

# THE SCHOOL NEWS

## 1 WAIPAHU

### St. Joseph School

Mary has many titles accepted by the Catholic Church. On Oct. 23 at our weekly school-wide worship, our **seventh graders** helped us to understand more about Mary and reflect on how to live her message in our daily lives. The girls dressed up as Mary and gave information about her while the boys led in the Hail Mary prayer. We learned about **Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Our Lady of La Salette, Our Lady of Peace, Our Lady of Fatima, Our Lady of Guadalupe, Our Lady of Good Counsel, Our Lady of the Rosary, Immaculate Conception, Our Lady of Lourdes, Our Lady of Queen of All Saints, Our Lady of the Rosary and Our Lady of Perpetual Help.** We shared this presentation on Facebook live so our ohana could see and reflect on the titles of Mary. We thank their teachers, **Mrs. Sabater and Sister Mark,** for guiding the students to give an excellent school wide presentation. *(Reported by Keala Kia)*



1

EDITOR'S CHOICE



2

Stairs project to be his **Eagle Scout Service Project!** Through planning and organizing with **Mrs. Luarca,** Sam exhibited leadership skills and responsibility. He and his group of helpers transformed two of the school's largest staircases and refreshed a third staircase with paint. **School supporters, parents, teachers, alumni, former teachers and staff, former parents and parishioners** provided monetary donations to help fund the project's materials and the entire community is so grateful! *(Reported by Chantelle Luarca)*

## 6 EWA BEACH

### Our Lady of Perpetual Help School

Our school encourages all students to pursue opportunities to develop their leadership skills, and are offered many diverse ways to do so. On Oct. 16, the **student body** celebrated the installation of its newly elected student government officers. **President Sam Atuatasi, Vice President Thor Gante, Secretary Tristan Herring and Treasurer Nathan Herring** took the oath of office and received their candles lit by principal **Sister Davilyn Ah Chick.** This beautiful ceremony followed months of campaigning on the parts of the candidates, inspirational school-wide speeches, and an exciting election day process under the direction of their advisor **Miss Crystal Ka'aikala.** Participating in student government is an excellent way to develop life-long leadership skills that will benefit Sam, Thor, Tristan and Nathan for the rest of their lives. Along with the student government officers, each class from grades K to 8 presented two students to serve as class representatives to the student government. May God continue to bless Sam, Thor, Tristan and Nathan, as well as the class representatives, as they face the joys and challenges of their work as student government officers. Pictured from left are Sam Atuatasi, Thor Gante, Tristan Herring, Nathan Herring. *(Reported by Laverne Suster)*

## 7 KAPAA

### St. Catherine School

By the grace of God, our school is so happy to introduce our new principal. Thank you to **Drew Co-hick** for being the interim principal and doing it so well. Now Drew can continue teaching middle school math and science with gusto. Drum roll, please. **Mr. David Adams** started his first principalship at a St. Catherine School in Canada in 1997. This job brings him full circle to our own very special St. Catherine School. He has been a teacher, counselor, and principal in varied schools and environments. We are very grateful to have him fill these shoes and he is already a very welcome presence on campus. Here is what he has to say: "Our school motto is '**Lighting the Way to a Brighter Future.**' We attempt to live that statement daily through the actions of the students, staff and parents. As we move into our bright future, we must hold the values that build the history of the school along with the strong cultural values we created together to make St. Catherine School the unique special school that it is."

## 2 MAKAWAO

### St. Joseph Early Learning Center

Our school is gearing up for our annual **Christmas Craft Fair.** Pictured are **parents, students, staff and volunteers** helping to decorate for the event. The campus will be transformed into a Candy Cane Lane on Nov. 16, 7 a.m.-2 p.m. **Santa** will visit for the children and children at heart. There will be entertainment, food, fun and lots of crafts and one-of-a-kind gifts to buy for the Holiday Season. This year there will also be an **antique car show display** to transport us back to an old fashioned Christmas. God bless and thank you for supporting the event. *(Reported by Helen Souza)*



