



# Hanalei Elementary School Newsletter

## A Message from the Principal

Aloha,

Hanalei School continues to focus on Social Emotional Learning (SEL). During our recent Professional Development Day on February 7, 2020 we took a deep dive into our Panorama Data. Panorama data is “student perception” data and is focused on eight key areas. Each area is outlined below.

- **Pedagogical Effectiveness-** Perceptions of the quality of teaching and the amount of learning students experience from a particular teacher
- **Classroom Teacher-** How strong the social connection is between teachers and students within and beyond the classroom
- **Classroom Climate-** Perceptions of the overall social and leaning climate of the classroom
- **Classroom Engagement-** How attentive and interested students are in the class
- **Classroom Rigorous Expectations-** How much students feel that a specific teacher holds them to high expectations around effort, understanding, persistence, and performance in class
- **School Belonging-** How much students feel that they are a valued member of the school community
- **Valuing of School-** How much students feel that school is interesting, important, and useful
- **School Safety-** Perceptions of students physical and psychological safety at school

When developing our academic plan, this data will be used to integrate student perception data into school improvement planning, identify school-wide focus areas that aligns with existing academic and climate goals, and use data to measure effectiveness of Tier 1 programming. As we plan professional development we will use this data to leverage student voice toward teacher development, inform professional development and coaching for teachers, and equip teachers with strategies and resources to improve student experiences.

The achievement gap between our “high-needs” students (those students who receive free and reduced lunch, students on individual education plans, and our students with english as a second language) and our “non high-needs” continues to be a focus. As a result, the Hanalei staff continues to examine specific strategies to close this gap. Part of our February 7 professional development day was spent examining the work of Eric Jensen and his recent book *“Poor Students, Rich Teaching”*. This book is focused on seven high-impact mindsets for students from poverty. Many of these strategies are considered universal strategies and will help all students be successful both inside and outside of the classroom.

We believe that feedback fosters growth and we welcome it to help our staff grow both professionally and personally. We view this feedback as an opportunity to improve upon the services and the staff, student, and community relationships. This past January a parent survey was sent home with your child. This School Quality Survey (SQS) is an opportunity for your voice to be heard. If you have not already, please take a few minutes to complete this survey. The survey can then be mailed back using the prepaid envelope. All surveys should be mailed back no later than March 13, 2020. Should you have any questions and or concerns regarding these surveys please call me directly here at school.

Together we can,

Tony Sines, Principal  
Hanalei School

## MARCH

- March 4 - Hawaiiiana Day!
- March 5 - Talent Show! 6pm in Cafeteria
- March 6 - HI-5 Recycling Day
- March 11 - School Science Fair Expo 5-6pm in Cafeteria, all welcome to view projects
- March 13 - 10am: Student of the Week/Gotcha Assembly  
12:45 MARKET DAY!  
(Please consider signing up for a booth!)
- March 14 - March 20 - **SPRING BREAK! ENJOY!** 
- March 21 - Start of Q4
- March 26 - **NO SCHOOL** Prince Jonah Kuhio Kalaniana'ole Day
- March 30 - 5-7pm Community Garden Time and joint SCC/PTA meeting - all encouraged to attend, dinner provided



# NEWS FROM AROUND THE SCHOOL

Each month we will be highlighting what's been going on in the classrooms. Here's what the Lower Elementary classes (K-2) have been up to! Look to the back of the newsletter for school-wide announcements and info.

## KINDERGARTEN



Ms. Bell's and Mrs. Deblin's classes have been busy engineering ramps, working on their Creative Movement, reading with 6th Grade Reading Buddies, creating some amazing Presidential portraits of George Washington and Abraham Lincoln, and even took a field trip to the Princeville Library for storytime and Valentine's crafts!



Kinders enjoying library time at the Princeville Library... storytime with Aunty Kat about a star friend and making Valentine's Day crafts... enjoy your new books!

