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Principal Arakaki's Message

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

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are winding down quarter 1 and heading to our Fall Break, Oct. 7-11. Please take some time to enjoy this time off with your child or children as a family. We had a great quarter 1 ending with our Camp Pauoa. Thank you to all the families who donated supplies for our event and also to those who braved the sprinkles throughout the night. Thank you to Jodie Lum and Beth Lapenia and others for helping with the planning. Also, we had a very successful Kala Kokua fundraiser that raised some needed money for our school, which will go toward student fieldtrips for bus and admission and supplies. Thank you to Anisah Ahakuelo and Pauoa Ohana PTA for organizing.

The DOE has recently released the Smarter Balanced scores for SY 18-19. Our students did really well scoring 75% proficiency in English Language Arts, 77% proficiency in Math and 68% proficiency in Science. We are right up there with our entire complex. We are very proud of that! We will continue to refine our practices in the classroom and continue to partner with our families to create a firm foundation for all of our keiki.

Lastly, as we head into quarter 2, we have lined up some awesome school wide activities; Pumpkin Carving on Oct. 29 and our Talent Showcase on Dec. 13. Stay tuned for more information in the coming months. Let's all continue to work together for the sake of our children. Ask them about their day, be involved in their activities, and partner with the school. Let's continue to, "Believe to Achieve! Stand up! Be heard! Let's excel now!"

Aloha,

Dale Arakaki, Principal



October Events

- 10/1 – PreK-K HFD visit on campus
- 10/16 – PreK-K Field Trip to HTY at 9:00 am
- 10/14 – Thanksgiving Lunch with your Keiki Forms sent home
- 10/21-11/1 – Parent-Teacher Conference (M, T, TH, F – school ends at 1:15, Wed – school ends at 1:30)
- 10/22 – Flu Clinic (for those that signed up)
- 10/23 - Lunch with your Keiki form and payment due
- 10/24 – HPD Gr. 5 Cyber Bullying Presentation at 10:00 in the Library (Grade 5 parents invited) & HPD Lunch with Keiki Visit
- 10/29 – Ohana Parent Night Pumpkin Carving & SCC Meeting, 5:30-7:00 pm in the Cafeteria

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)

The first quarter has quickly come to an end. During our Fall Break please continue to read to your child daily and make sure to get lots of rest so we can start off our second quarter off with a bang. Before break ends try get your child back into the routine of sleeping early and waking up early to get back into the groove of things.

Important Dates to Remember:

10/3 – Specials (wear shoes)

10/16 – Field Trip to HTY Play “Shhh!!!”

10/18 – Specials (wear shoes)

10/18 – Decorating Cookies in Cafe with Mr. Chad & 2nd Grade room C-2

10/28 – Specials (wear shoes)

Thank you, Ms. Shigematsu



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

Happy October Kindergarten Families!



We are so happy and pleased with all your child has accomplished in their first quarter of Kindergarten! Thank you for working with us in building your child's routines and independence, we hope to work on it more throughout the year.

As we are head into Fall Break, we ask that you continue to work with your child and utilize their skills folder daily. Please continue to read with them everyday and also ask comprehension questions. In reading this month, we will continue to work on letter recognition, letter sounds and correct letter formation. In math, we will be working on understanding the relationship between numbers and quantities, positional words, and classifying objects into groups. The students continue to enjoy going to Mr. Sutherland's class for science every Specials day, in class we will look into weather watching. For social studies, we will be looking deeply into wants and needs related to severe weather conditions in case

of a hurricane or natural disasters. Thank you again for your continued support. We look forward to conferencing with you later this month.

Mrs. Hamada, Ms. Kagawa, and Mrs. Wong

*Pictured above is the Kindergarten “Say Hi” event with Officer Ching.

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

Hello Wonderful First Grade Students and Families!

Our children have been busy learning their classroom routines, behavior expectations and Grade 1 standards. We strive each day to practice being great Pauoa students and make positive choices.

Thank you for supporting your child with time and accessibility to iReady reading and math at home. Thank you also for looking through your child's Take Home Folders and signing their planners daily. These practices help to support their progress, growth and independence.

Gr. 1 with HPD Officers for “Say Hi” Visit



This month, we are very fortunate and excited to be able to go on a field trip to the Honolulu Museum of Art Spalding House, on Thursday, October 17, 2019. The Honolulu Museum of Art is generously sponsoring all of our admission and we are so excited to learn about art. For this field trip, please send your child with covered shoes, a school t-shirt and a home lunch. The field trip permission forms are due by October 4, 2019. More information will be sent home soon, so please be on the lookout for it.

