

PRE-SCHOOL ACTIVITIESJanuary 1952

Total enrollment	56
Girls	21
Boys	35
Total attendance	864
Total absence	149
no. of days of school	18
Pupils dropped	1
Steven Shimizu	
Pupils added	2
Glenn Higuchi	
Gordon Poiré	

Staff Mrs. Hirokane was out due to her son's illness. Absent from Jan. 14-18.
Mildred Fukuda was absent due to illness Jan. 29th.

General Statement

There has been some improvement in the attendance of children. We have had one case of chicken pox.

Repairs made.

1. Wagons repaired
2. Running water in the bathroom.
3. Switch in the kitchen and plug put in for the refrigerator.

Waiting for the playground equipment.

Unfinished Work

Paint chairs and doll corner furnitures.

Suggestions for improvement

1. Storage for wheel toys.
2. Basin put in for washing paint bottles, brush, mops, etc.

Special events:

The 4 yr. old and 5 yr. old groups were taken to the fire station. They enjoyed seeing the fire trucks and the rooms where they sleep. A demonstration given by the fire men impressed the children greatly. The men slid down the pole and took their places on the fire trucks within a few seconds showing how it was done in case of fire. The firemen were very courteous and invited the children to come again.

The Junior League presented a play "The Princess who couldn't Laugh" in the Palama auditorium. The Na Lei and Liliha Kindergarten children joined to see the play.

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It was a humorous play and the children enjoyed seeing the princess and the golden goose. They were curious to know whether the goose was real. The children were very disappointed when the play was over for they wanted to see more.

The Parents' Meeting was held on Jan. 25th at 7:30 P.M. Trude Akau spoke on "Selection of Schools." Some important points brought out in selection of schools were:

1. The most important thing was the teacher. Buildings and outward apperance ~~was~~ insignificant.
2. Suggested that parents observe teachers in the classroom.
3. The public schools were just as good in standard provided the teacher was well-trained.
4. In the public schools the elementary grades on the whole had good well trained teachers.

The speaker concluded by encouraging the parents to demand that the legislature do something about improving the inadequate housing facilities and overcrowded classrooms that is existing in many schools now. Suggestion was made that when voting one should try to vote intelligently and to put men in the office that is sympathetic and understanding about improving the schools and educational system in the territory.

The parents took part in the discussion which made the meeting stimulating and interesting. There were 18 present.

A trip to the zoo was taken by the youngest group.