3



4



5



6



7

## 3 KAILUA

### St. John Vianney School

Our school supported our parish's **Annual Thanksgiving Food Drive.** All donations collected between Nov. 8 and Nov. 15 were distributed to both the **St. George and St. Anthony food pantries** for the many families in our Community that need our help. Students will again be participating in **Operation Christmas Child,** sponsored by the **Samaritan's Purse International Relief.** This organization partners with churches and organizations worldwide to deliver gift-filled shoeboxes to children in need. Students need to return filled shoeboxes by Nov. 18, and will be delivered to the Kailua distribution center. ... The annual **SJV Turkey Trot** will be held on Nov. 27. All **first through eighth grade students** will run/walk around Enchanted Lake on Keolu Drive (approximately three miles). Our **ELC and kindergarten students** will complete a course on campus. Families may also choose to participate in the run. Entry fee for each participant is \$2 and all proceeds will be used to help a family with three children for Christmas. For information, please call 261-4651. *(Reported by Earl Walker)*



8

## 4 HONOLULU

### St. Theresa School

On Oct. 25, **students, families, ministries** gathered at our school to celebrate their annual **Halloween Family Night** hosted by the school's **Parent Teacher Guild.** The event started at 6 p.m. and ended at 9 p.m. All were welcomed to join in on the fun games, and activities and most especially the **Trick or Treat Street** sponsored by the **Co-Cathedral of St Theresa's parish ministries.** Truly a night of celebration as one ohana filled with laughter and fun! Pictured are elementary students with their

families enjoying their evening at the Halloween Family Fun Night. *(Reported by Faith Leasiolagi; photo by Dann Ebina)*

## 5 PEARL CITY

### Our Lady of Good Counsel School

Six years ago, our school adapted the **Singapore Math Curriculum, Primary Mathematics.** This approach of teaching math involves a following of phases to learn Concrete, Pictorial, Abstract (CPA) Teachers of math are asked to engage students' in math concepts by having students consider real-life

situations. Teachers recognize how this approach keeps students connecting math to their reality Also, Singapore Math encourages the use of **Math All Around.** Students become more familiar with math patterns when it's everywhere! Since the transition, there's been a goal to create **Multiplication Stairs!** The success of the curriculum is certainly reflected in our students' math understanding, high-achieving standardized test scores, and student engagement during lessons. Former student, **Sam McCulloch,** of **Boy Scout Troop 326,** selected this Math



9



10



11

We do hope to grow our current school population while holding true to our values and history, plus being mindful of the importance of humility. We do politely ask you to please share the good news of our school to others and bring our best kept secret into the light for others to know about. Our school motto does speak for all students, staff, parents, community members, and SCHOOL itself in 'Lighting the Way to a Brighter Future.' Please stop by and introduce yourself to Principal Adams, his door is always open. Thank you, God, for answering our prayers. (Reported by Elizabeth Sancho)

**8 AIEA**

**St. Elizabeth School**

Our **fifth through eighth graders** were fortunate to take an educational field trip to the **State Capitol, Honolulu Hale and the Court House**. After learning about the Hawaii State Judicial Branch, our students went on a tour of the legislature's House and Senate chambers, courtesy of **Rep. Sam Kong**. They were then given the opportunity to see the City Council's chambers by **Councilman Brandon Elefante**. The highlight of the field trip was participating in a mock trial. What a great experience for all the students. Thank you to Representative Kong and Councilman Elefante. (Reported by Sharon Nagasawa)

**9 KAILUA**

**St. Anthony School**

Our campus was a-buzz with chatter and excitement as our **Annual Early Learning Center Halloween Parade** took place. So many creative and colorful costumes by the students and staff. The ELC and kindergarten teachers were crayons — and we all know how much the

little ones love their crayons. A fun-filled day was had by all. ... On Friday Nov. 1 we celebrated **All Saints Day** with our **sixth graders**. ... The holidays are upon us and everyone is working hard academically to make the second quarter the best they can, while still doing service for those less fortunate and preparing to present a fantastic Christmas program to their families. We have a wonderful school and are very proud of all of our students, faculty and staff. (Reported by Patricia Barros)

