

# Rainbow School - Mililani

## *Newsletter*

October 2006

Dear Parents,

What a fun and busy month September has been! The whole month we talked about **Community Helpers** and changed the creative play area into a **beauty shop, grocery store, and a doctor's office**. We walked across the street and toured through **Star Market** and **Jamba Juice** to observe hands-on just a few of the many community workers we have in our own neighborhood. We also observed the pizza man tossing pizza dough. Covenant Players did three skits for us on friendships, being kind to each other, sharing and taking turns.

Thank you to John DeMarco (Olivia's dad) for arranging the tour at Jamba Juice. The children learned about good nutrition, toured behind the scenes in the store, and to top it all off, each received their very own smoothie!

October will also be a busy month. The understandings for October are **Home and Street Safety, Fire Safety, Street Safety** and **The Celebration of Halloween**. There will be three field trips this month and our Parent Night.

Mark your calendar for Tues. October 10<sup>th</sup> and come "play" with your child in the classroom from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. at our **Parent Night**. This is an excellent opportunity to "experience" hands-on what your child does at preschool. Don't be late! We will start promptly at 7:00 p.m. **Due to limited space, no siblings, please.**

The three field trips planned for October are Kapolei Fire Station and Aloun Farms Pumpkin Patch, and Rainbow Fun Day in Kahuku. The **Kapolei Fire Station** field trip is Thurs. October 12<sup>th</sup>. The bus will leave at 8:45 and return before lunchtime. The **Aloun Farm** field trip is Mon. October 23<sup>rd</sup>. We will go on a hayride (time permitting) and each child and adult will pick his own pumpkin off the vine. They advise the children wear long pants and covered shoes, as it is dusty and the vines are pokey. The bus will leave at 8:00 and we will eat lunch at Kapolei Park. Feed your child breakfast at home. Cost for adults is \$4.50. The

**Rainbow Fun Day** field trip is Fri. Oct. 27<sup>th</sup> in Kahuku. This event will be a “fun day” with all five Rainbow Schools. Each school will set up different activities for the children to experience, plus jumpers and a petting zoo. Teachers will be manning the activities, so we will depend on you, the parents to be responsible for a small group of children. The bus will leave at 8:00 and we will eat lunch there. Feed your child breakfast at home. Sign up for all three field trips in your child’s classroom.

\*\*\*You will notice on your calendar in your Parent Hank Book a date To Be Announced (TBA) in October for our Teacher Institute Day. Please be advised we have chosen Mon. October 9<sup>th</sup>, which is also Discoverer’s Day (federal holiday). School will be closed so that teachers can attend workshops at Rainbow School in Kaneohe.

The **ZIPPY’S CHILI FUNDRAISER** looks like it’s going to be a **HUGE** success, thanks to everyone’s hard work. We know that many of you have worked diligently to sell tickets and we appreciate it! **Mahalo for everyone’s hard work! Money or unsold tickets need to be turned in by Fri. Oct. 6<sup>th</sup>.**

We have received a few of your family pictures, but we need more for our Family Tree!

Most of our teachers will attend several workshops at the annual HAEYC Conference Sat. Oct. 7<sup>th</sup> at the Convention Center.

Please don’t send any recycled items i.e. toilet paper rolls, tofu containers, etc. as we have enough to last us for a while.

Education Works and Meadow Gold Dairies Hawaii have created a ongoing program to benefit private schools to help improve our classrooms through the collection and redemption of Meadow Gold and VIVA brand milk carton and milk jug UPC bar codes. We have participated in this program since 2001 and have bought several hundred dollars in merchandise from Education Works for our classrooms. Please help us by bringing in your UPC bar codes. Mahalo.

Aloha,

Pamela Lantias  
Director

# Dates to Remember

October 6, Fri	Zippy's Money or Unsold Tickets Due
October 9, Mon.	Teacher Institute Day – No School
October 12, Thurs.	Kapolei Fire Station Field Trip
October 23, Mon.	Aloun Farm Hayride & Pumpkin Patch
October 27, Fri.	Rainbow Fun Day - Kahuku
November 7, Tues.	Election Day – No School
November 10, Fri.	Veteran's Day – No School
November 23, Thurs.	Thanksgiving Day – No School
November 24, Fri.	Thanksgiving Recess