It has been a challenge ...

Furloughs, new fee policies and an old building have been a few of the monumental obstacles FSYC have already come up against this school year! THANK YOU of behalf of the staff for working with us during this challenging period.

It is our heartfelt wish that your child's growth and happiness thrive while they are here, and with the help of the After school Alliance and the 4H Clubs of Hawaii the education and enrichment of your child's school experience will continue to prosper. We are excited about the upcoming holiday season and are thrilled with the turnout from the Fall Festival! We are going into the holidays with a BANG! Mahalo!

Peter Tedtaotao,
FSYC Director

CRAZY HAT DAY
ANIMAL DAY
SPORTS SHIRT DAY
FALL FESTIVAL

Can you still taste the caramel ...mmm!

October 1st FSYC Fall Festival was a blast!
There were games, prizes, awesome snacks
And a whole lotta crazy fun! Thank you to all the families that spent the afternoon with us and especially to all of you who brought in canned food items for the food drive!

We are going to be very proud to deliver the box of generous donations to the food bank! During the fall break!
Community Service and Outstanding Participation

All of the children here at Fort Shafter are outstanding participants in the activities that we present to them. Some of our kids really take it seriously and deserve some recognition! We are nearing the “America Recycles Day” on November 15th let’s all help Eric Luedtke by recycling those used plastic bottles, cans and newspapers!

NATIONAL KIDS DAY

In conjunction with the Boys and Girls Club of America ...

The Fort Shafter Youth Center offered all of our children a chance to participate in a “Daily Theme” aimed at raising the awareness for supporting stronger relationships between adults and youth! The National Day for Kids was established to encourage adults and children to spend more meaningful time together. National Day for Kids was celebrated all month here at FSYC! Celebrate our nation’s youth all year by taking the time to let them know how special they are.

After school Alliance

Lights on After school is a nation wide celebration for after school programs. October 22, 2009 in more than 7,500 communities there will be a call to attention to the after school programs that help to keep our kids safe, inspire them to learn and help working families!

We are planning an afternoon of fun! Come and help our kids promote awareness for the after school alliance! We will have signs, banners and fun giveaways! There will be dance performances, balloon animals and refreshments!

The coordinator for this event is the State of Hawaii After School Alliance Ambassador, Mr. Peter Tedtaotao. Come and join us!

The fun starts at 1600 on the Front veranda of the Youth Center on October 22, 2009.

ERIC LUEDTKE

What started out as a 4H club project has turned into a lifestyle for our 1st grader Eric Luedtke! Single handedly he has raised the bar on recycling at the center!

He is the star of the month for September at FSYC!

SYDNEY WILSON

This young lady cannot be beat! If there is a theme day or a chance to shine at the center...our gal Sydney will be the first in line to make her mark and show the way!

For the month of September we had a different theme each day to celebrate National Day for Kids! Sydney was creative for every single day and theme!

KAYLA SEDOFF

Meet our youth leader! Kayla has one of the most important jobs here at the FSYC! She is youth leader for incoming students! She gives them a tour of the facility and explains the program activities and schedules to the new children! Thank you Kayla!
"I pledge my HEAD to clearer thinking,
my HEART to greater loyalty,
my HANDS to larger service,
and my HEALTH to better living,
for my club, my community, my country, and my world."
The pledge tells us what 4-H is all about. 4-H has as its goal the four-fold development of youth: HEAD, HEART, HANDS and HEALTH. 4-H empowers youth to reach their full potential, working and learning in partnership with caring adults. The 4-H vision, "A world in which youth and adults learn, grow and work together as catalysts for positive change. The 4-H motto, "To make the Best Better" and to "Learn by Doing". Young people learn best when they are involved in their learning. The intent is to do, reflect and apply. We are rather ambitious here at FSYC as we have 14 clubs that will run from October 5th thru the end of June. Each club meets for at least ten one hour sessions. If you have enrolled your child in the 4-H experience please grab a schedule from the front desk so that you can support your child's attendance in the club that they chose! We are so excited about the program this year and hope that your child will be thrilled with the activities! We are starting off with 4 clubs! Science, Dance, Smart Art and the Green Team will kick off the program! Stay tuned for updates and progress reports!

THE KICK OFF TO THE 4-H EXPERIENCE AT FSYC IS OCTOBER 5TH! GO 4-H!

ROBOTICS
COOKING
SPANISH
GARDENING
CREATIVE EXPRESSION ART
PHOTOGRAPHY
HAWAIIANA
SEWING ...coming soon!
There is never a dull moment around here!

There is always something going on at the FSYC! Whether we are dressing up or dancing the days away there is never a dull moment for sure! We know that many of you are concerned with the upcoming furlough days and how this is going to effect your child academically - we are here to help! The plan is in motion to turn these 17 extra days into days of learning and exploration! Community service projects and educational excursions are on the agenda for those days ahead. **However, we need your help. PLEASE let us know at the Front desk 2 weeks prior to each furlough day if your child will be attending or not!** We need to know either way so that meals can be ordered, staff scheduled and activities planned. This is going to be an adjustment for all of us and hopefully we can make this transition as smooth as possible. If there are any of you parents that would like to volunteer and participate in an activity we would love to have you! Let us know at the front desk and we can arrange it!

Thank you!

Ms. Kelley and Ms. Helene