



**ELC Happenings  
for Nov. & Dec.!!**

11/23:

SCH/ELC Shared  
Activity

11/24:

ELC Powwow

11/25 & 26:

Thanksgiving Day!  
No School

11/29:

8:15a Advent  
Prayer Service

11/30:

Kinder Flu Shots

12/8:

No School  
Immaculate  
Conception  
Holy Day

of Obligation.

7am & 7pm Mass

12/16:

9am & 7pm  
SCH/ELC

Christmas Program

12:30 Dismissal

12/17:

8:15am SCH/ELC  
Prayer Service

11:30am Dismissal

12/20-31:

Christmas Break

No School

ELC Office Open

School resumes on  
January 3, 2011



St. Ann's Early Learning Center November 2010

# Principal's Newsletter

*"Given the right conditions, all children can learn..."*

## Reminders and Information

Thanks to all who

participated in the ELC  
Fundraiser!

The ELC collected \$24,000 between October 1st and 23rd. We are so thankful to all our ELC families who helped sell Zippy's Fundraiser tickets or made generous donations. Our Top Seller sold 206 tickets and received a \$200 Gift Card to Chuck E. Cheese. Congratulations to: **Tiana Barrett**



Our next top seller sold 176 tickets and received a Mall Gift Card Package including gift cards

to Regal Theatre, Borders, Farrell's, and Ben & Jerry Ice Cream.

Congratulations to: **Kawena Kapu**

The winners of our random prize drawing were Anthony Gonzalez & Poetea Salis-Aweau. Congratulations to all our winners!



ELC Book Fair!

It's Book Fair time again! Our annual Scholastic Book Fair took place from November 15-19. We would like to thank all the wonderful parent volunteers who came out to help to make our Book Fair a success & also everyone who purchased books for their children or a special teacher. Book Fair profits help us to purchase more books for our classroom libraries & special classroom materials.

### Holiday Schedule

The ELC office will be closed on Nov. 25 & 26 in observance of Thanksgiving and on Dec. 8 in observance of Immaculate Conception.

While the ELC will be closed for Christmas break from December 20—31, the ELC Office will remain open. The Office will be closed On Dec. 24 (Christmas Eve) and December 31 (New Year's Eve). The Administration, Faculty and Staff would like to wish you & your family Happy Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

# Parent Workday Was Marvelous!

Have you seen the ELC? It looks Marvelous! Thanks to the parent volunteers who came out on Parent Workday to help make our ELC look new again. Parent work day was on Saturday, October 23, 2010 from 9:00am to 12:00 noon. Parents, Guardians, Grandparents and keiki arrived as early as 8:15am to begin work and stayed as late as 12:30pm to complete the list of chores. These wonderful volunteers were able to paint all the pillars throughout the ELC, Stewart's Walk and the outdoor furniture; clean, power wash and organize all items in Storage rooms A & B; sterilize all the outdoor toys; clean the office windows; and power wash the entire courtyard, jungle gym, and play houses. We cannot thank you enough for a job well done! Everyone had a great time and all enjoyed the bentos that the Food Court provided for lunch. We are so thankful to all of you who came to help. We couldn't have done it all with out you! We are truly blessed!

## A Big Mahalo To Our Volunteers:

Our terrific volunteers were: Kristin Arakawa, Catherine Aubuchon, Sharleen Barrett, Malia Camara, Tony Camara, Alison Castellano, Kalani Castro, Kalani Chung, Todd Clark, Joy Domingo, Teodoro Felix, Daniel Ferguson, Alike Fraiola, Dana Fraiola, Scott Graham, David Holland, Ethan Hottendorf, Stella Hottendorf, Henry Kapu, Jr., Rana Kapu, Melissa Kauanui, Todd Keane, Brian Kershner, Laurene Kurata, Jennifer Liu, Katherine Marchan, Kimberlee Martinez, Ryan Masaki, Bradley McLure, Darrin Mekarua, Linda Mekarua, Bruce Nakada, Tiny Park, Michelle Tokunaga, Andre Wong, Robin Yamada, Rodney Yoshikawa, Casie Yoshimura,



# Happy Halloween!

Halloween is always such an exciting time for children & adults alike. This year was no exception at the ELC. On the morning of Oct. 29, our giant friend, Frankenstein, was there to welcome us all. The annual Pumpkin Decorating Contest was better than ever! Our winners were: Danali McGuire—Scariest, Tiana Barrett—Most Original, Kylia Tokuda—Most Beautiful, and Makena Arakawa—Most Humorous. A big mahalo to all the special St. Ann's Faculty & Staff Members who came over to visit and be "Mystery Judges" for our Pumpkin Contest!