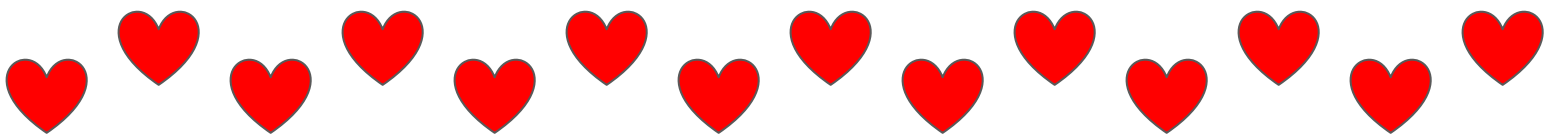




# 1st GRADE

Mrs. Fredericksen's and Mrs. Paik's month centered around **LOVE**

"We learn how to love one another all year long, but February was extra loving. We wrote about ways to be loving. We graphed kind words. We made kindness goals for home and school. We shared sweet cards, treats, bubbles, hugs, and so many giggles. Let love rule...love succeeds!"





## 2nd GRADE



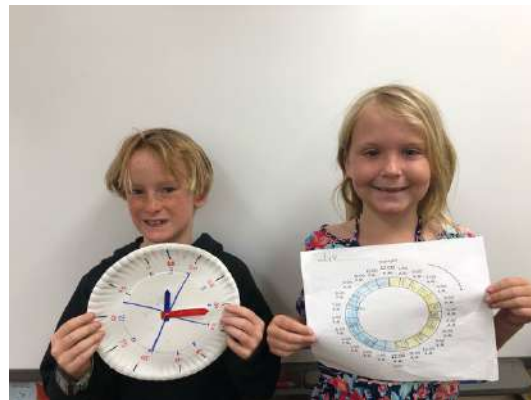
Do you know what time it is?



If you don't, you can ask a 2nd grader!

Ms. Kauo's and Ms.

Hawkinson-Spaethe's classes made their own clocks, learned how to tell time to the 5 minutes on an analog clock and learned the difference between a.m. and p.m.



## Technology Corner

Ryan McGill, Technology Coordinator, Hanalei School



If you are interested in having your student learn more about coding (computer programming) and computer science by playing fun and educational computer activities (that are totally free), you should definitely check out Code.org's Hour of Code activities.

The Hour of Code is a global movement introducing tens of millions of students worldwide to computer science, inspiring kids to learn more, breaking stereotypes, and leaving them feeling empowered. The Hour of Code is organized by Code.org, a public non-profit dedicated to expanding access to computer science and increasing participation by women and underrepresented students of color.

The Hour of Code began as a one-hour coding challenge to give students a fun first introduction to computer science. HourOfCode.com offers hundreds of one-hour activities in over 48 languages for kindergarten aged students and up (adults can play and learn too!). Activities require no experience - tutorials are usually built in - and can be run on browsers, tablets, and smartphones.

Why computer science?

Computer science is changing every industry on the planet. Every 21st-century student should have the opportunity to learn how to create technology. Computer science concepts also help nurture creativity and problem-solving skills to prepare students for any future career. Computing occupations are the fastest-growing, best paying, and now the largest sector of all new wages in the US. Every child deserves the opportunity to succeed. (source: Code.org)

Try it out at: [hourofcode.com/us/learn](https://hourofcode.com/us/learn)

# Counselor Connection



## Behavior Modification 101

Spring Break is right around the corner, which means more time with your kids- which can be great! But it can also be challenging at times. Have you ever wished you had a magic wand to make your child behave just the way you want them to? You are not alone! Many parents feel that way from time to time. While there is no magical answer to changing your child's behavior, there are some strategies that can be helpful.

One strategy is having family rules. You are probably thinking that is nothing new, we have rules at our house. I am sure that is true, but do you have those rules posted? From my experience working with families, I can tell you that unless your rules are posted (on your fridge or by the family calendar, etc.) their existence (in your child's mind) is questionable and up for negotiation.



