

# Pauoa Elementary

2301 Pauoa Road, Honolulu, HI 96813

[Http://pauoa.k12.hi.us/](http://pauoa.k12.hi.us/) T: 587-4500

---

## Principal Arakaki's Message

Believe to Achieve - Stand Up! Be Heard! Let's Excel Now!

---

Dear Pauoa Ohana,

Thank you everyone for participating in our PTA Kala Kokua fundraising this past month. Pickup of the Kala Kokua products is scheduled for Wednesday, March 10 from 2-5:30 pm in our school parking lot. Make sure to have your placard with your name on it. Proceeds from this fundraiser will go to student learning. Thanks again for supporting.

March also marks the end of the Geographic Exception period. If you know of anyone wanting to attend Pauoa Elementary, please have him or her complete the Geographic Exception form. Also, if you know of any child that will be the age of 5 by July 31 st, please have them register for Kindergarten at our school if they are in our home district. If not, the family will need to get a Geographic Exception from their home school in order to register at Pauoa.

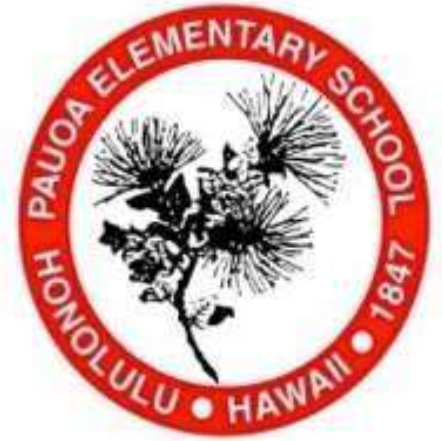
Lastly, be on the lookout for our last school community meeting for the year. At this meeting, you will learn about the success we have been having with distance learning, the use of our technology in the classroom, and what the future will look like at Pauoa Elementary. We will have testimonies from teachers, parents and students. Stay tune for this awesome opportunity to learn, participate and provide feedback.

Stay safe everyone by wearing your mask, practicing social distancing and sanitizing frequently.

Aloha,  
Dale Arakaki, Principal

"Believe to Achieve! Stand up! Be heard! Let's excel now!"

---



## March Events

**March 12** – End of 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter

**March 15-March 19** – Spring Break, No School for Students

**March 26** – Kuhio Day, No School for students

---

**HIP, HIP, HOORAY, WE DID IT #THE PAUOA WAY!!!**

Thank you to the Pauoa School Ohana, students, families, faculty and staff, for making our Spdm Musubi Fundraiser a SUCCESS! We raised \$727!!! Thank you all for your continued support!

---

## **Grade Level News:**

### **Preschool: Ms. Shigematsu, Teacher & Ms. Melva, Educational Assistant (D1)**

Spring is almost here and we can't wait for all the flowers to bloom! We are fast approaching Spring Break and working hard in class learning new things each day. We are happy to say that all of our students are back with us in the classroom and you can really see it on their faces that they missed each other since we abruptly ended last year.

#### Reminders:

- If your child will be absent, please call the school office to inform them that your child will be out.
- If your child is tardy, please check in at the office to get a tardy slip
- Homework Assignments are now being sent home with your child and are due at the end of the week.

Thank you,  
Ms. S

### **Kindergarten: Ms. Higa (D2), Mrs. Hamada (D3), Mrs. Kahanu (D4)**

Aloha Kindergarten Families!

Thank you for your continuous support through our blended learning. Third quarter has gone by so quickly. Kindergarten has been busy celebrating our 100th day of school, Valentine's Day, and Chinese New Year in February. It was exciting to see all the 100th Day projects the students worked on.

Please continue to read with your child daily, work on their skills folder, and continue to build their fluency with addition and subtraction.

Have a great but safe Spring Break. Continue to practice social distancing, wash your hands, and wear a mask. We look forward to seeing all the students after the break to starting our 4th quarter.

