E hele mai ke ‘olu‘olu
Please join us…

What: ‘Ohana Literacy Night
Who: Guest Reader, Mayor Billy Kenoi
When: Fri. Nov. 30, 2012, starting at 5:30PM
Where: Hā‘eamea Dining Hall
‘Ono Spaghetti Dinner!
Why: Literacy is Important

In the mid-1800s, Hawai‘i had one of the highest literacy rates in the world. By 1843, the literacy rate here surpassed that of New England. By 1845, schools were being established for every community where 15 or more children resided. During that era, there were more newspapers published in our islands, both in English and Hawaiian, than in many other parts of the United States.

Hawaiians were eager learners and saw literacy as the key to learning about the world they knew so little about. We still are eager learners. We still see literacy as the key to learning. We know the importance of supporting literacy in school as well as in the home. Literacy skills, the ability to read and write, help students succeed in all content areas taught in school. Engaging children in literacy activities at home also enables you, the ‘ohana, to become active participants in your keiki’s education.

Mrs. Brilhante and Kumu Marcie have planned an evening sure to be enjoyable and enlightening for keiki and adults alike. We look forward to your participation.

How: Mayor Billy Kenoi will jump start our evening with engaging the entire audience as he reads a story.

Lehua Veincent, High School Principal, Kāhealani Nae‘ole-Wong, Elementary School Principal, and Holoua Stender, Po‘o Kula, will be ready on the sidelines as the keiki transition to listen to their stories. Parents will remain in their seats to learn from our very own kula ha‘aha‘a teachers, home activities to engage their keiki in reading.

A flyer and registration form has been sent home.

Check out our website: blogs.ksbe.edu/hes

Ke Kula Haʻahaʻa o Kamehameha ma Hawaiʻi

NĀ PŌKIʻI

THRIVE!
Kahiau

To give from the heart without expecting anything in return

Our beloved Ke Ali‘i Pauahi lived kahiau. She was a servant leader. Her estate, left in perpetuity to educate her Hawaiian people, was her legacy.

Here at kula ha‘aha‘a, we strive to teach kahiau to our students from kindergarten through fifth grade. Our keiki start at a very tender age to understand what it means to give from the heart to others in need in their own community. Here are a few school-wide “giving” activities:

- Operation Christmas Child
- Breast Cancer Awareness - Wear Pink Day & donate a $1 to the Susan G. Komen Foundation
- Trick & Treat (bring a canned good to “treat” the needy in our community)
- Pennies for Pauahi – a benefit for the Ke Ali‘i Pauahi Foundation
- Appreciation Days for our food services, bus drivers, grounds, custodians, security and maintenance aunties and uncles

Teachers incorporate kahiau in the classroom as well, thus deepening the message of this value. Examples include visits to homeless shelters, taking up donations for families in need, Christmas caroling in long term health care facilities, cleaning beaches or fish ponds – the list is boundless.

A student stated, “if you just give a penny, if everyone just gave a penny – it all adds up to lots of money!” She definitely gets it. The actions of one haumāna can create large rippling effects. Being servant leaders now can teach our keiki to continue to serve as adults. The transformation takes place, kahiau becomes who they are.