

Rainbow School
Mililani
Newsletter
December, 2005

Dear Parents,

December is upon us and the spirit of Christmas is in the air at Rainbow School! Hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday! Thank you for the donations of canned and nonperishable food items for the needy. We had three baskets full to bring to Chapel last week. Pastor Dave was very impressed!

December is sure to be a very busy month, with our Christmas projects, songs to learn for the Christmas Program, Book Exchange and Christmas Luncheon. This month we will focus on Families, Christmas Traditions and Jesus' Birthday.

Christmas Program

Mark your calendar for our ***Christmas Program*** on Wednesday, December 14th from 7-8 p.m. in the church sanctuary. Please have your child in the classroom no later than 6:30 p.m. if your child is wearing a costume provided. The children in the "Aloha" Choir should wear aloha attire or something colorful and should be in the classroom no later than 6:45 p.m. It would be helpful if parents could wait in the sanctuary until the teachers and children go in as a group. A separate information sheet will be sent home next week regarding specific information about your child. Parents and family in the audience will participate in the play by singing Christmas songs. Your singing and participation will help a lot in the success of the program! After the children are through singing, children wearing costumes need to return to their classroom to take off their costumes before having refreshments. A sign up will be posted in the classroom for those of you who would be willing to bring refreshments for after the Christmas play. You may also park on the grassy area on the other side of the fence in front of KCI's Clubhouse or across the street. You may be asked to take your shoes off at the church door if it is muddy around the grassy area. Mahalo for your cooperation.

Christmas Book Exchange and Party

The ***Christmas Book Exchange*** and our ***Christmas Party*** is Friday, December 16th. If you don't know whose name your child pulled for the Book Exchange, ask your child's teacher. In the spirit of giving, your child would wrap a book for the child whose name he pulled and give the wrapped book as a gift at the Christmas party. Please limit the cost of the book to \$5. The book exchange is in lieu of goody bags. Please bring your wrapped book to school by Tues. December 13th. The party will be kept very simple, with special games, the book exchange and a potluck luncheon hosted by Mrs. Laniias' and Miss Pat's classes. The sign-up for a food

item is posted in your child's classroom. **Parent volunteers are needed to help set up and clean up for all three classrooms.** Let your child's teacher know if you can help.

Please sign up for a **Parent Teacher Conference** in January. Mrs. Lantias' and Miss Pat's conferences are the week of January 9 – 13 and Mrs. Verret's and Miss Michelle's conferences are the weeks of January 17 – 27.

Please check your child's cubby daily to replace wet or soiled clothes. Now that the days are cooler, please keep a sweater or jacket in your child's cubby at all times.

Only a few families have brought in a picture of their families for our **Family Tree**. We'd love to have all our families on our tree in the classrooms!

Thank you to Michelle Ped (Jayson's mom) for donating two Halloween books to Rainbow School. They are "The Night Before Halloween" and "The Halloween Kittens"

Please be advised the Rainbow School's tuition rates will increase by \$50 effective August 1st, 2006.

Aloha,

Pamela Lantias
Director

Dates to Remember

December 13, Tues. **Book for Christmas Book Exchange Due**

December 14, Wed. **Christmas Play 7 – 8 p.m.**

December 16, Fri. **Christmas Party and Book Exchange**

December 21, Wed. **Last Day of School – School Closes @ 11 am**

December 22 – 30, **Winter Recess – No School**

January 2, Mon. **New Year's Holiday – No School**

January 3, Tues. **Classes Resume**

January 9 – 13 **Parent Teacher Conferences for 3's Classes**

January 16, Mon. **Martin Luther King Day – No School**

January 17 – 27 **Parent Teacher Conferences for 4's class**