



HALE KEIKI SCHOOL

Established in 1946, we have proudly served our military and local community for 79 years

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Aloha HKS Families,

Happy New Year! We're excited to welcome 2026 with joy, learning, and new opportunities for our keiki and 'ohana. Enjoy our January newsletter.

Warmly,
Team HKS

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JANUARY EVENTS

Jan 5	No School, Teacher Workday
Jan 6	Students return to school
Jan 8	2 nd Quarter ends
Jan 12	3 rd Grade field trip to Bishop Museum
Jan 13	Kindergarten field trip to Waikiki Aquarium 4 th /5 th /6 th grade field trip to Bishop Museum
Jan 16	1 st and 2 nd grade field trip to Honolulu Zoo
Jan 19	No School- Dr. Martin Luther King Jr Day
Jan 20	2 nd and 3 rd grade field trip to HTY
Jan 21	PTO Recycling & Panda Express fundraiser
Jan 23	100 th Day of School 2 nd Quarter report cards and portfolios go home
Jan 30	Kindergarten field trip to WCC Imaginarium 3 rd Grade Wax Museum presentations 2:15-2:45pm

Save the Date!

February 21- HKS Annual Auction



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Ain't No Stoppin' Us Now -
We've Got the Groove!

HALE KEIKI SCHOOL
Auction

21 FEBRUARY 2026
5-9PM



A 70S THEMED CELEBRATION TO SUPPORT HKS
HONOLULU COUNTRY CLUB - DRESS CODE: 70'S DISCO NIGHT
\$150 PER TICKET



**Step into the groove at
Hale Keiki School's
Annual Auction,
a 70s-themed celebration to
support student programming
and financial aid**

LIVE & SILENT AUCTION

A chance to bid on items from local businesses as well as unique projects made by each class. We also have special items like Principal of the Day and an exclusive parking spot.

SPECIAL PERFORMANCE

Enjoy a special performance from our Young Leader's Club who are ready to boogie the night away!

DELICIOUS FOOD & DRINK

Each ticket includes a buffet ticket to delicious Hawaiian food. Bring cash to enjoy a drink at the bar.

CHILDCARE

Childcare is available for potty trained children.

**Buy your
tickets
here:**

[Payment Forms](#)





Shopping for our HKS Teachers & Staff? Here are a few of their favorite things! *Click here for their lists*

Hale Keiki PTO January

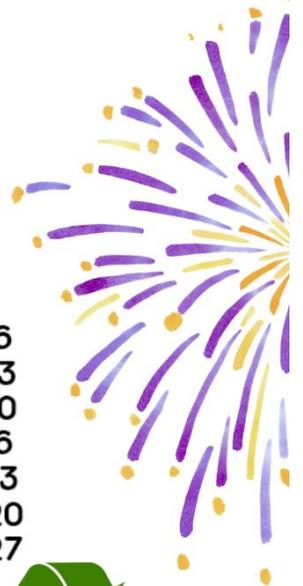
There are 8 pizza Fridays in quarter 3. Please order online or send cash or a check in to HKS PTO.

[Click here to place your order](#)

- 1 cheese slice: \$56.00
- 1 pepperoni slice: \$64.00
- 2 cheese slices: \$72.00
- 1 cheese & 1 pepperoni: \$76.00
- 2 pepperoni slices: \$80.00

Q3 Pizza Friday Orders Due 01/09/26

- January 16
- January 23
- January 30
- February 6
- February 13
- February 20
- February 27
- March 6



Panda Express Dine & Donate Wednesday, 1/21/26

This is a nationwide virtual fundraiser, so tell your mainland friends and family. Use the fundraiser code below when ordering **online or through the app**, even if you're dining in. Thanks for supporting HKS!

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Have questions? Email us at pto@nhks.org

100 days smarter

We'll be celebrating our 100th day of school on January 23, 2026



Recycling Drop-off Wednesday, 1/21/26

Bring your HI-5 labeled cans, plastic bottles, and/or glass bottles to morning drop-off.

- Participating earns your keiki 1 point.
- Sorting the bags earns them 2 points.
- Having a parent volunteer to help sort earns them 4 points.

The class with the highest participation percentage wins a class prize or party. Classes with 150% participation (before parent participation points) will get a recycling-themed sticker.

Volunteers Needed [Volunteer List](#)

[Pizza Friday Volunteers](#)

[Bulletin Board Decorators](#)

[Recycling Sorting Volunteers](#)





Thank you to everyone who brought in recycling last month. Save your recycling for our next collection day on 1/21!

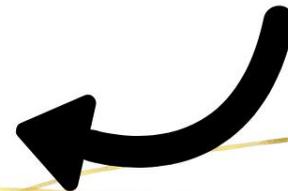
For December's Recycling, we received
\$93.55.

Help us top that January!

December Standings
The winners will be announced when we return from winter break



Which class will take the trophy this month?