**10 KEKAHA**

**St. Theresa School**

Our school had a busy month of activities in October which also included **Fall Break**. To celebrate the **Month of the Rosary**, our school learners participated in a group rosary beginning the week after Fall Break. Each day was dedicated to one decade of the rosary and the closing prayer was recited on the last day of the week. The first grade teacher **Mrs. Charlene Lazaro** shared that the rosary was spread out throughout the week to allow younger learners to participate with the rest of the school. ... On Oct. 26, St. Theresa School's **Parent Board** hosted another successful family event, our annual **Trunk or Treat**. The school ohana along with friends and family from the Kauai Westside community enjoyed a fun evening on school grounds that included a keiki costume contest, class trunk decoration contest, movie under the stars, lots of candy treats from the class trunks and delicious food booth items (saimin, pork and peas, hot dog, andagi, baked goods, popcorn and drinks) prepared by faculty and class parents. This year's winning Trunk or Treat class trunks are: first place (tied) Stranger Things, seventh and eighth grade and Monsters Inc.,

second grade and second place Area 51, fifth and sixth grade. Mahalo to all grades and the school community supporter **Boys and Girls Club West Kauai** for sponsoring a trunk. ... On Oct. 27, the school ohana joined the parishioners of St. Theresa and **Waimea Sacred Heart of Jesus and Mary Mission** to lead the monthly family Mass and honor **Father Edwin Conselva** at his first priesthood day celebration on Kauai with a special tea and sandwich party after Mass. ... Finally, on Oct. 31, school learners celebrated Halloween with an orange and black dress down day, crazy socks, pumpkin carving contest, all school spirit rally, activities like bobbing for apples and yes, even more Halloween treats. Principal **Wendy Castillo** encouraged families to

drop off leftover Halloween candy to the school office the day after Halloween so candies can be sent to **Operation Gratitude** for troops serving our country overseas. (Reported by Ursuline Munar)

**11 HONOLULU**

**Star of the Sea School**

It's been a busy **second quarter** at our school. **Middle school students** kicked off the month of October by launching the school's theme of the month "**Work in Faith**" at its school-wide flag-raising gathering. This year's second annual "**Trunk or Treat**," was greatly enjoyed by the school community. The **PTG-sponsored event** included over 20 trunks, fun games, and delicious food. ... Our school also proudly hosted the **Catholic Schools League** boys and girls'

**All-Star games**. It was wonderful to see our K-8 Catholic schools play together to live out our Catholic Schools League philosophy — skill development, camaraderie, sportsmanship and fun! ... Our **3D fabrication lab middle school students** have been busy constructing a floor-to-ceiling 3D printer, getting ready to print a real-sized T-Rex skull. ... And lastly, as an extension to their weather unit, our **first graders** (featured picture) were busy in the learning commons producing and recording the local news. Thanks to the school's digital media center, the students were able to simulate the local weather forecast. Our school teaches its students to explore, live, laugh, learn, and always reach for the STARS! (Reported by Margaret Rufo)



**St. Francis**  
HEALTHCARE SYSTEM OF HAWAII  
*A Legacy of Caring for Hawaii's People*

**Live Every Moment**

# Make a Difference in the Lives of Seniors!

**Join the St. Francis Healthcare System Team!**



**Personal Care Attendants**  
Travel to clients' homes within a designated region of the island to provide personal care and bathing services as part of the plan of care for seniors. Use your own vehicle. Mileage to clients homes reimbursed. High school diploma, minimum two years experience in caregiving, preferably for elders over 60, CPR certification, valid driver's license, personal vehicle with auto insurance coverage and good driving record, based on current driver's abstract.



**Program Assistants**  
Help with therapeutic activities in our adult day care programs. Serve as a primary caregiver for clients who need assistance with activities of daily living. High school graduate with two years of experience, preferably in an adult day care center, community health agency, or nursing home. Current CPR and First Aid certification.

**Put your compassion into action!**  
To apply, go to the St. Francis Healthcare System website at [stfrancishawaii.org](http://stfrancishawaii.org) and submit your application today!

**(808) 547-6500**      **stfrancishawaii.org**