## making the **DREAM**

Club leaders meet to discuss their goals at the Leadership Conference.



**BROADER HORIZONS** Leadership impacts students in ways that go beyond what can be seen from an outside perspective. "I was really shy freshman year and I wanted to be able to build my character and come out of my shell," Sakari Mackéy said. Acting in a leadership role forced Mackey to experience growth on both a personal and educational level Photo by J. George Ruge



COMMUNICATION IS KEY For club leaders such as Adeline Ray, the ability to talk with fellow leaders of various clubs is essential. "Getting to hear from other clubs is the most important parbecause there's so many clubs in the school, and a lot of them you don't get to hear about on a regular basis," Ray said. With so many interests in one room, these meetings helped solve arising issues. Photo by J. George Ruge



EMBRACING DIVERSITY As Aaialani Patacsil expands her thoughts of what the responsibilities of being a leader means to her. "Being a leader means being able to create a space for people to be themselves while working together," Patacsil said. A passionate person herself, Patacsil hoped to create an accepting environment through her influence. Photo by J. George Ruge

# improved Michael James starts as new activities director.



WATCH AND LEARN As Mr. Michael James is new to the school, there's a lot to learn. Traditions to be exact. "I'm excited to see all the traditions of CT and to really get my hands dirty," James said. High school offers a lot to learn with how things are handled and celebrated. There are lots of great things ahead for James and so much to offer for him at the school. He truly gets to see how everyone gets in the school spirit.

Photo by A.K. Larson

#### LETS GET CONNECTED There's

a new activities director in town and that's Mr. Michael James. "I've always loved doing activities, and that's an easy way to connect with students because everyone loves doing activities," James said. Being new to the school came with great opportunities for James to learn about students and staff. Activities open doors with so many events entailed, homecoming, wish week, etc. here's so many ways Mr. Michael James is able to connect to the school. Photo by



### WELCOME back



What's the routine you have to prepare yourself for the first day?

"As I get older, I find myself going to bed instead of doing a whole



Brianna Banana



Would you rather go school clothes shopping or school supply shopping?

"I would rather go shopping for back to school clothes rather than for supplies."

Brielle Carlan



Preparing for the first day, how do you get yourself ready?

"I like to set out my outfit and get my backpack all ready so I'm prepared."

#### BE SUPPORTIVE

Showcasing Cooper Rickards and his love of being able to support important causes. "I'm really excited and happy with what we're doing cause we got to see the actual impact of it," Rickards said. Through raising money for Lahaina and breast cancer awareness, Rickards was part of something bigger. Photo by B. Green

"I know that whenever go [that] I'm going to be welcomed, everybody else there is going to be welcomed



 $\ensuremath{\mathbf{BELIEVE}}$  Mrs. Johnson speaks to the members of BeKind knowing everyone can spread kindness. "I'm a believer that everyone has a leader within them, and I think they all have an opportunity to be a leader in the building and spread kindness; Mrs. Johnson said. By believing in her students she encouraged the students in the community to be better Photo by J. George Ruge

# FASHIONABLY The 'Be Kind.' club raises money and impacts the school with courage and kindness

#### In today's society.

negativity can be found behind every corner. To combat this, Mrs. Johnson, or more commonly referred to as Mama J, restarted the 'Be Kind.' club to be the flashlight that shines in the dark.

"I wanted myself to make an impact. I wanted to be as much involved in the school as possible," Talya Sim said.

Students like Sim joined the club to be a part of something greater than themselves. The club was started after the Parkland school shooting. The day of tragedy had spread so much negativity into the world but students needed a way to transfer the negativity to positive actions. The club's goal is to spread their message on kindness and the instant gratification from helping others.

The 'Be Kind.' club started their journey during the first week of school where Mama J gathered all her closest students and reintroduced the club. During the first meeting it was made clear that all the students in attendance wanted to be there to make their impact on the community and were willing to go the extra mile.

"Everyone wants to be involved in spreading kindness, whether that's selling shirts or planning other events that we have coming up," Maci Hommes said.

Students Hommes and Rachel Gates are heavily involved in the club. During the months of August and September the

club worked with the student body to sell Be Kind. shirts at lunches to raise money for the Lahanina fires.

"The idea came to us the month that the Hawaiian fires were happening and they thought let's make some money for them, let's help someone who's going through something and who needs help," Gates

When walking the halls of CT you will find students wearing their Be Kind. shirts or sweatshirts. They serve as a gentle reminder to be nice to those around you. Yet, that even something as simple as a piece of clothing and change someone's

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