



HALE KEIKI SCHOOL

SEPTEMBER 1 NEWSLETTER



Aloha Hale Keiki 'Ohana,

We loved seeing everyone at the Ice Cream Social last week. Thank you for attending and being a part of our HKS 'ohana. We are excited to welcome you to our Open House Night from 5:30-7pm on Friday, September 25th. This special evening is a wonderful opportunity to visit your child's classroom and see all their hard work put on display. As a reminder, please take a moment to review your SchoolPass Driver List and verify that all authorized drivers are current and up to date. Drivers can be added or removed at any time as needed. Additionally, please make sure you know your Quick PIN to be able to sign in a late-arriving child or sign-out your child early from school in the office. We look forward to all the fun happening around campus in September!

Warmly,
Team HKS

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SEPTEMBER EVENTS

Hawaiian History Month

15 September-15 October= National Hispanic Heritage Month

Sept 4	Fall Picture Day
Sept 7	No School in observance of Labor Day
Sept 9	PTO Panda Express Dine & Donate #3862968
Sept 10	PreKindergarten Field Trip to Moanalua Fire Station *Wear HKS shirt and closed-toe shoes
Sept 11	Kindergarten Field Trip to Hokulani Imaginarium *Wear HKS shirt and closed-toe shoes 1 st Grade Field Trip to Dolphin Quest *Wear HKS shirt 4 th Grade Field Trip to Iolani Palace *Wear HKS shirt and closed-toe shoes
Sept 16	PTO HI-5 Recycling Drop-off
Sept 18	PTO Krispy Kreme Orders due by 8pm
Sept 25	Open House 5:30-7pm and PTO Krispy Kreme Pick-up
Sept 30	3 rd Grade US States Expo from 11-12:30pm

Need care during Fall Break? Fall Break Care for October 5-9 is available for sign-up in SchoolPass. **Be sure to register early to secure your spot.** Please note that signing up is a full-week commitment. Fee will be charged even if your child will not attend every day.

Save the Date!

October 24- HKS School Carnival
February 6- HKS Annual Auction



[2026-2027 School Calendar](#)

A Message from our Head of School



Dear HKS Ohana,

WOW! What a fantastic start to the school year. I am so lucky to be in our classrooms everyday and see the magic firsthand! Our teachers are the best and don't get me started on our students, the smartest, hardest working, friendliest bunch ever!

The one ingredient that is fully researched based that make school a place for students to succeed is parental involvement. When parents are involved with their child's school it sends a clear message that school is important, and the work that our students do is valued. I know we live in crazy bust times; involvement doesn't always mean volunteering (but we sure do love and need our volunteers). It can be as simple as showing up at a social event, like the Ice Cream Social, Carnival, or Auction. It can mean sending a note to your child's teacher thanking them for something your child learned, or it can be sending in recycling (properly sorted of course). The point is anything you do that says I support, like, and care about your school tells your child you believe in what they are doing!

I have a check to see who is reading challenge: The first two people email me with the subject line: I read the newsletter, will receive 25 tickets to our carnival on October 24th. A little incentive to have fun, support our school and your child.

I look forward to watching this year unfold, thank you again for the honor of sharing your children with us.

With Warm Aloha,
Monique



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PTO NEWS



SEPTEMBER DATES



4: FALL PICTURE DAY

7: LABOR DAY (No School/No Care)

9: PANDA EXPRESS DINE & DONATE: **3862968**

16: HI-5 RECYCLING DROP-OFF

18: KRISPY KREME ORDERS DUE by 8pm

25: KRISPY KREME ORDER PICK-UP
HKS OPEN HOUSE (5:30-7:00pm)

Thank you to our August volunteers and new committee chairs! We kicked off the first week of school by walking our keiki to class, jumped right into Pizza Friday, and then moved into sorting recycling. All of these directly benefit our students, teachers, staff, and school. As we head into our second month of the school year, we are excited to welcome your support. Sign up via the links below or email us.

Help us give a big shout out to Jen Tolbert for heading Pizza Friday and Rodrigo Llanos for heading Recycling! Let them know how you can help!

Contact us via email us:
pto@nhks.org

AUGUST RECYCLING WINNERS

Mrs. Rucker's 4th Grade Class



Volunteer Opportunities

*click the links or scan below to view each



[General Volunteering](#)



[Bulletin Board Volunteers](#)



[HI-5 Recycling Sorting](#)



[Pizza Friday Volunteers](#)

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September



Mrs Rosa & Mr. Chris's Class

Language & Literacy

We had so much fun exploring the letters C and O! We learned through songs, movement, manipulatives, and lots of painting! 🎨

We practiced forming our letters with Play-Doh, using our whole bodies to make letter shapes, and working on recognizing each letter and its sound through playful, hands-on activities.

