

PAUOA ELEMENTARY



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WELCOME
BACK TO
SCHOOL!

Principal Arakaki's Message

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

Upcoming Events

- ❖ 8/20 - Holiday NO School
- ❖ 8/25 - Grade 3 Virtual Open House@ 5:30 - 5:50 via Google Meet
- ❖ 8/26 - Grade 2 Virtual Open House via Google Meet, two sessions: 5:00 - 5:15 & 5:20 - 5:35
- ❖ 8/27 - PC Day NO School for Students
- ❖ 8/31 - Grade 1 Virtual Open House, two sessions: 5:00 - 5:20 & 5:30 - 5:50
- ❖ 9/1 - Grade 5 and upper Resource SPED Virtual Open House, two sessions: 5:00 - 5:15 & 5:30 - 5:45
- ❖ 9/2 - Grade 4 and upper Resource SPED In-person Open House, two sessions: 5:00 - 5:15 & 5:30 - 5:35
- ❖ 9/8 - Kindergarten Virtual Open House, two sessions: 5:00 - 5:20 & 5:30 - 5:50

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Thank you for trusting Pauoa in our opening for SY 21-22. I know things are not always the safest with the counts being high around the state.

Complete your child's wellness check before stepping out of the house. I truly believe our mitigation protocols will help stop the spread of covid and keep our campus as safe as possible. Our mitigation protocols:

1. Mask wearing in and outside of the classroom
2. Sanitization
3. Frequent hand washing
4. Social distancing



Thank you for being patient waiting in line to drop off and pick up your child. Our start time for preK-2 is 7:45 am and gr. 3-5 is 8:00 am. Our end time for preK-2 is 2:00 pm and on Wednesday's only 1:15 pm and for gr. 3-5 2:15 pm and on Wednesday's only 1:30 pm. **Pickup for siblings is at the older siblings end time but at the younger siblings pickup area.**

Principal Arakaki's Message

Our drop off/pickup area:

1. Gr. K and 3 is at the cafeteria
2. Gr. 1 and 4 is in front of the office
3. Gr. 2 and 5 is right before the exit

We have your child separated in clusters as much as possible including recess and lunch. Each class has his/her own area to play and eat.

With our partnership caring for each child, we will have a fabulous year. Our theme for this year is to ho'omanawanui or to endure. Together we will make sure we get through this year as safe as we can be. We will endure the roadblocks by going around as we refine things or meet it head on. Let us continue to, "Believe to Achieve! Stand up! Be heard! Let's excel now!"

Aloha,

Dale Arakaki, Principal

Please follow the drop off and pick up procedures to ensure the safety of all the students, parents and staff. Drive slowly and be very careful! Drive with ALOHA!!!



Preschool: Ms. Shigematsu (D1)

Aloha Parents,

Welcome to a new school year!! I'd like to introduce myself if I haven't met you already. My name is Jasmine Shigematsu better known as Ms. S. I have been teaching for about 8 years with the majority of the time teaching in the Pre-K Special Education classroom. I recently just gave birth to my first child in April and I'm loving every minute of being a new mommy. I have 2 Educational Assistants Ms. Melva and Ms. Kellie that will be in our class working with our students.

There are a few things I wanted to share with you so the start of school will be a little easier.

- Drop off and pick ups in front of the office. There will be multiple vehicle lines depending on the grade level. We will be located in the middle line which will be in front of the office. Please be mindful of other drivers.

- o Drop off between 7:45 - 8:00 am
- o Pick up between 2:00 – 2:15 pm
- o Wednesdays Pick up between 1:15 – 1:30 pm

** Also, as much as possible, try to refrain from getting out of the car when in the drop off line or pick up line. If you have to get out of the car please park and walk to the front of the office. My aides and myself can help with taking off and putting on car seat harnesses if you want to use the drop off/pick up line.*

- Homework will be given at the beginning of the week and due by the end of the week. If you are completed with the homework early you can turn in back in sooner. Please let your child do the work on their own. You can read the instructions to them and give some guidance, but coloring, writing, etc. should be independent.

