

Pauoa Elementary

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Principal Arakaki's Message

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

Dear Parents and Guardians,

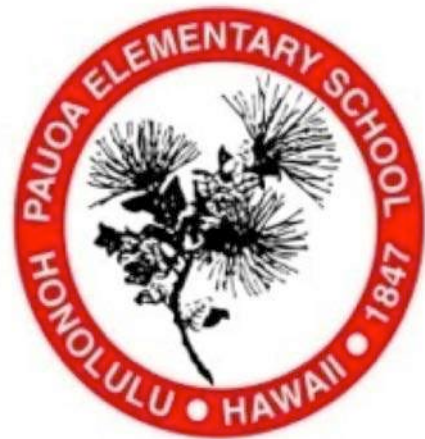
October brought us much satisfaction as students gave their best effort in the classroom, worked hard to meet the suggested minutes on iReady (45-75 minutes per week at home) and had fun. We ended October on a high note with our Pumpkin Carving Ohana Night. Many families stopped by to carve their pumpkins. There were so many creative pumpkins and even a carved pineapple. Thank you families for supporting Pauoa Elementary School in our school wide events.

How quickly the school days are passing by as we embark into the month of November. We have so much to be thankful for. Here at Pauoa we are very fortunate to have very supportive and determined staff, students and school community. Everyone is willing to do what it takes for our students to be successful in everything that they do.

We look forward to our lunch with your keiki on Wednesday, November 27th. I can't wait! In the meantime, continue to take a genuine interest in your child's education by asking about their day, by providing them with a nice quiet area to complete their work, providing time to complete 45-75 minutes of iReady, and for signing of their planner. Please continue to, "Believe to Achieve! Stand up! Be heard! Let's excel now!"

Aloha,

Dale Arakaki, Principal



November Events

11/1 – H.O.T Visit at 8:45 am in Cafeteria

11/5 – Gr. 4 Field Trip to Symphony

11/11 – Veteran's Day Holiday

11/18 – Picture Retakes & Gr. K Field Trip
to Hawaiian Plantation Village

11/18-11/22– Book Fair in Library
M-F 7:00-7:45 am, 2:15-4:00 pm

11/22 – Gr. 3-5 Field Trip to HTY Play at
Tenney Theatre & Kawanakoa
Band visit

11/27 - Lunch with your Keiki
(See confirmation for lunch times)

11/28 – School Holiday

Parent Communication

In an effort to keep parents informed, weekly email blasts that include important announcements and reminders are sent every Monday. If you would like to receive these emails, please update your demographic and contact information with our office. Thank you!

Grade Level News

Preschool: Ms. Shigematsu (D1)

Happy Fall Pre-K Parents!!

We are now in the middle of quarter 2 and time is moving fast. We are continuing working on learning our letter sounds and introducing a couple of sight words. We have been reading more stories and discussing who are the characters and where the setting takes place. We have been practicing counting up to 30, counting objects up to 5 and dabbling a little into addition using manipulatives. Continue reading to your child daily and make sure your child finishes their homework weekly. Please take a look at our Important Dates to Remember section to find our special events happening this month.

Important Dates to Remember:

11/5 – **Specials** (wear shoes)

11/14 – **Specials** (wear shoes)

11/18 - 11/22 – Book Fair

11/22 – **Specials** (wear shoes)

Thank you,
Ms. Shigematsu



Kindergarten: Mrs. Wong (D4), Mrs. Hamada (D3), Ms. Kagawa (D2)



What an amazing first quarter in the books for our kindergarteners. We are excited for all the learning and adventures that are in store the rest of the year! We want to thank all our families for taking time out of your busy schedules to attend parent-teacher conferences with your child's teacher. We hope you found the time valuable and we look forward to our continued partnership with you to ensure your child's success in school.

This quarter, we will be focusing on integrating and applying foundational skills that was learned in first quarter. We will be using their sounds to read and write words as well as moving into addition and writing, reading and counting numbers greater than 10. We will be doing a unit on hurricanes and tying it into our own hurricane season.

Reminders...

1. Read and practice skills at home with your child to build their fluency and confidence.
2. Check and empty their homework folder and notebook daily for important notices and reminders

Thank you for your continued support!
Mrs. Hamada, Ms. Kagawa, and Mrs. Wong

Grade 1: Ms. Derby (D3), Ms. Lau (B5), Ms. Bierwert (B4)

Mahalo for attending our SCC Meeting/Ohana Night Pumpkin Carving! Everyone did a great job designing their pumpkins! We have also appreciated the student participation during our Spirit Week! November promises to be another fun month as we look forward to our upcoming Book Fair from November 18-22 (more details to come)!

