

December 12, 2012

Dear ‘Ohana,

Students in grade 2 will be creating a project about themselves.

In this project students will create:

- a family tree
- a piece about their name
- a piece about their ‘ohana
- a wordle (of their ethnic backgrounds)

The purpose of this project is for students to learn more about themselves, their relatives, and their heritage. They will research their own given name and its history. They will learn more about their kūpuna, their Hawaiian ancestry and that of his/her other ethnicities.

In order to help your child and assist with this project we are asking for your kōkua with the following :

1. Fill out **Important Family Names** (see attached sheet) (to be used as a reference when writing)
2. Attach a single photo (wallet size, about 2 ½” x 3 ½”) of each ‘ohana member on the **Family Tree** template provided. The photos should be color copies (no originals). (See class blog for an example.)

Please return this sheet and the family tree template (**with photos attached and names written – by the child***) by **Friday, January 11, 2013**. Please take the opportunity over the vacation to find the photos you want to use or take new ones.

Mahalo,

Second Grade Teachers

*See our blogs for an example of what a completed family tree would look like.

Please sign below to acknowledge that you received this letter.

Student name: _____

Parent Signature: _____

Important Family Names

Please write **full names** (including middle, maiden, and last names) on the spaces below:

‘O wau (you)

Makuahine (mother)

Makuakāne (father)

Kupunakāne (maternal grandfather)

Kupunawahine (maternal grandmother)

Kupunakāne (paternal grandfather)

Kupunawahine (paternal grandmother)