



HALE KEIKI SCHOOL

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

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Aloha Hale Keiki 'Ohana,

November is a time of gratitude, and we are so thankful for the joyful energy your keiki brings to our campus each day. This month, we'll be celebrating the season with classroom activities focused on kindness, community, and thankfulness. We are looking forward to our Thanksgiving Feast Day as our 3rd graders lead the Thanksgiving Parade with their creative floats and our 1st graders will perform the annual HKS play, "The Meal Must Go On". We are excited to open our enrollment for 2026-2027 school year and waive the registration fee of \$390 until December 15. As always, mahalo for your continued support and partnership in your child's learning journey!

Warmly,
Team HKS

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THANK YOU FOR JOINING US AT THE HKS FALL FESTIVAL!



NOVEMBER EVENTS

National Indigenous Peoples' Month

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| Nov 1 | New Registration begins for currently enrolled students, new military families and siblings; Summer Enrichment is now open: https://payit.nelnet.net/form/0OF2nIRE |
| Nov 11 | No School – Veterans Day |
| Nov 13 | PTO Meeting & Curriculum Night: 5-6:30pm
<i>*More info to follow</i> |
| Nov 14 | PTO Fall FUNdrive |
| Nov 15 | New Registration opens for new civilian families |
| Nov 19 | PTO Recycling & Panda Express |
| Nov 20 | 1 st Grade “The Meal Must Go On” Thanksgiving Play at Sharkey Theater at 5:30pm |
| Nov 26-28 | No School – Thanksgiving Break |

Plan ahead: Our annual HKS Holiday Program is on Friday, December 19. This is an early release day with NO After School Care available. All students must be picked up after the program by 10:45am. We look forward to seeing everyone there!

Save the Date!

February 21 - HKS Annual Auction



[2025-2026 School Calendar](#)

A Message from our Head of School, Monique Raduziner



Aloha HKS Ohana,

Every November my newsletter contribution is a list of things that I am thankful for at HKS. I love this tradition because it gives me a chance to reflect on how lucky I am to be a part of this magical little school. I am thankful, grateful, and in awe of....

1. Our resilient, bright, funny, beautiful students. We have the best little humans here. They are inclusive, kind, and hardworking. They give me the greatest source of hope for the future.
2. Our brilliant, dedicated staff. In my life, I've worked with thousands of people. Never in my life have I ever been surrounded by better. This HKS crew is dedicated, professional, and solidly the best humans I have ever been privileged to work with. They have unmatched work ethic and heart. They are the secret ingredient in the magic of HKS.
3. Our wonderful families. Another key ingredient in the magic of HKS. Our families are generous, kind, and committed to raising wonderful kids. It shows loudly in our beautiful students.
4. The high fives, hugs and smiles. It does not escape me; how lucky I am to work in a place filled with these gestures of joy and love.
5. Our hardworking PTO. They work tirelessly to make our campus a better place, they fill us with joy, pizza, books, fun, and a whole lot of love. No pay, just for the love of it. I could never count all the smiles they bring.
6. Morning announcements. I'll never tire of hearing "I love my mom and dad", "I love my school", or "my teacher is the best". This is the news our students share each morning. Newsworthy and heartwarming.
7. The kitten found a home. (See number 4) a wonderful parent put me in touch with a foster who worked hard to find Goose the best home.
8. The carline. I am so impressed with the civility, rule following, and safety.
9. Our grounds and our wonderful groundskeeper Fergus. We are so fortunate to have such a beautiful space that is so expertly cared for.
10. Different ideas and points of view. We have so many here and we all work together with a heart of understanding that we don't have to think alike to be kind.

I hope this November finds you with plenty to be thankful for.

With Warm Aloha,
Monique

*you can click the underlined words to follow the links for more information.



November

Have questions?
Email us at
pto@nhks.org

**WORLD KINDNESS
DAY**
**Wednesday,
11/13/25**

***We will be donating to the
ASYMCA Thanksgiving
FOOD DRIVE***

**Recycling Drop-off
Wednesday, 11/19/25**

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.

**Panda Express
Dine & Donate**
Wednesday, 11/19/25

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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FUNDrive®



Clean out your closets for
Navy Hale Keiki School PTO!

FUNDrive®

We will be collecting soft goods and small
household items to donate to Savers. Please
bag your soft goods in kitchen trash bags or
lawn bags, box your small household items,
and bring them to our collection on **Friday,
November 14th** during morning drop-off.

We will also be collecting items at Curriculum
Night on Thursday, November 13th. Email us to
make arrangements for an earlier drop-off.

Our Goal: \$500

193 Tall Kitchen Bags (avg. 13 lbs.

38 Medium boxes (household items)

FUNDrive is an eco-friendly fundraiser for nonprofit
organizations. Collect gently-used items in your community and
FUNDrive will buy them.
Visit <https://FUNDrive.savers.com> to learn more.

**Nov.
14**
at drop-off

Please input your estimated number of
donated bags and/or boxes in the sign up link.



We Are Collecting

Clothes

men's, women's, & children's clothes, coats, shoes,
scarves, handbags, wallets, fashion accessories, belts,
backpacks, etc.

Household Textiles

bedding, comforters, blankets, sheets, towels, linen,
tablecloths, curtains, pillows, etc.

Small Household Goods

kitchen items (such as pots/pans, dishes, silverware,
glasses, serving pieces and hand-held appliances),
home decorative items, knick-knacks, toys, games, and
small electronics

Books & Media

paperback, hard cover - all genres

*media needs to be boxed separately

*no encyclopedias or text books

Please use bags for clothes and textiles and tightly pack boxes of
small household goods. Separate books from household goods and
media. All items must be clean and in sellable condition.