In ELA, the big idea in our unit of study is "What makes a community?". Our first graders are reading and talking about ways people can help make our communities stronger. In math, students will also learn more about incorporating



the double-plus-1 and double-plus 2 strategies as well as comparing and ordering two-digit numbers.

Lastly, mahalo for participating in and attending our Parent Teacher Conferences. We realize how busy families are and appreciate the continued commitment to ensure the successes of your amazing children!

"Specials" Classes for Grade 1 - Dates to Note:

Wednesday, 11/6/19 - Wear P.E. shoes, Bring a water bottle and Return the Pauoa Library book

Friday, 11/15/19 - Wear P.E. shoes, Bring a water bottle and Return the Pauoa Library book

Monday, 11/25/19 - Wear P.E. shoes, Bring a water bottle and Return the Pauoa Library book

Grade 2: Mrs. Rickard (C3), Mrs. Yoshioka, sub for Ms. Obayashi (C2)

It was a pleasure to meet with all of our students' families for parent-teacher conferences. Thank you for your partnership and support in your child's education!

Also a **BIG MAHALO** to all the parents who graciously volunteered and organized these fun, educational activities to teach our students about future possible careers. We really appreciate your parent involvement at Pauoa!

- **Chelsie's dad** taught us about being a baker and how to decorate cookies!
- **Hiram's dad** taught us about being a chef and how to make tacos & quesadillas!
- **James' dad** donated miniature pumpkins for Fall!
- **JJ's dad** taught us about being a photographer and their camera equipment!
- **Ryker's mom** helped us organize our upcoming field trip to tour the State Capitol Building on December 10!



Important Upcoming Dates:

- **Nov. Specials Classes Days** for Grade 2 – Wear **P.E. shoes**, bring **water bottle**, **return all Pauoa Library books!**
 - **Thursday, Nov. 7**
 - **Monday, Nov. 18**
 - **Tuesday, Nov. 26**

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

Aloha 3rd Grade families!

November is already here! For the second quarter, students will be reading literature texts, continuing to learn how to structure an informational paper, as well as learning how to write a narrative piece. Students are continuously working hard to score 80% or higher on iReady math and reading lessons. Students are learning different strategies to help them solve/remember their multiplication facts.

As Parent-Teacher-Conferences come to a close, please look through your child's Progressfolio and keep the work organized in each subject area. Also, please return the Report Card Page 4 (parent/student comments sheet). Parents' comments are optional, but signature and date are required at the bottom. Students are required to write at least 2 things he/ she learned in the first quarter. Then they must sign and date at the bottom. Please return these items **before or by Tuesday, November 12, 2019**.

Reminders: Grade 3 Specials Days: 11/8, 11/19, 11/27

A huge thank you to Sammy's dad and uncle for visiting D6 for a fun & yummy parent involvement activity! Students feasted on tacos and quesadillas that were prepared especially for them! (pictured to the left)

Thank you for everyone's hard work!



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

Aloha 4th Grade Parents,



Mahalo for taking the time to participate in parent teacher conferences. We appreciate your time, support, and partnership!

Please take note of field trip information below. We are very fortunate to have busses and entrance fees on both field trips sponsored by Pauoa Ohana, a Honolulu Theater for Youth Grant and the Honolulu Symphony. Please show your appreciation by continuing to support our hard working parent organization by getting involved.

To help provide each child with the appropriate support needed to reach grade level lessons on iReady and proficiency in reading and math, we have adjusted the weekly lesson requirements. Please ask to take a look at your child's new iReady log for more information.

Lastly, thank you for continuing to check and sign planners, supporting your child in nightly reading, and all the countless ways you support their learning throughout the year!

| Event | Date | Comments |
|---|--------------------------|---|
| Specials (SEL, Performing Arts, PE, Science, Library, Hawaiian Studies) | 11/1, 11/12, 11/20 | Students must be prepared with shoes, water, zippered pouch of supplies, library books, and name tag in backpack. |
| Honolulu Symphony Field Trip 9:45 am - 12:15 pm | 11/5 | Covered shoes, school or red shirt, home lunch |
| Honolulu Theater for Youth (HTY) Field Trip: <i>In the Year of the Boar & Jackie Robinson</i> 8:45 - 10:45 am | 11/22 | Shoes, school shirt. |

"There are many little ways to enlarge your world. Love of books is the best of all." – Jacqueline Kennedy
"Reading is to the mind what exercise is to the body." – Richard Steele"

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

November is upon us and we continue to set goals and strive for them.

Over the moon we go as we continue our study of space in Science.