Next, we are excited to learn about the letters: G, A, D & S!

Math

Our number focus will be 0-3! We will practice recognizing, counting, and understanding quantities through songs, movement, games, and hands-on activities.

Social-Emotional Learning

We will continue learning about feelings—how to recognize them, name them, and express them in healthy ways.
How to use our words and avoiding using our hands.

Important Reminders

Folders: Please make sure you are checking the folders every day and send it back.

Backpacks: Please **send your children with a backpack** to ensure all their work is being send home.

Mondays: If your child is staying at After School. Care, please pack their bedding.

Snack: Should be packed separately from lunch.

Fridays: PE day. Please send your children with their purple shirt and closed toe shoes (no crocs).

Upcoming Events

Picture Day : Friday 4th

Open House Night : 09/25 5:30 -7:00

PTO EVENTS:

Panda Express : 09/09

Hi-5 Recycling : 09/16

Fall Krispy Kreme: 09/25 (Orders due 09/18)



September

Mrs Rosa & Mr. Chris's Class



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SEPTEMBER

PRE-K WITH MRS. BAKER

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THIS MONTH WE'LL EXPLORE...



Language Arts

Letter Focus: Gg, Aa, Dd, Ss

- Writing and Fine Motor



Math

Numbers: 1, 2

- Shape identification
- Numbers 1-20 recognition
- Simple Addition
- AB Patterns



Science/Social Studies

Apples

Dinosaur Fossils

- Observation and Exploration
- Experiments
- Scholastic Big World



SPECIALS SCHEDULE

Monday- STEM
Tuesday-Cultural Connection
Wednesday- Library

(Return Previous Book)

Thursday- Art
Friday- P.E.

(Wear School Shirt)

*Return School Folder's Daily

AUGUST HIGHLIGHTS

We are officially ONE MONTH IN, and our Pre-K students are on a roll! We are so proud of all the growth we have already seen in such a short time.

Throughout August, our keiki have been busy learning and exploring! They have learned our classroom routines and expectations, conducted a fun color-mixing science experiment, learned the names of the 7 continents, was introduced to vowels, and strengthened their fine motor skills through hands-on activities. 🌈🎨📖

1 Language Arts: Letter O



3 Social Studies: Our World (7 Continents)



2

Science:
Mixing Colors



NOTE FROM TEACHER

We're excited for our upcoming field trip to the fire station on September 10th! 🚒 Chaperones, please remember to turn in your TB forms as soon as possible.

Join us for our Open House on September 25th at 5:30 PM! We can't wait to welcome our families and share all the exciting things happening in our classroom. Both Pre-K classrooms will come together to enjoy an appetizer-style potluck. Click the link to sign up :)

Click here!

HAPPY
Birthday



9/14 LINCOLN WARD

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Sep. 4th

Fall Picture Day

Sep. 7th

No School
Labor Day

Sep. 10th

Fire Station
Field Trip

Sep. 16th

Recycling
Panda Express
Dine & Donate

Sep. 25th

Open House
5:30-7:00pm



**MAKING
LEARNING COME
ALIVE !!!**

[Click here for Pre-K Learning in Action Media](#)



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September 2026

MRS. SANCHEZ & MR. NELSON'S PK CLASS

MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
	1	2	3	4 Fall Picture Day Pizza Friday
7	8	9	10 Field Trip Moanalua Fire Station	11 1st Quarter Needs Notice Go Home Pizza Friday
14	15	16 Recycling Panda Express Dine & Donate	17	18 Pizza Friday
21	22	23	24	25 Open House 5:30-7:00PM Pizza Friday
28	29	30		

Aloha Families...

September is off to a wonderful start!

Our keiki are building friendships, learning to work and play together, and growing in confidence and independence each day. We are excited for the fun learning experiences ahead, including our first field trip and Open House Night.

Mahalo for your continued support.

We look forward to a fantasti month together!

SPECIAL CLASSES SCHEDULE

- Monday - STEM with Ms. Durando (364-I)
- Tuesday - Cultural Connections with Mr. Cavazos (Classroom)
- Wednesday - Library with Ms. Mitchell (Library)
- Thursday - Art with Ms. Durando (364-I)
- Friday- P.E with Mr. Cavazos (Outside)

(Please have your Keiki wear thier HKS shirt and closed-toe shoes.)

This month we are learning...

