

OCTOBER 2022 Newsletter



PAUOA ELEMENTARY

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Happy Fall!

Principal Arakaki's Message



Dear Pauoa Ohana,

I hope everyone had a restful, relaxing and enjoyable Fall Break. We had a really great first quarter as our iReady diagnostic results for both reading and math had us ahead of last school year. Reading is at 43% as compared to 40% last school year and math is at 33% as compared to 30% last school year. Please continue to have your child access iReady at home for at least 45 minutes per week if they are on level (green), 60 minutes per week if they are less than a year behind grade level (yellow) or 75 minutes per week if they are more than a year behind grade level (red). Save the date!!! We are bringing back our Ohana pumpkin carving activity on Oct. 25 from 5:30-7 pm in our café. We will be having games and read aloud put on by the Executive Women's League of Honolulu from 5:30-6 pm in our library. Bring your own pumpkin and carving tools to carve your pumpkin. Carving should begin approximately 6 pm. Prizes and goodie bags will be provided to participants. Bring your family to enjoy this fun activity. Lastly, parent/teacher conferences will be conducted on Oct. 24, 25, 27, 28, 31, Nov. 1, 3 and 4. School on these days only will end at 1:15 pm. Please make arrangements for your child to be picked up at 1:15 pm on these days. Please notify the person responsible for pickup of the change in our end time during our parent/teacher conference weeks. Let's continue to work together to, "Believe to Achieve! Stand up! Be heard! Let's excel now!"

Upcoming Events

- 10/10 - Quarter 2 Begins
- Oct. 24, 25, 27, 28, 31
Nov. 1, 3, 4 - Parent Teacher Conferences
- 10/24 - 10/28 - Halloween Spirit Week
- 10/25 - Ohana Pumpkin Carving Night
- 10/26 - Picture Absentee/Re-take Day
- 11/8 - Election Day NO School
- 11/11 - Veterans Day NO School



Aloha,
Dale Arakaki, Principal

Pauoa Ohana PTA



Aloha Pauoa Ohana -

The PTA is open to all parents/caregivers of children attending Pauoa Elementary School! We would love to connect with you! Stop by the Pauoa Ohana PTA Table at the Pumpkin Carving Event on Tuesday, 10/25/22. Then join us at our next in-person PTA meeting on Tuesday, November 1st at 5p. We will be meeting in the school Library. You can also email us at PauoaOhanaPTA@gmail.com

SHOUT OUTS

Family of Reese Maeyoshimoto for the delicious treats!

**Donation of office supplies
by Eternity-Love Lapenia's family.**

Panda Express Fundraiser

Dear teachers, staff, students, parents and Pauoa Community,

A BIG MAHALO for supporting the Panda Express Community Virtual Fundraiser!

*Our community comes from far and wide, including from these states:
HI, OR, IL, NV, AZ, WA, CO, CA, UT.*



GRADE LEVEL NEWS

Preschool: Ms. Shigematsu (DI)

The quarter has come and went and we are now in our 2nd quarter of the year! It is so amazing seeing these students create friendships with each other and just having fun while learning. We have some fun projects in the works for this quarter.

Reminder that we have Parent Teacher Conferences later this month and that means we will be getting dismissed earlier than normal on those days. This means no nap time for the students during this time.

Thank you,
Ms. S



GRADE LEVEL NEWS

Kindergarten: Ms. Derby (D2), Mrs. Hamada (D3), Mrs. Salcedo (D4)

Aloha Kindergarten Families,

It's hard to believe we're already in the second quarter! We spent a lot of time in the first quarter establishing routines and building our classroom community in order to set the tone for a positive and safe school year. We will continue to develop foundational skills and number sense, and we are so excited to dive into our social studies and science projects this month!

Thank you for supporting our school fundraisers last month for Panda Express and the Gogurt/Skinny Pop snack bar! Your continued partnership and your helping hands are so valuable and truly appreciated!

We look forward to seeing you at our Parent Teacher Conferences this month and discussing your child's progress. We appreciate your trust, communication, and your continued support this quarter as we transitioned into kindergarten! Cheers to another spook-tacular month!

