

UPCOMING EVENTS

March

- SPRING BREAK - NO SCHOOL
3/19 - 3/23
- PRINCE KUHIO DAY - NO SCHOOL
Monday 3/26
- GOOD FRIDAY - NO SCHOOL
Friday 3/30

April

- 1st & 2nd Grade Performance,
Wednesday 4/4, 8:30am & 6pm
- SY18-19 Enrollment Lottery
Thursday 4/5
- TEACHER RETREAT - NO SCHOOL
Friday 4/6
- FAME Performance of Aladdin Jr.
At Aloha Theatre. Friday 4/20 @
7pm. Saturday 4/21 @ 7pm &
Sunday 4/22 @ 2pm

INNOVATIONS

NEWSLETTER

October 2017 – January 2018

Educating the whole child: Body, Mind and Spirit

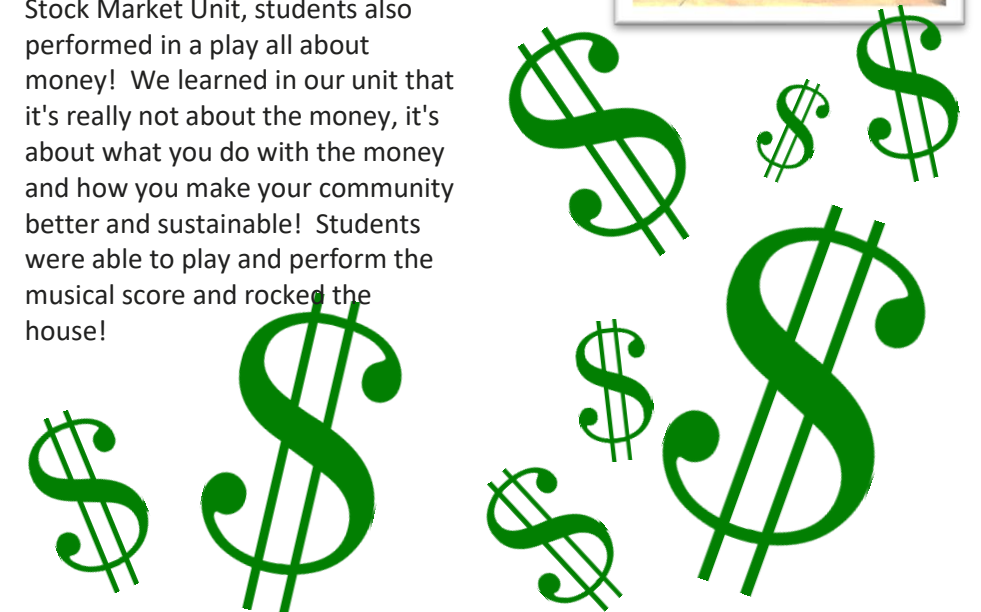
MARINE LIFE WORD SEARCH PUZZLE

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- BARNACLE
- BARRACUDA
- BLUE WHALE
- BLUEFIN TUNA
- CORAL REEF
- DOLPHIN
- HAMMERHEAD
- HARP SEAL
- JELLYFISH
- LOBSTER
- MANATEE
- MOLLUSK
- PLANKTON
- SAND DOLLAR
- SEA LION
- SEA TURTLE
- STARFISH
- STINGRAY
- TIGER SHARK

IPCS STOCK MARKET

The fifth and sixth grade performance was based on the unit the students just finished "Money" and the "Stock Market". Students participated in the National Stock Market Game this trimester where they learned how to buy and sell stocks and how to read graphs, research companies and the stock market, make financial decisions and understand the world of finance. As a supplement to the Stock Market Unit, students also performed in a play all about money! We learned in our unit that it's really not about the money, it's about what you do with the money and how you make your community better and sustainable! Students were able to play and perform the musical score and rocked the house!





Ms. Krista's Korner

Go!Go! Green Beach Clean-Up

GoGo Green students and families helped clean up Old Airport Beach Park last weekend. Volunteers removed a whole truckload of rubbish from the shoreline. Pollution included a significant amount of marine debris - large plastic pipes, crates, and shards along with microplastics that washed up after last week's big storm.