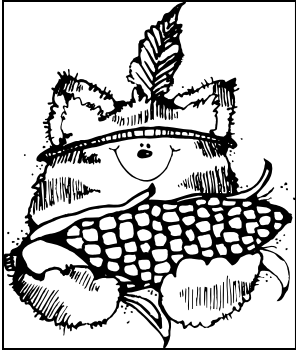
Our 1st Place Winners in the Halloween Coloring Contest were: Angelina Tulua (3-1), Joshua Estocado (3-2), Sophia Pedrosa (3-3), Kylia Tokuda (4-1), Alana Chang (4-2), Gloria Nguyen (4-3), Carleena Matos (5-1), and Tiani Souza (5-2).

The children were the most adorable trick-or-treaters. The Dinosaurs (3's) dressed up as the cutest ducklings ever! The Dolphins (4's) were cleverly disguised as M&M Candies and the Bears (5's) proudly showed off their handmade masks featuring a wide variety of creative creatures...Mrs. Kehau Bugado won the ELC Faculty & Staff costume contest. She sported a Jelly Belly costume of her own design. ELC parents had the opportunity to vote on the winner of this special contest...

We would like to thank all the families who helped to make our ELC Halloween so much fun for everybody! We just can't wait till next year!!



# November Bookshelf

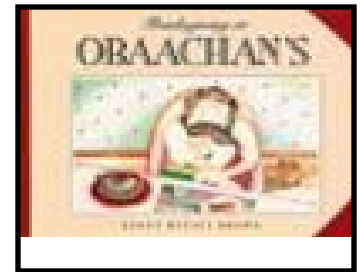


November is a special month where we all have the opportunity to give special thanks for all God's wonderful gifts. We would also like to give thanks for books and reading! Have your child select a few good stories for you to read together. All these and more are available right at your local public library

## ***Thanksgiving at Obaachan's***

**by Janet Mitsui Brown**

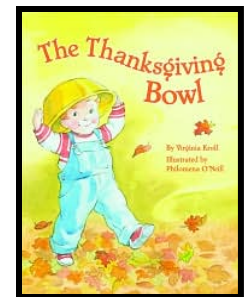
A young Japanese-American girl tells of the wonderful feelings about Thanksgiving shared with her family at Obaachan's (grandma) house. Even though the child speaks only English and Obaachan speaks only Japanese, the little girl knows her Grandmother loves her very much. Even though the story takes place on the mainland, this book is a real treat to those who experience a multi-cultural life-style daily.



## ***The Thanksgiving Bowl***

**by Virginia Kroll**

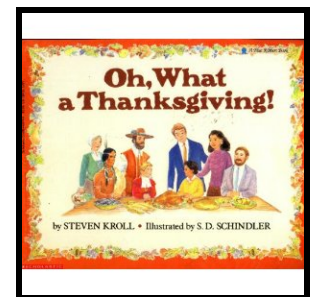
The yellow plastic Thanksgiving bowl always sits on Grandma Grace's front-hall table where it's ready for the family to place their "I Am Thankful For" things in it. After the delicious meal has been eaten, Grandma would read each thought out loud. This year after the thankful thoughts were finished, the Thanksgiving bowl fell off the picnic table and rolled across the road. You'll never believe the journey that that bowl has! Will it make it back to Grandma's house in time for this Thanksgiving?



## ***Oh, What a Thanksgiving!***

**by Steven Kroll**

In this story, David's vivid imagination takes him back and forth between Thanksgiving today and the first Thanksgiving Day back in the 1600's! He can't help thinking that the very 1<sup>st</sup> celebration was more interesting and exciting than just going to Grandma's house, buying food at a supermarket and watching the Macy's Parade on TV. David's teacher helps him to understand that the Pilgrims were thankful for the very same things that still matter to us most today - our homes, our friends and our families.



## ***Crow Call***

**by Lois Lowry**

Lizzie's dad has been away in the war for a very long time. Now he's come home and it feels strange to her. They're going hunting together for the very first time & Lizzie is in charge of the crow call. What will hunting be like? Will she grow used to her father again, or will they be forever strangers? A very heartwarming story that is just as relevant now as it was in the 1940's.