**Bring your donations
to Curriculum Night
11/13/25**

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Thank you to everyone who brought in recycling last month. Save your recycling for our next collection day on 11/19!

For September's Recycling, we received \$116.56. Help us top that in November!



October Standings

**3rd Place: Ms. Baker's
Preschool Class**

**2nd Place (Tie): Ms. Cruz's
4th Grade Class & Mrs.
Jackson's 5th/6th Grade
Class**

**1st Place: Mrs. Quach's
Kindergarten Class**





ENROLLMENT NOW OPEN

for 2026-2027 school year!

**Enroll by Dec 15
– Save \$390!
No registration
fee**



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MRS. BAKER'S PRESCHOOL NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER



CLASSROOM NEWS

Thank you so much for joining us for our Halloween Event and for taking the time to meet during Parent-Teacher Conferences. It was wonderful getting to connect with all of you!

This month, we'll be learning about the letters T, F, and E, and the numbers 4 and 5, while exploring fun Fall and Thanksgiving themed activities. We will also be having an in school visit from the Hawaiian Humane Society and our family curriculum night. We're excited for a month full of learning, creativity, and gratitude!

REMINDERS

- 1 **Specials Schedule**
Monday: Library
(Please Return Books)
Tuesday: Cultural Connections
Wednesday: STEM
Thursday: P.E.
(Wear School Shirt)
Friday: Art

- 2 **Please remember to check and return folders daily!**

- 3 **A sign-up for volunteers to assist with our Thanksgiving feast will be in the Nov 15 newsletter, Please keep a look out for it!**

UPCOMING EVENTS



- Nov. 11: Veteran's Day (No School)**
- Nov. 13: World Kindness Day– Show and Tell and Curriculum Night 5–6:30pm**
- Nov. 19: Humane Society in school Field Trip 10:30–11:00**
- Nov. 25: School Wide Thanksgiving Parade and Feast**
- Nov. 26–28: Thanksgiving Break (No School)**

We're happy to welcome a visitor from the Hawaiian Humane Society, who will be sharing with our PS/PK students about kindness and how we can care for animals in need. To show our gratitude, we're collecting donations to support pets waiting for their forever homes.

If your family would like to take part, please click on the Wish List below. Donations may be dropped off with Mrs. Baker or Mr. Chris.

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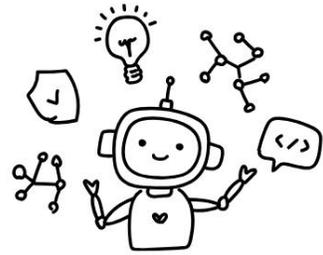
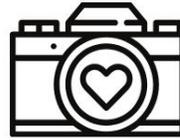
HAPPY
BIRTHDAY

Damontae– Nov. 18th

CLICK-TASTIC LEARNING !!!

To View More Photos Click Here:

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



I is for Ice Cream



Skeletal Functions



Halloween Craft



Ready for learning

PRE-KINDERGARTEN WITH MRS. WARREN

Aloha, Pre-K Families-

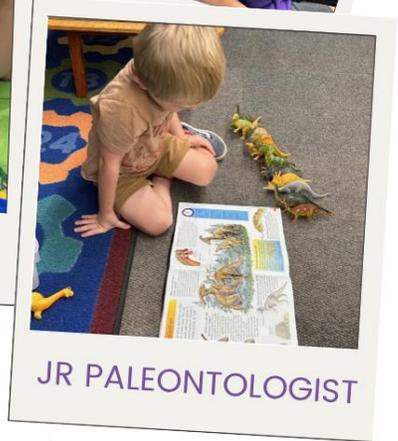
This month brings another field trip (This time an in-school visit from Hawaiian Humane Society!), family Curriculum Night, and the 2025 HKS Thanksgiving Feast- and that's all before Thanksgiving Break! In November, we will use the themes of Thanksgiving and Fall to learn about the letters Tt, Ff, and Ee, and the numbers 4 and 5. The last week of the month will be used for Review. If you're able to assist us with this month's activities, please sign up below. Mahalo!



FIRE STATION VISIT



OCT STAR KEIKI



JR PALEONTOLOGIST



LANGUAGE ARTS



PRINCIPAL TIME

This Month in Pre-Kindergarten:

Nov 4: Show & Tell - Nov 11: Veterans Day (NO SCHOOL) -
Nov 13: World Kindness Day - Nov 13: Curriculum Night - Nov 14: Fun
Drive Donations - Nov 19: Humane Society In-School Field Trip - Nov 25:
HKS Thanksgiving Feast - Nov 26-28: Thanksgiving Break (NO SCHOOL)



ABC PATTERNS

Sign up for 11/25/25 Thanksgiving Feast [HERE](#)
11/19/25 Hawaiian Humane Society Wishlist [HERE](#)



Mrs. Warren, Pre-K

2025 November

MRS. SANCHEZ & MR. NELSON'S PK CLASS

MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
3	4	5	6	7 Principle Time with Mrs. Raduziner Pizza Friday 2
10	11 Veteran's Day School Closed	12	13 World Kindness Day Curriculum Night Math Reading 5:00-6:30pm	14 Pizza Friday 3
17 Turkey Disguise Project Due	18	19 Humane Society Visit HI-5 Recycling Day Panda Express/Dine & Donate	20	21 2nd Quarter Needs Notices Go Home Pizza Friday 4
24	25 Thanksgiving Parade & Play Thanksgiving Feast	26	27	28
Thanksgiving Break (School Closed)				

Aloha Families,

We've officially wrapped up a joyful Halloween. We're now looking ahead to all the excitement November brings!

