

# The 'Ohana News

**Families Asked To Please Designate WMS for KTA Kokua I Na Kula Awards Program!**

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

September 10, 2013

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Come Cheer For Our Athletes: 6th Annual Cross Country Invitational Sat., Sept. 28

## WMS Cross Country Kicks Into High Gear

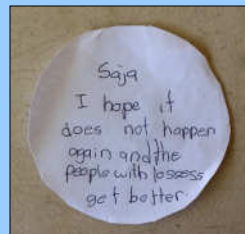


Several dozen WMS students have signed up for Cross Country...and most turn out for practice three times a week - 2:30-3:30 p.m., Mondays and Fridays, and 1:30-2:30 p.m. on Wednesdays, to train for a series of meets. The first will be **WMS' 6th Annual Cross Country Invitational on Sat., Sept. 28, beginning at 9 a.m.** Middle school students from public, private and public charter schools around the island will participate. Everyone is invited to come cheer for our athletes. Questions or want to help? Please see **Coach Warren Tamaye.**

## Remembering 9/11



Students are invited to create messages of remembrance, hope, healing and gratitude to post on campus this week.



## Police To Be Here For Child Safety

Next week, **Sept. 15-21**, is **National Child Passenger Safety Week** and to remind Waimea families of the importance of child restraints (car seats/boosters) – which are required by law -- **Waimea police** may be stationed on or nearby campus during morning and afternoon drop-off/pick-up times next week to ensure that children are properly restrained. Officers will answer questions and may cite violations. Please see letter and brochure on child passenger safety in the **Tuesday Envelope.**



A 'Treasured Experience' At Pukalani Stables...

# Students-Families-Faculty-Community Invited

4-5:15 p.m., Wednesdays, Sept. 11 & 25  
At Paniolo Preservation Society's historic Pukalani Stables

*RSVP Please If You Didn't Attend First Class:*

Pua Case at [pua\\_case@notes.k12.hi.us](mailto:pua_case@notes.k12.hi.us) or call 938-5550

Featuring revered paniolo Uncle Sonny Keakealani and his daughter, Ku'ulei Keakealani, a gifted storyteller.

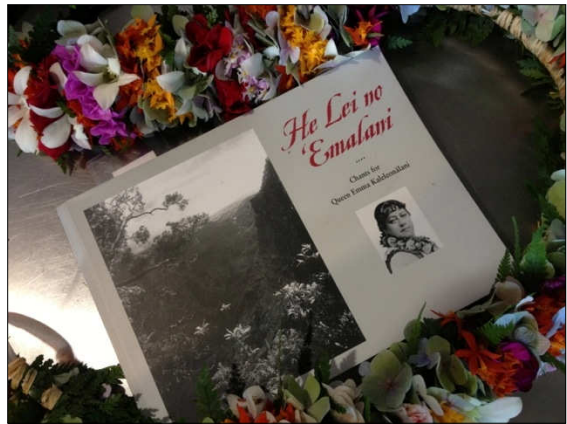
Class Notes from Wed., Sept. 4:

"So many people attended and the language terms and stories – priceless!!!

Our goal: To perpetuate by teaching the Hawaiian language terms and phrases used specifically by those of Waimea's past – the paniolo -- by creating a database and by using agreed upon words.

The participants were from very diverse backgrounds...from Hawaiian language speakers to newcomers with no language...from teachers to community members...and it was a treasured experience for all in attendance."

Me ke aloha, Pua



Mahalo to all who attended and especially to those who helped record the *hua 'olelo* -- special words and phrases, used to describe storied places, place names, lifestyle and traditions of Waimea.

Mahalo, too, to the Paniolo Preservation Society, Waimea Education Hui and Kanu o ka 'Aina for partnering with WMS to present and record these classes.

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## *It's Not Too Soon To Be Thinking About College & Career*

# Do You Have A Family Member Attending Honoka'a High?

*If So, Your Family Is Invited To A Series of 8 College Talk Story Sessions To Explore Post-High School Options*

**Honoka'a High & Intermediate School's College and Career Center** will hold a series of eight informative, family-friendly **College Talk Story Sessions** this school year to help students and their families explore the possibilities.

