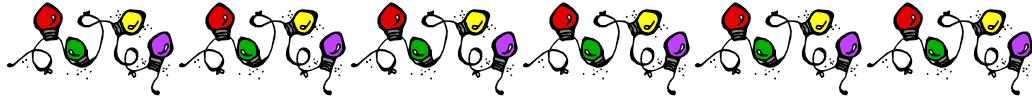


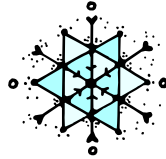
# Rainbow School Wahiawa

## December 2009 Newsletter



### December Theme

The theme for the month of December is “Discovering holidays around the world”. The children will learn that not all places celebrate Christmas. We will be exploring other holidays such as Hanukkah, Kwanzaa and Solstice along with Christmas. The children will also be busy preparing for our Christmas Program.



### Mark your calendar

**December 7** – Wahiawa Santa Parade starting at 6:30.

**December 9** – Travelling Storytellers Show at 9:00.

**December 14** – Secret Santa Book Exchange is due.

**December 17**– Children’s Christmas Party. Please feel free to bring goodies for your class this day.

**December 18** – Christmas Program at 9:30 am in the Olive United Methodist Church. Children must be in school by 7:00 am. Notices will be sent out with more information.

**December 22** – Last day of school before winter break.

**December 23 – January 1** – Winter Break. School is close.

**January 4** – Classes resume.



### Secret Santa Book Exchange

This time of year is a great opportunity to teach children about sharing and the gift of giving. The children will pull a classmates name from a bowl and give him/her a wrapped book on December 14<sup>th</sup>. This activity will help the children understand how good it feels to give and receive something from their friend. Parents will be notified by note of who your child picked and what the dollar limit is as well as other important information. So look out for the notices in your child’s mailbox.

# Wahiawa Santa Parade

We have decided to participate in the Wahiawa Santa Parade on December 7<sup>th</sup>. The parade starts at 6:30 but we are asking for all the families participating to meet at our school by 6:00 pm. We have decided to have everyone wear a red shirt and the Rainbow School children wear their Rainbow School T-shirts. We might be passing things out to the crowd but that decision isn't final. Parking will be available at the school's parking lot but we will not provide transportation back to our school. The parade will be going rain or shine so please be prepared.

## MAHALO!

A great big mahalo goes out to all of the families and friends who attended and prepared the dishes for our annual Thanksgiving Potluck Luncheon. The food was delicious and we more people than the past years! This year was the best of all. There were a lot of people catching up on old times and just enjoying each other's company. The children made beautiful centerpieces which they were excited to take home and sing their Thanksgiving songs in front of their families. Our staff is so thankful for each and every one of you. Seeing all of you sharing and celebrating this wonderful occasion with us is the best gift we could ask for.

## Community News

### Community Parades

Wahiawa Parade: December 7<sup>th</sup> (Monday) from California Ave. to Center St. starts at 6:30 pm.

Mililani Parade: December 5<sup>th</sup> (Saturday) from Mililani High School stadium to Mililani Town Center, starts at 9:00 am.

North Shore Parade: December 11<sup>th</sup> (Friday) on Kamehameha Hwy. starts at 6:00 pm.



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