LANGUAGE ART	MATH	SCIENCE	SOCIAL STUDIES	FINE MOTOR SKILLS
- Gg - Aa - Dd - Ss - Recognizing & Tracing First Name	1 2 - AB Pattern - Basic Shapes - More and Less - Counting Objects - Rote Counting - Sorting	- Sink or Float - Apple Tasting - Fossils & Rocks	- Apples - Dinosaurs - Problem Solving Skills - Open House Preparation	- Pincer Grip - Scissor Skills - Self-Help Skills

Birthdays!

WE ARE WISHING A VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO...

★ Caleb S. - Sept. 14th

LOOK OUT FOR NEXT MONTH...

- 10/5-10/9 - Fall Break (Interim Care Available)
 - 10/22 - Fall Picture Make-up Day
 - 10/23 - No School/No Care Teacher & Staff Work Day
 - 10/24 - HKS Carnival
 - 10/26-10/30 - Fall Scholastic Book Fair
 - 10/30 - Parent Teacher Conferences No School (Interim Care Available)
- *Sign-up for the conferences will be available in October.

Announcements & Reminders

Open House

Friday, September 25th 5:30-7:00 p.m. PK Classroom & Lanai

Join us for a quick scavenger hunt. Your child will be the tour guide as they proudly show you around our classroom. We will also enjoy a simple appetizer-style potluck together with Mrs. Baker and Mrs. Way's PK class. If you would like to contribute, please sign up using the link below.



<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C054BA8AF22A0FBC34-65418089-prek>

Please remember that this is a **nut-free event**. Kindly please do not bring any food items containing peanuts or tree nuts.

Siblings and family members are welcome to join us. We are so excited to share the classroom we have been building together with your children. It has been a joyful, busy start to the year, and we cannot wait for you to see all the learning and growing happening each day.

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!



We're going on a field trip!

9/10 (WED)

DESTINATION: MOANALUA FIRE STATION



To help your child have a safe and successful day,
please make sure they:



- Wear their HKS t-shirt and closed-toe shoes.
- Bring a water bottle.
- Backpacks are not needed unless your child is staying in ASC.
- Arrive at school on time so we can begin our adventure smoothly.

We truly appreciate your support in helping us create a safe, enriching
experience for our keiki!



**WEEKLY READING BUDDIES:
WE MEET MS. CORONADO AND MS. RICHARDSON 2ND-GRADE CLASS ON THURSDAY TO GROW LOVE FOR READING!**



**FUN FRIDAY / LEARNING IN ACTION:
WE REVIEW AND PRACTICE TARGETED SKILLS THROUGH HANDS-ON CROSS CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES AND
TEAMWORK!**



Mrs. Quach's Kindergarten September Newsletter



Quote of the Month

"Any day spent with you is my favorite day. So today is my new favorite day." --Winnie the Pooh

Classroom News

The first month of school has flown by! This school year is off to a great start. The students have been working hard, and I am so impressed with their effort. We are so excited to start our weekly Book Buddies period with Mrs. Jackson's 3rd grade class every Friday where we will read books and complete some crafts!

Reminders

- Thursday - P.E.: Wear school shirt and closed toe shoes
- Friday - Library (Current borrowed library book must be returned to check out a new book)
- Lunch is not needed on Wednesdays unless your child is in ASC

Volunteered Items

September 26th - Open House Potluck

Join us at our Open House Potluck to see your child's hard work, hear them tell you all about their school routine, favorite things, and meet their friends! Please visit the following link to sign up for an item. [Kindergarten Potluck Sign-up](#) 

October Festivities!

Our school will be continuing our school wide BOO-ing tradition and trick-or-treating event! If you would like to donate any items to contribute to these goodie bags, trick-or-treating event, Book Buddy activity, or Halloween party, it would be greatly appreciated! [October Festivities](#) 

Upcoming Events

Friday, Sept 4th - Fall Picture Day

Mon, Sept 7th - No School (Labor Day)

Tues, Sept 11th - Field Trip to Imaginarium

Fri, Sept 25th - Open House Potluck

(5:30-7pm. Please sign up in the link above)

Oct 5th-9th - Fall Break (Interim care available)

Oct 23rd - No School (Teacher work day)

Oct 24th - HKS Fall Carnival

Oct 30th - Parent-Teacher Conference (No School. Sign up link coming soon!)