This is not an entirely new program, but this year it is being expanded to include dinner for the entire family as well as holding half the gatherings in Waimea town to accommodate the large number of students from Waimea who attend Honoka'a High School.

This expanded program is part of a generous Gear Up Hawai'i grant focused on serious college planning and goal setting. These Talk Story Sessions will continue to explore various college topics, including an introduction to college, how to choose a school, information about applying, finding money for college and more. College Talk Story Sessions will provide essential information and support for students and families in a relaxed setting.

All students and family members are invited to attend every event. No RSVP is required. For more information, please call Mrs. Nicole Ryan in Honoka'a High's College and Career Center (775-8800 Ext. 308) or email:

[Nicole\\_Ryan@notes.k12.hi.us](mailto:Nicole_Ryan@notes.k12.hi.us).

**K(Arts) Students & Families - Please See Letter In the Tuesday Envelope:** This letter is a reminder that this program is a "gift" from our community and that there are student and family expectations

We ask both student participants and a family member to sign and return the bottom portion of the letter, please. There's nothing new expected but it emphasizes the importance of attendance, letting the school know if unable to attend, and behavior expectations.

Questions? Please call Auntie Bernie Marsh: 887-6090 Ext. 226 or email: [Bernie\\_Marsh@notes.k12.hi.us](mailto:Bernie_Marsh@notes.k12.hi.us).

**WMS Migrant Education Tutor Position Open:** We have re-posted a **Migrant Education Tutor** position (a casual 19-hour Paraprofessional Tutor – PPT -- position) because the individual hired has accepted another position. The posting will close Sept. 16. For info, go to school website and click on the **Employment Opportunities** link on the top of the Home page.

### *College Bound Talk Story Sessions*

*5:30 p.m., Thursdays*

*(Begins with Free Dinner for The Family)*

- **Sept. 26 @ Honoka'a High Cafeteria**  
*"College 101: An Introduction to College"*
- **Oct. 24 @ Waimea School Cafeteria**  
*"Where To Start: College Selection & Applications"*
- **Nov. 14 @ Honoka'a High Cafeteria**  
*"Finding Money For College"*
- **Dec. 12 @ Waimea School Cafeteria**  
*"FAFSA: Free Application For Federal Student Aid"*
- **Jan. 23 @ Honoka'a High Cafeteria**  
*"Early College Opportunities"*
- **Feb. 20 @ Waimea School Cafeteria**  
*"What Do Colleges Look For?"*
- **March 27 @ Honoka'a High Cafe**  
*"I Got Accepted, Now What" Steps for Preparing For College"*
- **April 17 @ Waimea School Cafeteria**  
*"Planning Beyond High School: Personal Transition Plan"*

Questions: Nicole Ryan (775-8800 Ext. 308)

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**School Lunch Menus**

**Wed., Sept. 11:** Crispy Nachos w/ Beef & Beans, Garden Salad, Fruit Juice & Corn Bread.

**Thurs., Sept. 12:** Asian Chicken on Shredded Cabbage, Hapa Rice, Vegetable Medley and Fruit Juice with Whole Wheat Roll.

**Fri., Sept. 13:** Cheeseburger w/ Lettuce & Tomato, Potato Rounds & Apple Wedge.

**Mon., Sept. 16:** Chicken Patty w/ Lettuce & Tomato, Oven Fries, Orange Wedge & Whole Wheat Bun.

**Tues., Sept. 17:** Baked Spaghetti, Spinach & Romaine Salad, Pineapple & Whole Wheat French Roll.

*All menus posted on the school website & Facebook.*

**Bell & Class Schedule Changes For Spirit Week:** Just a reminder that our class and bell schedule will be tweaked this week to accommodate **Crazy Olympics** on Fri., Sept. 13. Wednesday's Advisory will be replaced by Exploratory, and there will be a modified schedule Friday:

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
4 <sup>th</sup> Period 7:55 – 8:54	Advisory 7:55 – 8:10	Advisory 7:55 – 8:10
5 <sup>th</sup> Period 8:57 – 9:51	3 <sup>rd</sup> Period 8:13 – 9:20	2 <sup>nd</sup> Period 8:13 – 9:20
Recess 9:51 – 10:06	Recess 9:20 – 9:35	Recess 9:20 – 9:35
1 <sup>st</sup> Period 10:09 – 11:03	4 <sup>th</sup> Period 9:38 – 10:45	3 <sup>rd</sup> Period 9:38 – 10:45
2 <sup>nd</sup> Period 11:06 – 12:00	5 <sup>th</sup> Period 10:48 – 11:55	4 <sup>th</sup> Period 10:48 – 11:55
Lunch 12:00 – 12:30	Lunch 11:55 – 12:25	Lunch 11:55 – 12:25
Exploratory/Intervention 12:33 – 1:15	Exploratory/Intervention 12:28 – 1:05	5 <sup>th</sup> Period 12:28 – 1:10
	1 <sup>st</sup> Period 1:08 – 2:15	Crazy Olympics 1:15 – 2:10

**FIRST EVER 'TRASH 2 TREASURE DAY AT LUALA'I:** 8 a.m. – 4 p.m., Sat., Sept. 14. Luala'i residents who have unwanted items will put them at the end of their driveway with a "T2T" sign. Anyone can come take what they want for FREE. Look for "T2T" signs for a great way to reuse-recycle.

**38<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL WAIMEA PANIOLA PARADE & HO'OLAULE'A:** Parade at 10 a.m., Sat., Sept. 21, from historic Church Row Park thru town to Waimea Park. Will include stunning mounted pa'u units as well as many keiki to kupuna groups and floats. Some of the horse lei will have been made by WMS students! Ho'olaule'a follows in Waimea Park – tons of entertainment, delicious foods, arts and crafts etc. All free but purchase of \$5 festival ribbon suggested to help perpetuate this celebration. Road closure during parade.

**7<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL HONOKA'A PEACE PARADE & FESTIVAL:** Parade at 4 p.m., Sat., Sept. 21 from Honoka'a High School along Mamane Street and to the County Sports Complex, to be followed by festival entertainment and over 40 vendors and exhibitors at Honoka'a Sports Complex.

**'SAVE FIRST' -- It's Almost FREE \$\$\$**

Students and families will receive a flyer in today's Tuesday Envelope about **Hawai'i First Federal Credit Union's SAVE FIRST Program**, which is being offered *free* to all WMS students for a third year. It's a great opportunity, both to practice the important life skill of saving money and to experience the joy of having your savings earn more \$\$\$!

**Here's the scoop:** Students sign up with parental permission. Students then find ways to earn money to save. They turn in this money on **Deposit Days** right here at school (the first and third Wednesday of each month). **In the course of the school year, they must make at least 6 deposits, saving at least \$30.** At the end of the year, they can withdraw their savings to use as they wish, or students may roll the savings into a permanent savings account.

**But that's not all -- here's the best part:**

**For 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade students:** The "reward" for participating – making 6 deposits of no less than a total of \$30 -- will be receiving a **\$20 bonus from Hawai'i First FCU!**

**For 8<sup>th</sup> grade students:** The "reward" for participating is that **Hawai'i First FCU will pay their entire \$40 fee for Exit. That's right, EXIT, which costs \$40 including busing, the ceremony, a lovely buffet lunch and dance, will be free for the student!**

Family permission is required and a complete explanation and form will be in today's Tuesday Envelope.

**Questions? Please call Mrs. Onaka-Winters (887-6090 Ext. 294). Please leave a message if you get voicemail as teachers often are unable to answer the phone during class time.**



*We thank Hawai'i First FCU for this generous "lesson" in saving for our students!*

**High Five To The Waimea Cowboys!**



At the **Waimea Cowboys'** Season opening games this past weekend, **Teacher-Coach Curtis Arrayan** reports that both **Waimea's Pee Wee** and **Midget** football teams won their games in dominant fashion over the **Kona Marlins** with WMS 7th grader **Klayton Gascon** being the most outstanding player for the Pee Wees and WMS 8th grader **Jeren Soriano** being most outstanding for the Midgets. "Our students exemplified great sportsmanship on and off the field," said Coach Arrayan. **Congratulations!**