



Home of the Flyers

Mokulele Elementary School
50 Years of Mokulele Pride
Parent Newsletter

**August /
September 2016**

**Welcome to the
Home of the Flyers!**

Upcoming Events

Sept 1
Papa John's Pizza
Day

Sept 5
Labor Day
No School

Sept 9
Parent Coffee
Hour @7:45

Sept 14
Dominos Pizza Day

Sept 21
SCC Meeting
@4pm

Principal's Message

**August/September 2016
SY 2016-2017**

Aloha Mokulele 'Ohana,

Welcome Back to a wonderful new School Year 2016-2017 at Mokulele Elementary School! We have had a restful summer break, and now need to focus our attention on helping our students achieve their fullest potential this School Year.

The state DOE theme for this year is "Everyone a Leader: Igniting a Passion for Learning" is a reminder that every student has the opportunity to lead in some way at school: in classroom groups or philosophical circles, as a Troop, JPO, or Student Council member, as a member of a sports team for intramurals, and in many other ways. It also reminds us that as educators we need to be excited about the learning journey, and we are! We truly believe that a Passion for Learning is contagious, and that it is an amazing way to lead our students through this chapter of their learning.

To our Parents, Thank you to all who attended our Annual Flyers Day Meet and Greet on July 27, and our Grade Level Orientations held on August 10. We appreciate your continued support as we implement the new pick up protocol after school in order to maximize learning time and implement the changes in the FERPA law. We know that with this support we can work with your children to make this year a very special one for them!

We have had a few changes in our personnel assignments at Mokulele. Mrs. Lani Ng has moved from grade 2 to grade 1 for this SY, and Mrs. Sally Derrick is now teaching grade 3. Mrs. Jamie Kawamura is now our Technology Coordinator and GT teacher as well as continuing as our Librarian. We appreciate their flexibility in taking on new roles, and are grateful to have the continued services of all our wonderful MES teachers.

Parents, we hope you'll accept this personal invitation to attend our Parent Coffee Hours on the 2nd Friday of each month at 7:45 in the Library, SCC meetings on the 3rd Wednesdays at 4PM, volunteer for field trips, even read in classrooms. We need volunteers at our school to assist in the myriad tasks that are necessary for its smooth operation.

My door is always open, so please feel free to stop by and talk about any concerns you may have. Together we will be able to solve any challenges and find a workable solution!

Mahalo,
Peter Tovey, Principal



AVID News

AVID Corner-August/September 2016

Aloha Mokulele Ohana,

This month's AVID corner describes in part the journey we are taking this year as we continue to implement the four AVID pillars: Instruction, Culture, Leadership, and Systems. We are now into our fourth year of AVID Elementary, and look forward with anticipation to another wonderful chapter. Three mantras which permeate the entire AVID structure are "Slow and Steady, Slow and Sequential, and Slow and Solid." The common adjective in these is 'Slow.' This has now become a school wide mantra as we continue our journey towards excellence in the way we do school. We take baby steps until the practice becomes internalized, then add more a little at a time. A child first crawls, then stands, then walks, then eventually runs. By small and simple things, great things are brought about over time with persistence as well as consistency. In this manner, all the AVID components at the elementary level will be put in place until they become systematic.

Upon reflection, that is how we have been implementing AVID from the very beginning; slowly. Just like the mighty oak tree has small beginnings in a tiny acorn, so we have had small beginnings with AVID at the elementary school level. We are now at the sapling stage. We started with the DOT (Daily Organizational Tool) binder to help our students organize their materials, homework, planners, and communication logs. In the second year of AVID implementation we added note taking in 2 and 3 columns. Then last year we added reflection logs. This summer a team of our teachers attended the AVID Summer Institute at the Hawaii Convention Center. They will be sharing another AVID component that we will focus on this year while maintaining the practices we already have in place. We will share this addition in the next AVID Corner.