Ms. Derby, Mrs. Hamada, & Mrs. Salcedo



GRADE LEVEL NEWS

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

Aloha families of first grade! We had a busy first quarter and learned many new concepts and ideas. In science, they learned about animals, their habitat, their features, and how they survive. We will be moving on and exploring earth and space science in the second quarter. In reading, your child learned about friendships and communities. In the second quarter, we will be starting an author's study and focusing on Leo Lionni. In math, we learned about tens and ones, addition and subtraction, as well as word problems. We will be focusing on telling time, comparing numbers, and continuing our work with word problems. In social studies, we learned about needs and wants as well as maps. We will move on to history and goods and services. Please remember to check your child's planner daily and make sure they practice their sight words and read a book every day.

Reminders:

- Parent-Teacher Conferences occur October 24th - November 4th. Please check your confirmation letter for your child's conference date and time.

Thank you!

First Grade Team

GRADE LEVEL NEWS

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

🎃 Happy Halloween Grade 2 Ohana! 🎃

Please continue to **check your child's homework** and **Pauoa planner**.

To expedite our **Auto Pick-up after school**, Grade 2 teachers are kindly asking that you **show your child's name placard** as you drive up to the Grade 2 pick-up area. If you misplaced your placard, please let us know. Or you can write your child's first name in LARGE print on any piece of paper, recycled cardboard, etc.

- **Parent Teacher Conferences**

- October 24 - November 4
- All conferences will be **in-person**
- School **ends 1 hour earlier** during PTC weeks:
 - **October 24, 25, 27, 28, 31 @ 1:00**
 - **November 1, 3, 4 @ 1:00**
 - **Wednesdays - Oct. 26 & Nov. 2 - will remain same @ 1:15**

Do i-Ready lessons at home if have access to computer/iPad and Internet. Families please **DO NOT help your child** with any hints since the i-Ready program is adaptive and will adjust to each student's specific learning needs.

Thank you, 👻

Grade 2 Teachers

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

Learning in the classroom!



Math

Playing the Doubles Game

GRADE LEVEL NEWS

**Grade 3: Mrs. Wong (D6), Ms. Newberry (D7),
Mrs. Lau (D8)**

Aloha Families,

As the first quarter came to an end, we want to thank you for your continued support and encouragement with your child. We understand that third grade is a transition year, and we appreciate your patience. Our Parent Teacher Conferences will be held from October 24th through November 4th. Your child's teacher sent out a confirmation form with the day and time of your child's conference. Please let your child's teacher know if you cannot attend. We look forward to meeting with the families to discuss your child's successes and areas for growth.



Thank you!
Grade 3 Teachers 😊



GRADE LEVEL NEWS

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

Aloha Fourth Grade Parents,

Welcome back to school and to quarter 2! As we enter this new quarter, let's continue to work together to make every student's learning experience meaningful & memorable. Please see below for a few announcements and reminders for this next month.

Announcements

- Parent-teacher conferences
 - 10/24 - 11/4
- Bike Ed
 - Nov. 14-18
 - Please complete and return permission form if you have not done so yet
 - Bikes and helmets are provided; purchasing merchandise is optional.
- i-Ready
 - New i-Ready HW expectations have started, please ask your child to share with you the new goals they need to complete in school.

Reminders

- After-school tutoring
 - Last day 10/20
- Planners
 - Check & sign daily to maintain a solid routine and to keep up to date with HW and/or comments from teachers

This quarter the students have been "having a ball" learning about idioms (phrases that have a different meaning than their literal meaning). Listening to the students using these idioms has been "icing on the cake". Here is a link to some student work on idioms

<https://padlet.com/mchanhboursy/c0rcav2x2p7ul78e>

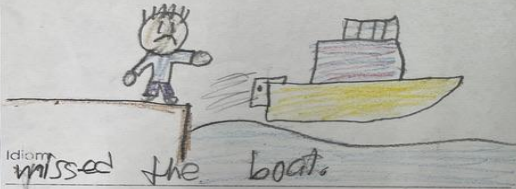
We thank you for your continued support and efforts at home, we really appreciate it! Ms. Takesue, Mrs. Chanhboursy, and Ms. Chung

GRADE LEVEL NEWS

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

Idiom

Draw and color an idiom here:

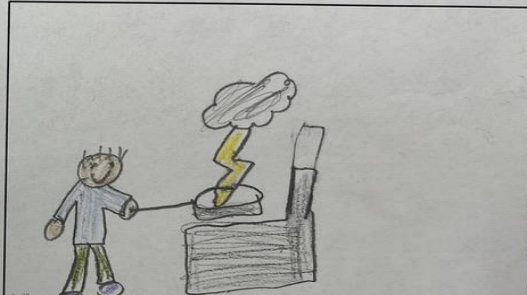


Idiom missed the boat.

