

What Are You Most Looking Forward to During Winter Break?

by: Kawena Jumawan-Saito

We went out around campus, asking the students, “What are you most looking forward to during winter break?” This is what they said!



Ava, Grade K

“I’m looking forward to having a picnic on winter with my family.”



Ezekiel, Grade 5

“During winter break I’m going to California for about 2 weeks to visit my grandparents.”



Zoe, Grade 5

“Spending quality time with my family.”



Xander, Grade 6

“My birthday because I love my birthday! And baking.”



Kahai, Grade 6

“I’m looking forward to being out of school.”



Kawena, Grade 6

“I’m looking forward to hibernating in my bed.”



Damien, Grade 6

“Opening presents.”

Miss Nicole, Our Everything Expert! by: Zoe Lewis



Miss Nicole, always smiling.

When you go into the front office, you’ll probably see Miss Nicole typing at her desk when you go in. You might think that Miss Nicole is just a quiet, easy going teacher, but Miss Nicole is much more than that. She is a SASA (School Administrative Services Assistant). “I’m also a registrar and a tech person,” she said.

Miss Nicole has done (and continues to) do it all! You know all those eye-catching signs and flyers? Miss Nicole is the design expert who creates all of these! But, she does so much more! From teaching us

about technology to helping us build and create in Makerspace, from taking care of all the office stuff to making sure that everyone’s iPads and computers are updated and in order..Miss Nicole does all these things without hesitation, and with a smile. When I asked her what she liked here, she said, “I like that we are a small community.” So now you know. The next time you see Miss Nicole in the office typing, you’ll know how much more she is. You won’t make the same mistake in the beginning.

Maybe you’ll get to meet and talk to her. Who knows?



Miss Nicole working at her desk in the office.

Counselor’s Message: Mr. Shane

The holidays are fast approaching and almost here.

But first, an assembly where all can come and cheer.

To celebrate the students who show responsibility, resourcefulness, and respect.

And celebrate the students who came to school every day and never got sick.

Please join us in the cafe on Friday, December Twenty-One From 8 in the morning till the assembly is done.

We hope to see you all for our end of quarter assembly for the 2nd quarter on December 21st at 8:00 am. A letter will be going home a week in advance if your child has been selected for one of the following awards: 5R student of the month (October, November, or December), GLO student of the quarter, or perfect attendance.

Have a safe and fun winter break to all our students and families! If you are planning on taking a family trip that will either start while school is still in session or if your trip extends beyond the start of the 3rd quarter, please contact the office so we can work together on how to best support your child’s attendance.

A Christmas Poem by: Jaymee Ah Nee

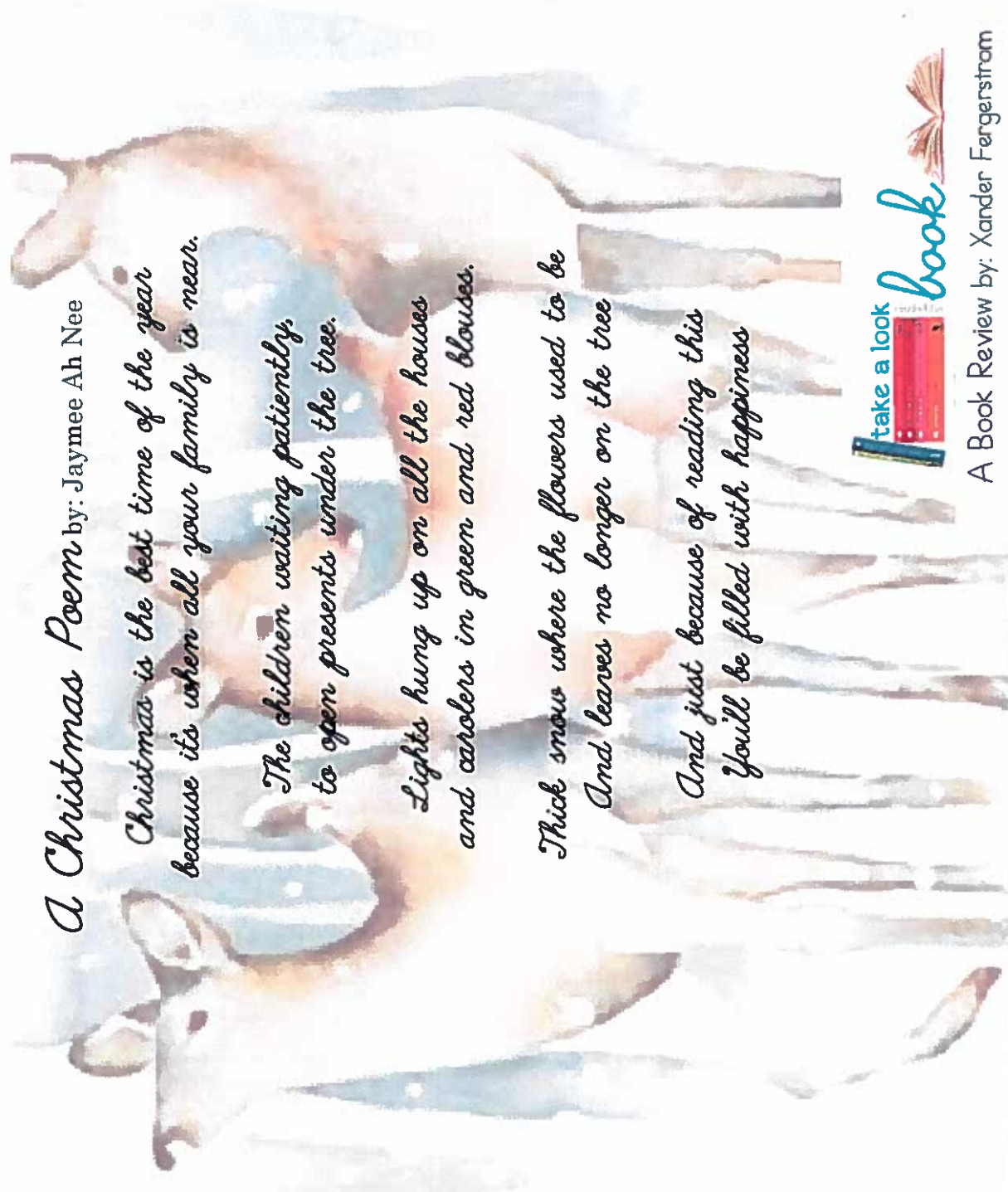
*Christmas is the best time of the year
because it's when all your family is near.*

