Learning Beyond the Classroom Walls

There are opportunities to learn all over campus, community and island. The world is our classroom! And our teachers are taking full advantage of this and going beyond the classroom walls to expand the students’ learning.

Papa ‘ekahi went on a huaka‘i to Laupāhoehoe. Papa ‘elua spent a day at the Earth Day Fair held at Hawai‘i Community College. And our papa alaka‘i, grade 5, held their first ever showcase sharing the wahi pana of Hilo through multiple perspectives (Makawalu). Other exciting happenings in April included our Lā Poema ‘Inipākeke – Poem in Your Pocket Day. Everyone walked around our campus, from kindergarteners to seniors, with a poem in their pockets and shared them with one another.

Science classes have been busy with several inspiring projects. Most recently, first graders began preparation for a special unit that will continue into their second grade year. The unit on the native Hawaiian rainforest, unique to our island, began with a presentation by special guest, Chris Wong, an intern with the KUPU project. First graders participated in a special planting ceremony with the help of Uncle Ka‘imi and Kumu Crabbe.

In addition, Mrs. Chang took a group of fifth graders to the 6th Annual Solar Boat Regatta. While our students did very well in the competition, we are most proud of them for winning the Community Contributor Award. Mahalo, Mrs. Chang, for providing this wonderful opportunity for our keiki.

Mei 2013

Fri. 5/3      May Day Program - 8:30am  Pā Hula
             School Pau at 11:15am
Fri. 5/10    Teacher Appreciation Day
Wed. 5/15   Kindergarten Opera
Fri. 5/17    K-12 End of Year Convocation
             (Special white attire mandatory)
             Nā Koa Reward Day
Fri. 5/24    Last Day of School
             Aloha Wear Day

HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!

E Kipa Mai!  E Komō Mai!
Join Us for May Day on Friday, May 3rd
8:30 am at Pā Hula
Bring your chair, mat & umbrella

Check out our website: blogs.ksbe.edu/hes
Lā Poema ‘Inipākeke – Poem In Your Pocket Day!

Our haumāna recently celebrated National Library Week with a school-wide (K-12) activity Lā Poema ‘Inipākeke (Poem In Your Pocket Day). Students, faculty, staff and even our aunties and uncle from the dining hall shared some beautiful & funny poems with one another.
End of School Year Reminders

Learning Center:
- Last day of circulation: May 10th (Friday)
- Last day to return **ALL** library items: May 17th (Friday)
- **Consequence if items are NOT returned**
  - No year-book, report card & class schedule for new grade
  - No browse & borrowing privileges in the new school yr. until library account is cleared

Health Room:
- All medical forms due by May 3rd. Call the Health Room at 982-0211 or 982-0411 if you have any questions.

Administration Office:
- If you are experiencing problems with KS Connect, please contact Aunty B at 982-0278.

“Makawalu Hilo” Presented by Papa ‘Elima

As part of their capstone project, papa ‘elima students studied the wahi pana of Hilo through multiple perspectives. They went on huaka’i to make connections to the three different Hilo areas, Hilo Hanakahi, Hilo One and Hilo Palikū.

Students researched legends, history, and the cultural significance about these areas, bringing together the past and present. Our hope is that the knowledge gained from this project will help to shape the future of the Hilo area as our students mature into leaders that will serve this community.

They shared their presentations, differentiated for each age group from kindergarteners all the way to adults and made connections from our past to guide us in the future. Ho’omaika’i e ka papa alaka’i! Job well done!
Papa ʻElua Celebrates Earth Day

Papa ʻelua recently journeyed to the Hawaiʻi Community College and celebrated at the Earth Day Fair.

They enjoyed exhibits, entertainment and presentations devoted to celebrating the earth and the environment. Mālama ʻāina!