Tip: Have two to four household rules, discuss them with your children, explain the consequences for not following the rules and then post them some place that you can refer to them when needed. A quick reminder is always good. "What are the rules in this house?"

A second strategy is having consequences for your child's behavior. Don't forget that consequences are both positive and negative. If your child's behavior is negative, the consequence is negative. If your child's behavior is positive then the consequence is positive. Parents often wonder why they need to use positive consequences. The main reason for using positive consequences is to encourage your child to continue to do that behavior. After all, if your boss tells you how they appreciate you staying late to help finish a project, you are more likely to do it again.



Tip: Use things your child enjoys as positive consequences, rewards don't need to be elaborate or cost money. Play a game with him/her, let her/him choose what you will have for dinner. Spending time with your child is a great positive consequence. Negative consequences also work best if you take away something that is meaningful to your child, such as a favorite toy or a cell phone.



Tip: Be consistent. It is important to try to be as consistent as possible when giving consequences. The more consistent you are the faster you can shape your child's behavior.

Need support or have counseling related questions? Feel free to stop by for a chat, email or call!

Jana Rider, Hanalei School Counselor



## NEWS FROM THE PTA:

Join the Hanalei PTA and School Community Council (SCC) for Garden Time and a Community Dinner with presentations about our after school clubs on **Monday, March 30 from 5-7 pm!** Kids and adults are encouraged to join us for volunteer work in the garden for the first hour and stay for dinner and presentations after! Come out and support our school Garden program and help turn the earth, sow new seed and tidy up. And if you need plants for YOUR garden, the school garden will be selling plants at this event as a fundraiser.

After you've worked up an appetite in the garden, join us in the cafeteria for a complimentary Taco Bar! The PTA and SCC will be highlighting the Aloha Angels After School Clubs with a couple of great demonstrations from our after school clubs and a small teaser of the upcoming performance of *Aladdin* from our Drama Club. Principal Sines will also give a brief talk about what's been going on at Hanalei Elementary and what's in store for the 2020-21 school year. Come and see what students have been up to this year and check out what your student can be a part of next year! Kids activities will be provided for the meeting part, but your child is encouraged to come and dig in the garden with us.

### AND... SAVE THE DATE!

#### ★ *Starry Nights* ★

Will be held Saturday, April 25th at the Princeville Preserve.  
Exciting details coming soon!

More information about what is going on at Hanalei Elementary School can be found at the school's website

<http://www.hanalei.k12.hi.us/>

And on our Instagram account:  
[@hanalei.school](https://www.instagram.com/hanalei.school)

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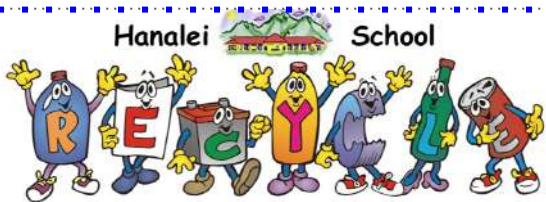


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**HOORAY !! HI-5 ♻️ Recycling ♻️**

**FRIDAY MARCH 6th!!**

Help our kids raise \$\$\$, earn prizes and learn to care for our island!

Please remember -

**WE CAN ONLY REDEEM HI-5 BEVERAGE CONTAINERS FOR \$\$\$**

You can help us by removing lids and trash from bags!  
That means:

NO food cans, jars or bottles ONLY BEVERAGE CONTAINERS

NO wine, liquor or champagne bottles (beer bottles are ok)

NO plastic milk jugs, XL plastic water, or juice containers, all plastics must be 2 liters(64oz) or smaller



**Box Top Program** - Box Tops help support our Positive Behavior Support programs (incentives and rewards for students who display positive behaviors at school - which includes our Gotcha prizes!).

Please help our school raise money to support these programs by cutting out and bringing in Box Tops coupons from the products you use. Box Tops can be turned in to the front office, or in your student's classroom. Mahalo for your support!