

During Testing This Week and Next - A Special Message From All Of Us To Our Students:

- 👍 **Listen To Instructions**
- 👍 **Concentrate**
- 👍 **Answer All The Questions**
- 👍 **Do Your Best**
- 👍 **Make Us Proud!**

This cool graphic was created by one of our Connecting For Success mentors, Mr. Truman Wold, for his mentee, Erwin Gideon (with a little help from Marvel)! Erwin and Mr. Wold are happy to share it with all students during this stressful window of time!

To our families: Please give your student special attention this week and next as he/she charges through the new Smarter Balanced testing. It's the time to demonstrate how much he/she has learned this school year. Attendance on time every day and with plenty of rest and a good breakfast is a must! Our teachers are lightening up on homework during these two weeks to help ensure plenty of rest!

Questions? Please call the school office!

SBAC testing?



BRING IT ON!

Waimea Middle School

The 'Ohana News

"Waimea Middle School empowers all students with the skills, values and cultural understanding to successfully navigate high school and beyond."

April 21, 2015

www.WaimeaMiddleSchool.org

IMPORTANT NEWS FOR FAMILIES:

Please sign up for Texting to ensure you receive important school news and also emergency notifications.

All Students, Families & Friends Invited!

K(Arts) Grand Finale Tomorrow At Kahilu

Families — Please Mark Your Calendar!

Incoming 6th Grade Family Orientation: Wed., May 6, 5-6:30 p.m. Waimea School Cafeteria. Flyers will be going home to current Waimea Elementary 5th grade families. All incoming families invited—free and must do!

'STEM Instead' Summer School: Three weeks, Mon., June 15 through Thurs., July 2. 8 a.m.—2 p.m. Will include busing and breakfast and lunch daily, and exciting excursions too! More details soon. Please save the dates - only for incoming WMS 6th-8th grade students. Space limited.

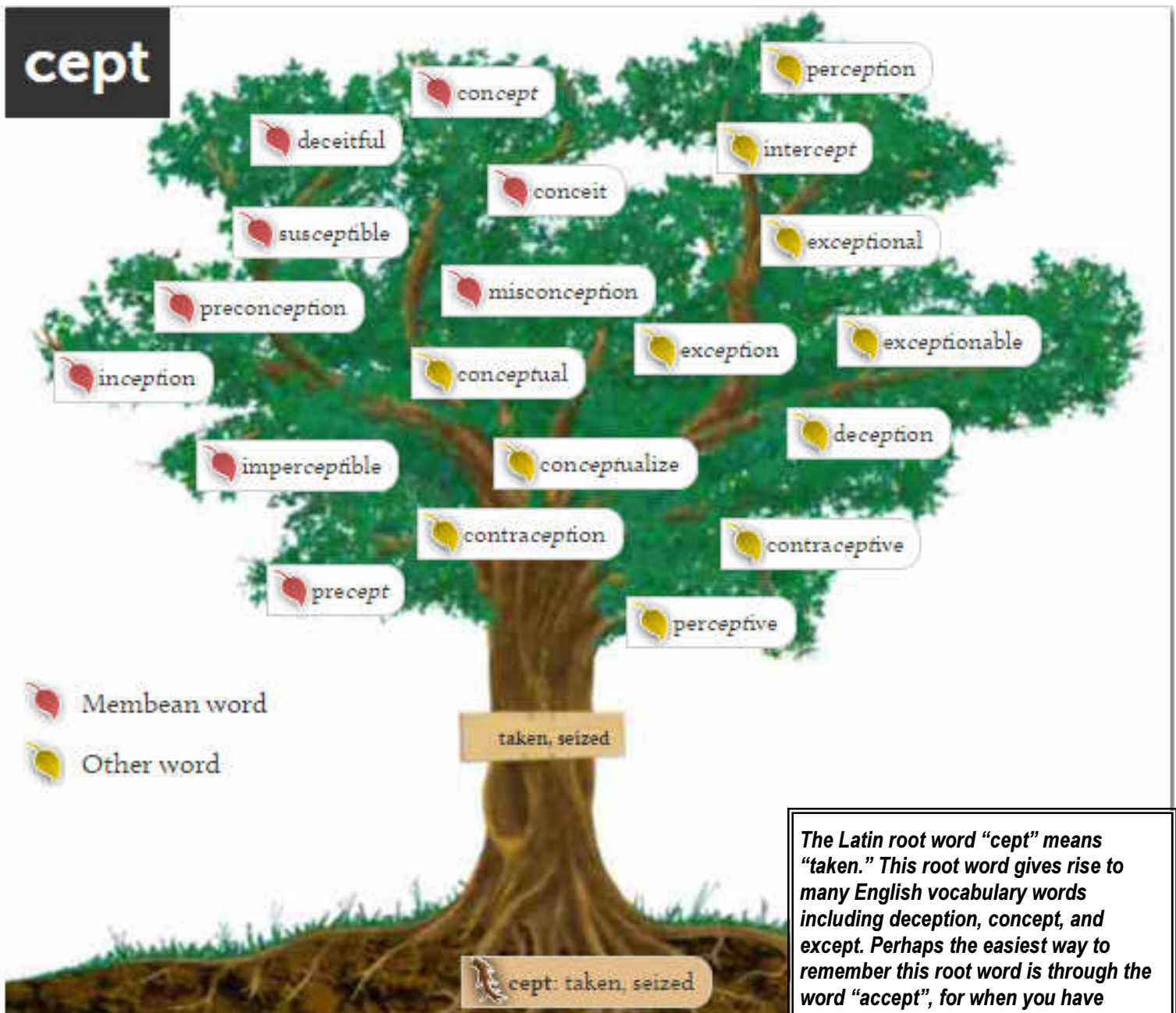
Doors open at 5 p.m. for a 5:30 p.m. show by WMS 6th-8th grade students. It will feature kahiko and auana hula, mural art, singing, short skit commercials and comedy and backstage production. Also, as very special guests, **Mrs. Mary Martinson's WMS Student Choir** will perform! It's free and all students, families, faculty, staff and community friends are invited to celebrate this popular partnership between the school, **Kahilu Theatre Foundation, The Neilan Foundation, State Foundation on Culture and the Arts**, and other generous donors. Theme for spring classes and the Kahilu performance is "**Malama Honua**" – complementing **Hokule'a's World Wide Voyage** theme of taking care of the earth -- and this will be woven into all performances and presentations.