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

Friday, 10/4/19 - Wear P.E. shoes, Bring a water bottle and Return the Pauoa Library book

Monday, 10/21/19 - Wear P.E. shoes, Bring a water bottle and Return the Pauoa Library book

Tuesday, 10/29/19 - 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)

Grade 2: Aloha! It's almost the end of first quarter of school. Enjoy your Fall Break and we'll see you back in school on Monday, Oct. 14! We also look forward to meeting with you during Parent-Teacher Conferences to discuss your child's progress.

Homework During Fall Break (October 7-11):

1. **i-Ready Math and Reading Computer Lessons** online. **(Login username and password are in your child's homework folder.)**
Please do **NOT** help your child answer any questions on i-Ready lessons at home because the program is adaptive. Also, please monitor that your child is passing the lessons with 70%-100%. If 2 lessons are failed consecutively, i-Ready will shut off that domain.
2. **Reading Fluency – Practice timed reading for 1 minute.** Focus on reading aloud accurately, smoothly, and with expression. Our goal is to be able to read at least **111 words per minute** with **99%-100% accuracy** by the end of second grade. Encourage your child to **point with his/her index finger to "track" the words** while reading out loud. This helps to prevent accidental skipping of words/lines. Also **ask comprehension questions** to check for understanding.
3. **Math** – Addition Fluency Practice Worksheet
4. **Fire Fighter Safety Guide** – Please complete the fire safety guide with your family. Make sure a parent/guardian signs the back cover. Return to school by Monday, October 14 to earn free coupons to many popular restaurants/stores! ☺



Important Upcoming Dates:

- **Oct. Specials Classes Days – P.E. shoes, water bottle, return Pauoa Library books!**
 - **Monday, 10/14**
 - **Tuesday, 10/22**
 - **Wednesday, 10/30**

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

And just like that...October is here! We would like to remind you of Parent-Teacher Conference that is just around the corner.

-Confirmation notices will be sent home on Monday Sept. 30.

-Conferences will start on Monday, October 21 and end on Friday November 1st. School will get out @ 1:15 pm on conference days.

-If you haven't already noticed, our schedule for Specials this year has changed. We now have Specials every 6 days. **Here's our Specials schedule for the month of October.** As a reminder, **students need to wear shoes on these days.**



***Tuesday 10/15, Wednesday 10/23, Thursday 10/31

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact us at any time.

Mahalo for all of your support!

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

Fourth Grade Dates to Remember:

Event	Date	Comments
Specials (SEL, Performing Arts, PE, Science, Library, Hawaiian Studies)	10/1, 10/16, 10/24	Students must be prepared with shoes, water, zippered pouch of supplies, library books, and name tag in backpack.
Lanikuhonua Field Trip	11/5	Shoes, school shirt, sunscreen, hat (optional), home lunch in backpack.
Honolulu Theater for Youth (HTY) Field Trip: <i>In the Year of the Boar & Jackie Robinson</i>	11/22	Shoes, school shirt.

Fourth Grade iReady Expectations

1. 4 Lessons per week (Close Reading, Math, Reading, Math).
2. Reach for 70% or higher to pass.
3. Students provided with time in class, but may need to finish up lessons at home.
4. Students unable to complete iReady at home may see teacher for extra time on computer

Fall Break Homework due by Tuesday 10/14.

1. 4 iReady lessons (username: 10 digit student ID, password: mmddyyyy of birthdate)
2. Daily Reading Log
3. Fire Safety Guide



"A reader lives a thousand lives before he dies . . . The man who never reads lives only one." – George R.R. Martin

"So please, oh please, we beg, we pray, go throw your TV set away, and in its place you can install a lovely bookshelf on the wall." – Roald Dahl"

"There is more treasure in books than in all the pirate's loot on Treasure Island." – Walt Disney

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

The end of Quarter 1 is fast approaching and students are deep into their learning. We are seeing the benefits of integrating Language Arts with Science and Social Studies and are encouraged by our students' discussions and genuine curiosity.

Students are continuing their Age of Explorations unit and are conducting research to become experts on a European explorer of their choice. Through this project, students are also working on comprehending informational text. They are identifying the main idea and key supporting details using two-column notes to organize their thoughts, and will produce an informational piece to show their learning.

In Science, students are carrying on their studies of the Patterns of Earth and Sky. While trying to solve the mystery of a missing piece on an artifact, students are learning about our solar system, stars, and the movement of planets. They have been working on finding evidence from the text to support their answers and learning how to write constructed responses. Students will also be producing an opinion writing piece about whether or not they agree with the decision to classify Pluto as a dwarf planet.

