

# THE SCHOOL NEWS

**1 KAILUA**

**St. John Vianney School**

To help kick-off the year-long celebration of the founding of our parish, our school held an **Open House** on Aug. 28. In addition to listing the event in the bulletin, students made an announcement prior to all Masses that morning inviting parishioners to take a tour of their parish school and enjoy some special refreshments. All classrooms were open from 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for families to tour the campus. Tours were led by our remarkable students who guided visitors through various homerooms, as well as the John Read Center, which houses an early learning center, tech center and special labs. Students also introduced the visitors to their teachers and staff members who were there to support them and answer any questions. Many parishioners took a first-ever tour of their parish school. Our students thoroughly enjoyed giving the tours, as well as treating all visitors to a continental breakfast consisting of various pastries, fresh strawberries and bananas along with coffee, tea and passion-orange-guava juice. Our school's hula halau entertained the visitors all morning by performing traditional hula at the front of the school. It was truly a wonderful event as part of the year-long celebration of being a part of the Kailua community and Enchanted Lake for 60 years. Many more school events are planned in the coming months to celebrate our amazing parish. *(Reported by Earl Walker)*



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EDITOR'S CHOICE



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**2 HONOLULU**

**Holy Family Catholic Academy**

Our school is excited to announce the addition of a **Chinese Immersion Club**, open to students in grades K-5. Students will learn to effectively communicate in Mandarin on a limited range of topics related to everyday situations, and boost their understanding of Chinese culture. This after-school club will be taught by one of our kindergarten teacher assistants, who is also a native Mandarin speaker, and experienced in teaching both Mandarin and English. Mahalo to **Mrs. Jing Rasay**, for creating this opportunity

for HFCA students! *(Reported by Julia Hudson)*

**3 HONOLULU**

**St. Theresa School**

On Sept. 9, our **third grade** had a very special visit from three **Rotary Club of Honolulu Pau Hana officers**. **President Mr. Stafford, vice president Mrs. Kenery and treasurer Mrs. Swick** gave each student a dictionary to keep forever. Mrs.

Kenery practiced using the dictionary with the students. The dictionary has lots of information including the longest word — 1,909 letters! She also explained the purpose of the Rotary Club to serve people and communities. Our class (**Arjay, Amber, Stella, Julius, Vielle, Athena, Lyle, Kynzi, Nalleyna, Kian, Jacob, Victoria, Adam, Athena P, Kira, Parker, Paul, Landon, Kaleb, Kean**) is thankful for the dictionaries to further our knowledge. We

also feel encouraged to serve and help others every day as Jesus did. *(Reported by Michele Honold)*

**4 MAKAWAO**

**St. Joseph Early Learning Center**

Students from the **Rainbow Class** are cooling off and beating the heat as they rest under the shade of the courtyard trees near the statue of their school's patron saint. The stu-

dents are settling into their third week of school and are enjoying their year of festivities. The calendar for September shows a different color lesson for every week. They are also doing **"I am Special"** days to get to know their classmates each day. The staff is looking forward to their **staff retreat** coming up on Sept. 16 at Maria Lanakila Mission in Kaanapali facilitated by St. Anthony parochial vicar **Father Ace Tui**. The school will then wrap up the month with beginning-of-the-year picture taking on Sept. 30. God bless our school year. *(Reported by Helen Souza)*

**5 HONOLULU**

**Maryknoll School**

On Aug. 26, we were blessed to have all students grades **pre-kindergarten through 12** at **Praise and Worship!** Our entire school community gathered for fellowship, prayer, and song, ending with the singing of our alma mater! *(Reported by Lori A.K. Carlos)*

**6 WAIALUA**

**St. Michael High School**

Our high school in Waialua is off to a great start in the third year since its inception. Last year we had our first two high school graduates, both of whom went on to the college of their choice. This year our students are embarking on many new academic ventures, one of which is the **Emerging Scholars Program** through **Chaminade University**. This excellent program is an early college experience giving students an opportunity to explore their academic interests through dual-credit college courses that give them both high school and college credits. Our first student to join this wonderful program is **Nateli Kikuchi**. She is a 10th grader at St. Michael who has excelled in all of her academic work. She began her first Chaminade course at the beginning of September and is excited for the opportunity to get this early start on her college degree. Her plan is to increase the number of Chaminade classes she takes starting next semester with the goal of having enough college credits to earn an associate's degree by the time she graduates from high school. *(Reported by Dallas Carter)*



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