GoGo Green volunteers also worked with two local girl scout troops to create a mural made from hundreds of plastic lids removed from Kamilo Beach. The lids were collected by Hawaii Wildlife Fund who worked with local artists to design a mural of a turtle.

Kamilo Beach is one of the most polluted beaches in the world located on South Point. Debris from the Great Pacific Garbage Patch washes up on the isolated area; almost 300 tons of debris has been removed since 2008. The mural employs over 1500 multi-colored lids and will be on display at the Kona Brewers Festival. The turtle mural will educate festival-goers about Kamilo Beach, ocean pollution, and its threat to marine life.

Way to GoGo Green!!

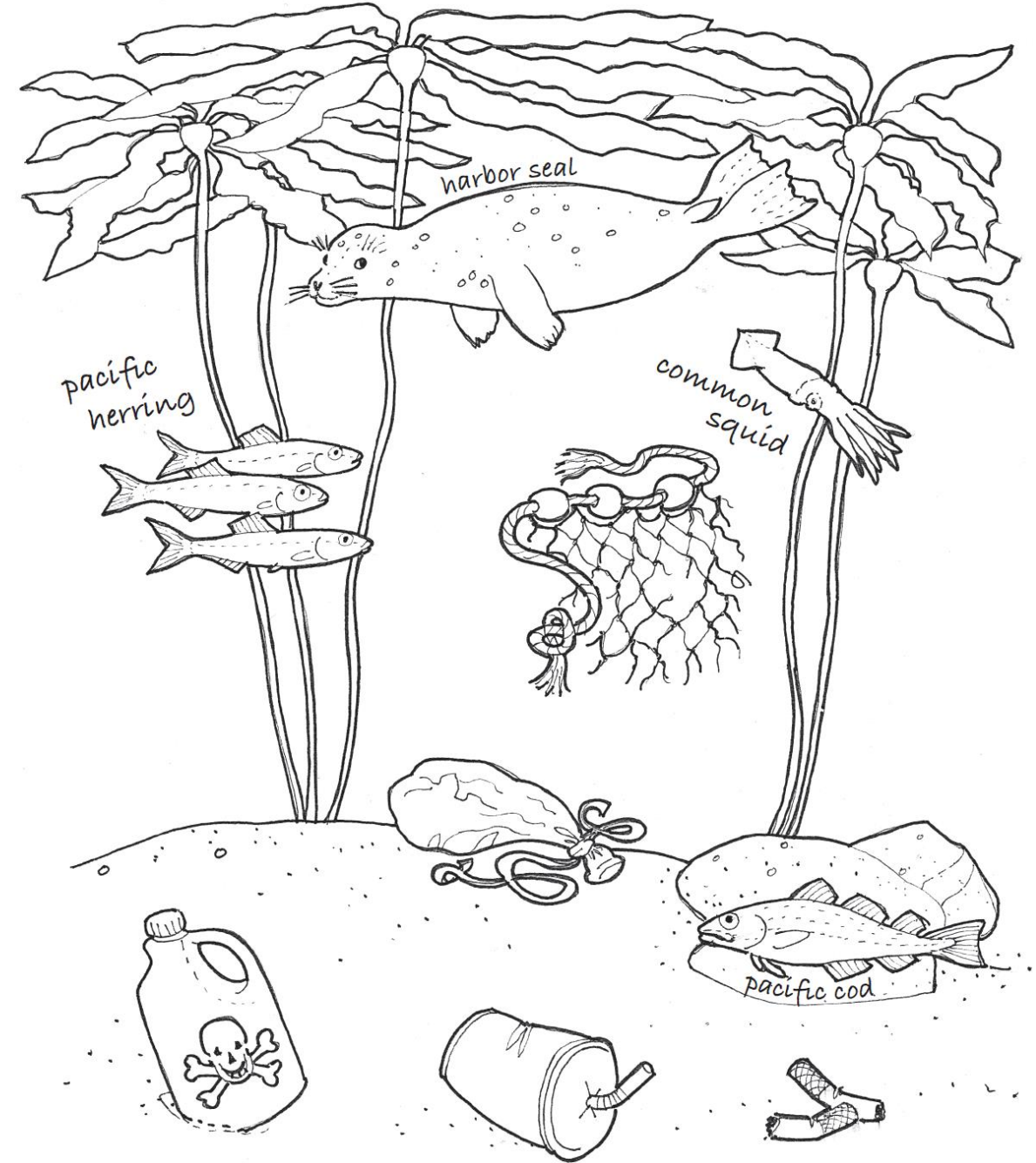


Activity Page

In the Ocean

What things don't belong in the ocean? How can these things hurt the seal?
How did these things get here?

Draw a **circle** around things that don't belong in the ocean.



To learn more about marine mammals, visit www.sealsitters.org
For what's happening on the beach, go to www.blubberblog.org



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Middle School Fieldtrips



The Middle School students participated in their annual overnight team building fieldtrips again this past November. The 8th graders flew to Oahu's North Shore to visit Camp Erdman while our 7th graders returned to Kawaihae for the Na Kalai Wa'a Experience with Uncle Chadd Paishon, Makali'i's Navigations Expert.

Students are given an opportunity to develop and secure their bonds with their classmates and teachers over this 4 days and 3 nights excursion. It has become an enriching experience for students while exploring their units of study throughout the remainder of the school and an opportunity to develop a cohesive team. "The Wa'a field trip was such an amazing experience. One of my favorite memories was getting to know more about my peers. Learning about my peers was so amazing because I never would know them as well as I do now. People I never even knew eventually became close friends." "Another memory I really enjoyed was building a garden. Even though it was very hard work it was very satisfying once we finished." ~ Quotes by Anonymous 7th Grader



Interest Groups