A heartfelt MAHALO to our amazing Fire Station chaperones—your support made the outing extra special, and the children had a fantastic time. We also want to thank the generous family who provided treats for our boozing and trick-or-treat festivities. Your kindness brought so much joy to our Keiki!

Now, we're shifting into full holiday mode as we approach Thanksgiving. We're feeling incredibly grateful for our wonderful Keiki and the incredible support from our families. Your involvement and aloha make our classroom community truly shine.

With appreciation,
Mrs. Sanchez & Mr. Nelson



This month we are learning...

LANGUAGE ART	MATH	SCIENCE	SOCIAL STUDIES	FINE MOTOR SKILLS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tt Ff Ee Recognizing, tracing, and writing first name Sequence a story 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4 5 ABC patterns Shape tracing One to one correspondence to 10 Route counting More or less with a group of up to 9 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Observe seasonal changes & how they affect daily life Dancing corn experiment (solid, liquid, gas) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fall Thanksgiving 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pencil grips Self-help skills Scissors (cutting straight lines)

LOOK OUT FOR NEXT MONTH...

- 12/7 - Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day
- 12/17 - HI-5 Recycling (PTO)
- Panda Express Dine & Shine (PTO)
- 12/19 - Holiday Program Breakfast Potluck before the Holiday Program (PTO)
- **Holiday Program @9:00**
- *Dismissal at the end of the program
- *No ASC



Announcements & Reminders

Thanksgiving Feast 📅 Tuesday, November 25 / TBD

We're seeking four volunteers to help decorate our classroom tables, plate food, and assist with serving it to the children during our upcoming celebration.

We also appreciate contributions of store-bought 24 nut-free desserts, paper plates, tablecloths, and other essential items to help make the day special. If you'd like to volunteer or donate, please sign up using the link below or let Mrs. Sanchez or Mr. Nelson know. We kindly ask that all items be brought in by Monday, November 24th. Thank you for your support and generosity.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4CADAF23ABFBC16-59946586-thanksgiving>

Humane Society Visit 📅 Wednesday, November 19 / 10:30am-11:00am

We're excited to welcome a special guest from the Hawaiian Humane Society to speak with our PS/PK keiki about kindness and how they care for pets in need. To show our appreciation, we're joining their donation drive to support animals waiting for loving homes.

If your family would like to contribute, please check out their Wish List below.

Donations can be dropped off at the purple bench with Mrs. Sanchez or Mr. Nelson.

Mahalo for helping us spread compassion in our community!

<https://www.hawaiianhumane.org/wishlist/>

Birthdays!

WE ARE WISHING A VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO...

- ★ Remington - Dec. 14th
- ★ Beckett - Dec 15th
- ★ Kyle - Dec 24th

Contact Information

manami.sanchez@nhks.org
I check my email daily at 6:00 am and Noon on school days. If you need to contact me for any emergencies, while I am in the classroom with children, please call the office @ 808-423-1727.
Thank you!

HONOLULU THEATER FOR YOUTH PERFORMANCE: LINE CIRCLE



OPEN HOUSE



AFTER OUR FIELD TRIP, WE BECAME FIRE MARSHALS AND INSPECTED OUR CAMPUS AND THE OFFICE!



CROSS-CURRICULAR HANDS-ON ACTIVITIES: MAKING DIRT CUPS



SHOW & TELL: LETTERS, NUMBERS, AND SOCIAL SKILLS REVIEWS



WE GOT BOOED BY OUR WEEKLY READING BUDDIES!

WE BOOED 5/6TH GRADERS!



FIELD TRIP TO MOANALUA FIRE STATION SLIDE SHOW



FIELD TRIP
TO
MOANALUA
FIRE STATION



[Pictures here](#)



KINDERGARTEN NEWSLETTER



NOVEMBER 2025

November Focus

Math: Rote Counting to 40, Counting by 5's, Numbers 20-30, Bar Graphs, ABC Patterns, Intro to Addition, Measuring- Length, Height, Weight

Language Arts: Letters- u, m, r, c, g, i, Letter & Sound Recognition

Reading: Reading Groups, Reading Logs, Blending Sounds, Short u & Short i CVC Words, Riptide Words - my, was, we, to, are

Writing: Correct Letter Formation, Far-Point Copying, Sentence Structure, Proper Pencil Grip, Finger Space, Writing a Sentence Independently

Science: Life Cycle of a Pumpkin, Seasons, Animal Behavior

Social Studies: Veteran's Day, Thanksgiving Celebrations

Mr. Rodriguez ~ Social Studies
Mrs. Quach ~ Science

Turkey In Disguise

The turkey disguise project is a fun Thanksgiving activity for kids where they creatively disguise a paper turkey to look like something else. The goal is for your turkey not to get eaten!

I will send home a blank turkey template on white card stock so families can get started with their Turkey in Disguise project right away! Turkeys are due November 17, 2025.