- Sleeping materials (blanket, pillow, sleeping bag, etc.) will be sent home at the end of the week to be washed. Please bring back at the beginning of the week.

Il look forward to this school year and getting to know your child and family better. Please don't ever hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or need to talk.

Thank you,
Ms. S



Ms. Shigematsu & her daughter Emma

Kindergarten: Ms. Derby (D2), Mrs. Hamada (D3), Sarah Jane Nicolas (Substitute Teacher - D3), Mrs. Salcedo (D4)

Welcome to Kindergarten and our Pauoa 'Ohanal! We hope you all enjoyed your summer and are excited for a school year full of "firsts"! Kindergarten is such a momentous time in your child's life as they will build the foundations for learning and create friendships and memories that we hope they can look back on as an exciting time in their beginning school years. We are excited for the adventures we will journey through together as a class. We were so happy and grateful to have met most of the students and families during Kindergarten Testing in July. We wanted to also thank you for taking the time out of your busy schedules to come to our Kindergarten Orientation on campus. We thank you for your continued patience and understanding and look forward to an amazing family partnership. We look forward to a great school year!

Mrs. Salcedo, Mrs. Hamada, Ms. Sarah , and Ms. Derby



Ms. Derby



Mrs. Hamada



Mrs. Salcedo

Grade 1: Mrs. Sanbei (B3), Ms. Bierwert (B4), Ms. Keith (B5)

Welcome back first back first graders! We are so excited to see everyone. We hope you had a fun and relaxing summer. We are looking forward to another exciting and engaging school year. We will be having our first iReady diagnostic starting from August 16, so make sure your child gets a good night's rest! Thank you for your continuous support!

Sincerely,
First Grade Team



Mrs. Sanbei



Ms. Bierwert



Ms. Keith

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



Mrs. Obayashi

Greetings Grade 2 Families, 🙌

Welcome back to school! As we return, we will ensure to practice safe social distancing while meeting all second grade skills.

During the month of August, students will learn safe practices in and outside of the classroom, reviewing school rules, establishing classroom routines, getting familiar with their new school iPad, and learning to take care of their iPad.



Mrs. Rickard

Parents and guardians, teachers need your support to be sure your child is completing work at home. Students are **required to turn in their homework**. Please **sign your child's planner** and **check in your child's homework folder everyday** for important papers and announcements. Please **sign and return all papers in the Opening School Packet**.

Tips to be safe and successful in second grade:

- 😴 Have your **child sleep early** every night to keep a routine
- 🧑‍🦺 All students on campus **wear a face mask**. (This will minimize the risk of spreading COVID-19)
- ✍️ Parents and guardians, please **sign your child's planner daily**
- 📖 **Read everyday** for at least 20 minutes
- 📝 Please **complete homework every night** and turn it in the next day.



Mrs. Guzzardo

Sincerely, 😊
Grade 2 Teachers

Mrs. Guzzardo, Mrs. Obayashi, and Mrs. Rickard

Grade 3: Ms. Tatemichi (D6), Mrs. Waalani (D7), Mrs. Lau (D8)



Ms. Tatemichi

Aloha Families,

We welcome you and your child to third grade! During the first month of August, we will set our classroom/ school expectations; introduce rules/routines, and safety procedures with our students. As we continue into the first quarter, we ask that the students continue to display these actions and meet expectations. We want our students to come to school, ready to learn and become responsible individuals.

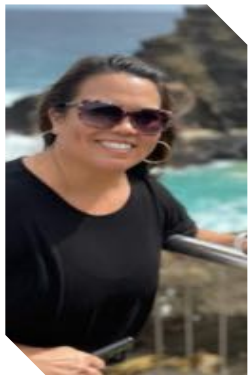
We are looking forward to working with you this school year!