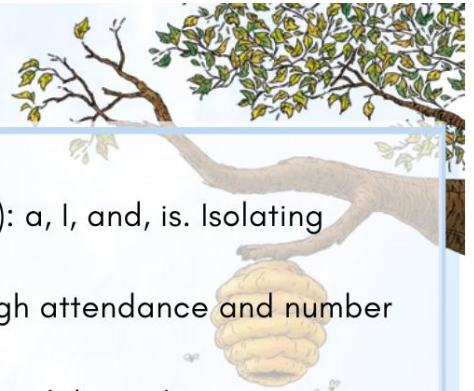
Happy Birthday!

Mila Escobosa - Sept 16th

Raquel Llanos - Sept 20th



LEARNING IN ACTION



What We're Learning So Far

RAKOB: Review and writing letters. Riptide words (sight words): a, l, and, is. Isolating sounds to identify letters. Blending sounds to read.

Math: Rote count to 20, introducing addition/subtraction through attendance and number of school days. Practicing one-to-one correspondence.

Writing: Directive drawings of people and settings. Practice far point copying.

Handwriting: Practicing prewriting strokes, correct pencil grip, and writing our names with correct formation on our sun, sea, sand line.

Science: Water Cycle. What Does the Sun do to the Earth's Surface?

Social Studies: Classroom/school community. Relationship skills. Appropriate choices in class.

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

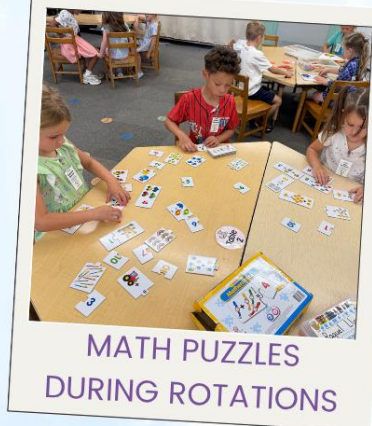
Please visit the following link to view photos/videos of your child's learning in action within the classroom and future school festivities!



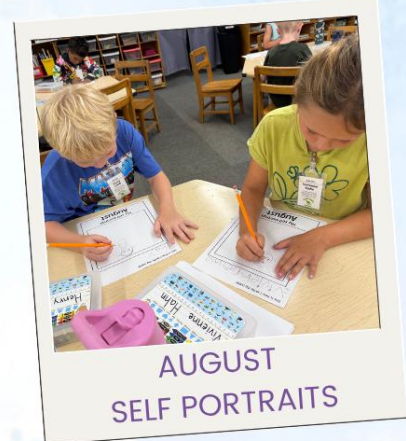
[Mrs. Quach's Class Pictures](#)



WORKING HARD ON OUR
WRITING JOURNAL



MATH PUZZLES
DURING ROTATIONS



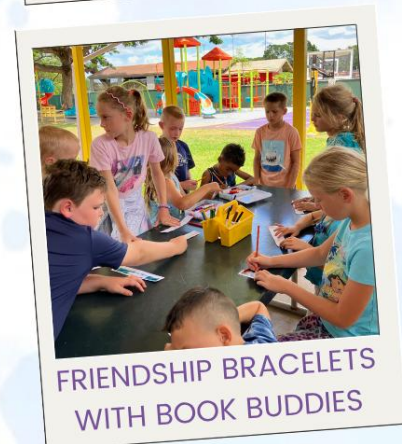
AUGUST
SELF PORTRAITS



FUN SCIENCE
EXPERIMENT



LEARNING HOW TO USE
CONNECTING CUBES TO
MEASURE



FRIENDSHIP BRACELETS
WITH BOOK BUDDIES



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MR. RODRIGUEZ'S SEPTEMBER NEWS

Math: Rote Counting to 20, Counting by 10's, counting by 5's, Writing Numbers 1-20, connecting cubes, pattern blocks, solid shapes, Counters and 5-Frames

Language Arts: a, t, b, l, f, h, p, s, Short Vowels, Upper- Case & Lower-Case Letters, Riptide Words (l, a, is, and, go, like)

Writing: Correct Letter Formation, Far-Point Copying, Sentence Structure, Proper Pencil Grip

Science: Energy: Sunlight, Reading Diagrams, Parts of an Apple, Butterfly Migration

Social Studies: School Routines, School Rules, Friendship, Express Thoughts and Ideas, Relationship Skills

- *Social Studies and Science is combined teaching with Mrs. Quach's Class. The kids love getting together to learn.*



Fall Picture Day

Your child will be professionally photographed on Sept. 4th. Dress up on this day. This photo will be in the school yearbook. An order form was sent home in late August.