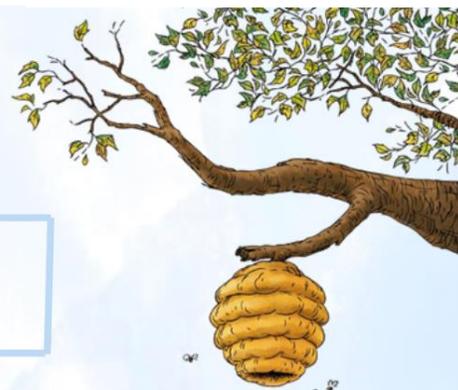
November Dates

- **Pizza Friday 2:** Nov. 7
- **Veteran's Day:** Nov. 11
- **World Kindness Day:** Nov. 13
- **FUNDrive:** Nov. 14
- **Pizza Friday 3:** Nov. 14
- **Turn in Turkeys:** Nov. 17
- **Recycling:** Nov. 19
- **Pizza Friday 4:** Nov. 21
- **2Q Needs Notices Go Home:** Nov. 21
- **Thanksgiving Break:** Nov. 26-28



Mrs. Quach's Kindergarten November Newsletter

Kristine.Quach@nhks.org



Quote of the Month

"A little consideration, a little thought for others, makes all the difference." --Winnie the Pooh

Classroom News

We are officially in the second quarter of school which brings higher expectations. I am so proud of our kindergarteners who are consistently trying their best and applying our mindfulness phrases when things get tough!

RAKOBA Flash Cards!

Your child has their flash cards of learned letters and riptide words on a binder ring. This must be kept in their folder and brought back to school every day. We will continue to add to it throughout the year. Encourage your child to practice tracing the letters with an expo marker, spelling the riptide words, letter recognition, sound recognition, and move the letters around to build a word.

Extra Resources

Your child may bring home worksheets/activities to show you what we are currently learning in class. This extra resource is optional to practice with your child at home. It does not need to be returned to school unless noted otherwise.

November Events

Schoolwide Thanksgiving Feast

Our schoolwide Thanksgiving feast for the students will be on November 25th. Volunteers will be needed to help prep and plate food, set up tables in the courtyard, and clean up. More information and a sign up link will be sent in the next newsletter. Any help is appreciated!

Upcoming Events

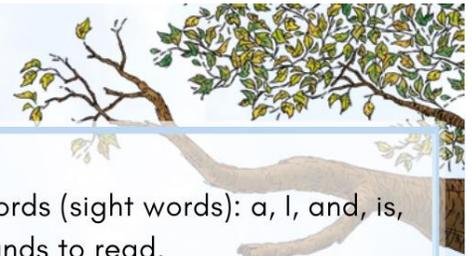
- Nov 11th** - No School (Veteran's Day)
- Nov 13th** - Curriculum Night (5-6:30pm. More info coming soon!)
- Nov 19th** - Recycling Day
- Nov 26th-28th** - No School (Thanksgiving Break)
- Dec 12th** - Kindergarten Holiday Parent Event (more info coming soon!)
- Dec 19th** - Holiday Program (Early Dismissal. No ASC available)
- Dec 22nd - Jan 5th** - No School (Winter Break)

Happy Birthday!



Finley - November 8th

LEARNING IN ACTION



What We're Learning So Far

RAKOBIA: Review letters and sounds: A, T, B, L, F, H, P, S, U. Riptide words (sight words): a, l, and, is, go, like, was, the, my. Isolating sounds to identify letters. Blending sounds to read.

Writing: Sentence Structure. Creative writing: My Haunted House and What Mrs. Quach Should be for Halloween.

Handwriting: Writing letters (A, T, B, L) with the proper formation and appropriately on the Sea, Sun, Sand line.

Math: Rote count to 31. AB patterns. Counting by 10s. Decomposing numbers. Bar graphs.

Science: Using our senses to make observations. Making Predictions. Observing candy corn in different liquids. Halloween Disappearing Ghosts with biodegradable packing peanuts.

Social Studies: Fire safety. Halloween safety.

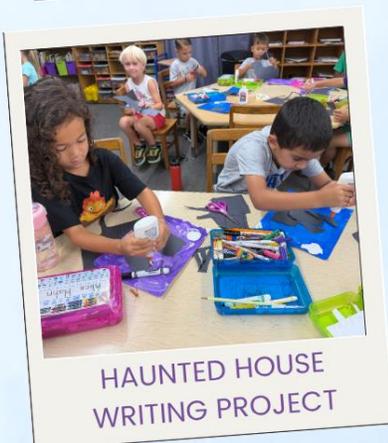
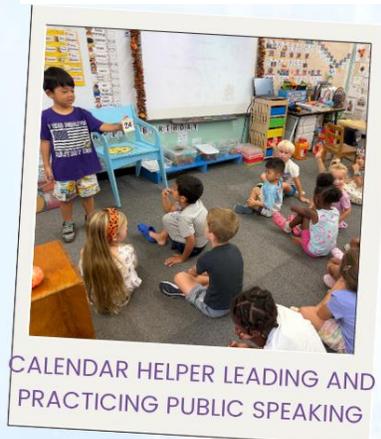
***Mrs. Quach is teaching science to both kindergarten classes while Mr. Rodriguez teaches Social Studies. The students look forward to when our two classes combine!*

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 photos](#)



MRS. QUACH'S KINDERGARTEN TRAVELING CLASS PET

Hello friends!

I am so excited to be joining you over the weekend!
We are going to have so much fun together.

What are we supposed to do?

-  Allow me to hang out with you over the weekend.
-  Take some pictures, print them out, and add them to my travel book. You can also email Mrs. Quach some pictures, and she can help print them for you. It would also be great if you could write about what we did!
-  Return me to school after the weekend on Monday, so we can share all the fun we had with our friends in class. Mrs. Quach also says I need to take a bath before visiting the next friend.

