



Ka'ala Elementary School

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April 2021

Involved Parents Make the Difference

No. 8

Aloha Ka'ala Families,

Happy 4th Quarter! We've just completed our third week of face to face learning. Faculty and staff are doing such an effective job with the new routines and procedures. Most importantly, 381 of our Ka'ala students are coming to school daily.



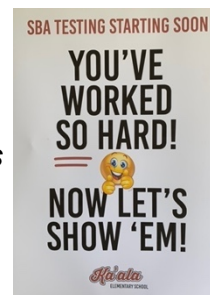
4th quarter will be a transition for our school. Students are still familiarizing themselves with being back to school; physically being in class, with their peers, has not been the norm. They're able to socialize with other students, which has not always been possible during distance and blended learning. Students are also more readily receiving assistance and support from teachers. We're so happy to have our students back to school, healthy and safe. Welcome back Ka'ala!

Coming up in less than a month is our annual Smarter Balanced Assessment (SBA). Testing math, reading and writing, we're able to assess grades 3, 4, and 5 students this year after we weren't able to conduct the SBA last year due to the COVID shutdown. Although there was learning loss during distance and blended learning, our teachers have been working hard to support the learning of their students. As our SBA signs state, "You've worked so hard! Now let's show 'em!" Do your best Ka'ala.

Aloha,

Sam Bennett, Principal

Our students deserve to thrive with options and opportunities



<https://www.kaala.k12.hi.us>

Please visit our website for additional pictures and information

KA'ALA VISION

We, Ka'ala Elementary School, respect, value, and support all individuals in reaching their highest potential.

KA'ALA MISSION

Prepare students for success by teaching standards based lessons; creating a safe and nurturing environment; providing meaningful learning experiences; and ensuring opportunities for evaluation and assessment of progress. Provide opportunities to give parents tools to meet the academic, social and emotional needs of the students. Commit ourselves wholeheartedly to our vision; communicate that vision with integrity; follow up commitments relentlessly; and foster positive relationships within our school community

Principal:

Mr. Sam Bennett

Vice Principal:

Mr. Mark Gervacio

Counselors:

Ms. Megan Ferrer
(Grades K-2)

Mr. Jon Morikawa
(Grades 3-5)

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- Student record information
- Directory information
- Surveys and other information collection
- Military recruitment information

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

April 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2 No School Good Friday Fundraiser pick-up at 9am	3
4 Easter	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22 Earth Day	23	24
25	26 Scholastic Book Fair April 26 – May 9	27 Book Fair	28 Book Fair	29 Book Fair	30 -Arbor Day -Book Fair	

Every child is a different kind of
flower and all together,
make this  a BEAUTIFUL garden

May 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 -May Day -Book Fair
2	3 -Book Fair	4 -SBA Testing Grades 3-5 -Book Fair	5 -SBA Testing Grades 3-5 -Book Fair	6 -SBA Testing Grades 3-5 -Book Fair	7 -SBA Testing Grades 3-5 -Book Fair	8 -Book Fair
9 Mother's Day -Book Fair	10	11 SBA Testing Grades 3-5	12 SBA Testing Grades 3-5	13 SBA Testing Grades 3-5	14 SBA Testing Grades 3-5	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27 5 th grade promotion	28 Last Day of School	29
30	31 Memorial Day	 <p>Spread the ALOHA Everywhere you go!</p>				

Happy Month of April

Aloha Ka'ala Ohana,

We wish you a happy welcome back to your 4th Quarter! We are so happy and excited to see all of our students in person!

We would like to share a couple of announcements with you:

- We still have our Challenge 5 initiative! Always strive for less than 5 absences!
- Make sure to attend school on time, everyday so you can achieve Perfect Attendance!
- And for our 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders, let's get prepared and hyped up to take the Smarter Balanced Assessment in May! Let's do our best!

We always wish you to be healthy and safe. Please do not hesitate to reach any counselor if have any questions or concerns.

Mahalo,
The Ka'ala Counseling Team
Ms. Ferrer, Mr. Morikawa, & Ms. Leslie



We hope you
had a Happy
Easter!

Ka'ala Elementary School Virtual Book Fair

130 CALIFORNIA AVE , WAHIAWA , HI 96786

APRIL 26 - MAY 9, 2021

Our Book Fair is online and helps our students discover new books, favorite characters, and more! Every purchase earns our school rewards for much needed resources. Expanded selection of exclusives, new releases, value packs, and more will be available on The Scholastic store online at:

<https://www.scholastic.com/bf/kaalaelementarysch>

All book orders over \$25 ship home for FREE!

