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CYP Operating Hours:
0600-1800

Upcoming Events

10th: Winter Craft @ 1500 (CDC's)

10th: Let's Make Snow Activity (SAC)

10th: Winter Sensory Activity (SAC)

12th: Happy December Birthday (CDC/SAC)

(CDC's Holiday Spirit Week 15th-19th) 15th: Red & Green Day (CDC's)

16th: Holiday Head Attire—Wear festive holiday attire! (CDC's)

17th: Holiday Sock Day- (CDC's)

17th: Wright Brother Day (SAC)

18th: Wear Flannel Get cozy and wear your favorite pajamas (CDC'S)

19th: Ugly Holiday T-Shirt Day (CDC's)

19th: Holiday Cookie Decorating @ 1500 (SAC)

(22nd—3rd Jan) SAC Winter Break 22nd: Wear Head Attire

23rd: Holiday Sock Day

24th: Aloha Wed, wear your aloha attire (CDC's/SAC)/CYP Close At Noon

25th: Happy Holidays - CYP CLOSED

26th: Wear Holiday Pajamas (CDC's/SAC)

29th: SAC Field Trip

31st: Happy New Year's Eve



Teaching Kindness Through the Holidays and Beyond

The holiday season is a prime opportunity to teach children empathy and compassion, helping them understand that not everyone experiences the holidays the same way they do. By actively modeling kindness and listening attentively, we can guide children to see beyond their own experiences and develop a sense of understanding and inclusion that extends beyond the holidays. By incorporating these strategies into your holiday celebrations, you can help your children develop valuable empathy skills that will benefit them throughout their lives.

Key points to remember:

- **Empathy is a learned skill:** It requires active listening and showing children how to consider different perspectives.
- **Model kindness:** By demonstrating compassion and understanding in our own actions, we teach children how to do the same.
- **Talk openly about feelings:** Encourage discussions about how the holidays might feel for different people, including those who might not have positive experiences.
- **Engage in acts of service:** Volunteer together as a family or participate in charity drives to demonstrate the impact of giving back.
- **Read stories and watch movies that promote empathy:** Fictional narratives can help children understand different viewpoints and experiences.

<https://www.bgca.org/news-stories/2022/December/teaching-kids-kindness-through-the-holidays-and-beyond/>





2025 has flown by and the holiday season is upon us, with a new year rapidly approaching. The holiday season brings a host of seasonal changes that impact our senses; a chill in the air, landscape changes of red, orange, yellow, and brown, trees are bare, preparing for their seasonal nap, the smell of pumpkin spice, apples, and cinnamon, the twinkling of lights, logs flickering in the fireplace and the warmth upon the skin, and spending time with family and friends. Being far from home and family during the holidays can also bring a time of loneliness for some. To start the holiday season on a high note, Marine Corps Community Services hosted the Tree Lightening Ceremony, with a variety of activities, to include caroling, trolley rides, and a special visit from jolly ole St. Nick himself. Across the island of Oahu there are a variety of things to do during the holiday season. Honolulu Hale offers an electric light parade, tree lighting, keiki train rides, crafts, and more. There is also a host of parades and holiday celebrations taking place across the island. The Waikiki New Years Fireworks for 2026 will take place on December 31st at the stroke of midnight. There are also locations where if you're standing in the right spot, you can see fireworks across the island. Please keep in mind that fireworks and the sound, for some young children and animals, may be frightening.

However, you choose to spend the holiday season, I hope you have a season of happiness and joy. Thank you once again for entrusting your child in our care and allowing us the opportunity to support their development.

Season's Greeting,

Patricia Barrera

Administrator, Child & Youth Programs



FIVE FUN THINGS TO DO THIS HOLIDAY SEASON!!!

- 1. HONOLULU HALE**
- 2. WHALE AND DOLPHIN WATCHING**
- 3. DIAMOND HEAD CRATER & MANOA WATERFALL TOUR**
- 4. OAHU NORTH SHORE CIRCLE ISLAND TOUR**
- 5. PEARL HARBOR, USS ARIZONA AND DOWNTOWN HONOLULU**



Aloha Kupulau families! We hope you are all having a wonderful holiday season. We want to thank you for your understanding with the occasional wait at the front desk, as the front desk staff conduct ID checks and provide other assistance to patrons. Your patience is much appreciated.

We sometimes have intermittent issues front desk phone numbers of 808-496-1388 and 808-496-1356. Please try again after a few minutes or you may call the alternative phone number at 808-478-7398.

The classrooms would *love* to have updated family photos. If you take a family photo over the holidays, please give one to your child's classroom to post on their ohana boards. The children enjoy looking at their family photos throughout the day and showing off their family to their friends. They love when their pets are included too!

Please join us on 10 Dec at 1600 for our last Parent Advisory Board Meeting of the year. We will post a reminder notice at the front desk as the date nears. We hope to see you there!

Congratulations to the Jennifer Cypriano and Jamie Paleka who recently obtained their Child Development Associate (CDA) credential. A CDA is a widely recognized credential in the field of Early Childhood Education. We applaud our staff in taking this step to advance their professional growth while striving for excellence



Laulima CDC

Happy Holidays!

