} Gr. 3 at Nutrition Talk w/ HMSA, (Time TBD)
- 08 Monday_{10-A} Gr. 3 (F7 & F8) to Waimea Bay, 8:15-1:00 P.M.
- 10 Thursday_{10-C} WSO Board Meeting, 5:00 P.M.
- 11 Thursday *Veterans Day—School Closed*
- 12 Friday_{10-D} Gr. 3 (F5 & F6) to Waimea Bay, 8:15-1:00 P.M.
- 17 Wednesday_{11-A} WESCC Meeting, 5:00 P.M.
- 18 Thursday_{11-B} Gr. K to Hawaii’s Plantation Village, 8:15-1:00 P.M.; Gr. 1 Pumpkin Pie Making Activity, 8:15-9:45 A.M.
- 20 Saturday *Fun Fair, 9:00-3:00 P.M.*
- 24 Wednesday_{11-F} Gr. 2 to Hawaii Plantation Village, 8:15-12:00 P.M.
- 25 Thursday *Thanksgiving Day—School Closed*
- 26 Friday *Thanksgiving Holiday—Students & Teachers; Furlough Day—UPW & HGEA*



December 2010

- 02 Thursday_{12-D} Kaimuki Merchants Association Christmas Parade, 5:30-7:00 P.M.
- 09 Thursday_{13-C} Gr. 1 Gingerbread Making Activity, 8:15-9:30 A.M.; WSO Meeting, 5:00 P.M.
- 10 Friday_{13-D} Gr. 4 to Hawaii Theater for Youth, 8:30-11:30 A.M.; Gr. K Gingerbread House Activity, 12:45-1:45 P.M.
- 15 Wednesday_{14-A} WESCC Meeting, 5:00 P.M.
- 16 Thursday_{14-B} End 2nd Quarter (44 days)/1st Semester (87 days); Gr. 5 DARE Graduation, 8:30-9:30 A.M.; Winter Assembly, 12:45-2:00 P.M.; Full-Day School w/ 2:10 P.M. Students Dismissal
- 17 Friday *Furlough Day—No School for Students & Teachers*
- 20-31 Monday-Friday *Winter Recess (10 of 10 days)—School Closed; Office Open*