PRESCHOOL

JANUARY NEWSLETTER

MRS. BAKER

Classroom News

2026

Happy New Year Families!

We hope you had an amazing break and are excited to kick off the new year back at school!

This month, we will be focusing on the letters U, B, R, and N, as well as the numbers 7 and 8. We will continue exploring our Animals in Winter theme and will also be learning about Martin Luther King Jr. and celebrating the 100th day of school!

Reminders

Specials:

Monday-Library (*Return Library Book*)

Tuesday-Cultural Connections

Wednesday- STEM

Thursday-P.E. (*Wear School Shirt*)

Friday- Art

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Dec 22-Jan 5- Winter Break
- Jan 6- Students Return from Break
- Jan 19- NO SCHOOL (MLK Jr. Day)
- Jan 23- 100th Day of School
- Jan 30- Show and Tell

Contact Info

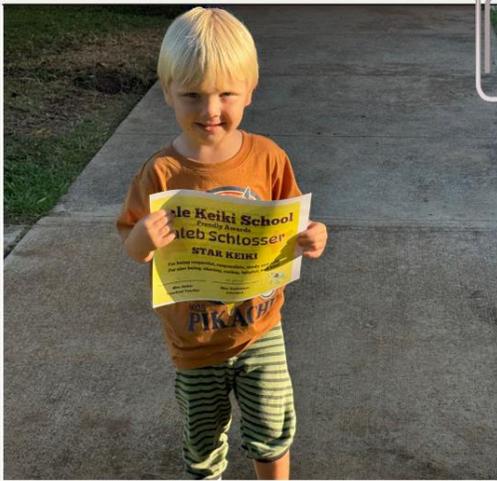
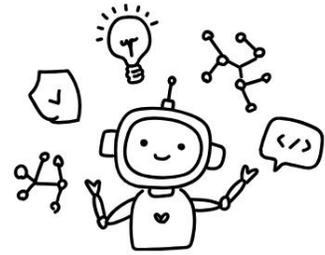
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[Mrs. Baker's Preschool Media](#)



December Star Keiki



Snowstorm Science Experiment



Holiday Art



Fun with Bubbles

PRE-KINDERGARTEN WITH MRS. WARREN

Aloha, Pre-K Families-

Merry Whatever-You-Celebrate and Happy New Year! I hope everyone had a fun, restful break- because it's time to get back to the business of PreK in 2026. This month, we will become experts in the letters Uu, Bb, Rr, and Nn, as well as the numbers 7 and 8. We will learn even more about how animals spend their Winters, and will explore New Year's Eve/Day, Groundhog Day, and MLK Day in Social Studies. We will also celebrate the 100th Day of School on the 23rd, along with pulling out all the stops for our inaugural National Bubble Wrap Appreciation Day STEM Challenge. We practice our Fine Motor and classroom behavioral skills always!



POLAR EXPRESS DAY



ZOOKEEPERS



PUZZLE PALS



DEC STAR KEIKI



TEAM WORK!

This Month in Pre-Kindergarten:

Dec 22-Jan 5: Break (NO SCHOOL) - Jan 13: Show & Tell -

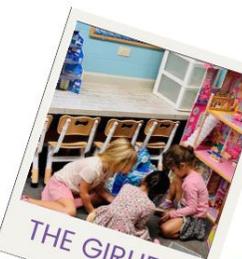
Jan 19: MLK Day (NO SCHOOL) - Jan 23: 100th Day of School Celebration -

Jan 26: National Bubble Wrap Appreciation Day -



FEASTIN'!

Mrs. Warren, Pre-K



THE GIRLIES



PLAYGROUND

JANUARY 2026

MRS. SANCHEZ & MR. NELSON
PK CLASS

Happy New Year!

We hope you all enjoyed a wonderful holiday break. We're thrilled to kick off 2026 together. It's full speed ahead as we dive into the second half of our pre-kindergarten year!

There are many exciting events ahead. Please continue to check your child's folder daily and watch your email for updates and announcements. We can't wait to share all that's to come with you and our keiki! Mahalo!

Mrs. Sanchez & Mr. Nelson



MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
5 No School Staff Work Day	6 Students Return to School	7	8	9 Q3 Pizza Friday Order Due Pizza Friday
12	13	14	15	16 Pizza Friday I
19 Presidents' Day No School	20	21 HI-5 Recycling Panda Express Dine & Shine	22 Portfolio Go Home	23 100 th Day of School Pizza Friday 2
26	27	28	29	30 Portfolio Return Due Pizza Friday 3

SPECIAL CLASSES SCHEDULE
TIME: 10:00AM - 10:30AM

- Monday - Library with Mrs. Mitchell (Library)
- Tuesday - Cultural Connections with Mr. Cavazos (Classroom)
- Wednesday - STEAM with Mrs. Shackelford (407-2)
- Thursday - PE with Mr. Cavazos (Outside)
- Friday - Art with Mrs. Durando (Classroom)

Please have your Keiki wear their HKS shirt and closed-toe shoes.

