



Waimea Canyon Middle School

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JANUARY 2018

KA HALE KULA 'O WAIMIEA

HAPPY NEW YEAR 2018!!!

KACHI KACHI KOOCHY KOOCHY FUNDRAISER, FEB. 10, 2017



You are invited to attend our Kachi Kachi fundraiser on Saturday, Feb 10, 2018 from 7-10 pm in our school cafeteria. Music will be played by the Los Kauaianos. Tickets are \$15. We will have a food booth, which will open at 6 pm for those who want to have dinner before dancing. The proceeds will go to the school's Makerspace Project. Makerspaces are community spaces in the school where students can collaborate on designs and ideas and create work that cannot be done alone. It is a teaching concept that the school is pursuing and this fundraiser will help start up the project.

EXCELLENT WORK JAIDEN SAMSS!!

Congratulations to sixth grade student, JAIDEN SAMSS, who was recently announced as the GRAND PRIZE winner of the **Localicious Hawaii 2018 Art and Poetry Contest**, sponsored by the Hawaii Agricultural Foundation and Hawaii Gas. Jaiden wrote about Kekaha (Kauai) Shrimp in his winning entry in the state competition, which focused on locally grown and or raised crops.

Jaiden's poem will be on display in the STATE CAPITOL rotunda, bottom floor from February 5-23, 2018. In addition, his poem will be represented as the "Artwork" for the month of January within the school year 2018-2019 calendar, AND for his class, Mrs. Hartsell's P2 ELA, he has won a class party with a local celebrity chef, where he will be honored at that time, with the additional prize of a \$100.00 mall shopping spree.

TRACK SIGN-UPS NOW!!

The county track meet will be on Sunday, April 8, 2018. WCMS is looking for anyone interested in throwing, jumping or running. Track sign-ups took place on Tuesday, January 23rd. Anyone who missed the meeting can see Ms. Kagawa in Q-101 for more information.

WANTED: 8th GRADER BABY PICS

To all 8th grade parents: The yearbook staff is including baby pictures of eighth graders in the annual yearbook. This has been a tradition in the yearbook for the last few years. Please send printed photos to school in an envelope with your child's name and advisory teacher's name. They will be returned through advisory teachers. You can also e-mail digital photos to... mluebke@wcms.k12.hi.us.

GROVE FARM GRANT CHALLENGE

WCMS would like to send out a big mahalo to Grove Farm for their generous Grant Challenge donation of \$1000. These funds will be used to purchase student incentives and rewards for the school's PBIS Rewards Minihune Market. Thank you so much for supporting our efforts to promote and acknowledge positive behavior at WCMS.

QUARTER 3 POSITIVE BEHAVIOR ASSEMBLY

Returning to school from the winter break, we began the New Year with a positive behavior assembly where we recognized students for consistently following TRIBES agreements and demonstrating perfect attendance. Guest speaker, Josh Mori, shared positive words of encouragement with all the students, leaving them to ponder the following by Lao Tzu: "watch your actions, for they become habits; watch your habits for they become your character; watch your character for it becomes your destiny." Thanks again, Josh, for making the time to speak to our students!

SOCIAL MEDIA

At Waimea Canyon Middle School, we take pride in having a supportive school community! Our amazing students, faculty, and staff deserve no less. Sharing the good news at our school is important, and we appreciate our community's participation in this. Social media is one of the tools to get the word out. Our students do pay attention to what's being said about their achievements, and just as we encourage students to be positive community contributors, we hope that adults will set the example. Please do not take to social media to air concerns or criticism; instead, we request that you directly contact school administration by calling 338-6830. Let's work together to continue to make our school the best!

IMPORTANT DATES

JAN 22

2nd Quarter Report Cards Go home

JAN 23

SCC Meeting in Library 5:30pm

JAN 25

Hula & Drama Performance 6pm Cafe

FEB 2

PBIS Free Dress Day (for students who bought wristbands)

FEB 13

Teacher Institute Day No school

FEB 19

Presidents Day Holiday No school

FEB 20

3rd Quarter Mid Progress Reports Go home

8th GRADERS:

Turn in your **BABY PICTURES** for yearbook to Mr. Luebke as soon as possible!



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