In Math, students covered concepts such as place value, solving story problems, and multi digit multiplication. We will be moving into the concepts volume then decimal fractions in the upcoming lessons.



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We would like to take this time to ask for your continued support with your child's attendance and homework completion. Your child's attendance is important! If your child is sick, yes please, they should stay home. But if your child is healthy, please make sure they come to school ready to learn. It is difficult to catch up on the rich discussions that take place. We would also like your help with monitoring homework completion. Students have their daily homework such as Reading Log, Math, and Active Lifestyle log; they are also getting long-term assignments where they have to plan and budget their time. It is the long-term assignments that we notice students are having difficulty with. Thank you for your support!

Have a restful Fall Intersession!
Fifth Grade Team
Mrs. Oliveira & Ms. Nakamura

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

This past month in ELA, we looked at how are families different. This month, we will be looking at how friends are fun and thinking about different things to do with friends both young and old. We will also be learning about writing sentences.

This past month in Math, we had talked about representing numbers up to 20, creating groups of objects and looking at data. This coming month, we will be looking at writing tens and ones up to 19 and how to represent these numbers in a variety of ways.

For Social Emotional Learning within our classroom, we will be talking about listening to the teacher and following rules and routines.

Ms. Sumida

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

Happy Autumn!

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

Hello Families!

Thank you everyone for such a great first quarter! We accomplished so many things; self-awareness, how to be a good listener, how to focus and pay attention, and how to use our self-talk to stay on task and ignore distractions.

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.

The students are starting to bring their Social Emotional Learning and Physical Activity Journals home this month, please be on the look out for this assignment and support your child as needed. This journal is a free write on something they enjoy doing - spelling/grammar/punctuation will not be graded; however the ideas and the enjoyment of physical activity will be graded.

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

In Performing Arts classes, all grade levels are on their way. Kindergarteners are learning and singing about earthworms. First Graders are learning and singing about American Symbols. Second Graders are beginning to research the animal they chose. Third Graders will begin researching the famous person they chose. Fourth Graders are getting into groups to create their own Hawaiian Legend play. Fifth graders are in groups researching their topic to create a PSA (Public Service Announcement) for the Olelo Video Competition in February 2020.

Please have your child take care and return his/her books promptly! Mahalo

STEM/Science: Mr. Sutherland

September has been a busy month with 2nd and 3rd grades exploring the life sciences. 2nd grade spent some of their time building nature inspired designs for seed dispersal. They examined how the Koa tree made it all the way across the world to Reunion island. Designing various seed dispersal methods helped the students think about the different theories and use reasoning to come up with viable explanations. 3rd grade has been investigating how flowers are pollinated and develop into fruit. They have also looked into the scientific classification of fruits and vegetables, dissecting fruits and vegetables to help them understand the differences. Next up is looking at all the different varieties of apples and having a taste test!



Title 1 & Curriculum Coordinator: Mrs. Yama

After School Programs and Tutoring

- We are off to a great start in our After School Programs and Tutoring!
- Parents, please monitor your child's attendance for after school programs and tutoring. We have some students not attending programs they registered for. If there is a conflict in your child's after school schedule and they cannot attend Pauoa School's after school program, please send a note to inform Mrs. Yama that your child is withdrawing from the program.
- REMINDER: All after school programs and tutoring will be cancelled during Parent Teacher Conferences, October 21, 2019 thru November 1, 2019.

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.

English Language Coordinator & Parent Involvement: Ms. Ota



Please make reading a priority daily! Students may log books they read on their EL Reading Log. Students also have comprehension, fluency and vocabulary practice daily to maintain important skills that we talk about in class.

For Parent Involvement, I look forward to reaching out to more parents to participate in your child's class by doing a fun activity, reading a story to the students or helping them make a fun snack! We would love to partner with you to continue to provide meaningful, exciting memories for all of our students. If you would like to do something fun in your child's class, please stop by the

school office to see me. Thank you!

Health Aide: Mrs. Ladines

Breakfast is the most important meal of your day. You'll get more nutrients at breakfast than any other time of the day. For kids, cereal has the most vitamins and minerals during breakfast. Dry cereal made with whole grains is a super on-the-go snack!

Test your knowledge:

1. What's the difference between bacteria & viruses?

Bacteria are everywhere, most are harmless but can cause infections like strep throat.

Viruses are smaller and need a living host to survive and many cause diseases like the common cold.

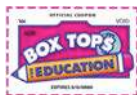
2. What can antibiotics treat?

Antibiotics are medicine used to treat bacterial infections, like strep throat.

Viruses need to run their course, like the flu. You may find relief with OTC (over-the-counter) medications.

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 coming up so Please turn your box tops by Monday, 10/28/19.

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

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