Please Remember

-  Please do not lose me. I want to be able to visit all of our friends.
-  Help me stay clean.

Love, Honey Bee

1ST GRADE newsletter

NOVEMBER

Week of 3rd - 7th

Sounds: Rakoba: -ck, Riptide: have
Reading: Recall events & Details
Writing: Plural Nouns, Writer's Notebook, Response to Reading
Math: Unit 4: Introducing measurements, measuring lengths
Social Studies: Maps and Veteran's Day.

Vocab this week

close
 flaky
 shape
 boil
 sprinkle

Week of 10th - 14th

Sounds: Rakoba: -dge Riptide: there
Reading: Making Connections
Writing: ABC, writers notebook, handwriting
Math: Exploring Data, shapes, and base ten, bar graphs and doubles
Science: Light cont.

**No School Tuesday
 10/11: Veteran's Day**

Week of 17th - 21st

Sounds: Rakoba: -tch Riptide: come
Reading: Ask and Answer Questions
Writing: Writing Invitations
Math: Combinations of 10, adding three numbers, 10 more, 10 less
Social Studies: Thanksgiving

**1st grade "The Meal
 Must Go On" Play
 November 20th @ 5:30**

Week of 24th - 28th

Sounds: Rakoba: Review of all sounds *No Homework*
Reading: Recalling Important Information
Writing: Handwriting, writer's notebook
Math: Unit 4 Assessment
Social Studies: Thanksgiving

**No school: 10/26-28
 Thanksgiving Break**

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1st and 2nd GRADE

November newsletter

Happy November

1st and 2nd grade students did an incredible job on their pumpkin book reports. Students got to show off their pumpkins to all the other classes and they love it! Thank you to all who came out to our Fall/Halloween celebration. I hope you all had a wonderful time.

November is a busy for our 1st grade students as we are getting ready for our annual Thanksgiving Play. Students have already been given their part, and we are hard at work so that we can surprise you with a wonderful performance. Keep November 20th @ 5:30- Sharky Theater locked in your calendar. More information to follow on Monday, Nov.3rd.

We are Learning

RAKOBA- 1st grade - ck, dge, tch, floss rule
2nd grade -au/aw, ue, ew, eigh, ture.

Language Arts: 1st grade- ABC order, compound words, parts of speech.
2nd grade- Possessive nouns, adjectives, adverbs, ABC order

Writing: 1st and 2nd - How To Writing

Math:

1st grade - Everyday Math Chapter 4 (Length and Measurement)
2nd grade - Everyday Math Chapter 4 (Value and Measurement)

Science/Social Studies: Scholastic News, 1st grade Science: Sky/Earth. 2nd grade: Earth: Water and Land

Field Trips

September 23- 1st grade Honolulu Youth Theater

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.

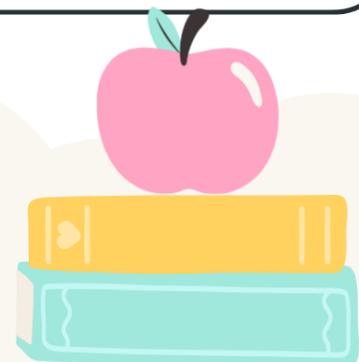
Important Dates

- Nov. 11 -Veterans Day- NO SCHOOL
- Nov. 13th -World Kindness Day
- Nov. 14th -Fall Savers FUNDrive donations due
- Nov. 19th -Hi-5 Recycling at Drop Off and Panda Express Dine and Donate
- Nov. 20 - 1st grade Thanksgiving Play @5:30PM
- Nov. 26th-28th Thanksgiving Break



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MRS. GALE'S 3RD GRADE NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER

WHAT'S HAPPENING

October was spooktacular with fun Halloween activities, hands-on science using magnets, a guest speaker: Judge Thomas Haia - discussing branches of government, laws, courts, and more. Coming up this month students will conduct their state research, write an essay and create a tri-fold poster about their state, to present to students and families. Student will have fun learning more about the history of the USA, Thanksgiving, and weather as part of Earth Science. Students will create a float as an at home project to present at our Thanksgiving Day Parade. More details to come...

ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS

Novel Study: Finishing - Island of the Blue Dolphin. Reading Next - The Vanderbeekers of 141st Street.

Writing: State Research and Report.
Thanksgiving Writings

Sounds: or, ei, ie

MATH

Unit 4: Operations

- Measuring Length
- Classifying Geometric Shapes
- Measuring Perimeter and Area

Review Concepts; 3-digit Subtraction,
Multiplication 3-6, Elapsed Time

Multiplication Fact Goal: 8, 9, and 10

Presentations and Book Buddies



REMINDERS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- November 11 - No school
- November 14 - State Report Presentations, parents invited from 2:15-2:45
- November 24 - Thanksgiving Day Parade Floats DUE
- November 25 - Thanksgiving Day Parade, parents invited time TBD
- November 26-28 - No school

2 Volunteers are needed to help set up Thanksgiving Feast. Please email Mrs. Gale if you'd like to help.



MRS. GALE'S 3RD GRADE NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER

Guest Speaker, Judge Haia!



MAGNETIC FORCE EXPERIMENT



Congratulations to our October Star Students:
Saul Durando, Aoife Levey, and Kayden Roofner!

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

4TH grade

Newsletter



Hale Keiki School

November 2025

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This Month in Our Classroom

It's hard to believe November is already here! Our 4th graders are diving into some exciting new learning across all subjects.