In addition, here are some friendly reminders.

- Please join us on our Clasdojo, this is Grade 3's main way of communication. Teachers post important information and reminders here
- Please review and sign your child's planner daily

Thank you!

Grade 3 Teachers



Mrs. Waalani



Mrs. Lau

Grade 4: Ms. Chung (B8), Mrs. Chanhboursy (B9), Mrs. Takesue (B10)



Ms. Chung



Mrs. Chanhboursy



Mrs. Takesue

Aloha 4th Grade Families! Welcome back to school. A special welcome to our new students and full distance learners. We are so happy to have you back! We also would like to welcome new fourth grade teacher, Ms. Chung (B8), to our team. She comes with experience teaching on the Big Island. Your other teachers are Ms. Takesue (B10) and Ms. Chanhboursy (B9). This year marks an exciting yet cautious return to face to face learning for all of us.

The students have been doing a good job adjusting to our new normal with added safety protocols such as frequent hand washing and wearing face masks. Some friendly reminders for students are: masks should be worn over their nose to their chin, ask the teacher if a mask break is needed, practice social distancing throughout the day, and to please inform the teacher if they are not feeling well. Also, if you have more than one child at Pauoa, please drop off and pick up(2:15 pm) your children at the youngest child's location.

As you may have already heard from your child, we will be switching classes for the core subjects. Ms. Takesue will teach math and social studies. Ms. Chanhboursy will teach reading, language arts, and art. Ms. Chung will teach science and writing. Due to this rotation, it is especially important for your child to keep his/her backpack, planner, and homework folder organized to ensure their success this year. We ask that you occasionally check your child's backpack to make sure it is tidy with only necessary items. Lastly, students are responsible for writing all their homework into their planners and obtaining a parent signature daily.

Grade 5: Ms. Luong (C8), Mrs. Takahashi (C9), Mrs. Oliveira (C10)

FIFTH GRADE NEWS FLASH

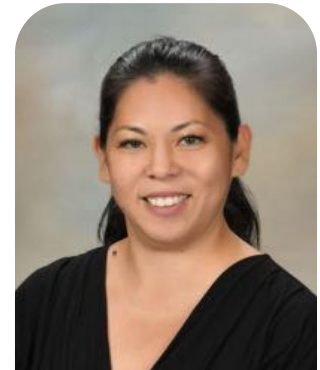
Welcome back to our in-person learning!

We have a new teaching team that will excite and educate our fabulous Pauoa students. Mrs. Takahashi (C8) hails from Ka'imiloa Elementary, Ms. Luong (C9) joins us from Keoneula Elementary, and Mrs. Oliveira reunites with this awesome team!

The students have adjusted well to routines, learning about one another, knowing safety protocols, and diving into learning tasks. We've already embarked on taking our first diagnostics in iReady Reading and Math, anchoring phenomena in Science about the Earth & Sky, building number sense in large quantities in math, studying of the earliest Americans, and connecting our wonders and notices proficiently in writing.

We are going to have an amazing school year together. Our partnership with parents is welcomed. You may contact us through email or by phone with any questions or concerns. We look forward to working with you.

*Your Fifth Grade team,
Ms. Luong, Mrs. Oliveira, Mrs. Takahashi*



Mrs. Takahashi



Ms. Luong



Mrs. Oliveira

"Specials" Teachers

Hawaiian Studies: Mrs. Kido (B6)



Kumu Ipo

Aloha mai kākou e nā makamaka mai ka wēkiu o Konahuanui a ke kai uli o Kewalo ma Pauoa nei, aloha :)

My name is Ipolani (Pharrah) and I am the Kumu of the Hawaiian Studies program here at Pauoa Elementary School. In the month of August (since Hawaiian Studies classes start on August 23rd), for all grades, we will be reviewing/learning our daily oli (chant) for papa (class) called "E hō mai". For grades 2-5, we will be reviewing their Hawaiian knowledge from the previous years. For the kindergarten and first grade classes, I will be introducing 'Ōlelo Hawai'i (Hawaiian language) to them. "I ulu nō ka lālā i ke kumu" (the branches grow because of the trunk #1261). A hui hou :)

