



Ka Hale Kula 'O Waimea

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Dates To Remember

ASAP - Due Now

Payment for 4th Qtr Bus Pass

April 8

3rd Round HSA Testing

April 9

3rd Qtr Report Cards go home

April 15

2013-2013 Early Fee Payments due

May 1

4th Qtr. Mid Progress Reports go home

May 8-10

Student-Led Conferences
Students released 12:40

Aloha Students, Parents, Staff and Community Members,

Only two more months of school left and so much more to do before the year is out! I wonder how the time could fly by so quickly but as I reflect back every day has been filled with learning experiences for both students and staff!

This year, respect is the behavior that has come to the forefront. How do students treat one another face to face or through the use of technology? Are they displaying ethical use of technology? As a school, we have addressed harassment, bullying and cyber bullying through our character education program. While we hope the students have internalized the lessons learned, we ask for your help to reinforce the importance of the general learner outcomes expected of all students to be ethical users of technology and to be a community contributor.

By the end of this month, students will have their last opportunity to take the Hawaii State Assessment (HSA). Please continue to encourage your child to do his/her personal best and commend your child for the effort. While our school goal is for our students to reach proficiency in attaining the HCPS III standards, (74% in reading and 72% in math) we value the growth each student makes with each opportunity.

Aside from the H.S.A., some of our eighth graders were also required to participate in the NAEP (National Assessment of Educational Programs) and in May will also participate in the EXPLORE, an ACT assessment for college and career readiness.

In the upcoming week, teachers will be scheduling our Student-Led Conference planned for May 8-10. Please come and hear your child share his/her learning attained during this school year.

Don't forget that our PTSA has scheduled a Rummage Sale for Saturday, April 27 as a means to raise monies to support students' activities and learning experiences. Any items you can donate will surely be appreciated! Any items you purchase during the sale will help support school activities!

Our Heritage Day is scheduled for Friday, May 17 and we invite you to be part of our celebration.

We also want to welcome our students back from their trip to China! They had an opportunity to play in snow and also learned so much from their trip. I understand that it was such a valuable experience that another trip is being planned in another two years!

Mahalo for supporting our students in their learning!

Glenda L.B. Miyazaki, Principal

Student Learning is Our Focus

Waimea Canyon Middle School is ADA accessible. Contact the school office to request for accommodations to participate in school events.

To learn more about NCLB Public School Choice, please contact the Title 1 Coordinator at 338-6830, ext. 128.

The NCLB Title I SES free tutoring program for Waimea Canyon Middle School's deadline was October 25, 2012. There will be no second semester applications this school year. We apologize for the inconvenience.



FEBRUARY GLO STARS

These students were chosen by their advisory teachers for being model students for the month of February. Great job and continue to show your Minihune Pride!

6th grade

Braun
Hartsell
Hurst
Kauwe
Shimomura
Togioka

Marley Samio
Sarah Santos
Veronica Fernandez
Rochelle Agustinez
Sara Funtanilla
Harley Nonaka

7th grade

Burkman
Decker
Kabutan
Kagawa
Anderson
Okamoto
Vascak
Yamagata

Leanne Castro
Micah Guillermo
Princess Ragus
Anna Broyles
Angel Lim
Michael Hashimoto
Joshua Ochua
Kristine Ruiz

8th grade

Inouye
Kishida
Otoman
Rapanot
Shigematsu
Snowden
Terry
Yamagata

Erika Dela Cruz
Charlene Corotan
Venice Subia
Caleb Ephan
Rendel Lim
Robyn Acob
Alejandro Magno
Natalie Blum



Waimea Canyon Middle School PTSA
will be having a Rummage Sale
on Saturday, April 27, 2013
from 7:00am ~ 12:00pm
in the WCMS Cafeteria.

If you are interested in donating
any items for the rummage sale you
may drop them off in the office
starting April 8, 2013. If you have
any questions, please contact
Stefanie Funtanilla at 651-4338.



ZUMBA



SIX GRADERS ROCKED THE SCHOOL'S CAFETERIA WITH ROCKSTAR FITNESS INSTRUCTORS: STAN LAZARO, JOY CHOW AND ALDRENE SCOVEL DURING A 6TH GRADE TEAM BUILDING ACTIVITY, THE DAY BEFORE SPRING BREAK. IT'S CALLED ZUMBA, THE LATEST CRAZE IN HEALTHY EXERCISE THAT'S FUN. TEACHERS AND STUDENTS DANCED THEIR WAY TO LATIN AND HIP HOP MUSIC AND EVEN SANG AND CHEERED ALONG WITH THE ROCKSTAR INSTRUCTORS. IT ENERGIZED EVERYONE AND WAS A GREAT WAY TO END THE 3RD QUARTER. ROCKSTAR FITNESS CLASSES WITH STAN LAZARO ARE HELD EVERY MONDAY AND THURSDAY AT THE KEKAHA NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER FROM 4:30 PM - 6:00 PM.

WCMS Home-School Compact 2012-2013

The No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Act requires all parties under Federal Law to be in compliance with the following guidelines for all Educational Mandates. At the beginning of the school year, students, parents, student's advisory teacher and principal signed the Home School Compact as a commitment to student success and learning.

Student's Responsibilities: Students shall exhibit the six student **General Learner Outcomes.**

Students will:

- Be responsible for my own learning.
- Be a community contributor.
- Be a complex thinker.
- Recognize and produce quality performance and quality products.
- Be able to communicate effectively.
- Be able to use a variety of technologies effectively and ethically.

Parent's Responsibilities: These six responsibilities are the Hawai'i standards for parents as partners in learning.

Parents will:

- Attend to my child's physical, emotional, social, and behavioral development.
- Recognize that family is my child's first teacher.
- Prepare my child to achieve the Hawai'i Content and Performance Standards at school.
- Provide home support for my child to meet the Hawai'i Content and Performance Standards.
- Work with my child's school and teachers to support my child's learning.
- Be a life-long learner and teacher.

Teacher's Responsibilities: These are the State of Hawai'i Teacher Performance and Licensing Standards. These standards are aligned with the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE), the Interstate New Teacher Assessment and Support Consortium (INTASC), and the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS).

Teachers will:

- Engage students in appropriate experiences that support their development as independent learners.
- Create a safe and positive learning environment.
- Demonstrate competency in their content area(s) by planning and implementing meaningful learning experiences for students that addresses all student learning styles.
- Assess and evaluate student performance.
- Seek opportunities to grow professionally.
- Establish and maintain communication with parents and members of the school community to support student learning.

Principal's Responsibilities: These are the four standards for school leaders in the State of Hawaii Department of Education.

Principal will:

- Provide leadership in school and instructional improvement.
- Promote a positive climate for learning, caring and respect for all students and members of the school community.
- Maintain high standards of professionalism.
- Manage the full scope of school administrative responsibilities.

**To obtain a copy of your signed Home-School Compact, please contact the Title I Coordinator.*