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Dear Parents,

K-12 Opening Chapel 2017

The focus of this year's opening chapel was our school alma mater with the song's key phrases displayed on banners. These words and phrases, including “Love,” “Faith,” “Call,” and “Hearts,” remind us of the ways we are drawn together as a community are and shaped and nurtured by the values of our founders and leaders.

The chapel opened with a procession of our Kindergarten students (Class of 2030), accompanied by our seniors (Class of 2018) that was symbolic of life's journey and how far our seniors have come from their Kindergarten days, where they are headed, and the memories they will cherish. Kindergarteners symbolize a new stage of life and the beginning of an educational path at 'Iolani.

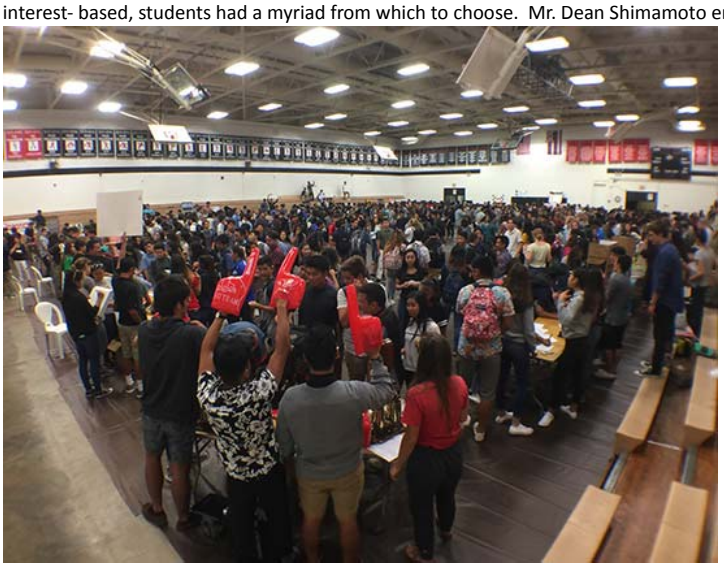
We were blessed that The Right Reverend Robert L. Fitzpatrick, Bishop for the Episcopal Diocese of Hawai'i, was in attendance to lead us in prayer and to give blessings to students in every grade and to our faculty and staff.

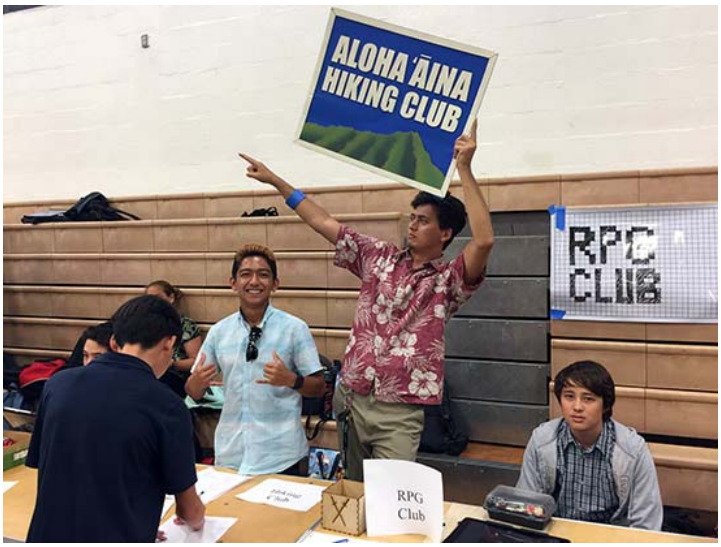
Grades 5 and 6 Honors Assembly

Our specials classes are a defining mark on the educational program here at 'Iolani. They our value in a holistic education, one that allows students of varying strengths and talents to find their interests and hone their abilities. At the 5th and 6th grade Honor's Day, we recognized students who were identified by their teachers for their dedication and commitment to their studies in the Visual and Performing Arts, Sportsmanship, Technology, and Writing. In acknowledging the efforts of these students, we also acknowledged those who helped them in their pursuits because at `Iolani we believe that no one operates alone and that when one succeeds, we all do.

Club Day

On Tuesday, September 5, upper school students participated in our annual Club Day. With over eighty-five clubs varying from academic, to service, to language and interest- based, students had a myriad from which to choose. Mr. Dean Shimamoto entertained the crowd, with his emcee skills, generating great enthusiasm!





Out of Darkness

Over 60 people joined the Out of Darkness walk 'Iolani Cares team to raise awareness of suicide and the hope of suicide prevention this Saturday at Magic Island. We hosted the refreshment booth, ran a bake sale, offered henna tattoo artwork, and even provided performers for entertainment! It was a joyous, life-affirming event well supported in One Team spirit!

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'Iolani Cross Country Invitational at Kualoa Ranch

Saturday marked the 19th running of the 'Iolani Cross Cross Country Invitational at Kualoa Ranch. The boys and girls teams also hosted a pasta dinner to welcome the visiting teams from the mainland. The 'Iolani hālau was on hand to put on a performance for our guests.