This month we are learning...

LANGUAGE ARTS	MATH	SCIENCE	SOCIAL STUDIES	FINE MOTOR SKILLS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> U, u B, b R, r N, n Writing First Name with visual cues Phonological Awareness 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7 8 AABB Patterns Rote Count 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Winter Animal Track Exploration Making Snow Shadow Explorations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Animals in Winter Dr. King (Kindness & Friendships) 100th Day of School Groundhog Day Chinese New Year 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cut Curved Lines with Scissors Self-Help Skills Pencil Grips

Thank you so much for making our Holiday Program memorable for our Keiki. We loved their smiles when they heard your loud cheering and applause. We would also like to thank everyone for their generous gifts. Mr. Nelson and I loved every single one of them.



ANNOUNCEMENTS & REMINDERS

100th Day of School Celebration

On Friday, January 23rd, we will celebrate the 100th day of school! To mark this special milestone, students are invited to join in the fun by dressing up as 100-year-olds.

Student Portfolios

Your child's portfolio will be sent home on January 22nd. Please take some time to look through their hard work, celebrate their growth together, and return the portfolio to school by January 30th so we can continue adding more of their amazing work.

Thank you for celebrating your child's learning journey with us!

HKS Annual Auction

Date: Saturday, February 21st

Time: 5:00 - 9:00 pm Location: Honolulu Country Club

Our junior artists are creating one-of-a-kind pieces for the special event. Please stay tuned for the photos and see the flyer for details!

Birthdays!

WE ARE WISHING A VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO...

- ★ Jack - Jan. 20th
- ★ Henry - Jan. 24th
- ★ Penelope - Jan. 25th

Aquarius

Capricorn



LOOK OUT FOR NEXT MONTH...

- 2/13 - Spring Picture Day - Needs Notice Go Home
- 2/16 - Presidents' Day (No School)
- 2/21 - HKS Annual Auction
- Themes: Dental Health : Valentine's Day : Presidents' Day (Best Cookie Voting)

2025 HKS Thanksgiving Feast/Parade



2nd Q Show & Tell: We discovered the starting letters of our items, made a graph, and practiced social-emotional skills through play!



Whole Group Activity Time: Holiday Pet Voting/Musical Letters/Letter Scavenger Hunt, Gingerbread Making/Calendar Time/Folder Time





Small Group Time: Mr. Nelson and Mrs. Sanchez meet with each student to build math, literacy, and fine motor skills



Independent Activity Time: Students enjoy special play bins while waiting for their small-group learning time with Mr. Nelson and Mrs. Sanchez.



Mrs. Quach's Kindergarten January Newsletter

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Quote of the Month

"You are brave that you believe, stronger than you seem, and smarter than you think!" --Winnie the Pooh

Classroom News

The children enjoyed making their holiday gift for you and worked so hard for our Holiday Program performance. I hope you all had a wonderful break and enjoyed time with your family! As we get back into the school routine, we will continue working on preparing the students for 1st grade! It's unbelievable that half the school year is already done. 3rd quarter brings higher expectations of routines in the classroom, but of course, with a lot of fun!

January Festivities

100th Day of School

On Friday, January 24th, to show spirit of 100 days of learning, your child can dress up as if they are 100 years old or create a shirt of 100 items. If you would like to donate any items towards our 100th day trail mix, please click on the following link. Anything is appreciated!

[100th Day of School Sign Up](#) 

Upcoming Events

December 20th-January 5th - Winter Break (No School)

January 19th - Martin King Jr. Day (No School)

January 23rd - 100th Day of School celebration

February 13th - Valentine's Day party (if your child would like to pass out valentine treats, make sure it does not contain nuts.

We now have 17 students! Please do not write names on goodie bags for easier/faster distribution. Thank you!)

February 16th - President's Day (No School)

February 21st - HKS Annual Auction

[Mrs. Quach's Kindergarten Media](#)

Please visit the following link to view photos/videos of your child's learning in action within the classroom and future school festivities!

[Mrs. Quach's Class Pictures](#) 





KINDERGARTEN NEWSLETTER



JANUARY 2026

What's New?

JANUARY OVERVIEW

I hope you had a wonderful time during the holidays. I am excited for the 3rd quarter. Kindergarten will finish learning all the alphabet.

Reading logs will resume January 6th. Although this reading homework is not mandatory, I highly encourage for your child to read at home every day.

In math we are working on addition, counting on, base ten, and place value. I will introduce subtraction this month.

HOKULANI IMAGINARIUM

Students will visit the aerospace center and learn about space exploration. This field has lots of hands-on activities. Kids will also experience an immersive adventure in a true 360 environment.

WAIKIKI AQUARIUM

The Waikiki Aquarium is happy to offer guided tours led by volunteer docents. Students will also participate in an interactive presentation where they will learn about animal habitats.

