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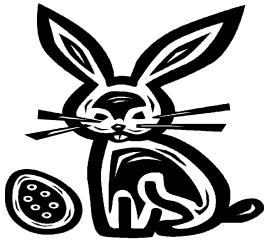
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**Happy  
Easter**



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Family Bingo Night  
Friday, April 17,  
2009

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## Principal's Message

April 2009

Aloha Pauoa Community,

It's the last quarter of the school year! It seems like yesterday when most of the children were one or two inches shorter and excited to begin the new school year. Now, they all look and behave like young adults, how exciting!

Have you noticed that our campus looks different? No plumeria trees or palms near the stage and the lawn is dug up. Hawaii 3 R's, a non profit organization, has partnered with the state to do small projects for schools that apply for its grant. We are fortunate to be awarded the grant to fund the installation of an automatic sprinkler system for our lawn and landscaping of our stage area with Hawaiian plants. All of the work will be completed by the 25<sup>th</sup> of April. We will have a beautiful area for May Day.

Please remember that HSA testing is on April 7, 8, 9, and 14, 15, 16 and it is very critical to our school's status. Please make every effort to have your child here in school everyday and on time. Have them go to bed early and eat a hearty breakfast. DO NOT schedule any medical appointments during this time. Thank you for your cooperation.

We are currently registering children for kindergarten. If you know someone, a relative or neighbor, whose child is 5 years old by December 31, 2009 have them come to the office with the child's birth certificate, proof of residence and an immunization record from the doctor to register.

Our May Day program will be on Friday, May 1, 2009. The teachers requested that we switch Wednesday and Friday release time for the week of April 27, 2009. Therefore the release time is as follows:

- **Wednesday, April 29, school will end at 2:15pm**
- **Friday, May 1, school will end at 1:30pm.**

If you have any questions or concerns please come to speak with me or call me at 587-4500.

Aloha,

Roberta Richards  
Principal  
Pauoa School

### Beat the morning rush:

A calm and happy school morning begins the night before. Go to bed knowing everything's in order with these tips:

- Check the weather forecast and help your child choose clothes and shoes (slippers).
- Have your child stow his/her backpack by the door. Be sure he/she has put in homework, lunch money, and permission slips.
- Plan a breakfast, and pack a healthy snack.
- Test your youngster for tomorrow's quiz one last time.

Note: In the morning, set the oven timer to go off five minutes before your child has to leave. That will be the signal to put on socks and shoes and head out the door.

## Lines from the Library.....



Thank you to the entire Pauoa Ohana for our successful Spring Book Fair. A generous contribution from our PTA allowed every student in our school to choose a new book from the fair. We hope the PTA can make this fantastic support of literacy at Pauoa an annual part of their budget. Also a big mahalo to those of you who purchased books on our wish lists for the library and our classrooms.

You will soon receive the preorder form for our Hawai'i/Pacific Book Sale sponsored by Bess Press. Presale orders will be due by Wednesday, April 28 and delivery will be on May 1st. Look for the brochure soon. The display and opportunity to purchase books in person will be before and after our May Day Program. Plan to stop by for some excellent deals.

Aloha and best wishes to Mrs. Kauhane, our dedicated library volunteer. She will be taking care of her newest granddaughter. Mrs. Kauhane has been with us for the last four years and we will miss her smiling face and expert help.

Mahalo-  
Sherry Rose

## Harmful waste can be deadly...We must teach our children...

### Best Management Practice in Eliminating Harmful Waste Often Found in Storm Drains

<b>SEDIMENT:</b>	The most prevalent type of water pollution, sediment can cloud water, fill in streambeds, change the shape and flow rate of stream, clog fish gills and suffocate coral reefs.
<b>CHEMICALS:</b>	Oil, chlorine (used for swimming pools); cleaners, paint and fertilizers can harm the animals, bugs and plants that live in the water and can make people sick when it floats down to the ocean. One quart of oil can create an oil slick the size of a football field.
<b>YARD WASTE:</b>	Too many leaves and grass clippings can take the oxygen out of the water and suffocate the plants and animals who need oxygen to breathe.
<b>DETERGENTS:</b>	Like too many leaves and grass clippings, can take oxygen out of the water and suffocate plants and animals.
<b>PET WASTE:</b>	The waste from our pets is harmful. Our pets' waste has dangerous bacteria that can spread diseases to plants, animals and humans that swim in dirty water.

# Notes from the Teachers.....



## Kindergarten

Happy Easter !!!

On April 24, the kindergarteners will be exploring sea creatures in the Waikiki Aquarium. The children will be learning about invertebrate and vertebrate sea animals. It should be an exciting field trip!! Please provide your child with a home lunch/drink in a disposable bag. Don't forget to write your child's name on the brown bag/Ziploc bag. Have your child wear shoes !!