September Dates

Sept. 4- Fall Picture Day

Sept. 4- Pizza Friday 3

**Sept. 7- Labor Day
(School Closed)**

Sept. 9- Panda Express Dine & Donate

Sept. 11 - Field Trip to Hokulani Imaginarium

Sept. 11 - Pizza Friday 4

**Sept. 11 - 1st Quarter Needs
Notices Go Home**

Sept. 16- September Recycling

Sept. 18 -Pizza Friday 5

Sept. 25 -Pizza Friday 6

**Sept. 25- HKS Open House
(5:30pm-7:00pm)**

Oct. 5-9- Fall Break

(No School/Interim Care Available)



MR. RODRIGUEZ'S SEPTEMBER NEWS

Field Trip to the Hokulani Imaginarium

Our first field trip is on Friday, September 11th. Please have your child wear their purple school shirt and appropriate footwear. Kindergarten will depart campus at 8:15 am and return by 12:00 pm. Lunch will follow immediately upon returning to campus. All chaperones will be contacted by email. Kindergarten is planning to go on at least three field trips this year. If you are interested in being a chaperone, please submit your TB Clearance Form.

Open House

Come and enjoy Open House on September 25th (5:30 pm - 7:00pm). Explore the classroom and check out the students' work. The kids are preparing something special for you. I highly encourage at least one parent to come. We will also have a shared potluck with Mrs. Quach's kindergarten class. Here is the link where you can sign up to bring food, treats, or drinks.



[Kindergarten Potluck Signup](#)

**ALL FOOD MUST BE PEANUT/NUT
FREE/SESAME SEED FREE**

[August Memories Video](#)



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1ST GRADE newsletter

SEPTEMBER

Week of 31st-4th

Sounds: ch and wh (digraphs)

Reading: Summarizing

Writing: Writing notebook, constructing sentences

Math: Unit 2: Addition & Subtraction Word Problems

Social Studies: Scholastic News

Week of 7th-11th

Sounds: a-e, e-e (Long Vowel, silent e)

Reading: Summarizing

Writing: Common nouns, writers notebook, handwriting

Math: Unit 2: Representing, comparing and subtracting to find unknown addends

Science: Sound

Field Trip: 9/11

Dolphin Quest

Week of 14th-18th

Sounds: i-e, o-e (Long vowel, silent e)

Reading: Visualizing

Writing: Conventions of writing (capitalization, punctuation, spacing)

Math: Add & Subtract to make 2 equal amounts, Representing problems with equations

Social Studies: Scholastic News

Week of 21-25th

Sounds: u-e, review of all silent e long vowel words

Reading: Recalling: Beginning, middle and end

Writing: Proper nouns, handwriting, writer's notebook

Math: Understanding different types of story problems and questions

Science: Light

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August in 1st Grade!



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2nd Grade

Newsletter



Hale Keiki School

September 2026

Mrs. Coronado

This Month in Our Classroom

Phonics-

- igh, y as /ī/, and ou/ow, oa/ow/oe, soft c and g

ELA-

- Narrative writing
- Elements of a story
- Nouns, verbs, comma

Math-

- Unit one- Working With Data and Solving Comparison Problems

Social Studies-

- Focus on our flag routine: star Spangled banner and the pledge of allegiance
- Exploring leadership

Science-

- Exploring states of matter

Classroom Fun



A note from the Teacher

We are continuing the fun in second grade! We have been greatly enjoying our literacy block and are looking forward to officially writing our narratives this month. In math, we have been focusing on different addition strategies and are now moving into ways to represent and analyze data. Our classroom has been a lively and passionate place, our second graders love to learn, ask questions, and share their thinking. They truly are a blast to work with every day, and I am so proud of the enthusiasm and curiosity they bring to our classroom!

I am looking forward to seeing everyone at our Open House on September 25th from 5:30–7:00 p.m. Your child will have on display all the wonderful things we have been working on so far this school year. I can't wait for you to see all they have learned and accomplished!



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SEPTEMBER

3rd Grade Newsletter

Aloha, 3rd grade ohana! The third grade has been a busy, active classroom during the first 4 weeks of school. Students continue to practice our classroom routines, procedures, classroom expectations, and safety drills. Following the routines and procedures will create an orderly classroom environment so that all students can feel safe and learn each day in school.



During August we read books by Julia Cook about how to behave in school, how to be respectful in class, and how to take responsibility for our own actions (rather than blaming others). Students completed writings about each of these stories and how they could apply the lessons to themselves in school. These writings will be part of your student's portfolio of work for the year. Portfolios will be shared at conferences and will be given to students at the end of the year. The portfolio notebook will show samples of students' work throughout the school year in all subject areas.