While we progress along our AVID journey we have to justify our existence at every turn. The AVID certification process is challenging and rigorous. We have to document everything and collect evidence of every aspect of the program throughout the year. This must be submitted in an evidence binder in May of each year. We collect evidence as we conduct classroom walkthroughs, capture photos of various components, and observe AVID implementation at the classroom level. At the same time we continue to showcase our students who show great promise in AVID by the way they behave in the classroom. Each month one student in each class is selected as the AVID student of the month to be honored in the VIP lunch with the Principal. This is the student that in the teacher's estimation has best exemplified the characteristics of a good AVID student.

As one great leader stated "That which we persist in doing becomes easier; not that the nature of the thing changes, but that our power to do it increases."

Anticipating an awesome AVID journey this school year!

Mahalo.



Grade Level News

Each month our Grade Level News will feature highlights about school life at Mokulele Elementary School. Enjoy finding out more about what happens at the Home of the Flyers.

Kindergarten: Welcome to Kindergarten! In August, we are learning our school rules and routines, practicing writing our names, beginning our number and alphabet exploration, and studying the sun and moon. For our Language Arts Wonder's Curriculum, please make sure you have your child's login and password information being sent home later this month. We are looking forward to a great school year! Ms. Tahara (room 12), Mrs. Alden (Room 14), and Mrs. Sambueno

Grade 1: Welcome back to school!!! The teachers are looking forward to working you. For the month of August, we have been reviewing concepts taught in Kindergarten, rules and procedures, and assessing students. To help your child become a self-directed learner, please review and sign your child's planner daily. Our first field trip will be on September 22, we will be going to the Hawaii Theater for Youth (HTY) play Anime Momotaro. With all your help and support, let's work towards a Fantastic, Fun-filled First grade year.

Grade 2: All 2nd Graders are studying about Families Around the World. We are examining differences and similarities between different families. Our first story was about a Brazilian Family-its setting goes perfectly with the Olympic games in Brazil. Your 2nd Grader will be doing their first oral presentation.

The presentation is entitled: FAMILY TRADITIONS and FAMILY TIES:

The information will be coming home with your child soon.

We are ecstatic to hear about your child's family traditions and treasures!

Grade 3: Welcome to the School Year 2016! The third grade teachers are looking forward to an exciting and enriching new school year. We have a passion for learning and are ready to begin our wonderful journey working with your child. It is a joy getting to know each individual child and discover how unique everyone is. This is going to be a year of growth.

Grade 4: Aloha E Komo Mai i ka Papa 'Eha. Welcome to Fourth Grade. We are so excited to start our journey of Fourth Grade with our new students. Please bear with us as the Pineapple Express of Fourth Grade starts off a bit slow. We will be full steam ahead in just a bit with Papers to write and Math Facts to memorize. We would appreciate it if you could remind your child to read for 20 minutes and practice their multiplication facts daily. We look forward to our year of adventure! Mahalo~ Mrs. Engleman and Ms. Butler

Grade 5: The 5th Graders are studying place value and multi-digit multiplication to begin the school year.

Grade 6: Our 6th graders are revisiting globe and map skills that will help them understand what has happened as we dive into the world's past. They are presently creating their own maps, continents, countries, oceans, etc. As for language arts, our students have been introduced to more vocabulary, grammar skills, and how one's perceptions can influence outcomes. We are gearing up for our first field trip, "Mathemagic!" at the historic Hawaii Theater in September. We want to thank our families. They have supported their child during this chapter of 6th grade.



Mokulele Flyers PTO

Become a member of the Mokulele Elementary School Parent Teacher Organization
Our school and our children need our support!

Our PTO is a vital part of the school community bringing together parents, teachers, administrators and students. Our goals this year is to fund cultural art events, teacher mini-grant projects and extras to enhance our children's overall school experience. Our PTO runs the Box Top for Education, Tyson A+ Labels project, Labels for Education, Coke Rewards, School Kine Cookie Fundraiser, Holiday Shop, and assists with other school enrichment projects.

Our PTO can only accomplish all of the above with your help, so please join us today and become involved.

Dues are \$10.00 per year per family which entitles you to all membership benefits including discounts to PTO-sponsored events.