Looking for Chaperones

We have two field trips this month. We are looking for chaperones. If you are interested, you need to submit your TB Test Clearance Form to me. Please return the first permission slip by January 6th.

The second permission slip will go home Dec. 16th.

Save the Date

- Jan. 6: Return to School
- Jan. 8: 2Q Quarter Ends
- Jan. 9: 3Q Pizza Friday Orders Due
- Jan. 13: Field Trip
- Jan 16. Pizza Friday 1
- Jan. 19: No School (MLK Jr. Day)
- Jan. 21: January Recycling
- Jan. 23: 100th Day of School
- Jan. 23: 2Q Report Cards Go Home
- Jan. 23: Pizza Friday 2
- Jan. 30: Field Trip
- Jan. 30: Pizza Friday 3
- Feb. 21 HKS Annual Auction

1ST GRADE newsletter

JANUARY

Week of 5th - 9th

Sounds: Rakoba: all Riptide: goes
Reading: Ask 5 W questions about essential elements
Writing: Review singular/plural nouns, Writer's Notebook, Response to Reading
Math: Unit 5: Introducing place value, greater than, less than
Social Studies: Chinese New year Science: Begin artic research

Week of 12th-16th

Sounds: Rakoba: oi Riptide: no
Reading: Use text features to understand information text
Writing: Contractions, writers notebook, handwriting
Math: Unit 5: counting and place value application, comparison symbols
Social Studies: Life cycle- animal and plant Science: Artic research

Week of 19th-23rd

Sounds: Rakoba: oy Riptide: you
Reading: Review character, setting, events
Writing: Homophones, writer's notebook, response to reading
Math: Unit 5: Comparison number stories, two-digit addition/subtraction
Social Studies: Life cycle- animal and plant Science: Artic research

**No school Monday- Jan
19th MLK Jr Day**

Week of 26th-30th

Sounds: Rakoba: ar Riptide: says
Reading: Review sequence of events
Writing: Pronouns, Handwriting, writer's notebook
Math: Review and Unit 5 Assessment
Social Studies: Life cycle- animal and plant Science: Artic research

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Best December Ever!



1st and 2nd GRADE

January newsletter

Happy January

Welcome back! I hope you all had a wonderful and restful break. January is big month for us as we kick off our animal research unit. Student in 1st grade will be picking an arctic animal and students in 2nd grade will be picking an animal of their choice. We will be studying and researching our animals at school and writing an informational text about our animal. At the end of the unit in February we will be welcoming our parents into the classroom to view our animal exhibit. More information to come. Stay tuned. 😊

We are Learning

RAKOBA- 1st grade - all, oi/oy, ar
2nd grade -ie, -tion, -ed, -sion

Language Arts: 1st grade- Identify character, setting, and events. compound words and grammar review.
2nd grade- fact/opinion, possessive nouns, pronouns, verb tense.

Writing: 1st and 2nd -Animal research (1st grade arctic animal. 2nd - any animal that interest them. This will be a two-month project.

Math:

1st grade - Everyday Math Chapter 5 (Place value and Comparisons)
2nd grade - Everyday Math Chapter 5 (Addition and subtraction using money and number stories)

Social Studies: Scholastic News

Science: Life cycle plants and animals

Field Trips

January 16th - 1st and 2nd grade Honolulu Zoo

January 20th - 2nd Grade Honolulu Youth Theater.

February 6th -1st grade Whale Watch

April 1st-3rd -2nd grade Camp Erdman

More information to follow on these dates.

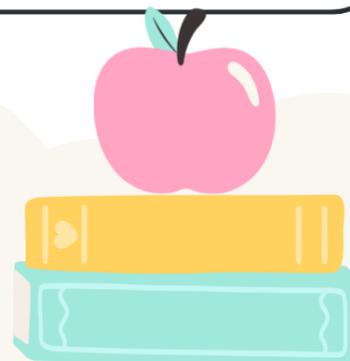
Important Dates

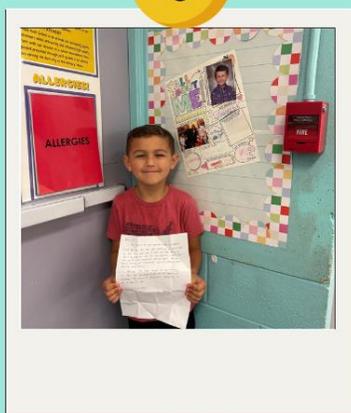
- January 9th - Pizza Friday Q3 orders due
- January 16th - 1st/2nd Honolulu Zoo
- January 20th - 2nd grade Honolulu Youth Theater
- January 21st HI-Recycling & Panda Express Dine and Donate
- January 23rd - 100th day of school (Dress like you are 100 years old)



Contact Mrs. Gureck

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Our Star Students of the week for December



Army Navy Selfie



Holidays around the World
We created our own dreidel and played the game with gelt during our Hanukkah unit.