'O wau nō me ka ha'aha'a,
Kumu Ipo

SEL Teacher: Mrs. Fong (Library)

Hi, I'm Mrs. Fong, I am the S.E.L.(Social Emotional Learning) teacher. I will be covering K-5 health standards every other week. I will see your child every other week beginning with upper grades(Grades 3-5) on the week of August 23, lower grades(Grades K-2) will begin on the week of August 30.

Be Kind,
Mrs. Fong



Mrs. Fong

Technology Coordinator/Computer Science: Mr. Sutherland



Mr. Sutherland

Aloha Pauoa!

Welcome back to a new year at Pauoa Elementary School. Specials start on Tuesday, August 24. New for this year is our computer science special. Students will be learning about technology and its effect other everyday lives, along with the basics of cyber security and online etiquette. They will also learn about computational thinking and computer programming. As we move through the year, students will move from implementing programming in software on the computer to using it to control hardware controllers and robotics. It's an exciting time to be a Pauoa student!

Thank you,

Mr. Sutherland
Computer Science Teacher
Tech Coordinator

Resource Teachers and Support Staff

Student Services Coordinator: Mrs. Nguyen



Mrs. Nguyen

Aloha Families!

Welcome to the 2021-2022 School Year! We are excited to have your children on campus this year! I will be Pauoa School's Student Services Coordinator. Please feel free to email me if you have any questions and I look forward to supporting your child by working together with their homeroom teacher.

Take care - keep smiling!
Mrs. Nguyen

Resource Room: Mrs. Sumida, Teachers Grades K-3 (B2), Ms. Oyama, Teacher Grades 4-5 (B7)

Aloha Parents,
Welcome back to a new school year with a new theme: Dawning a new Era (Ke auhou). We won't be starting from scratch, but make the year to come better than before. It was lovely to see your child's beautiful smiles.

Let's have an amazing year!
Ms. Sumida



Ms. Sumida

Aloha B7 Families,
Welcome back to a new school year! It is great to have everyone back in person from the start of the school year. I will be teaching grades 3-5 in the Resource classroom. We will start off our year by getting to know each other, building routines, and taking our iReady Diagnostic test.

Some reminders~

- Conduct a daily wellness check every morning before coming to school
- Bring a water bottle and necessary supplies to class
- Come to class ready to learn with a positive attitude!

Mahalo,
Ms. Oyama



Ms. Oyama

Resource Teachers and Support Staff

Educational Assistants



Ms. Doi



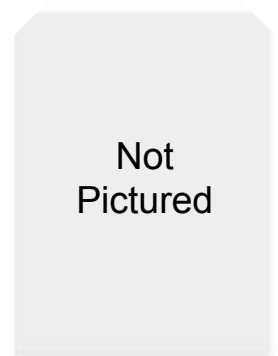
Ms. Melva



Mrs. Homma



Ms. Higa



Not
Pictured

Ms. Elizabeth

Title I & Curriculum Coordinator: Ms. Nakamura (Front Office)

Welcome to the new school year! Our beloved Mrs. Yama retired at the end of the school year last year. We wish Mrs. Yama a happy retirement! I am the new Mrs. Yama. My name is Ms. Lisa Nakamura, and I used to teach 5th grade here at Pauoa. My role is the Curriculum Coordinator and Title 1 Coordinator for the school. I have big shoes to fill and would like to thank you in advance for your patience as I transition into my new role.

I have just 1 important reminder for families.

Please fill out the Free and Reduced Price Meal application form either online or hard copy. Although all students will be receiving free breakfast and lunch this school year, Title I will still use the application data to determine our school's Title I eligibility for next school year, 2022-2023. Title I eligibility is crucial for our school as it provides funds to help all students achieve. We need all families to fill out an application form.