Thank to you Sergeant Major Fuentes, and the Wayland, and Anderson families for your participation in our cake cutting ceremony in celebration of the Marine Corps birthday. We also had a great time with our Pie with Parents event.

We are happy to share that we have received our NECPA re-accreditation through January 31, 2029. We received our results in record time! We would like to again acknowledge your cooperation and support in helping us reach our goal as well as the staff for their hard work.

This month we are looking forward to the excitement of the holiday season with activities and dress up days. Please see the special events calendar, your child's teacher, or the front desk if you would like more information.

Wishing you a safe, happy, and joyous holiday season.



Happy Holidays to all our families. Kulia SAC has a busy month ahead with lots of fun activities happening. Winter Break runs from December 22nd through January 2nd. We are looking forward to days full of fun and exciting events and activities. As always, please take a look at our event calendar for those special days.

During Winter Break remember to bring your child's lunch each day. Please have nutritional lunches that are peanut, nut and shellfish free. We are unable to refrigerate or warm lunches.

Our quarterly Parent Advisory Board meeting will be held Tuesday, 16 December at 1600.

We would like to welcome Ms. Ivy and Ms. Jasmine to the SAC Program. Both come with School Age experience, and we are excited to have them as part of our team.

Thank you to all our parents who joined their children for "Pies with Parents".

Kulia SAC would like to take this time to wish all our fam-

Q: Why did the ornament hit the classroom?

A: For some "tree-mendous" learning!

Q: What do you get if you cross a snowman and a vampire?

A: Frostbite!



Santa Hat Cheesecake Bite

Ingredients

For the crust:
 1/2 cups graham cracker crumbs
 1/4 cup granulated sugar
 6 tbsp unsalted butter, melted

For the cheesecake filling:
 6 oz cream cheese, softened
 1/2 cup granulated sugar
 1 tsp vanilla extract
 2 large eggs

For the topping:
 1 cup fresh strawberries, hulled and halved
 1/2 cup whipped cream

Instructions

1. Preheat your oven to 325°F and line a mini muffin tin with paper liners.
2. In a medium bowl, mix the graham cracker crumbs, 1/4 cup sugar, and melted butter until combined. Press 1 tbsp of the mixture into the bottom of each liner. **Tip:** Use the back of a spoon to press the crust down firmly.
3. Bake the crusts for 5 minutes, then let them cool slightly.
4. In a large bowl, beat the cream cheese, 1/2 cup sugar, and vanilla until smooth. Add the eggs one at a time, beating well after each addition. **Tip:** Make sure the cream cheese is at room temperature to avoid lumps.
5. Pour the cheesecake filling over the crusts, filling each liner almost to the top.
6. Bake for 15–20 minutes, or until the centers are just set. **Tip:** The cheesecakes will firm up as they cool, so don't overbake.
7. Let the cheesecakes cool completely, then refrigerate for at least 2 hours.
8. Before serving, top each cheesecake with a strawberry half and a small dollop of whipped cream to create the Santa hat effect.

Vibrant and festive, these bites are as delicious as they are cute. The creamy cheesecake pairs perfectly with the fresh strawberry, and the whipped cream adds a light, fluffy finish. Try arranging them on a platter with a dusting of powdered sugar for a snowy effect!

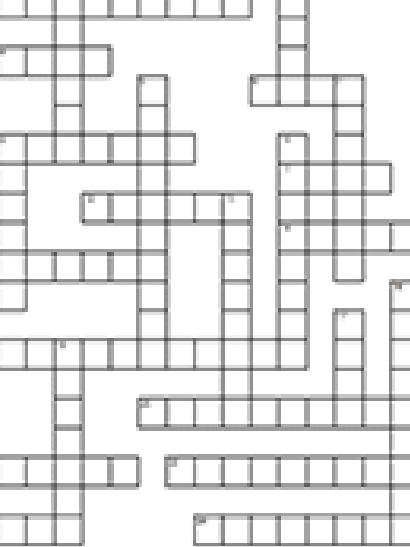
of Two Halves

ACROSS

1. Area of play behind the line of scrimmage.
4. Drop kick used to relinquish possession.
6. Hike.
8. Tom Brady's position.
11. Any offensive play that does not involve a forward pass.
12. Broadway Joe.
14. An offensive series of plays.
15. Three point play.
16. Results in a turnover.
20. Defensive player.
21. Game opener.
22. Number of teams in the NFL.
23. Team gathering.
24. Site of annual college game played on January 6th.

DOWN

2. He snaps the ball.
3. A team gets four of these each time they have possession.
5. Pass that hits the ground before possession.
7. Nickname for a football.
9. Take a player to the ground.
10. Field of play in American football.
13. Intermission with entertainment.
18. When a player loses the ball during a play.
19. Area past the goal line.



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Thanksgiving

WORD SEARCH

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FAIL	THANKFUL	NOVEMBER
GATHER	TURKEY	PEYMAUTH
HOLIDAY	CORNUCOPIA	STUFFING
PIGGIES	AMAY	THANKSGIVING