Vested are we in our understanding of the past as Social Studies has us looking at the effects history has on our world today!

Evidence and explain! We are working on constructed responses to make sure our opinion/answer is supported by evidence and explanations.

Meet our personal expectations in iReady and maintain a 70% accuracy!

Be vigilant with our homework and make sure tasks are completed in the highest quality!

Expect to work hard through December as we study decimal fractions, fractions, length, capacity, and mass.

Remember our 2 field trips in December! Dec. 3 is our orientation at Kawananakoa and Dec. 6 is HTY.

We wish our 5th grade families a restful Thanksgiving break and hope you are able to spend time with loved ones.

Fifth Grade Team
Mrs. Oliveira and Ms. Nakamura



Grade K-2 Resource: **Ms. Sumida (B2)**



This school year is just flying past us. It's already November and you can feel the changes in the weather especially in the mornings. This coming month on November 13 is WORLD KINDNESS DAY. We will be discussing ways to show random acts of kindness to others in our school.

Grade 3-5 Resource: **Mrs. Higa (B7)**

This month B7 will be covering as follows:

Grade 3 and 4: noun, noun signals, verbs, sentence structures, subjects, sentence fragments, story elements. Review of Place Value, multiplication, multi-digit addition and subtraction.

Grade 5: main idea, supporting details, content vocabulary. Review of Place Value, multiplication and division fluency, fractions and measurements.

SEL (Social Emotional Learning) & PE: **Mrs. Nguyen**

Hello Families!

This past October we had a big focus on Unity Day. As a school we are continuing to have conversations about kindness, inclusion, and acceptance. We are also expecting our students to practice these behaviors everyday here at Pauoa School.



This month we will be working on Emotion Management. We will be talking about recognition and identification of feelings and how to calm down if and when these strong feeling take over our bodies.

The driving question about emotion management:

Can I recognize and identify my own feelings? Do I know how to calm down when I am feeling upset or uncomfortable?
How can I help someone else if I know they are feeling uncomfortable?

In Physical Education all students will be working on manipulative skills- these include: throwing, tossing, striking, and catching. Kindergarten through second grade will be continuously practicing these skills, while grades 3 through 5 will be assessed on these skills.

Continue to be on the lookout for your child's Social Emotional Learning and Physical Activity Journal this week. Journals need to be completed before their next PE specials class and turned in on the day of their specials.

Please keep actively moving with your child – aim for a family activity like walking, going to the park/beach, or exercising in your house for 60 minutes a day.

REMINDER- please help support your child by checking if they have packed their water bottle on their special's day rotation and if they are wearing their shoes!

"HEALTH is like MONEY we never have a true idea of its value until we LOSE IT." Josh Biillings

Thank you, Mrs. Nguyen ☺

Performing Arts & Library: Mrs. Fong

On November 1, 2019, H.O.T.(Hawai'i Opera Theatre) will be performing 'Cinderella' in our cafeteria. A big MAHALO to our Pauoa P.T.A. for funding this performance for the whole school.

In Performing Arts, we are shifting gears for a moment to prepare for our **Winter Program**, which will be on: **December 20, 2019, Friday, at 8:30a.m. in the Cafeteria.** Save the Date!



PAUOA BOOK FAIR: November 18-22, 2019 - Library
Hours: 7:00-7:45a.m., 2:15-4:00p.m. (Wed. -1:30-4:00)



STEM/Science: Mr. Sutherland

October was a busy month for our science students. Here are a couple of the highlights.

First grade continued their life science STEM investigations with the nest building challenge. Students spent time researching how birds build nests in the wild and then applied that knowledge to building nests of their own. Later, they will use what they learned from this lesson to build solid and secure structures for their own use. This lesson helps them meet the first grade NGSS standard 1-LS1-1: Use materials to design a solution to a human problem by mimicking how plants and/or animals use their external parts to help them survive, grow, and meet their needs.

Fourth grade has been working hard on their own STEM challenge, the Cheeto lift. The students need to use a collection of Legos to build a platform for lifting cheetos five feet into the air using a pulley. Any Cheetos they get to the top of the lift they can keep. For this challenge the students are required to work through all the steps of the engineering design process in order to come up with a successful solution.