MRS. GALE'S 3RD GRADE JANUARY NEWSLETTER

WHAT'S HAPPENING

We had a joyful December sharing our Holiday Traditions Essays, learning about weather, fractions, and so much more! We had tons of fun at our holiday party and enjoyed making many ornaments and crafts throughout December.

This month in ELA and Social Studies, students will research and report on an influential historical figure. They will dress up as their chosen person and present their reports to all grade levels and family members (more details coming soon). In science, we'll wrap up our Climate Unit and transition into Life Science, focusing on life cycles and traits. In social studies, students will continue their study of civics and government.

Also, this month students will go on two field trips! Be sure to return permission slips. Chaperones needed, email Mrs. Gale if you'd like to come along.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS

Novel Study: Finishing; The Vanderbeekers of 141st Street. Now Reading: Who Was Series

Writing: Wax Museum (Influential Persons Report)

Sounds: y=/i/, our, que, wor

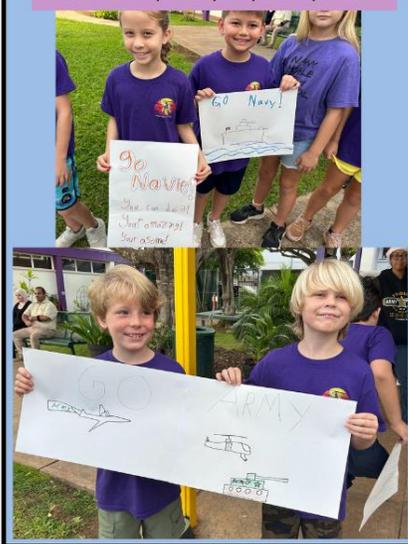
MATH

Unit 6: More Operations

- Use trade-first subtraction
- Make sense of multiplication and division number stories.
- Solve number sentences with parentheses.

Review Concepts: Fractions and Multiplication Strategies, Multiplication 0-12

Army Navy Pep-Rally



REMINDERS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

January 6 - Students Return from Winter Break

January 12 - Field Trip to Bishop's Museum

- Bus departs at 8:30 and will return by 12:30
- Students should wear close toed shoes and PE Shirts
- Please return permission slips by Jan. 7

January 19 - No School, Martin Luther King Jr. Day

January 20 - Field Trip to Honolulu Theatre for Youth

- Bus departs at 9:00 and will return by 11:00
- Students should wear close toed shoes and PE Shirts
- Please return permission slips by Jan. 15

January 23 - 100th Day of School,

- Students dress up like they're 100 years old
- Students bring 100 things project

January 30 - Wax Museum Presentations

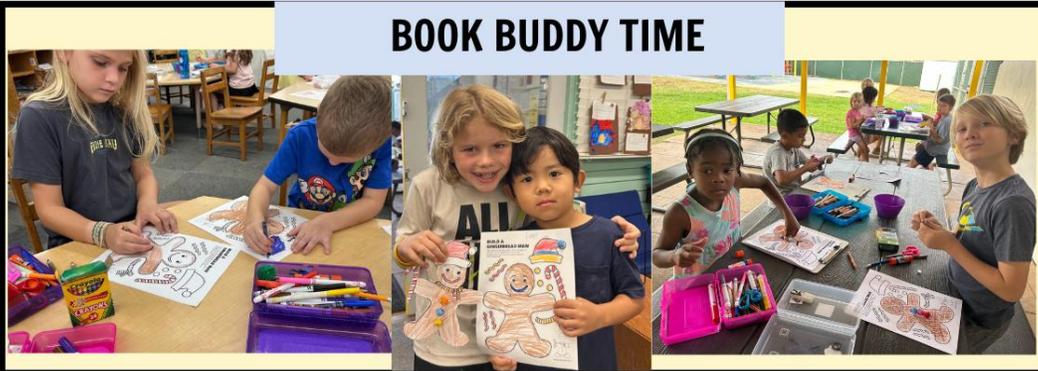
- Students will dress up as influential historical figures
- Parents are invited from 2:15-2:45

MRS. GALE'S 3RD GRADE JANUARY NEWSLETTER!

Holiday Fun!



BOOK BUDDY TIME



Congratulations to our December Star Students:
Johann Baechle and William Summerson!

Lunch with Teacher So Much Fun!



Questions or comments, email Mrs. Gale at teressagale@nhks.org

4TH grade

Newsletter



Hale Keiki School

January 2025

Issue #05

This Month in Our Classroom

Happy New Year! As we return to our routines, students are jumping back into learning with focus and enthusiasm. In Math, we'll revisit fractions, with an emphasis on adding and subtracting fractions. Practicing addition at home can help build fluency. If your child is struggling, please encourage them to come see me. Students may also continue using Freckle for extra support or enrichment, as it's great for mental math and fact practice.