On May 1st, your child will be performing in our May Day Program. The program will be from 9:00a.m.-10:00a.m. on the school grounds, next to the outdoor stage. If it rains, the program will be in the cafeteria. Please have your child wear a red t-shirt and blue/denim shorts. Hope to see you there.

Please continue to practice your flashcards and continue to read to your child daily!! We appreciate your support !!

## 1st Grade

Hi Families!

The 1st graders ready to start off 4th quarter with the Terra Nova testing, so please make sure that your children get a good night's sleep and eat a healthy breakfast so that they are ready. We have our last field trip of the year to the Lyon Arboretum and are looking for parent volunteers. Please let you child's teacher know if you are interested. We have so many things left to be learned during this quarter and encourage you to continue to read with your child daily.

Thanks!

## 2nd Grade

Welcome back! Our second graders have been having fun learning to tell time to the minute. Please encourage your child to practice at home with you. We will be moving on to Data Analysis in Math...recording survey data and making and reading graphs.

May Day is just around the corner and our classes are already busy working with Kumu Kamaka on their song, "Hukilau". Please join us at the school on May Day (Friday, May 1<sup>st</sup>).

## 3rd Grade

HSA testing is well on it's way and our students are off to a good start! They are taking this challenge by the horns with a positive attitude and perseverance. After testing is over, we will be very busy practicing for our May Day program and going on three field trips before the summer is here.

## 4th Grade

Welcome back! Thank you to all the volunteers who came out to help with the game booths during Spring Fling. Your time and energy are greatly appreciated. To add to that, the HSA testing is well on its way. Please ensure that your child gets a good night's rest, and eats a healthy breakfast. Let's show that Pauoa Pride!!!

## 5th Grade

"Thank you again for all of your support at Spring Fling. The 4th quarter has just begun, and we're finishing up our HSA testing. Please encourage your children to get a good night's rest, eat a healthy breakfast, and get to school on time. We're also continuing our preparations for our May Day Program on May 1, 2009. Hope to see you there!"

## Resource Class:

This quarter the students practiced writing complete sentences. In Math they learned to tell time to the half hour and to calculate how much they had in pennies and nickels.

## PTA News

### SPRING FLING: Soggy but Successful!

As the rain came pouring down overnight before Spring Fling, event chair Judi Johnson lay awake hoping that it wouldn't wash out Pauoa School's most popular event. Fortunately, the spirit of our school community prevailed over the weather and Spring Fling 2009 was a resounding success.

With the aromas of freshly grilled steak and hot malasadas wafting through the campus, a big crowd turned out to have fun playing games and shopping. The cafeteria was filled to overflowing with crafters, organized by Heidi Ramos, who offered an array of unique items. Down by the kindergarten, delighted bargain hunters snapped up clothes, toys and household goods for as little as 25 cents.

The children's bouncer, donated by Flo Pajardo, drew a constant stream of kids with boundless energy. The dramatic dunking booth kept people laughing and soggy. Sweet Sensations offered caramel and chocolate dipped fruit, and the Yummy Edibles offered home-baked delicacies. Music performed by Pauoa alumni and students, including the Mele and Ukulele Clubs, kept a song in our hearts all day long.



Preliminary tallies showed the event brought in well over \$10,000 for the school. We'll have a more detailed report on our net income from the event, and the many activities we have been able to fund this year, at our Family Night in May.

Spring Fling wouldn't have been possible without the help of so many people. Special thanks go to Chair Judi Johnson and Gene Hashimoto, who worked nonstop day and night to make it our best Spring Fling ever.

Our dedicated faculty and staff came up with creative games and manned their booths all day. Family and friends volunteered their time to help our school. Our Spring Fling committee and community volunteers are listed below. If we've missed your name, please know that we send you our deepest mahalo.

Kaipo Adachi  
Raynette Ahuna  
Grandma Aiona  
Nancy Arsiga  
Deborah Buccigrossi  
Betty Carvalho  
Liane Ching  
Fernanda Corpus  
John Cummings  
Melanie Felipe-Dela Rosa  
Roxanne Fo  
Holly Fraga-Lino and Ohana  
Cindy Gamboa  
Marie Garrett  
Gary Gill  
Lorin Gill

Susan Gill  
Gustino Haake  
Mrs. Hepa  
Cindy Higashi  
Sherry and Doreen Hodai  
Bryce Inayoshi  
Carolyn Ishimi  
Kristen Joachimedes  
Judi Johnson  
Judi's sisters  
Jae Ka  
Jair Kadooka  
Nora Keaulana  
Dwayne Keomaka  
Annie Kiko  
Jan Kirkham

Sandra Kugisaki-Ongie  
Sandra Kugisaki-Ongie  
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Gigi Labrador  
Clarence Lau  
Debra Lau  
Glenda Lau  
Katie Lau  
Rhoda Lee  
Lala Lizama  
Christy MacPherson  
Susan Matsuda  
Officer Steven Matsuda  
Shelly Montalbo  
Renee Nunies  
Nicole Ornellas

