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# NĀ PŌKI'I

Ke Kula Ha'aha'a o Kamehameha ma Hawai'i

## 'Ohana Literacy Night with iPads!

We are pleased to announce 'Ohana Literacy Night with iPads on Friday, February 21st. Starting off the evening with a spaghetti dinner, inclusive of salad and garlic bread for only \$2 each, it will be a great way to sit with other 'ohana in your child's class for some *pilina* (relationship) time. Be sure to get to Hā'aemahi Dining Hall no later than 5:30 pm as we will start dinner then.

At 6:00 pm, our iPad project members will bring you up to date on our 1:1 iPad project. They will share information on iPad care at home and students' kuleana as they continue to use their devices in school and at home.

Parents and students will transition at 6:30 pm to attend grade level sessions. These sessions will be done by 7:00 pm.

**Kindergarten and first grade students and families** will be attending, *"Using iPads in Language Arts Instruction"*. Presented by Kumu Coon and Kumu Kaleo, attendees will learn different ways students are using apps to demonstrate learning outcomes that are related to goals in language arts instruction. Paperless writing, research through teacher selected websites, connected use of apps to create learning presentations will also be shared. All this in kindergarten and first grade? Amazing.

**Second and third grade students and families** will attend Miss Manliguis's and Kumu DeSa's session, *"Merging Literacy with the iPads"*. Learn about a collaborative project between our librarian and the third grade classrooms, integrating reading, writing and speaking with the app *"Explain Everything"*. Parents will use the iPads to explore this app. Tips will be shared for using iPads at home strengthen your keiki's literacy skills.

**Fourth and fifth grade students and families** will attend the *"Innovation of Reading with Technology"* session offered by our awesome technology teacher, Mrs. Supe-Roque. See examples of wonderful works that the students have created using vocabulary words and their own creations. 'Ohana will learn what can be created on *"Pic Collage"* as well as *"Thinglink"* apps. Students will share how they research and use these awesome tools to help increase comprehension and critical thinking skills.

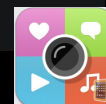
A flyer and registration form was sent home last week with your child. If attending, please complete the registration form, attach your payment if you are purchasing dinner, and return items to Kumu Marcie no later than Tuesday, February 11th.

## Pepeleuli 2014

Mon. 2/10	Ekalesia (special white attire mandatory)
Thurs. 2/13	Valentine's Day Wear 
Fri. 2/14	Valentine's Day Faculty Work Day - NO SCHOOL
Sat. 2/15	PTO Ho'olaule'a - 9am-3pm
Mon. 2/17	President's Day Holiday - NO SCHOOL
Fri. 2/21	'Ohana Literacy Night with iPads 5:30 pm Hā'aemahi Dining Hall
Mon. 2/24	Operations Appreciation Day
Wed. 2/26	Aloha Wear Day Jump for Heart
Thurs. 2/27	Student Led Conferences (school in session)
Fri. 2/28	Student Led Conferences (school in session)

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## **Fifth Grader Misha Namohala Wins National Historical Poem Contest**

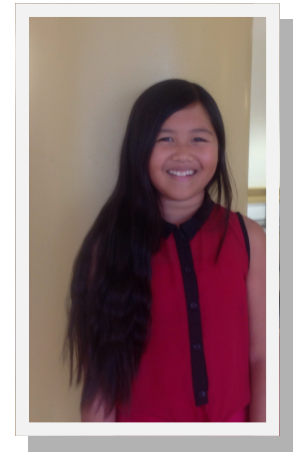
Storyworks, a magazine published in the USA by Scholastic Press, recently awarded our very own Misha Namohala, a fifth grader in Mrs. Pai's class, the first place prize for her historical poem about the Vietnam War. Misha's poem was selected as the best of over 300 poems submitted from across the country. She won a book and a Barnes and Noble gift card. Way to represent our kula, Misha! And what a way to honor our veterans and all who endured the effects of the Vietnam War.

### **The War of Sadness by Misha Namohala**

American War,  
Second Indochina War,  
Vietnam War-  
South Vietnam,  
North Vietnam.  
America,  
with governments,  
disagreeing with each other.  
All the soldiers,  
lined up,  
ready to fight for their country.  
Then,  
on November 1st, 1955-  
The fight begins,  
bombs,  
grenades,  
thrown in the air,  
as high as airplanes fly.  
Boom! Boom!

AK-47s,  
Assault Rifles,  
Shooting at each other,  
with the MIG-17  
fighter plane!  
Bam! Crash!  
Already thousands,  
and thousands of people,  
dead,  
laying on the ground,  
I fight,  
as if it's the last day,  
I would ever see the world again,  
I fought for days,  
maybe even years too,  
but then, on April 30, 1975,  
the war was over.  
Many people lay dead,  
or crawling on the ground,  
looking for safety.

I just lay there,  
frozen,  
exhausted,  
looking at all the hurt people.  
Almost 39 years later,  
I still survive,  
with pretty good health.  
I look at the Vietnam Memorial,  
And I still see,  
the bombs,  
the planes,  
all bombing my friends.  
I see their names,  
all on the wall.  
What do I do?  
I smile and touch their names,  
with every heartbeat.  
Until this day,  
I still don't know who won.



## **Security Appreciation Day**

Safety (palekana) is at the forefront in all that we do here at our kula. Assisting us in maintaining this level of safety are our uncles and aunties of our Security Division. Recently, Head of Security, Uncle Morty Carter, along with about 19 other security staff, joined our kula as we honored them. 'Aha 'Ōpio officers Ehulani Stender and Brock Malani offered a heartfelt mahalo to all. Several large goodie baskets were presented to the security staff. Uncle Morty commented on how they all are here to keep the students, faculty and staff safe.

An extra special mahalo to our second and third grade 'ohana who donated all of the goodies and snacks.



Campus Security personnel with 'Aha 'Ōpio leaders Ehulani Stender, Carlos Masuko and Brock Malani



## **Back Pack Safety Alert - Kōkua**

Recently, Security Officer Chuberko observed students exiting vehicles, shutting doors and vehicles pulling away. His fear is that backpack straps could get caught in car doors and children being dragged as vehicles pull away.

We are asking that all parents check the backpack straps and make sure they are not long enough to get caught in car doors. Our staff will kokua as well.

Mahalo to our security staff for always keeping the safety of our keiki in mind.