Introducing This Week's

'Word Ingredient' OR 'Word Part'

"Word Ingredients" or "Word Parts" can be added to another word to change the meaning. By knowing the meaning of the "Word Ingredient" or "Word Part," we can better predict the meaning of the new word – and build our vocabulary.

Vocabulary and reading comprehension are critical skills for middle school students and we'll be sharing some of the more commonly used "Word Ingredients" or Word Parts" here in the newsletter, on Facebook, and the electronic sign. See how many of these words you know or can decipher by knowing the "Word Part" "cept," meaning "taken."



The Latin root word "cept" means "taken." This root word gives rise to many English vocabulary words including deception, concept, and except. Perhaps the easiest way to remember this root word is through the word "accept", for when you have accepted something, you have "taken" it towards yourself.

Please Mark Your Calendar!

For the most recent news and events, go to: www.Facebook.com/WaimeaMiddleSchool

SBAC TESTING - Now through Friday, May 1 for all students. Attendance on time daily is very important.

Wed., April 22 - K(Arts) Grand Finale at Kahilu Theatre! Free and all invited! Doors open at 5 p.m.; Performance at 5:30 p.m. Free and all invited.

Mon., April 27 – WMS LAP Meeting – 4:30-6:30 p.m. Classroom K-04. All invited.

Wed., May 6 - WMS Incoming 6th Grade Family Orientation Gathering - 5-6:30 p.m. - School Cafeteria.

Fri., May 8 – 6th Grade Hoku'ula Hike & Anna Ranch Field Trip

Sat., May 9 – Hawai'i Island Visitor Industry Charity Walk – WMS school-community invited to walk

Mon., May 11 - WMS LAP Family Outreach Subcommittee Meeting - 4:15-5:30 p.m., K-03. All invited!

Wed., May 13 - 4th FREE Mala'ai Super Kitchen Dinner! 5:30-7:30 p.m. – Waimea School Cafeteria (relocated from Kahilu Town Hall). All invited!

Fri., May 22 – WMS May Day 'Malama Honua' Presentation - Thelma Parker Gym – Two performances. Doors open at 8:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. All invited. Most Waimea schools will join in the evening performance.

