

Monday, Feb. 8, 2009

*Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—His good, pleasing and perfect will. Romans 12:2*

Dear Parents,

Attached you will find the newsletter from Mrs. Pitts at Makua Lani. In it she deals with differences between public school and Christian school. Please prayerfully read and consider all that is being said. This is indeed the foundation of both KCA and Makua Lani.

The Bowl-A-Thon is 3 weeks away! Please continue to collect donations. The final day to turn in envelopes is Friday, Feb. 26. Parents wanting to help with this event, please contact Debbie in the office. Please get in the lane requests for your child—the sooner you turn them in, the more likely they will be put with their friends. Thanks.

Seventh grade is now offering a bowl of chili and rice with a drink for sale on Fridays to the students for \$3.50 a meal. Order forms go home today. Please return them by this Friday. The meal begins this Friday and will go through March 19. Thanks for supporting our 7<sup>th</sup> graders. If your child gets the regular hot lunch, this will be in addition to that.

Thank you all so much for supporting the Book Fair. We all enjoyed every minute of it—students and adults alike. Many children couldn't wait to start reading their new books. I would like to thank Nani Paikulil-Campbell for heading up this event and also all the parents who volunteered their time to help out. It was wonderful having Clifford, the Big Red Dog make appearances also!

This Saturday was the track and field event up at Konawaena High. Many of our students participated in all the events and did well. I would like to thank Melissa and Teva Beatty and Mercedes Hardie for heading up this event and also all the other parents who helped on Saturday. Thank you again. The winners are on the back of this letter. Yeah!!

This week is school spirit week! The class with the most student participation will win a pizza party. Tomorrow, Tuesday is Triplett Day or Hat Day, Wednesday is Pajama Day, Thursday is Hero or Retro Day, Friday is Formal Day or Red and White Day for Valentine's Day. Valentine's Day will be celebrated on Friday, Feb. 12 in the classrooms. If you are giving valentine cards, please make sure you give to each child in the class. Candy grams are still for sale in the office up until Friday morning. Thanks.

KTA is once again giving away money for high school athletic programs. When you shop there, please designate Makua Lani on your receipts. This goes through March 30. KCA received a check for \$420 from the Kokua I Na Kula program in the fall. Thanks.

The Spelling Bee competition for the Big Island will be Saturday morning, Feb. 27 at HPA. Congratulations John Kathe and Spencer Todd who will be representing KCA.

There will be no school this coming Monday, Feb 15 for President's Day.

Our 7<sup>th</sup> graders have been invited to Makua Lani for a BBQ lunch on Friday, Feb. 19. They will be hosted by the 8<sup>th</sup> graders. Letters were sent home with permission slips to be returned to KCA. Please get the forms in as soon as possible. Parents are also welcome to attend and we do need drivers getting the 7<sup>th</sup> graders to and from Makua Lani. If you know of any other 7<sup>th</sup> graders interested in Makua Lani for next year, they also are invited to attend.

If you have other children that you are interested in attending KCA, please call the office as we are preparing for new enrollment for the 2010-2011 school year.

Congratulations to Makua Lani's soccer teams. The girls went to states last week and the boys go this week. Go, Lions

May the Lord bless this busy week.

Nancy Begley/Principal