From the Kinder Team,  
Ms. Higa, Mrs. Hamada, & Mrs. Kahanu

## Grade 1: Ms. Derby (B3), Ms. Bierwert (B4), Mrs. Lau (B5)

Happy March, family and friends of first grade!

We are happy to see all the progress your children have made so far this year! We are well into our Stepping Stones curriculum and have been working really hard practicing the skills we are learning. This month in Wonders, we are talking all about animals including Animal Features and Animals Together. Please continue to read with your child at home every day for at least 15 minutes!

Spring break is March 15 – 19. Your children will return to school on March 22<sup>nd</sup> for the A group and March 23<sup>rd</sup> for the B group. Thank you for your continued support and have a great break!

## Grade 2: Mrs. Obayashi (C2), Mrs. Rickard (C3), Mrs. Guzzardo (C4)

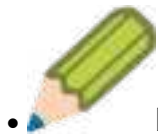
Hello grade 2 families!

Students have been working hard and adjusting to our in-school learning routines. Thank you for your support in your child's education as well as helping to keep everyone healthy and safe by **social distancing, wearing a mask in public**, and frequently **washing hands well** with soap.

Please encourage your child to be a **self-directed learner (GLO #1)** by completing all of the following on **asynchronous (at home) days**:



- Attendance & Lunch Form



- Google Classroom Assignment



- i-Ready Reading & Math Lessons (20 minutes or more each day, each subject)




- Read Chapter Books (20 minutes or more daily)



- **Reading Fluency & Comprehension Packet** Worksheet



- **Math Fluency Packet** Worksheet

-  **Choice Board Activities** (Enrichment learning and review activities at the bottom of the weekly schedule)

Also, check the **Grade 2 At-Home Schedule**, **Student Planner**, **Google Classroom**, and **ClassDojo App Reminders** regularly for important announcements.



Thank you,  
Grade 2 Teachers

### **Grade 3: Ms. Tatemichi (D6), Mrs. Waalani (D7)**

Aloha 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade families!

And just like that...March is here! Here's what we will be working on this month! In reading we are continuing reading Informational texts, focusing on using illustrations to gain information and comparing & contrasting two texts. In math we will be focusing on subtraction using the standard algorithm, and comparing common fractions. Please continue to have your child practice multiplication & division flashcards at home.

As a reminder, this quarter we start our Smarter Balanced Assessment (SBA) preparation. If you have time at home please visit the website and do the practice smarter balanced assessments with your child. This will help your child be even more prepared for the assessment that is coming up at the end of the school year. Here is the website:  
[https://login9.cloud1.tds.airast.org/student/V377/Pages/LoginShell.aspx?c=Hawaii\\_PT&a=Student](https://login9.cloud1.tds.airast.org/student/V377/Pages/LoginShell.aspx?c=Hawaii_PT&a=Student)

We will also post the link on ClassDojo for easier access. Please contact your child's teacher if you have any questions. Thank you so much! 😊

Grade 3 Teachers

## Grade 4: Mrs. Chanhboursy (B9), Ms. Takesue (B10)

Fourth graders have been hard at work both at school and at home. Thank you for all that you are doing to support your child's learning. We have been working on reestablishing in class rituals and routines such as taking pride in producing neat quality work, keeping an organized desk and planner, checking backpack for necessary supplies, taking care of their Chromebook and most importantly staying focused during lessons. **We also continue to stress the importance of covid safety measures including being mindful of physical distancing, keeping their face mask securely covering nose and mouth, and frequent hand washing and use of hand sanitizer.** We ask that you please support us by discussing these rituals and routines with your child.

Reminders: Students must

1. Bring missing supplies especially wipes, tissue, and paper towels as soon as possible.
2. Be sure to have an extra face mask at school.
3. Charge laptops nightly.
4. Be sure to have a set of headphones at school.
5. Read and complete a reading log entry nightly.
6. Try their best to keep their missing folder empty.
7. Complete online morning check in daily by 8:00 am to be marked present and on time.
8. Treat asynchronous days as school days by checking in and completing all of their work in a timely manner.

Here are some third quarter iReady highlights (as of mid-February). Keep up the great work students!