Thank you for instilling a love of reading and supporting our Book Fair!

Mahalo

Hawaii Keiki – Hawai'i Dental Service (HDS)

Back in March we were privileged to have HDS come to Ka'ala to check some of our student's teeth for the Dental sealant program. For some of our students they added a clear or white coating that protect the dips and grooves on the top of teeth which keeps food and bacteria from causing cavities.

So sign up next year for this great program!



Pictured from Left to right: Kailene Oliveros (Hawaii Keiki Nurse), VP Mark Gervacio, Connie Carreras (Hawaii Keiki Nurse), Carly Takara (Hawaii Keiki Dental Hygienist) and Dr. Andrea Lee. Sitting: Gerraine Hignite (Hawaii Keiki Dental Hygienist)



School Year 2021-2022

The following documents are required:

- ❖ Completed Registration Forms
- ❖ Birth Certificate
- ❖ Health Record (Form 14)
 - Tuberculosis clearance (TB)
 - Physical examination and Immunization shot record
- ❖ Proof of Residency
- ❖ Form of ID

If you have any questions, please feel free to call the office at 305-3900

3rd Quarter - Perfect Attendance



Pre-school

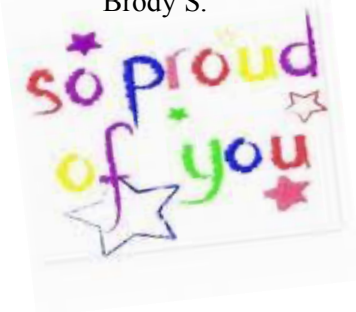
A14 Antonio F.
A15 Ryden S.

Kindergarten

A11 Crimson K.
Terrance R.
Abril T.
A12 Zane L.
Kaison L.
Lucas M.
Justus N.
Bailee V.
A13 Ava B.
PeytonMarie B.
Alec O.
Alysse O.

1st Grade

B12 Urijah A.
Abigail R.
Kyra T.
B14 Xyler F.
Kela M.
Adam V.
B15 Sadie G.
Vernise K.
Kehaulani P.
Brody S.



2nd Grade

D12 Jordan E.
Yehoash G.
D13 Francielle C.
John J.
Jeika L.
Tyson L.
Kingston S.
Kassius S.
D14 Jeisha-Lei A.
Davis A.
Angel B.
Sean C.
Sean-Nate K.
Joecen L.
Robert L.
Nevaeh R.
Zayyden S.
Taimy U.
D15 Ethan A.
Averie A.
Le'Niah B.
Tyzyn C.
Ariana D.
Cyrus D.
Marcus E.
Ariana G.
Ashton G.
Levi L.
Reilynn M.
J.O. M.

3rd Grade

D10 Zhyley E.
Mamar L.
Ryenin R.
D11 Kalinako C.
Kekoa M.
Octavia S.
D21 Jhander A.
Chanlynn K.
Embo M.
Reagan S.
D24 Laurence A.
David C.
Alina H.
Kaliyah S.

4th Grade

D20 Brayden B.
Keanu G.
Gia G.
Czarina J.
Naomi L.
Emileen R.
Bryan S.
Kensen T.
Harvee T.
Mareane U.
D22 Jossah B.
Daenelle C.
Jaenelle C.
Kawena D.
AJ D.
Jayleen M.
Sulieti M.
D23 Jaiden A.
Emma E.
Lariah L.
Austin M.
Aethan N.
D25 Jaysten A.
Zyreen A.
Koamalu C.
Jelara J.
Kean Q.

5th Grade

C11 Darian A.
Sophia C.
Nina D.
Marian I.
Tarria J.
Charles L.
Sabrina P.
Remi T.
Zoie V.
C13 Jaeden A.
Tommy L.
Monalei M.
Rayne M.
Maiyah N.





Spring 2021

A Newsletter for Parents of Young Children

The Parent Line

Self-Care – The Most Important Part of the Day

With the hustle and bustle of going to work, taking care of our children, and everything in between, often-times as parents we neglect the most important aspect that makes it possible to continue with everyday life – self-care. Nowadays, people let that busy schedule take over their days that they forget to do the simple things like eating, staying hydrated, or walking around to get the blood flowing. There are many simple things to do to take care of ourselves and our wellbeing. Prioritizing ourselves before taking care of anyone else is **ESSENTIAL** for the growth of not only ourselves, but the growth in our relationships with our families.