In ELA, we've started our novel study *The Lemonade War*. We will start exploring helping verbs and creating poetry in our *Poems of Plenty* unit.

In Math, students will be working on ordering fractions, comparing decimals, and multi-digit multiplication. You can support your child at home by practicing fractions in everyday moments—like cooking, sharing food, or measuring. Encourage them to explain their thinking, use visuals (like number lines or fraction strips), or visit [Khan Academy](#) for extra practice.

In Science, we're studying Earth's features, and in Social Studies, students are exploring Life in Early Hawai'i. Later this month, we will start working on our Ahupua'a Project, to apply our knowledge on Hawaiian daily life, and maps and data.

As we enter this season of gratitude, I'm so thankful for the support and encouragement our families continue to give, it truly helps our classroom 'ohana thrive!

ELA

Novel Study: *The Lemonade War*
Grammar Mechanics: Helping Verbs
Writing: Poetry (*Poems of Plenty*)

Mathematics

Ordering Fractions, Comparing Decimals,
Multi-digit Multiplication Strategies

Science

Earth's Features, Maps and Data

Social Studies

Life in Early Hawai'i, Ahupua'a Project



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.

Harper McGahan

Harper is such a helpful and dependable member of our classroom! She always completes her classroom tasks thoroughly and with care. Whether she's organizing materials, helping a classmate, or taking on a classroom job, Harper consistently puts in her best effort. Her attention to detail and positive attitude make her a wonderful role model for others.

Michael "Mikey" Wilkins

Mikey is such a kind and thoughtful classmate! He always goes out of his way to treat others with respect and care. During Book Buddy time, Mikey is especially gentle and patient, making sure his partner feels included and supported. His mindfulness and kind heart make our classroom a more positive and welcoming place for everyone.

Elsa Minor

Elsa is always on task and focused during class! She consistently uses her time wisely and sets a great example for others with her responsibility and work habits. Her dedication and positive attitude help make our classroom a calm and productive place to learn.

A note from Ms. Cruz

Hi families! We're really settling into our routines and expectations this quarter. It's been wonderful to see students growing in their understanding and taking more ownership of their learning each day.

Mrs. Raduziner, has also been meeting with 4th grade weekly for Guidance lessons to help students strengthen their communication and social skills. I've already noticed such a positive difference, many students are making a real effort to show thoughtful and kind communication with one another. It's making it tough to choose just three students for our monthly spotlight!

Just a quick reminder to check your child's agenda daily (or at least a few times a week) to stay up to date on classwork, homework, and important reminders.

A few dates to keep in mind this month:

- **November 11: Veterans Day – No School**
- **November 26-28: Thanksgiving Break – No School**

Thank you so much for your continued support at home! If any questions came up after parent-teacher conferences, please don't hesitate to reach out – I'm always happy to connect.



MULTIGRADE 5/6 CLASS NEWS

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Aloha, families. I am amazed that it is now November. October went by super fast after our Big Island Adventures before Fall Break. We have included some pictures from our trip as reminders of the fun and learning we had there. Students completed 1st quarter reflections of their work. Report cards and portfolios were sent home. Please remember to return portfolios to school if you haven't done so already. I want to update you on our upcoming plans for November and give you a peek at December.



Students will be working the school Snack Shacks on Wednesdays during the 2nd quarter to raise funds towards the Big Island Trip expenses. We will rotate duties so that all students get an opportunity to work and help at Snack Shack.

IMPORTANT DATES

NO SCHOOL on these dates due to holidays and holiday breaks.

Tuesday, November 11th (Veteran's Day) and Wednesday through Friday, November 26-28 (Thanksgiving Break) and Saturday, December 20th through Monday, January 5th (Holiday Break).

On Wednesday, November 13th we will observe World Kindness Day. All students should wear blue on that day.

Tuesday, November 25th will be our all-school Thanksgiving Feast in the morning.

Friday, December 5th will be Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day at HKS.

Friday, December 19th will be our Holiday Program. School will have an early dismissal after the program.

ACADEMIC PLANS



LANGUAGE

We will be preparing for our Holiday Program performance during the next six weeks. We will also be working diligently on our HKS Auction Projects. The students will be making two projects that will be auctioned at our annual school fundraiser in February 2025. One project is a Hawaiian inspired furniture piece. The second project will be a patriotic themed quilt. We will send peeks of the project work over the next seven weeks as the student elves are working on them.

ARTS

Academics will also continue to move along during 2nd quarter. Students are doing novel studies in Language Arts; we are reading *The Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler*. We are learning about the Metropolitan Museum of Art in NYC. They are continuing weekly Wordly Wise vocabulary units. The students' writing skills will also be increasing as they are doing five Writer's Workshop writings. Students are also reading a book of their own selection to complete their second quarter book reports.

SCIENCE

Students are doing cross-curricular science and social studies research to tie in with the novels they are reading. We are also doing a citizen science project with The Cornell University Ornithology Laboratory; we are doing some bird counts on our campus. Students will also be diving into the world of Economics in social studies. The Economics unit will connect Social Studies and Math for the students.

SOCIAL & STUDIES

Students will also be doing a cryptology/coding unit and exploring using Braille to communicate. Along with this unit, students will be reading the biography of Louis Braille and learning how he developed the Braille alphabet used by persons with visual impairments for communicating printed messages.

MATH

In our other math work during this quarter, students will be working with division, fractions, decimals, and percents. Our 6th graders are also working with ratios and percents and continue to work with integers and orders of operations. The holiday season allows students to participate in a problem-based learning project that connects all of these mathematical skills together. Holiday themed 3 Act Math activities are also happening in our class.