### **Highest Time on Task:**

B9 Reading - **Sanoe Holani-Frank 17 hours** B9 Math - **Ikena Weisbarth 14 hours**

B10 Reading -**Stilla Sirauo 13 hours** B10 Math - **Loghan Solano 13 hours**

### **Highest Passrate (100%):**

B9 Reading - **Joshua Maluina, Saifour Sheldon**

B9 Math - **Honesty Leoiki-Mutch, Jeremiah Sarmiento, Jaden Nguyen, Ke Lan Han, Noah Wong,**

**Ichigo Bailey, Saifour Sheldon, Delilah Masek**

B10 Reading -**Eyva Robinson, Toby Cheng, Loghan Solano**

B10 Math - **Jaren Arcano, Peyton Kodama, Eyva Robinson, Ryder Keliiholokar, Sammy Arellano-Haruo, Allie Feng, Ryan Pacson, Toby Cheng, Jerrod Milikini**

## Grade 5: Ms. Nakamura (C9), Mrs. Oliveira (C10)

Hello Grade 5 Families,

We are entering our last quarter. Can you believe it? This is our last push to prepare your child for middle school. Fourth quarter will be packed with learning and assessments, state testing, and celebrations. It is during this time that we notice students lose focus and start to get "loose" with their everyday responsibilities and behavior. Parents, we would like to ask for your support in making sure your child "keeps the pedal to the metal" until the very last day of school.

Starting in April, your child will be taking the SBA (Standards Based Assessment) for Reading and Math and the NGSS (Next Generation Science Standards) Science Testing. Dates to be determined and will be shared with you as soon as we can.

We have a lot to accomplish before the last day of school. Each day is VERY IMPORTANT. Please help us to make sure your child is healthy, well-rested, organized, and prepared for school every day whether it is face-to-face or online. Thank you in advance for your support! Please contact us if you have any questions or concerns.

Fifth Grade Team, Mrs. Oliveira and Ms. Nakamura

### **Resource Room: Ms. Oyama, Teacher Grades 4-5 (B7)**

Aloha B7 Families,

This has been a busy month! We are getting ready for our next iReady Diagnostic. In class we are also continuing our research projects, reading comprehension, and working with fractions! Just as a reminder, with the new track system, B7 will only have face-to-face classes and no more online sessions. If your child will be absent, please refer to the Pauoa attendance policy and inform the office. Also, students remember to wear shoes and bring your water bottle to school everyday!

Please continue to check our B7 Google Classroom for our schedule and assignments. Feel free to message me if you have any questions.

Mahalo, Ms. Oyama

### **Full Distance Learning, Managers Mrs. Fong (Gr. K-2), Mrs. Nguyen (Gr. 3-5)**

***Parents - Pauoa School is gathering perception (a view, judgement) data for continuous school improvement (CSI). Perception data is important to Pauoa School's CSI process because it will help us gather more information to understand the needs of parents in order to provide all students with better support to achieve as learners. We would greatly appreciate your participation and voice by completing the online questionnaire by Tuesday, March 9, 2021. The link below is to an online questionnaire provided on a Survey Monkey platform. The questionnaire is also provided in Chuukese and Chinese.***

***The parents link is:***

***[https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/KMR PAR Pauoa](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/KMR_PAR_Pauoa)***

***If you have more than one child, please do one questionnaire per child.***

Your child in Grades 2-5 will also be asked to fill out a survey as a student.

Please make sure your child has completed all 'missing' assignments, if any, on Google Classroom.

\* i-Ready Diagnostic testing will begin March 1st and needs to be completed before spring break. Please do not help your child in any way on this assessment.

Spring Break is from March 15-19. Have a great Spring Break! Stay safe.

## **Title 1 & Curriculum Coordinator: Mrs. Yama (Front Office)**

Thank you to Pauoa School's Parents, Students, Faculty and Staff for completing the Pauoa CSI Questionnaire. Just a friendly reminder to Parents that the deadline to complete the questionnaire is Tuesday, March 9, 2021. A link was sent by your child's teacher.

