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Aloha Seaside Ohana,

At this special moment in time, LCPCS is blessed with the strongest and most dedicated team it has ever had. In particular, the leadership team, comprised of myself, Tracy Jardine, Liana Honda, Gerry Delgado and Scott Smith, brings a wealth of administrative, instructional and business experience to bear on the complex issues facing our school. Each of us benefitted tremendously from Paki's vision and leadership, and we have helped implement the policies that are working right now. We are ready to continue on our current course of greater academic and behavioral accountability.

In the weeks and months to come we will build on our current successes, which include the school's highest enrollment in years, an enormous reduction in disciplinary referrals, a Social Emotional Learning curriculum that is improving relationships among students, a vibrant and thriving elementary school, and ever-stronger community partnerships. We will also continue to tighten current systems and develop new ones to raise the standard at LCPCS. In short, this moment is an opportunity to take a giant leap on our path to becoming a great school.



*L to R: Tracy Jardine (Office Manager), Liana Honda (Secondary Language Arts Instructor/Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment [Elementary]), Paki Nahale-a (former Director), Scott Smith (Secondary Language Arts Instructor/Director of Curriculum and Instruction [Secondary]), Mike Okoye (Interim Director), and Gerry Delgado (Business Manager).*

That being said, we cannot do it alone. We need every parent working with his or her children. We need every child working to be a better student. Most importantly, we all need to work together to make this a great school. I know I speak for the team when I say I am ready to do the work. I hope you are, too.

Mahalo,

Michael Okoye

Interim Director, LCPCS

## LCPCS Auto and Wood Shops Open House, Car Show and Silent Auction

This Saturday, December 5, 2:00 to 5:00 pm

Auto and bike enthusiasts are encouraged to enter their rides and vie for trophies! On Saturday, LCPCS will celebrate the reopening of the auto and wood shops, as well as raise funds for next year's programs. Use your dollars to vote for Audience Favorite. "Vote early! Vote often! Stuff the ballot box!" says event organizer Don Bryan.

Also, check out the Auto Shop with instructor Bryson Anzai, and volunteers Will Montgomerie and Phil Underhile. Auto Shop's work in progress, a '99 Buick dirt track racer, will be on display and looking for sponsors.



*Auto shop instructor Bryson Anzai and 11th-grader Stetson Campbell unfastening a bolt from an engine last Wednesday.*



*9th grader Philip Navalta and instructor Eric Coyle operating a band saw in the wood shop.*

Meanwhile, up in the wood shop, wood art craft will be available for purchase, just in time for Christmas, and instructors Peter Zirolì and Eric Coyle will be on hand to give tours.

The Pāpa`aloa Country Store will be providing pizza and Korean chicken plate lunch, and members of the LCPCS culinary class also will be offering 'ono home-made snacks. (Anyone entering a vehicle in the show gets a free meal!) And those wishing to kick up their heels can do so to the live music.

To enter your ride send an email with make, model, year, owner, and whether your vehicle is modified or restored, to [toreachdon@gmail.com](mailto:toreachdon@gmail.com). Or, for more information, phone Mr. Bryan at 845-4699.

"LCPCS was conceived by the Laupāhoehoe community as a project-based school where learning supports doing and doing supports learning," says Mr. Bryan, who also serves on the school's governing board. "The school shops are an active expression of our project-based learning philosophy." Come meet and show your support for the teachers, students, and volunteers who are making this possible!

## Calendar

- Wednesday, December 2, 9:00 to 12:00 — 7th and 8th grade sub-group field trip to Laupāhoehoe Forest
- Saturday, December 5, 2:00 to 5:00 pm — Car Show and Auto/Wood shops Open House
- Monday, December 7, 6:00 pm — FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT at the Laupāhoehoe Public and School Library