IMPORTANT DATES:

- Friday, September 4–FALL PICTURE DAY for all classes
- Monday, September 7–NO SCHOOL due to LABOR DAY holiday
- Friday, September 11–NEEDS NOTICES go home for students
- Friday, September 25–SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE from 5:30-7:00 p.m.



Language Arts

Language Arts consists of reading, writing, grammar, vocabulary, and handwriting. During September, students will be introduced to each letter in the cursive alphabet so that they can practice proper formation of the letter. Students will also begin weekly vocabulary/spelling units based on their current spelling level as demonstrated by the WTW assessment. Grammar lessons will include a review of the basic parts of speech, sentence versus fragments, and basic punctuation. Students will be using vocabulary words and response to readings to do grammar exercises in “real writing”. They will have opportunities to “correct” writing samples to show they can recognize errors. Students have weekly writing prompts they complete responses for. These are 3rd grade appropriate prompts based on our reading selections and the topics we are studying in science and social studies. Students will meet individually with me weekly to review their written work.

Students are using lined paper in class. They have a choice of standard wide ruled elementary school notebook paper or printed lined paper that is like primary paper used in 1st and 2nd grade. By the middle of the year (Christmas break), students are using wide-ruled notebook paper only unless there is a documented learning need requiring primary paper. Third grade is a transitional year towards the expectations of upper elementary school.

Students will participate in small group instruction for reading based on their level of skills identified by the BRI (Basic Reading Inventory) assessment and their STAR Assessment. Some students may meet with Mrs. Bumatai for supplemental instruction as needed; this instruction might be remedial or enrichment depending on the teacher's and students' need for support. Mrs. Bumatai is our student support specialist who works with the classroom teacher to ensure that all students get instruction at the level they need, whether it be enrichment or remediation. She does both types of instruction, depending on the needs of the classroom.

Third-grade students are expected to work in both group settings and individual work during the language arts block in class. **When doing individual work, students are expected to work quietly without disturbing their classmates while teachers are working with small groups and one on one.**

Also, as part of Language Arts we will be doing Reading Buddies on Fridays with Ms. Quach's Kindergarten class. We had our first meeting with our buddies on Friday, August 14th. This cross-grade participation will continue all year.



Mathematics

Students took the Desmos Beginning of Year assessment in August. This assessment measured readiness for the third-grade skills taught in Desmos Amplify Math. Students also completed a mathematics attitude assessment in August. This assessment measured their interest in math, their thoughts about the difficulty of math, and their attitudes towards math instruction. Third graders also took the STAR math assessment. All of these assessments provide me with information on their skills level in mathematics.



Students will be working in Units 1 and 2 in Amplify Math during September. Unit 1 reviews some of the skills from second grade to get the students back in the habit of using math vocabulary and math strategies to explain their thinking. We began Unit 1 in August and will conclude it in September. Unit 2 will have students exploring using number stories and arrays to work with multiplication and division (called equal shares). Amplify Math does not just focus on students writing only the number answer. Students work on explaining their thinking and problem solving through using pictures, words, and sketches. Unit 1 begins laying a foundation for thinking about and using the skill of multiplication in math. By the end of third grade, students should have a working knowledge of the multiplication facts through 12×12 . We do not use a “drill and fill” approach. Students are learning strategies for thinking about and understanding multiplication. They will also be learning math vocabulary. **Mathematics instruction is not just about arithmetic; it includes being able to communicate about mathematics strategies and problem solving using the correct vocabulary of the subject area.**

Beginning in October, students will have a weekly math homework assignment of three activities which cover skills they have already been taught in class. The purpose of the homework assignment will be to practice and review a skill so that it is reinforced. **The assignment will be given on Monday and be due on Friday.** Students and their family can pace the three task papers for the way that best fits their schedule.

Math block instruction will include a whole group lesson introduction, small group instruction, and individual work. As in the language arts block, students will be expected to work in both group settings and individual work during the mathematics block in class. **Students working on individual work are expected to work quietly, without disturbing their classmates when teachers are working with small groups.**



Science and Social Studies

We are using Mystery Science this year as part of our science curriculum. We are also excited that we will be working on classroom gardens with the support of our HKS Groundskeeper, Mr. Fergus Whitney. **During September, the students will be studying the weather and climate, including the water cycle.** They will also be introduced to our garden spot. Science will include observation, reflection on the observation, and drawing conclusions from what is observed. These are some of the basic building blocks of scientific processes. Discovery always begins with observation. Science will also incorporate the use of our weekly *Scholastic News* magazine where we will explore current events in science.