You can find the link to the online application on our school website, or you can fill out the hard copy that came home with your child in their packet on the first day. If you need assistance, please call our Office. **The due date to submit your form is Sept. 15, 2021.**

Thank you!
Ms. Nakamura



Ms. Nakamura &
her son Kikaha

Resource Teachers and Support Staff

Counselor: Mr. Uetake (Front Office)



Mr. Uetake

Welcome to the 2021-2022 school year. I hope you all had a fun, safe, and healthy summer. I am looking forward to seeing all of our new and returning students. Please know that we have been carefully planning for the health, safety, and emotional well-being of all our students. I am looking forward to an exciting school year.

Mr. Uetake

English Language Coordinator/ Parent Involvement: Mrs. Newton (D9)

I am so happy to be back at Pauoa School! I was a first grade teacher at Pauoa for several years and I was also a first grade teacher in Florida. I am transitioning to my new role as the English Language Coordinator and Parent Involvement.

Screening and testing for potential ELLs are ongoing. Keep an eye for the initial/annual letters parent notification that will be sent home before the end of August. Please don't forget to return to your child's teacher the "acknowledgement" page. I am looking forward to working with students and teachers in their classroom with the common goal of supporting students' language acquisition. If you have any questions/concerns feel free to call or send me an email.



Mrs. Newton

Sincerely,
Mrs. Newton



Health Aide: Mrs. Ladines (Front Office)

Hi, my names is Mrs. Ladines (La-dee-ness) and I will be helping your child(ren) when they come to the Health Room.

If you feel your child(ren) require medication for an anaphylaxis or life-threatening allergy and/or illness, please call me @ 587-4500. Please do NOT send the medication to school just yet. Paperwork is required and the Public Health Nurse will contact you to better understand the needs for your child(ren). Self-administration forms for Inhalers and Epi-pens are also available. Doctor's authorization is required for any Emergency Rescue Medication while on campus. Please let me know how I may assist you and your family.

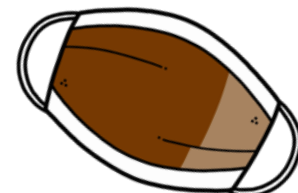
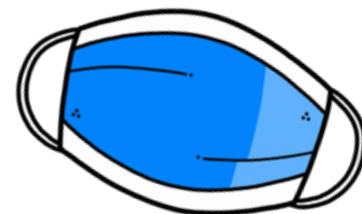
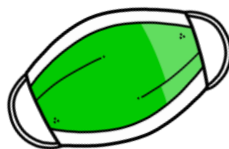


Mrs. Ladines

Please do a Daily Wellness Check BEFORE coming to school.

Any student experiencing the following Covid-like symptoms of illness **MUST** stay home:

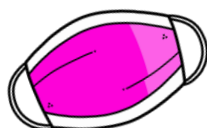
- Fever (100.0 degrees) or higher
- Chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue (tiredness, weakness)
- Nausea or vomiting
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Muscle or body aches
- Diarrhea



A signed Doctor's note, a negative Covid-19 test result, or Quarantine for at least 10 days will need to be provided UPON returning to school. Please bring in your document to the Health Room for clearance.

We understand information is frequently changing and being updated. Please bare with us as we communicate to you the latest information to keep everyone safe and healthy here at Pauoa Elementary School. Your patience and support are greatly appreciated!

May you continue to be well and have a thriving school year, face-to-face.
Thank you!



Front Office staff



Mrs. Oshiro



Mrs. Tanoue



Mrs. Ramirez

PLEASE LABEL YOUR BELONGINGS

Please label all your personal items such as jackets, hats, and hydro flasks etc so we can return them to their rightful owners,

We are not keeping a lost and found section in the office at this time. Thank you!

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