Interpretation (What it really means)

This means missed your chance

Idiom



Idiom cooking up a storm.

Interpretation

cooking a lot of food

Idiom

Draw and color an idiom here:



Idiom Hold your horses

Interpretation (What it really means)

wait be patient

Idiom



Idiom Break a leg

Interpretation

Good luck in the theater

Idiom

Draw and color an idiom here:

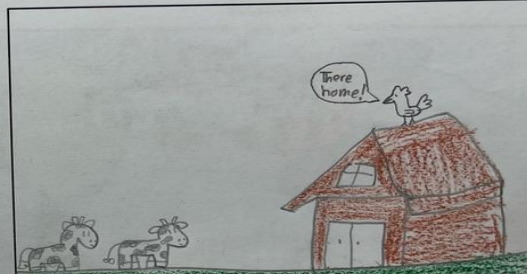


Idiom break a leg!

Interpretation (What it really means)

good luck in the theater

Idiom



Idiom until the cows come home

Interpretation

a very long time

GRADE LEVEL NEWS

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

Aloha 5th grade families!

As we start the second quarter, we would like to remind families that Parent -Teacher Conferences are occurring Oct 24th - Nov 4th. Please mark your calendars with your child's conference date and time. School will end at 1:15pm on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Fridays. Wednesdays will stay the same at 1:30pm since there are no conferences on Wednesdays.

Conferences this school year are IN-PERSON and only 15 minutes long. Remember to be on time and please stay outside the classroom to wait until we open the door, as other conferences are before and after yours.

Starting October 10th, we will go back to pre-pandemic start and end times. School will begin at 8 am and end at 2:15 pm for all students.

Wednesday's end time will be 1:30 pm for all students. More information will be provided by Principal Arakaki.

Tips to help your child at home:

- Find a quiet spot for your child to read out loud 20 - 30 minutes a day. This will help improve your child's fluency, accuracy, intonation, and attend to punctuation = improved comprehension.
- Read to a family member each day.
- Ask your child what they are learning in school and can they teach you what they learned?
- Have your child draw or journal what they learned today.
- Play multiplication war using playing cards, dice, or dominos to build fact fluency. Try addition and subtraction war.
- Have your child multiply the 3 digits on a car's license plate.

**Your Fifth Grade Team,
Mrs. Oliveria, Ms. Luong, and Mrs. Takahashi**

GRADE LEVEL NEWS

Resource Room: Mrs. Sumida, Teachers Grades K-3 (B2)

Wow, B2 parents, it has been an amazingly fast September! We are in the midst of learning how to solve word problems using the "CUBES" method. C means to circle the important numbers and units. U means to underline the question. B means to box the math action to determine the operation used. E means to evaluate and eliminate nonessential words. Finally, there is the S. S means to solve and check your problem.

In ELA, we are working on OG strategies to finger spell words we don't know. For comprehension, we go back to the text to see where the answer came from.

Parents, please be sure your child is working on iReady.

iReady Reading 20 minutes a night

iReady Math 20 minutes a night

In addition, please go over sight words nightly.

Thank you from the B2 team



Resource Room: Ms. Oyama, Teacher Grades 4-5 (B7)

Aloha B7 Families,

Welcome back to Quarter 2! Our students have finished up their opinion writing about how to be a good friend. Students went through the writing process and practiced typing and editing on their iPads. They are continuing to work on ELA strategies such as main idea and summarizing for non-fiction texts. In math, we are continuing our lessons with addition and multiplication strategies, and telling time. If you have any questions, feel free to let me know!

Some reminders~

- Parent Teacher Conferences begin at the end of this month
- Conduct a daily wellness check every morning before coming to school
- Bring a water bottle and necessary supplies to class
- Bring a jacket to school
- Come to class ready to learn with a positive attitude!