Mon., May 25 – Memorial Day – No School.

Thurs., May 28 – 6th Grade Culture Faire; 7th and 8th grades on excursions & CFS 8th grade students to visit UH-Community College in Hilo.

Fri., May 29 – P/C Day for WMS Teachers - No School for WMS students. WES May Day program,

Wed., June 3 – Last Day for all students & 8th Grade Exit at Hapuna Beach Prince Hotel.

Mon., June 8 – WMS LAP Meeting – 4:30-6:30 p.m. Classroom K-04. All invited.

Mon., June 15-Thurs., July 2 – WMS "STEM Instead" Summer School. 8 a.m.-2 p.m.

Wed., July 29 – First Day of the 2015-'16 School Year

Note: Excludes WMS-P&R Girls' Basketball Game Schedule



Wednesdays, 2-3:30 p.m. All Invited!

3rd Quarter Academic Achievement Awards



Principal's Award - 4.0!

Honor Roll!



Congratulations 6th Grade!

Academic Excellence!



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Congratulations 8th Grade!

7th Grade Science Classes Study The Anatomy Of...

Worms!

There are worms...and there are worms...good ones which are decomposers...and parasitic ones such as nematodes. WMS 7th grade science students recently learned about vermiculture as part of soil science lessons. They studied the anatomy of worms with guest presenter Yuri Zhuraw, who had even the most squeamish fascinated by earthworms and microbe physiology and its role in the garden and soil. They are shown here exploring a "worm hotel" – aka composting bin -- with Yuri. Mahalo Yuri and Mala'ai garden staff for partnering up with 7th grade science teacher Jade Bowman for a fascinating lesson about critters that really deserve our respect and appreciation for the work they do!



Photo courtesy of Janice English-Somerville

Produce At This Week's Mala'ai Farm Stand:

- Kale - Curly, Dinosaur, and Red Russian
- Manoa Lettuce
- Kohlrabi
- Onions
- Radishes and Turnips
- Swiss Chard
- Spinach and Totsoi
- Potatoes- Red Bliss
- U'ala (Sweet Potato)
- Avocado
- Flower bouquets
- Herb bunches - Rosemary, Scallions, Thai Basil & Cilantro



School Lunch Menus

(All Served With Fresh Local Milk)

- Tues., April 21:** Sloppy Joe on a Whole Grain Bun w/ Oven Fries, Spinach/Romaine Salad and an Apple Wedge.
- Wed., April 22:** Chicken Pasta w/ Broccoli, Garden Salad and an Orange Wedge.
- Thurs., April 23:** Baked Chicken with Steamed Hapa Rice, Broccoli & Carrots, Pineapple and Whole Grain Roll.
- Fri., March April 24:** BBQ Pork Sandwich on a Whole Grain Bun with Baked Beans, Corn and Diced Pears.
- Mon., April 27:** Chicken Tenders on Shredded Cabbage, Steamed Hapa Rice, Broccoli & Carrots and Apricots.
- Tues., April 28:** Soft Shell Taco w/ Lettuce and Tomato, Potato Rounds and Peaches/

All menus are posted on our website & Facebook.

WMS - Parks & Rec Girls' Basketball

Practice Schedule:

- Wed., April 22: 2:15-4:15 pm – 12U Team 3 & 14U
 - Thurs., April 23: 3:30-4:15 pm – Thunder Club boys & 12U
 - Fri., April 24: 3:15-4:15 pm – 12U Team 2 & 3 & 14U
- More practices to follow – all practices and games subject to change; Coach Tamaye will notify students of changes.**

Season Games: Concludes May 11

11-14 GIRLS' OPEN

- Tues., April 21: 5:15 pm – Waimea Majestics (2) vs Kohala (3) at Kohala
- Tues., April 28: 4:30 pm – Waimea Thunder (1) vs Honoka'a (5) at Waimea
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11-14 GIRLS' NOVICE

- Thurs., April 23: 4:30 pm – Waimea Thunder (1) vs Waimea Royals (3) at Waimea
- 5:15 pm – Waimea Lightning (2) vs Waimea Ponoko at Waimea
- Mon., April 27: 3:45 pm – Waimea Thunder (1) vs Waimea Lightning (2) at Waimea
- Tues., April 28: 3:45 pm – Waimea Royals (3) vs Waimea Ponoko at Waimea