\*"Every day is a new beginning. Take a deep breath, smile and start again."

## **Counselor: Mr. Uetake (Front Office)**

It's great to see that most of our students are back to school doing in-person learning. Please stay safe and healthy.



## **English Language (EL) Coordinator: Ms. Ota (Library)**

The ACCESS Assessment for ELs is finished. Thank you, families for bringing you child to their testing appointments. Assessment results will be shared in May. All students did a wonderful job – worked hard and tried their best!! EL Google Meets and classes will resume on March 1, 2021 for grades K-2 and March 8, 2021 for grades 3-5.

## **Parent Involvement: Ms. Ota (Library)**

Pauoa Families, thank you for supporting us in our fundraisers!!

Below are our upcoming fundraisers:

March 29-30 – Scones

April 22-23 – Banana Bread mini loaf pans

May 13-14 – Spam Musubi

Proceeds from the sales go toward student learning and programs.

## Technology Coordinator: Mr. Sutherland (C8)

Aloha Pauoa parents and students. We finally have everyone back at least in hybrid attendance. So far, our stock of chromebooks seem to be holding up reasonably well. What follows is a list of the most common damage our chromebooks suffer, as well as simple ways to avoid these occurrences.

- Cracked or darkened screens

Cracked and darkened screens occur for two basic reasons – either something has hit the screen, or something heavy has been placed on the chromebook. Please do not play with any items while working on the chromebook. If you must have something to keep your hands busy, make sure it is light enough not to damage the chromebook if it slips and hits the screen. This issue happens more often than you would think. Also, please don't stack anything heavy on the chromebook.

- Missing keys

Keys usually fall off when something falls on the keyboard or students "pick" at the keys. Please try to refrain from pulling up on the keys.

- Damaged charging cords

This usually happens when somebody trips over the cord and it is yanked out of the computer or the wall socket. Please be careful about running the charging cord across an area where people walk. If you must run it across a walkway, consider using an extension cord and making sure there is enough slack in the cord.

If an accident occurs, please let us know as soon as you can so we can provide you with a replacement and repair the damage so we can keep as many chromebooks up and running as possible. We understand that accidents occur, and as long as the damage isn't reoccurring, we won't charge for repairs. Our main goal is for all students to have quality access to online learning. A well-functioning chromebook is an important factor in achieving that goal.

Thank you, Mr. Sutherland  
Pauoa Elementary Tech Coordinator

## Health aide: Mrs. Ladines (Front Office)

1. If your child will be absent due to ANY illness, please call the office and be SPECIFIC with the symptoms that you are reporting.
2. I will follow-up with your family in helping you to have your child/ren return to school safely.
3. Before physically returning to campus, please STANDBY for clearance from me - PLEASE DO NOT DROP OFF YOUR CHILD AND LEAVE.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at 587-4500. Thank you!



# Important Reminders

## Yearbook/Picture Taking

Picture-taking dates are as follows:



Monday - 03/08/2021

Track A students with their teacher 8:30 - 10:00 a.m.

Tuesday - 03/09/2021

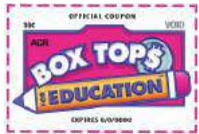
Track B students with their teacher 8:30 - 10:00 a.m.

Wednesday - 03/24/2021

Full-distance Learners 12:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Additional information will be forthcoming.

## Box Tops for Education



Box Tops are going digital. Please visit [boxtops4education.com](http://boxtops4education.com) for more information. Download the Box Top for Education App from the app store and scan your receipts within 14 days from purchase. It's quick and easy!

## **UPDATE!!!!!!**

Thank you Pauoa!

With your help our school earned **\$51.40** with our last submission.

Mahalo for making our school a better place 10 cents at a time!

\*\* Remember to scan your Box Top receipts within 14 days of purchase. \*\*

## Traffic Safety Reminders

Please drive safely and abide by the traffic rules around our school vicinity for the sake of our students and neighbors in the community.

