



# CROSSROADS

*Holy Family Catholic Academy*  
*November 2022*

Aloha families and friends of HFCA,

We look forward to a wonderful November with our students and families as we work together to celebrate All Saints' Day, Veterans Day, and Thanksgiving break, and raise awareness for the Hawaii Children's Cancer Foundation for the entire month. In addition, a few of our classes will be attending culturally and historically significant field trips, and we will welcome our parents to talk story during our bi-monthly Coffee Chat. We have much to be thankful for this year and appreciate that you are all part of our Holy Family 'ohana.

Take care, and God bless,

Celeste Akiu, Principal

## Community Outreach



During the month of November, we will be supporting the Hawaii Children's Cancer Foundation with our annual Coins for Cancer event.

Donations will be accepted by our homeroom teachers and there will be fun activities throughout the month!

***Mahalo nui loa for your help  
supporting the Hawaii Children's  
Cancer Foundation!***

## Friends of Holy Family

We are excited to announce the launch of Friends of Holy Family - a way for our former students, families, and friends to stay connected to HFCA. While this group is not for current parents (the information will be redundant) we invite you to share with family members and friends who may be interested in HFCA. They can sign up on our [website](#).



*Making God's Goodness Known. Educating for Life.*



## UPCOMING PTG EVENTS

**NEXT MEETING:  
NOVEMBER 10, 8 A.M., AT HFCA**

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO LEARN MORE  
ABOUT THE PTG, PLEASE EMAIL  
PTG@HFCAHAWAII.ORG.**

## OCTOBER COVID-19 CASES AT HFCA

*During the month of October, our school community had **10** positive Covid-19 cases reported.*

*If an HFCA student tests positive for Covid-19, parents must notify Principal Celeste Akiu immediately at: [cakiu@hfcahawaii.org](mailto:cakiu@hfcahawaii.org) and 808-780-8786.*

*All Covid-19-related questions should be directed to Principal Akiu.*



*Mahalo to our PTG for October treats to help us celebrate St. Francis, and November treats for All Saints' Day!*



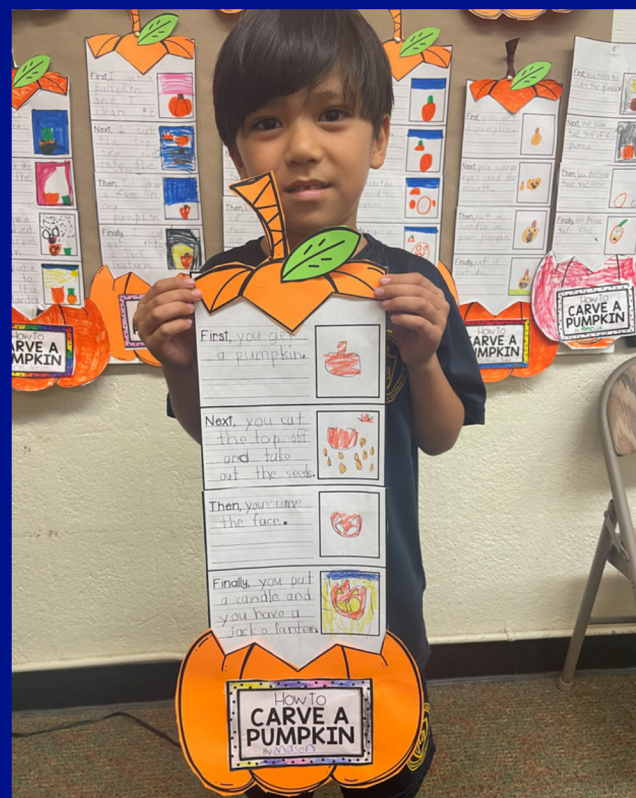
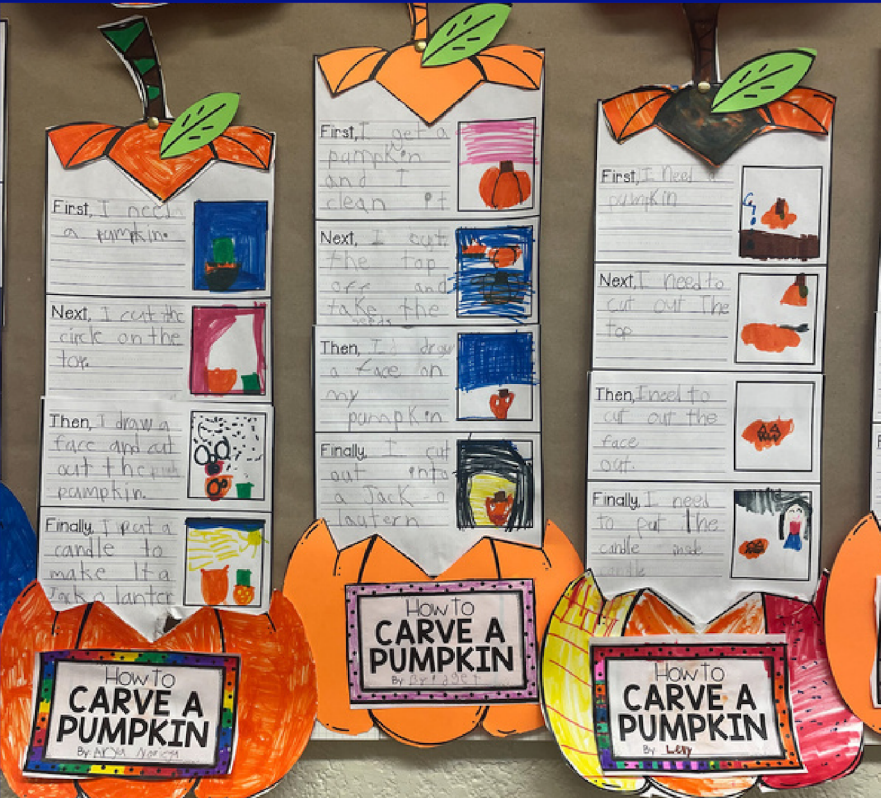
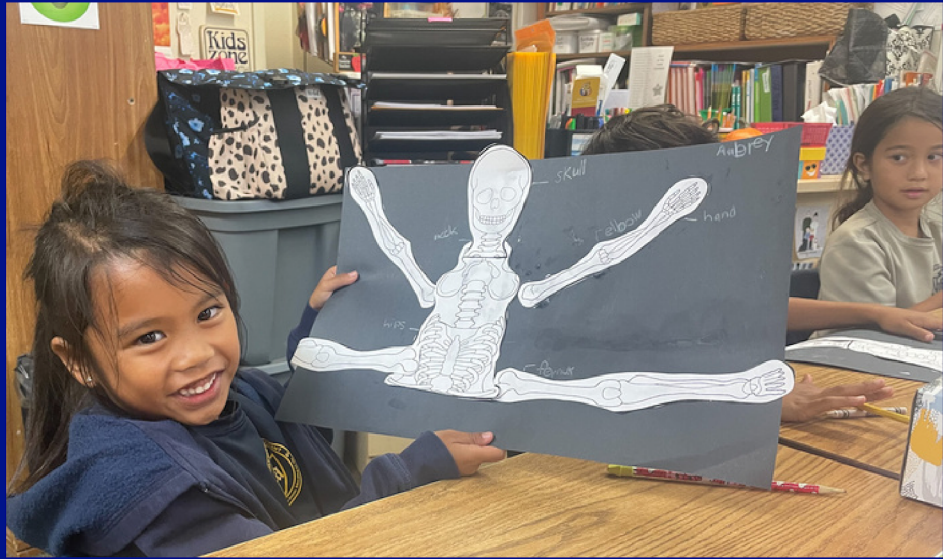
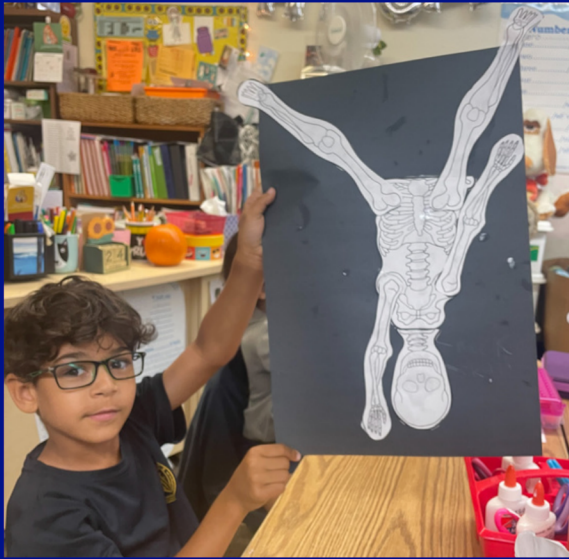
*Preschool  
Fun  
With  
Tie-dye!*