Title 1 & Curriculum Coordinator: Mrs. Yama

After School Programs and Tutoring

- REMINDER: The last day for ALL 1st semester after school programs and tutoring will be **FRIDAY, December 13, 2019.**

Title 1

I wanted to follow up on the information Mr. Arakaki presented at our Pauoa Ohana Night Community Meeting/Pumpkin Carving activity on October 29, 2019 regarding Title 1. We are eligible for Title 1 based on our free and reduced threshold of 53% with the minimum being 47.2%. We are seeing a decrease in the percentage of students qualifying for free and reduced lunch and soon Pauoa School may not be eligible. Title 1 funding provides for all students at Pauoa. See below for the list of Title 1 expenditures. Pauoa School truly serves the purpose of Title 1 as all students benefit from the program. Let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you, Mrs. Yama

Purpose of Title 1, Part A of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA)

- A Title 1, Part A program is to provide all children with a significant opportunity to receive a fair, equitable, and high-quality education, and to close educational achievement gaps. (ESEA section 1001)

Title 1 Eligibility

- Hawaii Department of Education (HIDOE) Title 1 eligibility for School Year (SY) 2019-2020 is based on a minimum poverty threshold of 47.2%, which is determined by the percentage of students qualifying for free and reduced-priced meals.
- This year Pauoa School is at 53%

Parent Involvement

- Parents are encouraged to be involved in their child's school
- Parents at this school may be involved in the following ways:
 - *Attend all conferences/meetings for my child
 - *Volunteer in school events when possible
 - *Participate in decisions related to the education of my child
 - *Join Pauoa Ohana PTA

Title 1 Funds at Pauoa School provide:

- After School Programs and Tutors
- i-Ready Program
- Mystery Science Program
- DIBELS Assessment and Materials
- Instructional materials for Stepping Stones, Wonders, Ready Writing, Science
- Professional Development for teachers
- Laptop Computers-Chrome Books

Counselor: Mr. Uetake

Please continue to come to school everyday and on time! School starts at 7:55 am. If you come after 8:00 am, please get a tardy pass in the office.

Congratulations to Mrs. Hamada's class and Mrs. Waalani's class for having the best attendance record for 1st Quarter! Keep up the good work!



"No act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted" – Aesop

English Language Coordinator & Parent Involvement: Ms. Ota

It was great meeting with all of you at Parent-Teacher Conference. When time permits, please have your child log in to Imagine Learning. Log-ins were provided at conference or sent home with your child during Parent-Conference week.



As part of our goal to increase parent involvement, we want to continue to welcome parents into classrooms to read a story, do a fun activity or do a lesson. !! To get involved or if you have questions, please email me at jennifer.ota@k12.hi.us or call the school at 587-4500. Thank you for being a parent partner!

Thank you to the following parent partners who have participated!

| Parent Name | Child's Name | Activity |
|---------------|------------------|---|
| Shane Lino | Skye | Basketball Clinic |
| Tony Zerga | Chloe & JJ | Photography Lesson |
| Jodie Burgess | Katie | Traffic Safety Talk & visit from GEICO Gecko |
| Sammy Haruo | Sammy & Hiram | Cooking Lesson – made tacos and quesadillas for the class |
| Chad Liu | Chelsie & Trevin | Halloween Cookie Decorating |
| Jung Lee | Jade | Nutrition Lesson & shared fruit |

Health Aide: Mrs. Ladines

How to Plant Your Garden for Daily Living

Come to the garden alone, while the dew is still on the flowers.

Plant three rows of **PEAS**:

1. Peace of mind
2. Peace of heart
3. Peace of soul

Plant four rows of **SQUASH**:

1. Squash gossip
2. Squash indifference
3. Squash grumbling
4. Squash selfishness

Plant four rows of **LETTUCE**:

1. Lettuce be faithful
2. Lettuce be kind
3. Lettuce be patient
4. Lettuce really love one another

No garden is without **TURNIPS**:

1. Turnip for meetings
2. Turnip for service
3. Turnip to help one another

Our garden must have **THYME**:

1. Thyme for each other
2. Thyme for family
3. Thyme for friends

Water freely with patience and cultivate with love.

There is much fruit in your garden, because you reap what you sow.



Important Reminders

Box Tops for Education



You may continue to turn in your unexpired box tops in our front office. Our next submission date will be at the end of February 2020. Mahalo for your support!

Box Top for Education is going digital! Please watch the video by going to link below:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Hh94b2BvFK4&feature=youtu.be>

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.



Meal Reminders:

Start your day off by eating breakfast at school!

Picture taking was done September 16, 2019. A free school ID was issued to each student present at that time. However, if a student lose his/her ID, a replacement would be available for \$5.00 (cash only).

Parents please remind your child to take care of his/her ID as it is needed to purchase his/her school lunch and to borrow books from the library. Please remind your child also NOT to take the school ID home. Thank you very much.



Lost and Found

Please make sure to label all of your belongings so it may be returned back to you. Check out the lost and found in our front office. We have jackets, hydro flasks, books etc.....

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