Interest groups are an important part of our weekly structure in our Elementary program. This year's interest groups included clubs like Adventure, Cooking, Pet Club, Jewelry, Sewing, Tea Party, Glass Etching, Plaster Casting, Horses, Surfing, Trash Crafts, Farmer's Market, Slime, Pottery and Band Jam. The wide variety of groups help students explore their many interests and keeps us connected with amazing resources throughout the community.





Winter Pancake Breakfast

The winter pancake breakfast was a hit! The chilly and dark morning was a perfect complement to the hot coffee and warm flap jacks served to our ever growing IPCS community. It is always so nice to have everyone take a moment and catch up over a meal together. It is a true Ohana atmosphere; a tradition of Innovations that we'll hopefully carry on always.



PIGEON PEAS



Garden students have been perfecting the art of growing, harvesting, shucking, winnowing, and storing pigeon peas or gunga beans. Pigeon peas are a very nutritious legume that grows in drought tolerant and poor soil conditions. The shrub provides excellent nutrients for the soil as mulch, chicken feed, and compost. Ask your child about the gunga bean chili we will be cooking up in garden class next week.

FAME TAKES ON Disney's Aladdin Jr.

The FAME Program is well underway with rehearsals and production in full swing. Miss Tiffany is leading the charge as Director again this year with the help of her co-mentors, Miss Tiff as Acting Director, Miss Wendy as Vocal Director and Ms. Heather as Choreographer. Students have been learning the wonderfully clever and complex music in this classic Disney tale of a poor boy finding fortune and love with the help of a magical genie.

This year's cast include Rocco Arnott as "Aladdin", Elena Barnreuther as "Princess Jasmine", Max Wisniewski as the "Sultan", Tyra Iaela as "Jafar", Audrey Poggensee as "Iago" and Cameron Cornforth as "Genie". The support cast includes, Kea Clebsch, Regan Riley, Diana Garcia, Nophia Pintor and Angelina Jones as the "Narrators", Ruby Mandini as "Magic Carpet" and Talia Tonini as "Razoul". Our ensemble cast of townspeople, guards, suiters, and harem girls include, Calvin Brown, Sarah Cunningham, Ramsey Hauanio, Dani Galaagher, Ryan Broennimann, Caleb Lightfoot, Kainoa Lightfoot, Gavin Logan, Tavi Yokoyama, Paulina Castillo, Maile Niven, Natalie Schroedel, Ella Brough, Emily Yessis, Baylee Lewis, and Eden Silva.