SPECIALS

Our specials classes keep us busy with fun activities. The students enjoy seeing the specials teachers each week. One really exciting unit in STEM this quarter will be working with improving technology skills with both PowerPoint and Canva. Mrs. Shackelford will be doing immersive units with the students using both of these apps so that students can improve their visual presentation skills to accompany oral presentations. The students are excited about learning new skills with these tools.

Our next six weeks are going to be busy and active as we continue working together in our multigrade classroom. Please feel free to contact me via e-mail if you have any questions.

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The adventure begins at the airport!



Afternoon hike



Yummy meals at KMC



Morning hike along Crater Rim trail

FUN ON THE BIG ISLAND TRIP!



Kilauea was only steaming



Saw lots of Nene



Cabin fun



Group pic!



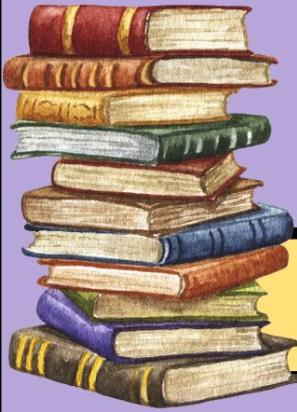
Lyman Museum on Hilo



Great docents talking story about HI



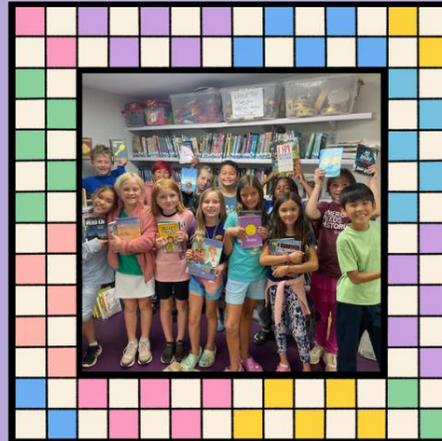
Working on trip journals returning to HNL



LIBRARY

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What We're Reading:
PS-K: Hawaiian stories and silly picture books
1: Upside Down Magic
1/2: Bunnacula
3: Calvin Coconut
4: Clairvoyance
5/6: Futureland



Love books? Get a Hawaii State Public Library card and get free access to thousands of e-books, the New York Times and Wall Street Journal online, and stream movies through Kanopy. And if you go in person, you can even check out a ukulele! Apply for one online today:

<https://hawaii.ent.sirsi.net/custom/web/registration/index.html>



Don't be surprised if your child brings home a book you already have at home! Developmentally this is normal - and shows recognition of what they've read!



November Newsletter

STEM

Preschool & PreK Pumpkin STEM Stations

Looking for Recyclable Materials

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



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



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CULTURAL

CONNECTIONS CLASS

Mondays= Kindergarten, 1st and
2nd grade

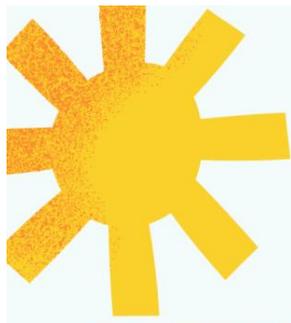
Tuesdays= Preschool, Prek, 3rd,
4th and 5th/6th grade



The kids have been thriving through fundamentals of sports. Everyone can catch, throw, kick, receive and recover quicker than ever. Their skills are ascending as we venture into more organized /full games. We will start decreasing drills and increasing playing *competitive games.

In the spirit of Thanksgiving. We will explore lessons of the natives that inhabited Americas. There are around 80 prominent groups and 50 sub-sets of American tribes. From Cherokee, to Five Nations, to the Sioux, we will go back in time referencing the Bureau of Indian Affairs. We will then create our own tribe to show the spirit in community and togetherness.

Dominic Luis Cavazos
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Art NEWSLETTER



November 2025

Preschool, PreK and Kindergarten Art theme=
Gratitude and the Beauty of Fall

1st-6th grade Art theme=
Indigenous Peoples' Heritage
Month and Fall



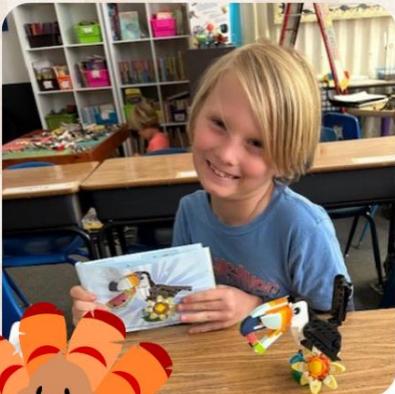
We had a blast wrapping up Hispanic Heritage Month with vibrant, culture-inspired art! Then we jumped into fall-themed projects, filling the school with cozy colors and seasonal creativity. The energy has been magical! We'll continue celebrating fall while shifting our focus to Indigenous Peoples' Month. Students will focus on nature-inspired patterns and gratitude themed projects.

Mrs. Durando
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Special Notes

It was wonderful seeing student artwork displayed during Parent/Teacher Conferences! Our next Pop-Up Art Show will be during Curriculum Night on November 13th - we can't wait to showcase more amazing creations.

