

Campus gears up for visit by grandparents

Grandparents of students in grades seven to 12 will visit the Academy on Monday, September 26; those from grades Junior Kindergarten to six will arrive on campus on Tuesday, September 27.

The Academy has planned for a complimentary valet service for its special guests. Grandparents should pull up to the steps of the Administration Building facing Waiālae Avenue. If grandparents are unable to use the front stairs, the valets will give them further directions for parking.

This special Grandparents' Day will possibly pose some challenges with drop-off of students as they may arrive at school at about the same time.

Parents are thanked for following these directions on Monday and Tuesday:

- Plan to arrive to campus a little earlier on September 26 and 27;
- Only parents of students in grades JK to three should use the regular Autoline along the side of the Gymnasium;



David Park and his wife Sarah Park proudly display the items they made – under the guidance of granddaughter Kayla Park – in Michelle Tuzon's fourth grade class during the 2010 Grandparents' Day festivities.

- Parents of students in grades four to 12 should take the first left upon entering the parking lot from Waiālae Avenue.
- Only grandparents will take the second left and pull to the Administration Building's front steps.

For more information about *Grandparents' Day*, call 734-5058, ext. 262, or email specialevents@sacredhearts.org.

This is only a Test

On Wednesday, October 12, several of the divisions will take standardized tests:

- Juniors and sophomores take the *Preliminary SAT (PSAT)*. This is an excellent practice test for the SAT which is used by colleges for admissions purposes. For the juniors, this test is used as the qualifying test for the National Merit Scholarship Program.
- Freshmen will take the *College and Work Readiness Assessment (CWRA)* which assesses critical thinking skills by giving a "real world" scenario that requires students to analyze, evaluate, think and communicate their conclusions and thoughts.
- Seventh graders will take the *ReadiStep Test*, which is similar to the PSAT and SAT, but is geared for junior high students.

From the Head of School

It will be our pleasure to welcome hundreds of grandparents on Monday and Tuesday, and I share with you my three grandsons, (above) Charlie, Nathan and Ethan.



According to the last Census, Hawai'i has the highest percentage of children, approximately 10 percent, being raised by their grandparents. Hawai'i is also near the top of the list in the number of households that have grandparents living in the home with grandchildren.

We, here, at Sacred Hearts do not depend only on statistics to tell us just how important grandparents are because we witness it on a daily basis: dropping off and picking up; delivering forgotten items; helping with homework and class projects; assisting with tuition; and providing mountains of love. Oftentimes, when a student is in 'trouble', she asks that we call her grandparents.

As we welcome our Grandparents to campus, I share with you that your daughters are bursting with pride and joy that these precious individuals are able to visit.

Betty White

Let's hear it for the girls!

▶▶▶ LOOKING FOR LEOS AND LIONS

For the past two years, the Academy's *Leo Club* has collected and cleaned 10,000 pairs of eyeglasses to donate to the people of Afghanistan.

This month, two members of the *Kamehameha Lions Club*, the Leo Club sponsors, traveled to Kabul, to help deliver these gifts of sight.

The Leo Club was able to *Skype* with *Lion Jim Bryan*, *Lion Gary Bowersox* and *honorary Lion Shaiq Habibi*. The Leos (*below, saying "aloha" to the trio*) were able to question the trio about their mission and the differences in culture.

Head of School Betty White and Director of Special

Programs Toni Norman also participated in this educational and inspirational session.



Traffic advisory (for pedestrians)

- Parents and students are reminded to always use the crosswalks and sidewalks both outside and on campus.
- Refrain from entering or exiting campus using the driveway entry and exits gates.



It's a bird...no it's a plane... no it's the Junior High!

The seventh and eighth graders in *Junior High* are an enthusiastic, bright and loving group of young girls.

And, they are being kept busy: a



pizza party for new students; an experience at Camp Erdman for the seventh graders; a retreat for the eighth graders. These activities not only provide lots of fun, but also teach the students leadership skills and facilitate spiritual growth.

Carlee Matsunaga, Shayla-Ann Santos and Colby Rosado combine their movements to depict a flying bird during one of the games at Mega Monday.

Also, "Mega Monday" lunch activities are scheduled every six weeks throughout the year. The first one featured lively music, exciting games, delicious brownies and door prizes of Jamba Juice gift cards.

Can you see the future?

Sixth graders (*below*) Jade Spallina and Megan Mattison from the *Lower School's Digital Media Club* presented at the *Schools of the Future Conference* on September 8, attended by about a thousand educators from across Hawai'i.



Spallina and Mattison shared their video projects titled "Animal Cruelty and Ways to Help" and "Save Our Animals" which they filmed on location at the Hawaiian Humane Society.

The Club is currently working on creating a historical documentary about 9/11 in remembrance of the ten year anniversary.

On the horizon

ALOHA FESTIVALS PARADE

September 24, 2011

- The Academy's *all-girls' Marching Band* will be the fifth band in the line-up.
- Parade begins at 9 a.m. and the Academy Band should be on the road at 10 a.m.
- Best viewing along the Parade route is along Ala Moana Boulevard or Kalakaua Avenue.



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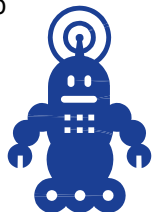
Presented by Lancer Robotics

October 15, 2011

8 a.m. to noon

Academy Conference Room

- Open to students in grades three to six who want to experience high school robotics like LEGO and VEX.
- Register by October 1; visit Edline for more information.



PIZZA HUT BOOK IT

Beginning October 1 till March

- For students in grades Senior Kindergarten to six.
- Recieve a *Pizza Hut* coupon each time month-ly reading goals are met.