Mahalo,
Ms. Oyama

SPECIALS

SEL Teacher: Mrs. Fong

October is anti-bullying month. We will be discussing in each grade level how to recognize, report, refuse bullying and bystander power. We will also be discussing and reviewing self-talk, listening, and being kind & respectful. Have a nice October!

Mrs. Fong



Technology Coordinator/Computer Science: Mr. Sutherland

Aloha Pauoa Ohana,

Our students are developing great computer science skills. As our students' programming skills advance, we will be taking on larger challenges. With the holidays approaching, we will be focusing on interactive greeting cards and software/hardware led controls. These should be fun and engaging projects for our students.

Thank you,
Mr. Sutherland

SUPPORT STAFF

Title I & Curriculum Coordinator: Ms. Nakamura

Happy October!

How was your fall break? I took some time to rejuvenate and catch up on some things that I put on the side; I hope you were able to do things during the break that energized you and filled your heart.

There are a handful of things going on in October that we would like you to keep track of:

1. Week of Oct. 10 - If there is after school tutoring (AST) available to your child's grade level, your child's classroom teacher will be contacting you to let you know if they would like your child to participate in tutoring.
2. Oct. 17 - If you have been contacted by your child's teacher about tutoring, you should receive a permission form by the 17th. This form needs to be signed and returned. Please note that your child's academic needs will take precedence over after school enrichment programs at this time.
3. Oct. 18 - Registration forms for Session 2 After School Programs will be sent home. Forms are due by Oct. 21. Please make sure that you fill out the forms completely. Check the front and back.
4. Oct. 21 - Session 1 ends for After School Programs (ASP) and After School Tutoring (AST)
5. Oct. 24 through Nov. 4 - Parent Teacher Conferences. Please make sure you make arrangements to pick up your child earlier than usual as our end time will be different on Mon., Tues., Thurs., and Fri.
6. Week of Oct. 31 - ASP Confirmation or wait list letters will be sent home.*
7. Nov. 7 through Dec. 16 - Session 2 for ASP and AST

*A note about After School Programs - We will try our very best to place students who are on the wait list for Session 1 and who sign up for Session 2 in a class. But please know that priority does not guarantee a placement as classes are contingent upon the amount of classes and spaces we have available.

Please let us know if you have any questions.

Take care and stay safe,

Ms. Nakamura

lisa.nakamura@k12.hi.us

SUPPORT STAFF

Health Aide: Mrs. Ladines (Front Office)

Picture Absentee/Re-take Day is Wednesday, 10/26th.

Reminders:

- If your child was absent due to an illness, and are trying to return before the 6th day from symptom on-set, an in-person Wellness Check is required. A parent/guardian over the age of 18 needs to escort AND walk the student to the Front Office after 7:40 a.m. This will help in answering any questions for the safety of the student's return OR if the student needs to still recover at home.
- Teach your keiki how to massage their body when not feeling well. Applying pressure and love helps to soothe pain and sometimes is all that is needed to feel better!

May you have an Outrageous October and fantastic Fall Break!!



SUPPORT STAFF

Counselor: Mr. Uetake

Happy October students and parents! One quarter down, three more to go. Students, continue to work hard, be kind, and make your parents proud. Have a great October and Happy Halloween.



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

ELO Afterschool Program

Second session ELO for EL started this week. Please take note of your child's days and times. The ELO third session will start on Nov. 14th. The registration form will be sent home before the end of October. Continue to support your child at home by encouraging your child to read aloud daily and have a good study routine. These can play a significant role in learning.

Parent Involvement

Thank you so much for supporting our Panda Express Fundraiser!!!!

Ohana Pumpkin Carving will be on Tuesday, Oct. 25th
@ 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm.

Come join us and let's have a fun night!



FRONT OFFICE

Mrs. Oshiro, Ms. Tanoue, Mrs. Ramirez

2022 FEDERAL IMPACT AID (Federal Survey Card) Continued

We need your help to turn in your forms if you haven't done so already.

About 50 more students to go.....

Please complete in blue or black ink (Not in pencil or colored pens)

Employer should be filled in not left blank. (e.g. ABC stores + location address, self employed, retired, none etc...)

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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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