Each family must be a member in good standing in order to cast a vote at any PTO meeting. Please complete information below and return it to your child's teacher or the office with your cash or check made out to: Mokulele E.S. PTO and in a sealed envelope labeled "PTO Membership". Including your email address will enable you to occasionally receive important information and reminders. Email address will only be used for PTO business and will not be shared with any other organization.

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If you would prefer to make a donation to the PTO in Lieu of volunteering and /or becoming a member, we would welcome your support! Please note all donations are tax deductible!

Membership Fee \$10

Parent/ Guardian: _____

Parent/ Guardian: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Children's Names and Grades: _____

"Our Membership are the Heart of Our PTO"



August VIP Students

K-1	Tahara	1	Eliana Arreola	2	Sydney Graham	3	Frederick Wunderlin
	Alden	4	Zoey Gaines	5	Nathaniel Salako	6	Peyton Tannery
	Sambueno	7	Aubree Jones	8	Jacob Press	9	Cecilia Weatherly
	Hatashima	10	Francisco Gacuya	11	Ashlyn McConnell	12	Leo Gobel
	Ng	13	Kalani Canalin	14	Avery Mann	15	Evenlyn Loeffler
	Masuoka	16	Willow Aveline	17	Camdyn Edwards	18	Leah Cambra
2-3	Levenson	19	Harmony Turner	20	Alexandra Lopez	21	Nathan Henley
	Young	22	Seth Young	23	Julia Jane Lopez	24	Eve Augustain
	Bonifacio	25	Jayden David	26	Taylor Harley	27	
	Tagawa	28	Leonie Louzon	29	JaePreston Mitchell	30	Hailey Quinlan
	Derrick	31	Taylor Brandt	32	Jonathan Ibanez	33	Lynea Kahalekomo
4-6	Engleman	34	Joshua Fiery	35	Ryan Dye	36	Danika Morales
	Butler	37	Alexis Schultz	38	Joshua Barnum	39	Maliya David
	Luckie	40	Jaylen Coleman	41	Emmalei Dinot	42	Myles Gadlin
	Laeha	43	Josalyn Hasbrouck	44	Natalie Saecho-Martha	45	Morrison Pitre
	Izutsu	46	Michael Tucker	47	Bryce Clark	48	Alley Dye
	Furukawa	49	Nile Ham	50	Camden Winterstein	51	Kaison Cua
JPO/Troops	Davidson	52	Hudgins	53	Caleb Edwards	54	Disirie De Arce
	Nii	55	Maja Louzon	56	Aamara Dancel	57	Jaylyn Parker
	Slavens	58	Anthony Dobbins	59	Isabel Flippo	60	



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Vision

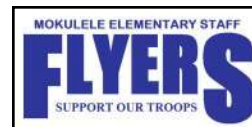
Mokulele Elementary School is a Tribes school where all learners succeed in a safe, positive place that values relationships and relevant learning.

Mission

The mission of Mokulele Elementary School is to provide our students with the skills, knowledge and resiliency to be successful life-long learners in a rapidly changing world.

Motto

"E malama, e a'o aku, e lawelawe me ke aloha" means
"To care, to learn, and to serve with compassion."



Job Opportunities

Mokulele Elementary has many job opportunities for YOU!
Adult Supervisor, Sub EA,
Please Call us @ 421-4180 for more information

Mokulele Elementary School NOTICE & REQUEST FOR ACCOMMODATIONS

If you are an individual with a disability, please contact the following personnel at 421-4180 to make arrangements for reasonable modifications and accessibility to school events at Mrs. Merrill Uno, SSC; or Mr. Bart Nakamoto, Principal.

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<http://mokulele.k12.hi.us>

If you prefer a hard copy of the newsletter, please fill out your information below. If you have any questions about the newsletter, you can contact us at (808) 421-4180.

Mahalo,
Main Office

(Teachers please return to Main Office)

_____ Yes, I would like to receive a hard copy of the newsletter.

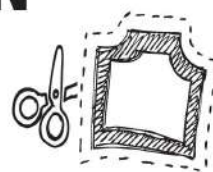
Student's Name: _____

Grade: _____ Room: _____

Parent's Name: _____



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