You may be in a rush to get to where you need to, but there are many students who walk along the areas and sometimes there is NO sidewalk and students walk along the street. (Lae Street)

It is a NO Parking zone along B building on Kapaloala Place. Please wait in the school parking lot to pick up your children.

Let's be mindful and be safe in the school zone.



## Message from the Front Office

### Kindergarten Registration Now

Kindergarten Registration started on Feb. 1st. Do you have a sibling who will turn age 5 by July 31, 2021? If you reside in the Pauoa district you may begin to register for Kindergarten beginning February 1, 2021. If you live outside of our district, please make sure to follow the GE process and submit to your home school between (Jan 04 - March 01, 2021).

\*\*Addt'l Kinder info may be found

at: <http://www.hawaiipublicschools.org/ParentsAndStudents/GradeLevelOverview/Kindergarten/Pages/home.aspx>

Geographic Exception SY 2021-2022. If you know a family who is interested in enrolling at Pauoa Elementary but resides outside our school boundary or if you are interested in enrolling your child to a school outside his/her home school boundary, the GE Application form must be completed and submitted to the home school (for new students) or current school for students who are already enrolled and plan to change to another DOE school. (e.g. for middle school or another DOE school) **If you are currently on a GE at Pauoa you do NOT need to re-apply each year.** (The home school serves the geographic area of the child's residence.) GE applications for the upcoming 2021-2022 school year shall be submitted between January 2 and March 2 2020 to facilitate a decision before the end of the school year.

- Don't forget to include with your GE application: SASE (Self Addressed Stamped Envelope)
- Proof of residency document (e.g. Utility bill)
- For more info please visit: <http://www.hawaiipublicschools.org/ParentsAndStudents/EnrollingInSchool/Pages/GeographicExceptions.aspx>

Don't forget to include with your GE application: SASE (Self Addressed Stamped Envelope) and Proof of residency document (e.g. Utility bill)

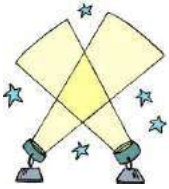
For more info please visit: [Hawaii DOE | Geographic exceptions \(hawaiipublicschools.org\)](http://www.hawaiipublicschools.org/ParentsAndStudents/EnrollingInSchool/Pages/GeographicExceptions.aspx)

We highly suggest that parents sign up on EzSchoolPay, which allows you to easily manage your child account on-line.

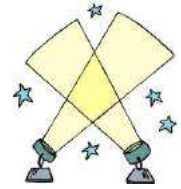
- Make online payments (minimal fee when making online payments)
- **View account balances** and see your child/children's meal deposit entries.
- Monitor students buying history (at this time there is not charge for school meals)

There is no cost to set up and monitor your child's meal account

**\*\*\*Pauoa will continue to serve FREE Grab and Go Meals until May 28, 2020.\*\*\***



## V.I.P = Very Important People



Thank you to our Front Office staff who have been working very hard to keep us healthy, well informed and well prepared for school each day! We sure do appreciate all that you do!



From left to right: Ms. Amy Ramirez - Lunch Clerk, Mrs. Alice Oshiro - SASA, Mrs. Linda Tanoue - Clerk, Mrs. Shawntell Ladines - Health Aid

### ***Notice of Non-Discrimination***

*HIDOE will not tolerate retaliation for reporting discrimination and/or harassment on the basis of race, sex, age, color, national origin, religion, or disability, and will take steps to protect those who wish to report the harassment. Please direct inquiries regarding HIDOE nondiscrimination policies to: Section ADA/504 inquiries Krysti Sukita, ADA/504 Specialist Civil Rights Compliance Office Hawaii State Department of Education P.O. Box 2360 Honolulu, Hawaii 96804 (808) 586-3322 or relay crco@notes.k12.hi.us*

*Title VI, Title IX, and other inquiries Anne Marie Puglisi, Director Civil Rights Compliance Office Hawaii State Department of Education P.O. Box 2360 Honolulu, Hawaii 96804 (808) 586-3322 or relay crco@notes.k12.hi.us*