

'OHANA NEWS

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Ballin' Out!

Our 8th grade basketball court in the L courtyard is new and improved! Our 8th grade students are happy to have their court back. They are out there showing their stuff!

6th Grade Visits Keck!

6th grade students took a field trip to Keck Observatory. Students toured the facility and learned what the astronomers and others who work at Keck Observatory do.

Science & Mala'ai work with Dr. Art Sussman!

Mala'ai Community garden was fortunate to bring in Dr. Art Sussman to work with the garden and WMS to build Next Generation Science Standards into the work that we do together. Thank you Mala'ai, Dr. Sussman and the Science Department for your work!



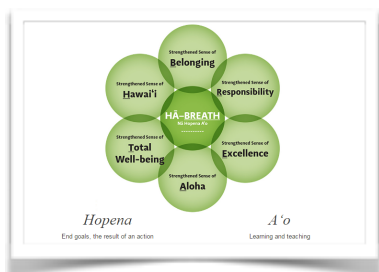
Senate Ways & Means Committee

Senator Loraine Inouye and the Senate Ways and Means Committee came to tour our new building on 10/26 in preparation for our January opening. We are asking for their assistance in securing more funds to make sure that the building is outfitted with 21st century technology for years to come.

Myrlin Hepworth Brings Poetry to WMS!

He has returned for another year teaching poetry and spoken word to our students. The week-long Language Arts class workshop culminated with an amazing spoken word ho'ike at Mana Christian Hall. What an amazing showing of student expression! Thanks to all who helped make this powerful performance happen. Special thanks to the ELA department, Leesa Robertson, Suzi Herhold, Patti Cook, private donor Kate Bell, and of course Myrlin Hepworth!!!





HA Na Hopena A'o

Over Fall Break 7th grade Teachers Jade Bowman, Jamilynn Mareko and student Aloha Etherton went to Oahu for the Ha Na Hopena A'o training. This cultural training focuses on strengthened sense of: **Belonging, Responsibility, Excellence, Total Well-Being, Hawaii**

Happy Halloween!

It was a festive Halloween at WMS! Many students and staff dressed in costume. There was even a Halloween Contest and we saw a lot of creative costumes.



X Country & Robotics

On October 21 WMS hosted a Cross Country meet. Schools from all over the island came to compete in the race. Our TJ Arakawa took 2nd place overall and many other athletes preformed well!

WMS Robotics team hosted and competed the same day! What a great effort and showing by all WMS students and staff!

8th Grade Rocket Launches!

Ms. Murphy's Science classes participated in STEM focus activity of water rocket launches. The lesson incorporated design, engineering, mass, drag, and scientific data collection. The culminating activity of launching them on our field was a spectacle for all to see!



Learning Tip!

Sleep improves students' school performance! Experts say that most middle school students are not getting enough sleep. Studies show that up to 85% of middle school students get less than 8 hours of sleep.

Parents, try these 3 things: Set a reasonable bedtime, establish a bedtime routine, and set a screen time limit/curfew.

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November is Gratitude Month!

For the month of November students will be exploring the character trait of GRATITUDE. In honor of the Thanksgiving holiday our Social Emotional Learning groups will be focusing on gratitude. The spoke word ho'ike was a wonderful kick off to being gracious this month!

Upcoming November Dates

- Oct. 30th - Nov. 3rd Spirit Week
- Nov. 8th- K(Arts) Grand Finale 5:30pm
- Nov. 11th- Robotics Competition Kealakehe
- Nov. 14th- Local Advisory Panel (LAP) Meeting 4:30-6:30pm
- Nov. 14th- K(Arts) Day Show 1pm
- Nov. 15th - WMS & WES Family Math Night 5pm
- Nov. 17th - Slack Key Music Concert for Students
- Nov. 20 - Teacher Work Day - No School
- Nov. 21 & 22nd Student Led Parent Conferences
- Nov. 23rd & 24th - Thanksgiving Break
- Nov. 30th - Roy Sakuma Assembly for students