In ELA, students will explore creative writing and ordering adjectives. In Science, we'll study the structures and functions of plants and flowers, and in Social Studies, we'll learn about the arrival of Captain Cook in Hawai'i. January is off to a great start, and I'm excited for all the learning ahead!

ELA

Novel Study: Mr. Popper's Penguins
Read Aloud: Love, Ruby lavender
Grammar Mechanics: Ordering Adjectives
Writing: When I'm 100 Years Old Essay

Mathematics

Operations with Fractions: Addition and Subtraction
Line Plots with Fractional Units

Science

Structures and Functions of Plants

Social Studies

Captain Cook Comes to the Islands



**He ali'i ka 'āina; He kauā
ke kanaka**

"The land is chief; People
are its servant"

Student Spotlight

Each month, we take time to celebrate the amazing students in our classroom. This section highlights individuals who shine through their kindness, effort, creativity, and leadership. It's our way of recognizing the unique contributions each student brings to our 4th grade 'ohana.

Josephine Economou

Josephine has been a wonderful example of responsibility and focus in our classroom. She consistently stays on task and completes her work in a timely manner. I also commend Josephine for the kindness she shows to her classmates, especially in the way she speaks calmly and respectfully to others. Her positive attitude helps create a supportive and welcoming classroom environment.

Ty Olson

Ty consistently follows directions and models excellent behavior in the classroom. He works well with his classmates and is a positive role model to those around him. Before winter break, I especially noticed Ty's leadership during recess, where he played kickball fairly and respectfully, particularly when playing with students in younger grades. His kindness and sportsmanship truly stand out.

A note from Ms. Cruz

Welcome back and Happy New Year! It's been wonderful having our students back in the classroom as we begin the year with renewed positivity, motivation, and excitement for learning. January is already shaping up to be a busy and engaging month for our 4th graders!

Please be sure to note the following important dates:

- **Tuesday, January 13, 2026** - Bishop Museum Field Trip
 - This is an exciting opportunity that connects beautifully to our learning, and I can't wait to experience it with the students. Please return field trip permission slips as soon as possible if you haven't already.
 - **Attire & Lunch Reminder:** Students should wear their PE attire, including closed-toe shoes (no Crocs, please). Students will eat lunch back at school at their usual time, so please be sure your child eats a substantial breakfast, as there will be limited time for snacks.
- **Monday, January 19, 2026** - No School (Martin Luther King Jr. Day)

Thank you, as always, for your continued support and partnership. I'm looking forward to a wonderful month filled with learning, growth, and meaningful experiences for our classroom 'ohana!

MULTIGRADE 5/6 CLASS NEWS

JAN 2026

It is great to welcome everyone back after our holiday break. I hope everyone enjoyed some family time together. January brings the end of the 2nd quarter and the start of the 3rd during our first week back. Students will be doing quarterly reflections and setting goals for themselves for the third quarter of school.



Any last-minute work for the quarter will be completed. Students will turn in 2nd quarter book reports by January 8th. Second quarter report cards will be sent home on January 23 via RenWeb/FACTS.

Important Dates for January/February

January 13—FIELD TRIP to Bishop Museum for 4th, 5th, and 6th graders (morning trip)

January 19—MLK Birthday HOLIDAY—NO SCHOOL

January 23-100th Day of School Observance



CLASSROOM HAPPENINGS



5th grade students will continue working with fractions and decimals during January. They will also be doing a project-based learning packet using math skills to plan a trip to a winter carnival. They will be practicing budgeting skills, calculating area and space for hotel accommodations, planning winter activities, and planning an ice festival. They will be using a variety of math skills to accomplish the tasks in the work packet.

6th grade students will be doing operations with integers, including absolute values, and positive and negative numbers. They will continue to practice with order of operations using whole numbers, decimals, and scientific notation.

In Science we will be participating in the Cornell University Bird Count during January and February. This presents another citizen science project for the students to participate in. We will also begin work with our space unit in science.

In Social Studies we will be doing our unit on Economics. 5th graders will be planning for the Open Market Day to be held in February, and 6th graders will be learning more about investments, long term savings, and the Stock Market. We are looking forward to having Mr. Soares, our school CFO and a certified financial planner visit our class to share information with us about long-term savings and the time value of money as we explore budgeting, saving, and investing.

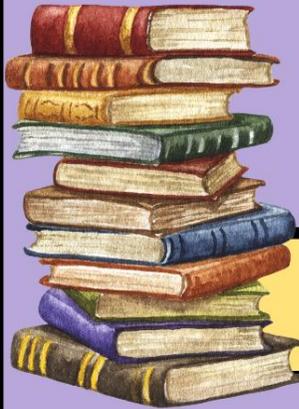
In Language Arts, we will continue to use Wordly Wise each week to do vocabulary studies and word work. We will also be doing a whole class novel study during January and February that will anchor a study of the civil rights movement, Martin Luther King, Jr., and life during the 1960s. The 5th graders will be reading the novel, *The Watsons Go to Birmingham, 1963*. The novel is the first novel written by award winning author Christopher Paul Curtis. The 6th graders will be reading the novel, *Finding Langston* which is set in Chicago during the Great Migration. Both novels will allow us opportunities to explore the history of the civil rights movement in the United States. Students will continue to do weekly writers workshop topics to further develop their composition skills. We will be working on our grammar guru skills as we do more in depth work with grammar.