When going through a lot of stress, we sometimes unintentionally take our anger out on our children and those closest to us. When we are stressed, we feel the need to have some sort of control and taking control of our children is the one thing we attempt to do. But in times where we feel like the weight of the world is on our shoulders, how can we remain gracious and poised towards ourselves and to the ones that we love?

It is about mastering that work-life balance. Start with setting a daily routine for yourself. Start a new hobby or find time to enjoy the hobby that you once loved doing, whether that be working out, baking, crocheting, reading a book...the possibilities are endless. Find some time for yourself whether it be an hour or even half an hour daily. Being a full-time parent and worker is not an easy task, so do not forget to take that time to unwind. You are going to need it.

Some self-care ideas for parents include:

- Journal for 20 minutes
- Turn on uplifting music
- Go for a walk
- Do a short meditation

For more information, please call the Parent Line at (808) 526-1222 or toll-free 1-800-816-1222.



Special Days to Remember

March 3: Hinamatsuri (Girls Day)

March 17: St. Patrick's Day

March 26: Prince Kuhio Day

April is Child Abuse Prevention Month

April 1: April Fool's Day

April 2: Good Friday

April 4: Easter Sunday

April 22: Earth Day



May is National Physical Fitness & Sports Month

May 1: May Day is Lei Day!

May 5: Boys Day & Cinco de Mayo

May 9: Mother's Day

May 31: Memorial Day

Cereal Milk Ice Cream Sandwiches

Supplies

- 2 tablespoons Cap'n Crunch cereal
- 2 tablespoons Froot Loops cereal
- 2 tablespoons Fruity Pebbles cereal
- 3/4 cup dulce de leche ice cream, softened
- 4 Rice Krispies treats (2.2 ounces each), halved length-wise
- 1 tablespoon hot caramel ice cream topping, warmed

Instructions

In a shallow bowl, combine cereals. Spread ice cream onto the bottom half of each Rice Krispies treat. Drizzle with ice cream topping. Replace top half of Rice Krispies treat. Roll sides in cereal mixture. Place on a baking sheet; freeze for at least 1 hour.



Spotlight on Safety

As parents, our priority is to ensure that our children remain healthy, especially during times of a global pandemic and of course, flu season. That starts with teaching our children simple, but very important prevention tips, such as proper personal hygiene and how implementing these tips can play a major role in stopping the spread of disease.

- Wash your hands for 20 seconds or more
- Use tissue to open public door handles
- Shower as soon as you get home from being out all day
- Do not sit on the bed with outdoor clothes
- Have a "NO SHOES IN-DOORS" policy
- Properly throw away trash
- Do not share food
- Do not lick objects



Malama Ola E 'Ohana

Are you expecting and/or the parent of keiki ages zero to three years old? Do you live in the Ko'olaupoko areas from Waimanalo, Kailua, Kaneohe to Kualoa? If so, Child & Family Service Mālama Ola E 'Ohana program is a free and voluntary service designed to partner with parents and expecting mothers to give their keiki a strong, healthy start to life. Services include linking families to community resources, assistance in getting everyday needs met, e.g. food, pampers., weekly supportive home visiting, child development/attachment support, and guided parenting education support. For more information and eligibility, please call (808) 741-3801.



Suggested Readings

Go Wash Up: Keeping Clean, *By Veronica Rooney & Amanda Doering Tourville*

Germs Are Not For Sharing, *By Elizabeth Verdick & Marieka Heinlen*

How Do You Take A Bath? *By Kate McMullan*

I Don't Want to Wash My Hands, *By Tony Ross*

How Do You Care For a Very Sick Bear? *By Vanessa Bayer*



ATTENTION PARENTS AND GUARDIANS

If your child(ren) will **NOT** return to Ka'ala on **August 3, 2021**

Please fill in the information and return to your teacher.

Student name: _____ Gr _____ Rm _____

Student name: _____ Gr _____ Rm _____

Student name: _____ Gr _____ Rm _____

My child(ren) will **NOT return** to Ka'ala Elementary, they will transfer to

Name of new **Hawaii** school: _____

WE ARE MOVING TO THE MAINLAND, Name of City & State _____

LAST DAY AT KA'ALA: _____ (last day of school is May 28, 2021)

Parent Signature: _____ Phone number: _____

Print Parent Name: _____

Please let the office know if you will be going on vacation
and will not be in school on May 28, 2021

School supplies left behind in classrooms will be thrown away.

ONE FORM PER FAMILY.

PLEASE RETURN FORM BEFORE MAY 14, 2021.