This year's meet hosted 47 teams and over 1,500 runners from across the state and California. The boys intermediate teams took home second, JV took second overall; first among Hawaii teams, and the boys varsity took the team title; the first time a local team won the meet.

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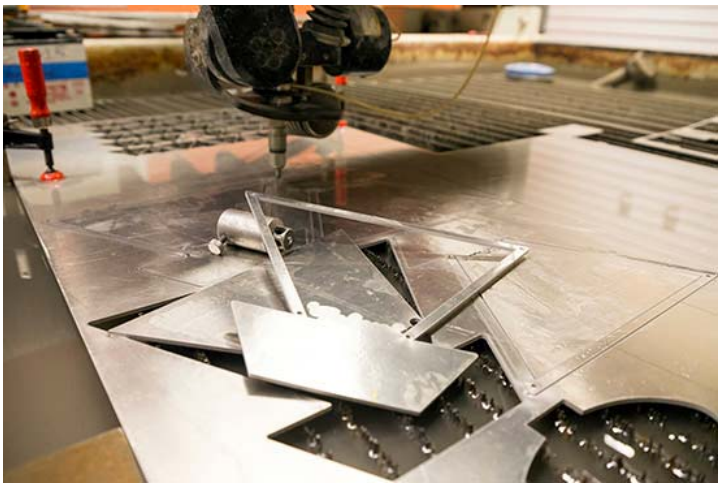
The invitational was a tremendous success this year. A big mahalo to the families, parents and alumni who make this invitational possible! Official results are here.

Designed and Made in the Sullivan Center

For the third year running, the individual medals and team trophies were designed and made by the ‘Iolani Hackers, team members and faculty. The trophies this year were themed around the kualoa flora and framed hand-polished horseshoes honoring the history of the original kualoa trophies that used to be made with horseshoes collected from the ranch.



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Girls Varsity Volleyball

In a battle between two of the nation's top girls volleyball teams on Saturday afternoon, Kamehameha (4-1) defeated our Raiders (3-2), 25-23, 16-25, 25-19, 25-19, to take over first-place in the ILH.

Our girls will be back in action on Tuesday night when they host Punahou, looking to avenge a loss to the Buffanblu last week. That match is scheduled to begin at 7 pm. It's part of an exciting ILH doubleheader that will be televised live from the Lower Gym by Spectrum XCast (Maryknoll and Kamehameha starts at 5 pm).

Boys Varsity Waterpolo

Our boys varsity Division I water polo team is off to a good start with a 2-1 record, having outscored its last two opponents by a combined score of 35-7, including Friday evening's 14-4 victory over Mid-Pacific (our D-II team also beat the Owls, 8-7).

Our Raiders will be back in action on Friday as they host Kamehameha in Dillingham Pool at 6 pm (D-II matchup begins at 5 pm). Then, the following week, our boys will participate in the AFC Invitational in San Diego. Go Raiders!

Boys Varsity Football

After a tough 43-26 loss to Saint Francis, our varsity football team has a big game on Saturday versus Pac-Five at Aloha Stadium. Kickoff of that contest between the two ILH teams competing for a spot in the HHSAA Division II State Tournament is set for 3 pm.

Friday's spirited Saint Francis game was played on campus after school and featured another impressive performance by the 'Iolani Marching Band and Dance Team.

7th Grade Election Results

Every single one of our candidates for class office deserves a congratulations for having the courage and initiative to run for office. They should be commended for wanting to make a difference in our school community. We all know it takes tremendous guts to run a successful campaign, give a speech in front of hundreds of peers, and be vulnerable. Win or lose, we know all candidates will continue to be wonderful leaders for `Iolani.

Here are the results of the election - Congratulations, Officers!
President: Hudson Nguyen ’23
Vice President: Hannah Fasi ’23
Secretary: Makena Monaco ’23
Treasurer: Giulia Fasi ’23

A Prayer in Response to Natural Disasters from our chaplains

Love Stands Supreme is our banner. As we work to formulate our community's disaster response, we join with people of faith everywhere in this prayer for those affected by natural disasters.

Almighty and eternal God, we offer to your loving care all whose lives have been forever changed by recent natural disasters: comfort the victims of the wildfires in the western United States; pour our your mercy on our brothers and sisters in the Caribbean facing catastrophic devastation; protect all who evacuate communities and seek shelter in the path of Hurricane Irma; sustain those affected by the earthquake in Mexico, Hurricane Harvey in Texas, and the flooding in South Asia in their trials; strengthen all engaged in the recovery efforts, those reaching out in compassion, and those beginning the long process of rebuilding their lives.
Finally, merciful Lord, may the souls of all who have lost their lives rest in peace, and may their loved ones come to know the consolation of your love. All this we ask in the Name of your Son Jesus Christ, through the power of the Holy Spirit. AMEN.

All the best in health and happiness,
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