Specials classes will continue each week with Library on Mondays, Cultural Connections on Tuesdays, Art on Wednesdays, PE on Thursdays, and STEM on Fridays. Lastly, we will also begin preliminary work for Lei Day which is scheduled for Friday, May 1st. Further information will be coming to you soon regarding this special day.

Lastly, we will also be involved in getting ready for the school fundraising auction to be held on February 21st. We will be finishing our final touches on our projects for the live auction. If you haven't bought tickets yet, contact the school office to make your purchases. It will be a fun evening and a chance to raise money for our school!

As always, there is lots going on in our classroom and our school community. Thank you for allowing us to be part of your child's educational journey.

**MRS. JENNIFER JACKSON
TEACHER, MULTIGRADES 5/6**



LIBRARY

JANUARY 2026

What We're Reading:

PS-K: Winter tales
1/2: Upside Down Magic
3: Small Spaces
4: Clairboyance
5/6: Futureland



Did you know our library is the Michael M. Ganitch Memorial Library? Mickey was awarded our Heart of a Hero award in 2013 and visited the school many times to share his memories of serving on the USS Pennsylvania on December 7, 1941, with HKS students. It was a privilege to know him.

New Year's Resolution for Young and Old:
Read one book a month!

PE & CULTURAL CONNECTIONS NEWS



PE CLASS

*Remember to wear running shoes & PE shirt

Wednesdays=
Kindergarten

Thursdays=
Preschool, Prek,
5th/6th grade

Fridays=
1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th
grade



CULTURAL CONNECTIONS CLASS

Mondays= Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd grade

Tuesdays= Preschool, Prek, 3rd, 4th and 5th/6th grade



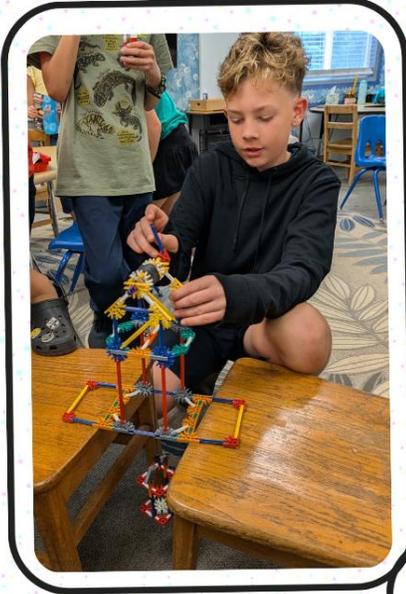
We have just finished up our Native American studies where the kids learned about the lives of over 200 tribes. They immersed themselves by making their own tribe and traditions as a class. We learned how to gather and build while adapting to the conditions of the outside world. In addition we discovered each other's strengths and what can make us stronger in group settings. Ask your child what they named their tribe!

The kids have shined beyond their limits in team sports. They all have worked on sportsmanship and the detail that makes a supportive teammate. They are only allowed to be positive and though that was tested by the stress of sports, they all have come out better athletes and friends.

Dominic Luis Cavazos
Dominic.Cavazos@nhks.org

January Newsletter

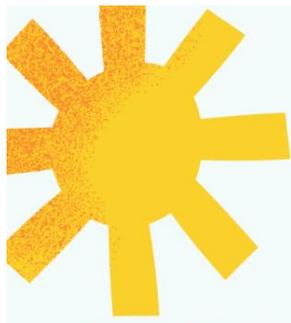
STEM



Looking for Recyclable Materials

- 2 liter bottles
- spout bottle caps
- mailing tubes/larger cylinder tubes
- plastic water bottles
- cylinder plastic containers with lids





Art NEWSLETTER



January 2026

Preschool, PreK and Kindergarten Art theme= Artic Bliss and New Year's Glow
1st-6th grade Art theme= Winter Wonderland and New Beginnings



Wow! We can't believe the first half of the school year is already behind us. Our students had an amazing time creating all of the holiday art projects. This month, we'll continue exploring winter themes and add a touch of sparkle to celebrate the new year. We're also excited to begin working on projects for The Original Works of Art fundraiser—stay tuned for more details coming soon for parents!

Mrs. Durando
Erin.Durando@nhks.org

Special Notes

Thank you to all our amazing parents for your support throughout the school year and during the Holiday Program! We truly appreciate everything you do. We can't wait to see everyone at our next PTO pop-up event!