## Con't. PTA News

Flo Pajardo  
 Sheila Pereria  
 Heidi Ramos  
 Natalie Rigidor  
 Albert Rowland  
 Mary Ruth Sagawa  
 Gina Sanico  
 Karen Shimizu  
 Evelyn Starkey and Carreira  
 Levi Soares  
 Billy Tabuya  
 Kris Tajima  
 Debi Tenney  
 Adrienne Terlep  
 Dane Terlep  
 Dean Tomino  
 Vicky Yama and daughter  
 Irene Yang  
 Bryan Yoshimoto and Friend  
 Carrie Zukeran



Our wonderful Cafeteria workers Ron, Scott, and Chad.

Along with our hard-working helpers, many generous donors gave us items for our silent auction, along with food, drinks and money to buy all the goodies we needed for Spring Fling. We send our gratitude to:

John Cummings	Melva Lawrence
Flo Pajardo	Levi Soares
etc.	Charles Naumu
Tai Nunes	Denise Ching
Mel & Jeraldine Labrador	Gary Nakatsuka
Kimo Kane	Kyler & Nancy Arsiga
Gina Sanico	Clarence Lau
Miriam Tong	Ernani Sumaoang
Ieremia Faagai	Hoang Nguyen
Raylene Naeole	Roy Horimoto
Jair & Darrell Kadooka	Ryan Sanico
Kevin Kuwaye	Jackie Amaral
Grace Bonilla	Liane Ching
Bryce Inayoshi	Jae R. Ka
Steven Shishido	Kaipo Nuuanu
Jan Kirkham	Loc Tran
Ruth Orbito	Josie Gesteuyala
Monetary Donations:	Tom Ebner
Julianna Shimabukuro	



## Calendar of Events

### APRIL – 2009

**10 Good Friday (Holiday) – No School**  
 12 Easter Sunday  
**17 3<sup>rd</sup> Qtr. PBS Assembly**  
**6-9, 13-16 and 20-24 HSA TESTING**

### MAY – 2009

1 May Day  
**4 Waiver Day – No School**  
**25 Memorial Day (Holiday) – No School**  
 15 Movie Nite

### JUNE – 2009

2 Graduation  
 5 Fine Arts Showcase  
**8 Last day of school- 4<sup>th</sup> Qtr. Assembly**  
 9 Last day for Teachers  
**11 Kamehameha Day (Holiday) - No School**  
 - No School  
 - PBS Assembly

## Music & Art



### Na Keiki Mele O Pauoa & The Pauoa Ukulele Club:

The after school chorus and ukulele club are getting ready for their upcoming performances. Please come and support them!

Saturday, April 25 - Spring Concert at Don Ho's Island Grill (6:00pm)

Friday, May 1 - Performance at Pauoa School's May Day Program (9:00am)

Saturday, May 2 - Performance at Roosevelt High School's MayFaire 2009 (11:15am - tentative)

Friday, May 15 - Performance at Pauoa School PTA's Movie Night (6:00pm - tentative)

Friday, June 5 - Performance at Pauoa School's Fine Arts Showcase (6:30pm - tentative)

### Performing Arts at Pauoa:

All Pauoa students are getting ready for our school's annual **May Day Program on Friday, May 1 at 9:00am**. Our theme is "Ho'olaule'a Na Mele O Hawai'i Nei": Celebrating Song and Dance in Hawai'i. They have been learning the following songs: "Pauoa, Kula Nani" - our school song written by Uncle Kaipō Hale; "Hawai'i Pono'i" - our state anthem; and "May Day Is Lei Day In Hawai'i" - a traditional May Day song. Kupuna Shimabukuro, Kumu Kamaka, and Mrs. Wee (along with the classroom teachers) have been working with the students on their songs and dances. Come and join us that day!



Students in **rooms D1 and D3** continue to work on nursery rhymes and finger plays, as well as music activities with a steady beat. They, along with the **Kindergarteners**, will be working on movement activities using scarves.

**Grades K-1** will be working on dramatizing songs, rhymes and stories, as well as exploring music through simple percussion instruments. **Grade 2** will be learning about the instrument families and playing the resonator bells.

**Grades 3 and 5** continue with recorder instruction, while **grades 4-5** continue with ukulele instruction. **Grade 3** will be learning about different dances, **grade 4** will be working on dramatizing stories, and **grade 5** will continue dancing the waltz.

All students are listening to Jazz music, since **April is Jazz Appreciation Month** in America! Make sure you listen to some cool jazz music sometime soon!

Pauoa's annual **FINE ARTS SHOWCASE** will be held on **Friday, June 5, 2009**. It is tentatively scheduled for 6:30pm at the beautifully-renovated Roosevelt High School Auditorium! More information is coming soon. Please reserve this date and time for this big event!