*The children waiting patiently,
to open presents under the tree.*

*Lights hung up on all the houses
and carolers in green and red blouses.*

*Thick snow where the flowers used to be
And leaves no longer on the tree*

*And just because of reading this
You'll be filled with happiness*



A Book Review by: Xander Fergersstrom

CPAC by: Damien Sedeno

"There's no business like show business, like no business I know!" CPAC was fun! We had to practice everyday. Two men and one girl were teaching us dance moves. We practiced dancing and sing. We sang "Nine to Five" and "There's No Business Like Show Business." I had so much fun with my friends. It was fun because we could be active. It was hot and sweaty! The sweat was dripping down all over our skin. It felt like a workout!

We went to He'eia for our performance. My friends had fun at He'eia.

Great Joy

By: Kate DiCamillo

Great Joy is great book that tells people to think about others and show kindness. This book is about a little girl named Frances, an old man, and a monkey. The girl thinks about the old man and what he does in the night. Her mom isn't concerned about the man because he is a stranger...just as we think when we see homeless people on the street and either don't think anything about them or try our hardest to avoid them because they're so gross in our eyes. But, as Frances proves, they're humans too. So the moral of the story is to be kind to people and think about them, and show a random act of kindness.

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Fri 7	 Waiver Day: No School
Tues 11	 K - 2 Field Trip: Hawaii Theater for Youth
Tues 18	 Kris Kringle's Den
Wed 19	Student Dismissal @ 2:05pm
Fri 21	Student Dismissal @ 12:50pm
Mon 24	 Last day of Quarter 2 First Day of Winter Break

Dear Waiahole 'Ohana,

For the last couple of months, Grade 5 and 6 students have been writing the Parent Newsletter! I have enjoyed reading their articles. In each of the articles, I hear their voices. I am amazed at the work they are doing. Thank you to Ms. Morishige for facilitating the Newsletter Writing Academy!

During the month of December, we will be having our annual Kris Kringle's Den. Students will be able to purchase a present for a loved one using their fishbucks. Thank you to everyone who has donated items. We are still looking for items! We will be taking items up until December 14.

Please enjoy the holidays with your loved ones. Students will be on Winter Break from December 24 through January 7, 2019.

When we come back from Winter Break, we will be starting monthly coffee hours to share accreditation updates with families. Be on the lookout for more information. Happy Holidays!

Sincerely,
Ms. Obra



The Box by: Mrs. Manuel, Grade 1 Teacher

"Me! Me! I can do it," I offered.

I waved my hands in the air frantically as Mrs. Dobashi asked if anyone could move the boxes.

Six HUGE boxes needed to be moved. The boxes were half the size of my petite 4'8" frame. I bent down to pick it up. My hands gripped the edges as tight as possible, my arms opened as far as they could. I hoisted it up with me knee. I could barely see in front of myself as I moved towards the library.

It was lunchtime. The courtyard was filled with students talking story, laughing with one another, and crowding around the benches to finish their homework for the next period.

As I made my way, I could feel the box slipping from my fingertips. It started sliding down, down, down.

"Hold on, Sheila! You're almost there," my inner voice screamed.

I was in the middle of the courtyard as I tried to readjust my hold on the box. I pushed it up with my knee, trying to get a better grip. As I lifted my knee, my momentum shifted and I started to lose balance.

"AHHHHH!" I cried! My feet went high in the air. My hair whipped back and forth. And my entire body landed on top of the box.

The courtyard fell silent. All eyes were on me. Everyone started laughing!

I stood up quickly. I grabbed the box and continued on my way to deliver it to the library.

It was the most embarrassing day ever!