In Social Studies in August, our emphasis was on citizenship in our school and classroom with an emphasis on the rules of school and the classroom, why we have these rules, taking responsibility for our own behavior (not blaming others), learning how to be problem solvers, and how to make wise choices. We began our geography unit towards the end of August, reviewing what maps are and learning some of the basic vocabulary about maps. We have discussed the 7 continents (land areas) and the 5 oceans (water) of the world.

During September, we will be studying United States geography, examining major landforms, waterways, and bodies of water. Each student has been assigned a state that he/she will be researching both in school and at home. Assigned states were selected from listings students made during August of places they had lived or were interested in learning more about.

Students will be doing a State Project that will be shown at our U.S. States Exhibition on September 30th at the school. A project information sheet with a work timeline, deadlines, and grading rubric was given to students on Monday, August 24th. All projects will be due on Tuesday, September 29th. This project will be for language arts and social studies grades for the first quarter. Students will work on this project in school and have homework assignments for different steps of the project.

Our social studies instruction is also supplemented with our weekly *Scholastic News* magazine which will explore current events in our world.



Social/Emotional Learning

In continuing our mission at HKS to educate the whole child, we will be addressing social/emotional learning each month as well. Beginning in September, Mrs. Raduziner will have Principal Time with our class each month. Our goal is to support the students in learning important skills for interaction with others and for school and life success.

Thank you for continuing to partner with me in discussing with your student the importance of living the school motto each day in the classroom.

“We (HKS students) are respectful, responsible, ready, and safe. We are also sharing, caring, helpful, and kind.”

Living this motto creates a safe, orderly learning environment where all students can learn and thrive, and a classroom where I can teach and share the world of learning with your children. Likewise, continue to encourage your child to advocate for himself/herself and ask for help when needed. I am looking to see that students are bringing their best efforts to the classroom each day, academically and behaviorally. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me via e-mail.



Cheers for a busy September!
Mrs. Jackson, 3rd grade teacher
Hale Keiki School



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SEPTEMBER

newsletter

Class News:

Congrats to our class for being the August Recycling winners! We celebrated last Friday by having an ice cream party!



What we're focusing on:

Math: We are shifting gears and moving into fractions for this month! We will be working on comparing fractions and finding equivalent fractions by representing them in different ways.

Reading: We will be starting our second novel study by reading the book *Holes* by Louis Sachar. We are also working on nonfiction skills such as identifying text structures, text features, and the main idea.

Writing: We are wrapping up our first personal narrative and will be beginning on next narrative which will be focused on writing an original fiction story! Students will get to be creative and continue to work on their writing skills as we utilize the writing process.

Science: We will be starting our first class science experiment as we grow plants in a raised garden bed. We will go through the scientific method to investigate a testable question and confirm whether our hypothesis is true or not.

Social Studies: We are continuing our Hawaiian history by learning about native species and the first people that lived on the island.

SEPTEMBER

newsletter

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
		01	02	03	04 Picture Day	05
06	07 Labor day NO school	08	09	10	11 Field trip Pizza Friday	12
13	14	15	16 Hi 5 Recycling drop off	17	18 Pizza Friday	19
20	21	22	23	24	25 Pizza Friday Open House	26
27	28	29	30			

Upcoming Dates:

9/4: Picture Day
 9/07: No School
 9/11: Iolani Palace Field trip
 9/16 Recycling drop off
 9/25 HKS Open house 5:30-7:30

Things to Note:

Please encourage daily reading so students can reach their monthly reading goal! Mahalo!
 *Panda express fundraiser 9/16
 *Krispy Kreme fundraiser order due 9/25

bloom with bridgette



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5th/ 6th Grade

Newsletter



Hale Keiki School

September 2026

Mrs. Roman

This Month in Our Classroom

Our class is getting into a great routine from flag all the way to dismissal. It has been lovely to see students find moments to practice our class values, I send home happy mail to recognize these!

ELA

Book Club: Wonder – character traits

Read Aloud: City Spies

Wordly Wise: lessons 3–6

Grammar: types of sentences

Reader's Workshop: summaries, book reports, informational texts

Writer's Workshop: informational writing

Mathematics

5th: multiplying and dividing fractions

6th: ratios

Science

Theme: energy flow & usage

Topics: balanced ecosystems, plant cells

Social Studies

What does everyday life reveal about a society?

Topics: Ancient Mexico, Northwestern American Native Tribes



A note from the Teacher

Our Iolani Palance field trip is on September 11th, please help your student be prepared with their school shirt, and walking shoes.