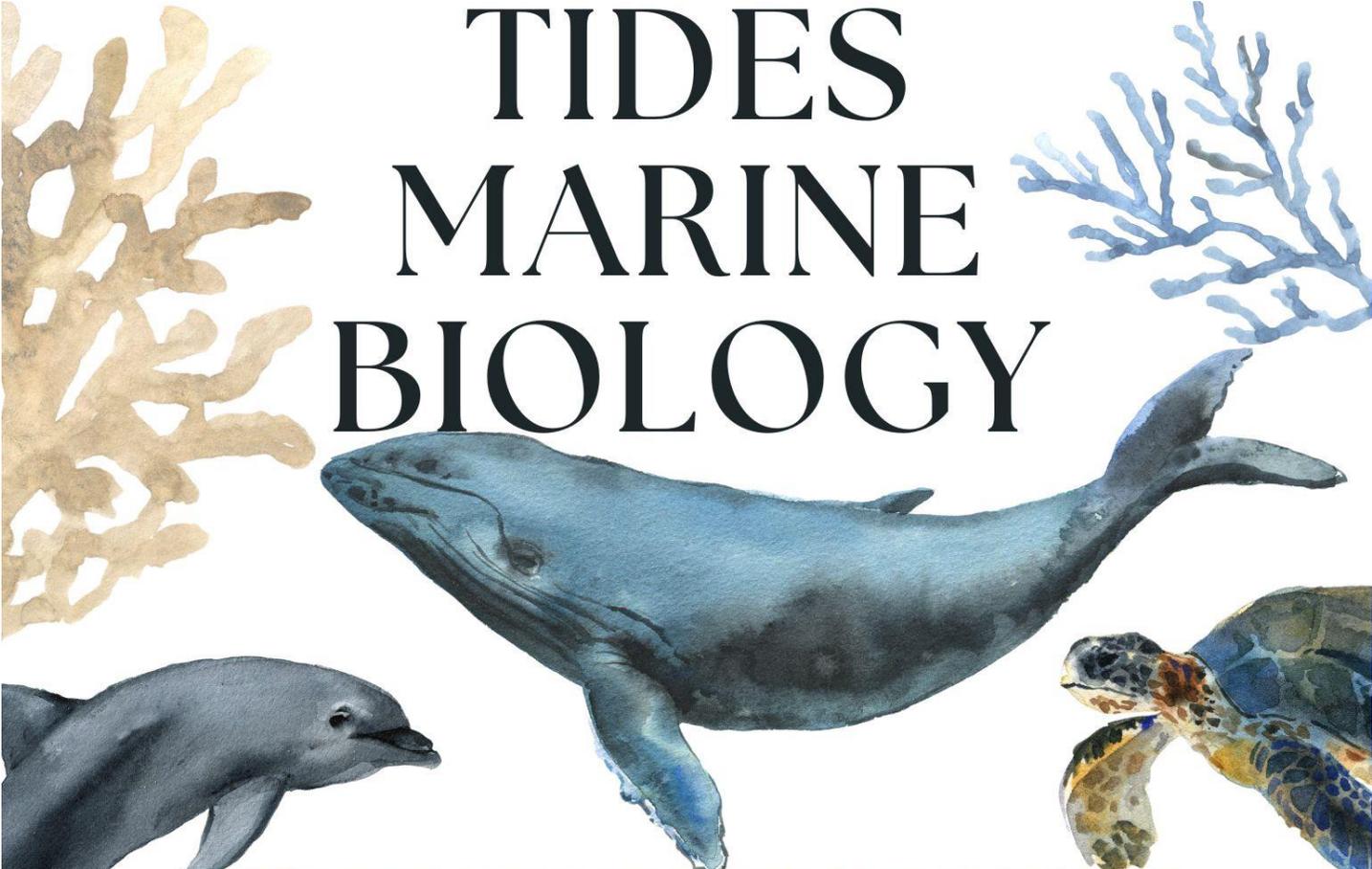
NOVEMBER



MRS. PEAVY'S 3RD-6TH GRADE ASC CLASS

New session of TIDES available for After School Enrichment

TIDES MARINE BIOLOGY



INTERACTIVE & ENGAGING AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAM WHERE STUDENTS HAVE FUN WHILE LEARNING ABOUT THE WONDERS OF MARINE BIOLOGY WITH OUR CUSTOM MADE CURRICULUM, WHICH INCLUDES GAMES, ACTIVITIES & ART PROJECTS. WITH OVER 100 LESSONS WRITTEN, STUDENTS WILL ALWAYS GET A NEW TOPIC EACH CLASS & SESSION, LED BY OUR EXPERIENCED BIOLOGISTS!

MINI-SESSION DATES:
NOV. 4 - DEC. 16
GRADES K-3: TUES, 3-4 PM

7 WEEK SESSION
\$147 PER MINI-SESSION
MIN. 10 STUDENTS REQUIRED



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is back!



UPCOMING DATES

OCT 29 - HAMBURGERS \$3

**NOV 5 - CHEESE NACHOS \$2
CHILI CHEESE NACHOS \$3**



NOV 12 - ICE CAKES \$1

**NOV 19 - GARLIC BREADSTICKS
WITH MARINARA DIP \$3**

**CASH
ONLY**



**IN FRONT OF THE OFFICE
FROM 11:30-12:45PM**



EVERY PET MATTERS.

HAWAIIAN HUMANE SOCIETY ALL- GRADES DONATION DRIVE

Donations can be left with Mrs. Warren (Rm 365-1)
by Monday, November 17th.

Hawaiian Humane is coming to speak to PS/PK about kindness and how their organization helps local pets without families. We would like to show our thanks by participating in their donation drive, helping to feed and enrich the lives of these animals.

You can help by bringing in items from their wishlist

<https://www.hawaiianhumane.org/wishlist/>

by Monday, November 17th.