# Class Spotlight: 1st Grade

Our first graders had an engaging October with a visit to the Waimanalo Country Farms pumpkin patch! Back in the classroom, 1A learned all about the different bones in the human body, and 1B dissected sequence writing (first, next, then, finally) by explaining how to carve a pumpkin. Mahalo, students, for sharing your wonderful work with us!



**Let's give a warm Wildcat welcome to our new 1st Grade employee!**



**Mrs. Crowell** is our new 1st Grade Teacher for 1B and we are so happy to have her at HFCA. She previously taught for eight years at Pali Preschool. Mrs. Crowell is a graduate of Brigham Young University of Hawaii where she earned a bachelor's in Elementary Education and a minor in Psychology. She is grateful to be able to teach her students about God and his love for everyone and she appreciates how welcoming and supportive her colleagues have been. Mrs. Crowell is originally from Los Angeles, and has lived in Hawaii for 11 years, which she and her husband decided was the perfect place to raise their family. In her spare time, she enjoys camping, going to the beach, and traveling with her 'ohana.



# GO WILDCATS!!!



Congratulations to our girls volleyball teams (grades 6-8) for finishing a successful Catholic Schools League season. Both teams had wonderful seasons, and our HFCA black team earned the honor of CSL Division 1 Champions this year.



Congratulations to our boys basketball team (grades 4-6) for finishing an undefeated season in the Christian Schools Athletic League.

***We are so proud of you all! Mahalo to our coaches, parents,  
and student-athletes for representing HFCA!***



# Let Us Pray

*Almighty and ever living God, we thank you for your many blessings, especially for the saints who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith, who in their lifetimes served as lights to illumine the darkest nights in human history, and in our day as examples to be emulated. Inspire within us their zeal, that we too may carry your light into the world and be living examples of Christian charity through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

- Father Rheo Ofalsa

## Holy Family Catholic Church

Monday - Friday

Mass - 8am

Saturday

Confessions - 3:30 - 4:30 pm

Mass (Sunday Vigil) - 5 pm

Sunday

Masses at 8:30 am, 11 am, and 7 pm

We invite parents, grandparents, and friends of HFCA to join us for mass any time! Masks are optional.