JANUARY



FUN IN MRS. WAY'S PRE-K ASC CLASS



After School Enrichment Classes **SIGN UP**

Yoga:

Email or Text Ms. Bree at 910-600-3781 /
yogibre3114@gmail.com

Girl Scouts of Hawaii:

<https://www.gshawaii.org/en/get-involved/join.html>

Julie Moroz- jmoroz@gshawaii.org

Elise Kissling- protomato@gmail.com

Origami Club with Mr. Masaki

K-3rd grade

[Register here](#)

Soccer Shots ages 3-8 years old

[Soccer Shots Oahu - Class Registration](#)

Tides Marine Biology:

Grades K-3rd

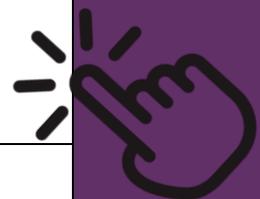
<https://lanternsglobal.com/tides-hale-keiki>

Kingdoms Card Game Club

with Mr. Nelson

Grades 3-6th

[Hale Keiki School Kingdoms Card Game Club](#)



PRESCHOOL/PRE-K SUPER HERO ADVENTURES

STUDENTS WILL ENJOY:

- Fun & imaginative themes
- Active play
- Hands-on learning
- Friendship & teamwork
- Creative expression
- Confidence building
- Engaging & positive environment

SESSION 1: JUNE 8TH THROUGH JUNE 26TH * NO CAMP JUNE 19TH
REGISTRATION FEE: \$85, SESSION 1 TUITION: \$790
EXTENDED CARE AVAILABLE:
BEFORE CARE (\$70), AFTER CARE (\$395)

REGISTER NOW AT:
[HTTPS://PAVIT.NELNET.NET/FORM/00F2NLRE](https://pavit.nelnet.net/form/00f2nlre)
*REGISTRATION FEE IS DUE UPON REGISTRATION

GET YOUR GAME ON!

SESSION I
K, 1ST, 2ND GRADES ONLY!

JUNE 8TH - 26TH, 2026
 FEATURED GAMES

TIC TAC TOE OUTDOOR GAMES | MEMORY MATCH GAME/GRID GAMES | UNO CHECKERS | AND MORE!

REGISTRATION & FEES

REGISTRATION FEE - \$85	SUMMER TUITION - \$950
* DUE AT REGISTRATION	(7:30 AM - 12:00 PM)
BEFORE SCHOOL CARE - \$70	AFTER SCHOOL CARE - \$395
(7:00 AM - 7:30 AM)	(12:00 PM - 6:00 PM)

REGISTER HERE!

Favorite Things MAKERS CAMP

WITH MRS. WARREN

WHEN

Session 1: June 8th -26th (*No Camp June 19th)

TIME

7:30am-12:30pm. (Extended care is available before camp and after camp until 6pm!)

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- Registration \$85 -- Tuition \$950 --
- Before Care \$70 - After Care \$395 -

WHO

We wish everyone could join- but Favorite Things is for rising 3rd through 6th graders.

WHAT

Come hang at a camp that's all about you- all of you! At Favorite Things, everyone gets a day devoted to whatever makes them tick- all cool hyper fixations welcome! Campers will also "Make & Take" fun gifts based on the group's interests. Keep or give- it's up to you!

FUN

Will there be a Fieldtrip? Heck yeah, there will! And Water Battles on Fridays, too!

Register here to join!

*Registration fee is due at time of Registration. Mahalo!

HALE KEIKI SCHOOL

SIGN UP FOR SUMMER SESSION 1

Receive \$50 off tuition if enrolled by January 31, 2026

[Sign up here!](#)

*Only pay \$85 at this time. Full payment due by May 1st.

HALE KEIKI SCHOOL

**K-2
SUMMER
STEM**



Experiment. Fail. Learn. Repeat.



Session 2: June 29 th - July 17 th	
Registration Fee	\$85
Summer Tuition	\$950
Before School Care	\$70
After School Care	\$395



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SCHOOL**



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**Summer
FITNESS
CAMP**

WITH COACH CAVAZOS
JUNE 29 - JULY 17

FOR GRADES 3-6



SOCCER



VOLLEYBALL



FLAG FOOTBALL

Get ready for a
summer full of fun,
friends, and sports!

Your child can participate in
a lineup of sports activities
including soccer, volleyball,
flag football and other camp
activities!

A safe place to let their
energy and creativity out
on the field

Sign Up Here!



REGISTRATION
FEE: \$85
TUITION: \$950

For more information:
Call: (808) 423-1727



**Session II
SUMMER SPACE
CAMP**

PRESCHOOL
& PRE-K

JUNE 29-
JULY 17
2026

FEATURING

- FINE MOTOR SKILLS
- SOCIAL SKILLS
- IMAGINATIVE PLAY
- STORY TIME
- GAMES
- CRAFTS
- ON-CAMPUS FIELD TRIP
- WATER PLAY FRIDAYS
- AND MUCH MORE!



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(12:00 PM 6:00 PM)



[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#)



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Thank you!



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