I am looking forward to our open house, which is September 25th 5:30–7pm [CLICK HERE](#) to find the signup sheet for what each family will contribute to our potluck.

We are working on our first book report, students have chosen their projects and books. They will work through steps in the outline and do their final project at home. I will check in with them each week, and we will share our hard work by the end of the quarter.



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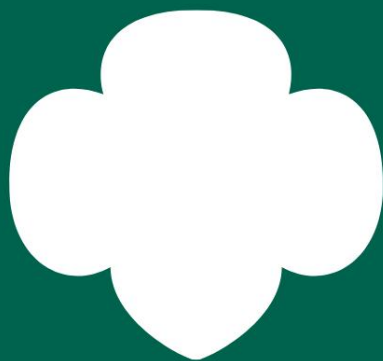


SEPTEMBER	9/11 - Girl Scouts Way
OCTOBER	NO MEETING
NOVEMBER	11/13 - Robotics II
DECEMBER	12/11 - Digital Arts
JANUARY	1/8 - Mechanical Engineering 1/22 - Cookie Business II
FEBRUARY	2/12 - World Thinking Day
MARCH	NO MEETINGS
APRIL	4/23 - Body Appreciation
MAY	5/14 - End of Year Party

**For more information
please contact:**

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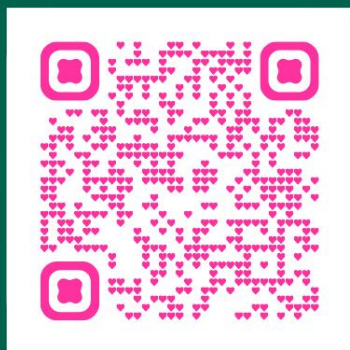
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GRADES K-3: TUESDAYS

15 WEEK SESSION

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2ND GRADE: 2:45-4:00 \$412.50

3RD GRADE: 3:00-4:00 \$330



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When: Mondays, August 24 - October 12

No class 09/07/2026 & 10/05/2026

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Aloha HKS Families,

We would like to make you aware of the Military Child Care in Your Neighborhood (MCCYN) benefit available to families with a parent or spouse serving in the Air Force, Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, or as a DoD Civilian.

Hale Keiki School is currently an approved MCCYN provider, and we encourage eligible families to apply. This valuable benefit can help reduce childcare and tuition-related expenses. We have seen families from all military ranks qualify, so we strongly recommend submitting an application if you believe your family may be eligible.

Army & Air Force	Navy, Marine Corps, & Coast Guard	DoD Civilians
MCCYN is managed by Child Care Aware of America (CCAoA).	<u>Preschool & Pre-Kindergarten</u> Available for year-round care for children age 5 and younger	Families are encouraged to review MCCYN program requirements by visiting the MilitaryChildCare MCCYN Information Page
<u>Preschool & Pre-Kindergarten</u> Available for year-round care for children ages 2–5	Can assist with or cover: • Early Bird Care (EBC) • Before School Care (BSC) • After School Care (ASC) • A portion of tuition • Can cover up to \$150 in registration fees • May be used for Summer Session <u>Kindergarten Through 6th Grade</u>	
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How the MCCYN Process Works:

If your family is requesting MCCYN fee assistance, you will need to apply for the MCCYN program, not directly to Hale Keiki School. During the initial application process, families will not be able to select their preferred provider. The request is for MCCYN Fee Assistance, and any offer received will be for the MCCYN program rather than a specific childcare provider. Once an offer is made, families will have 48 hours to accept the offer. After accepting, families will have 10 days to upload and submit the required documents to complete registration. During registration, the family and their chosen provider will complete a Cost Worksheet. The family will upload the completed worksheet in the Provider Information section under the My MCCYN tab. This is the stage at which families select their preferred provider, such as **Hale Keiki School**. Please note that supporting documents cannot be uploaded until after an MCCYN Fee Assistance offer has been accepted and the registration process has begun.

For additional information about the MCCYN program, please visit the MilitaryChildCare MCCYN Information Page.

If you have any questions about the MCCYN program or how it can be applied to your child's enrollment at Hale Keiki School, please feel free to reach out to Derrick Olson at derrick.olson@nhks.org



ALUMNI NEWS

One of our favorite things is when alumni come to visit our HKS campus, and this summer, we were delighted to connect again with so many of our former students!



Lilleigh and Luke Butera stopped by HKS for a visit this summer! They first left HKS in 2017 when their family moved away, but returned to the island a few years later, allowing Lilleigh to rejoin our HKS community before leaving again in 2022. It has been such a joy to watch them grow over the years, and we loved catching up with them during their visit!



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