The Set and Costume Ninjas are combined this year, both groups working on set and costumes under one mentorship. The kiddos are hard at work building set pieces and backdrops, as well as designing costumes and props to bring the world of Agrabah to the stage. Under the mentorship of Aunty Tawna, Coach L., and Ms. Victoria, the group has been tackling their projects weekly and having a blast. This year's ninjas include, Ruby Ohanlon, Georgia Arnott, Danni Sale, Keenan Lane, Emma Jones, Camylle McDonald, Rhyder Jamieson, Keoni Ilagan-Clifford, Trinton Smith, Harlon Baker, Zachariah Helliangao and Teysha Spinney-Kuahuaia. Rehearsals for this production begin in November and run through April. FAME will open to a live audience April 20th, and continue through that weekend Saturday 21st at 7pm and Sunday matinee at 2pm, at the historical Aloha Theatre in Kainaliu. Tickets for the show will be available one week prior to opening night. Sponsorship for the show is still being requested, if you would be interested in being a Sponsor for this year, please contact Tawna at the school office 331-3130.

Innovations Spirit Week



CLASSROOM ASSEMBLIES



Classroom assemblies are a fun and important part of our trimester units. Students prepare skits, presentations, games, displays, and even costumes to demonstrate their level of understanding in their individual units. It provides students an opportunity to further engrain the concepts their learning by teaching it to an audience. This year the Kindergarten, First Grade and Second Grade students all presented skits about their unit on fairy tales. Third and fourth graders presented on the solar system, and Fifth and sixth graders gave us lessons on the stock market.

BUSTLING THROUGH THE HOLIDAYS

JAPAN CLUB FUNDRAISERS



The Japan Club is fundraising for this year's trip to our sister school Seiko Gakuen, in Tokushima Japan. Student participants have been hard at work saving funds to finance the bi-annual trip to Japan. This year, KBExtreme hosted IPCS once again for a night out full of fun. Participants of the fundraiser received a lane for their party to bowl, pupus and drinks, a chance to win some awesome prizes and an opportunity to bid on silent auction items generously donated by several businesses throughout the community. This fundraiser will help with the travel and expense cost of the trip for our students.

A new fundraiser the Japan Club was generously offered to participate in was the Friday Crepe Fundraiser at Kona Coffee and Tea. Crepes purchased during the hours of 6am-12pm every Friday in the month of December. All proceeds from the event were generously given to Japan Club members who participated in the fundraiser. A HUGE MAHALO! To Kona Coffee and Tea for this wonderful and successful fundraiser for our travelers.



KONA WINTER PARADE

Innovations participated in the Kailua Kona Christmas Parade again this year, showing off their musical talents and holiday spirit.



MIDDLE SCHOOL EMBRACES THE HOLIDAY SPIRIT



The Middle Schoolers raised funds to adopt a family for the Hawaii Community Involvement and Gift Giving for the holidays again this year. They also had a little fun of their own in a friendly competition amongst advisories with a Lip Sync Battle and Gingerbread House Challenge. It was a great way to give back and unwind before winter break.



ELEMENTARY WINTER CRAFTS

This year's Elementary Winter Crafts had a wide variety of crafts and activities for students to choose from. There were the annual winter crafts like the Sock Snowman, Fabric Wreaths, Santa Gourds, Lollipops, Sugar Cookies, Lip Gloss, Edible Christmas Trees and Candle Making; some of our traditional favorites. We introduced a few new crafts this year like Unicornament, Santa's Clothesline, Wood String Ornament, Grinchmas Jars, Ugly Sweater, Light Snowman & Soap, Snow Globes and Holiday Magnets, as well as some new tasty treats like Tortilla Snowflakes & Mini Pumpkin Pies. The overflow of volunteers helped make the day so very special. Parents, Grandparents, Aunties and Uncles, Big Brothers and Sisters, all helped our kiddos have a great time creating their gifts and treats; a wonderful way we begin Winter Break every year.

