

Keaukaha Elementary School

HOME OF THE WA'Ā

'Ohana and Community Bulletin

September 2021

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sept 16: Fire Drill
Sept 24: School Picture
Day – Uniform Optional

October 22: Pink Out Day

Holidays (No School)

Sept 6: Labor Day

Oct 11 – 15: Fall Break



Information can also be found
in the following:

Ka Wa'ā – Newsletter
School website

Social Media:

Facebook

Instagram

Twitter

Parent Square

Aloha Keaukaha Ohana,

I hope this bulletin finds all of you well, in good spirits, and in great health. School has been in session for 4 weeks now and it feels like we've been moving at a crazy pace for a very long time. As a school, we want you to know that we recognize how difficult of a time this is and we want to send our appreciation your way for all that you do to support your children at home and your flexibility with the constant changes that are occurring. Remember, we are in this together.

I'd also like to say thank you for the support and understanding you've shown our hard-working staff here at Keaukaha Elementary. They've been working tirelessly to adapt to all the changes that have come our way since July. I'd like to personally send out a huge thank you to everyone on campus for everything that they do everyday to make attending school in-person fun and safe during these uncertain times.

Keaukaha Elementary celebrates 6 Hawaiian core values throughout the year, **Aloha** was our focus during the month of August and the core value of **Lokahi** is our focus for September. **Lokahi** stresses the importance of teamwork, collaboration, harmony, and unity. Please help us reinforce this value by speaking with your children about the importance of working well with others and creating harmony in their surroundings.

As a reminder, before coming onto campus, please do a wellness check using the following guidance, bit.ly/WellnessCheckHIDOE. Individuals who are exhibiting any symptoms, or who have been directed to quarantine by the DOH, should not come to campus. If someone in your household has been tested for COVID-19 or if they are exhibiting symptoms, please call before coming to campus so we can assess the situation and determine if a visit is necessary and/or appropriate.

Be Strong, Be Proud, Be Pono!

Kumu Vincent Venzon





COUNSELORS CORNER

KUMU SPEAR



How Can I Shift My Child's Focus From Games to School?

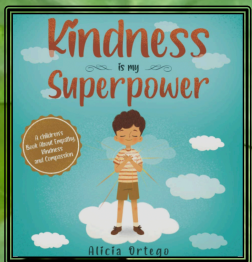
Online games can be a fun way for kids to relax. Some can even promote physical activity and build academic skills. But with fewer recreational outlets, many kids are spending a lot more time with them, and game designers know how to create games that keep players coming back.

Since the amount of time your child spends playing games is interfering with his/her learning, it's time to provide some balance. Here's how:

Let your child know that improving in school matters more than leveling up in a game. Say that you will be limiting the amount of time he/she spends on digital gaming so he/she will have enough time for studying well.

Offer alternative recreation. Plan enjoyable activities like reading aloud, playing board games, making art and getting exercise.

Set screen-free times for the whole family, such as meal time, study time and at least 30 minutes before your child's bedtime.



WE READING

Core Value of the month:

Lōkahi

unity, oneness, harmony, and agreement



This book is about being kind and being a good person . I like this book because the boy is nice to the other kids. I do not like when the boy teases the girl. I hope the boy learned his lesson. I give this book a 5 out of 5

Written by Alexis Hanohano in Kumu Agbayani's class

This book is about Zuko, Aang, Toph, and Katara trying to fight for world peace. I like this book because it is the last book in this series and the last part brings every part you read all together. It also gives you questions to think about. If I could rate this book it would be 😊 😊 😊 (3/3 smiley faces).

Written by Angitau Fa'anunu in Kumu Agbayani's class



Reading is our SUPER POWER!

Our goal is to have **100% of our students reading and logging their minutes in Beanstack.**

All students PreK-6 will read, or be read to, at least **five (5) days a week.**

PreK - 1st grade: 15 minutes or more per day

2nd gr. - 6th gr.: 20 minutes or more per day



Jaeslee:

These two websites are amazing. We can look up anything we are interested in. I looked up owls. There was so much information about them. Like they can turn their heads to see in the back of them, they don't make noise while they hunt, they hunt during the night and there are different kinds of owls. My favorite now is the elf owl. I just learned about it here. They are only 5 inches tall. I would love to see one. They must be so tiny and cute.

Jaesrick;

I love this site. There's so much to see. I put Dogs in the search bar and it showed me all different stories. I chose Pound to Palace. It's about animals that are rescued from bad conditions and are now living a happy life. From blind dogs that show people true love, donkeys born with problems, kittens with no back legs, animals that are abused, tilted faces, smelly, no teeth and so much more. They are given a chance to live, learn to trust people and live happy lives full of love. I loved reading about every animal. One day I hope I can rescue as many animals as I want.



Step 1: Download the Beanstack app onto your phone or log in to:

<https://www.beanstack.com/hidoe>

Step 2: If using a computer, click on Keaukaha Elementary School and sign in with your 10-digit student ID number. (It's the same as your child's Clever username.)

The password is your child's 6-digit birthdate (mmddyy).

CHECK OUT THESE RESOURCES:

National Geographic

Kids: <https://link.gale.com/apps/NGMK?u=hil2657>

Password: keaukaha



GALE IN **CONTEXT**

Gale in

Context: <https://link.gale.com/apps/ITKE?u=hil2657>

Password: keaukaha

HIGHLIGHTS

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 24 SCHOOL PICTURE DAY ACTION PHOTOS HAWAII – HILO

**CAPTURE YOUR CHILD'S PHOTO FOR THE
YEARBOOK.**

**ORDER FORMS & FLYER WILL BE SENT
OUT SOON!**

**SCHOOL UNIFORM IS OPTIONAL
ALL ORDERS ARE DUE ON THE DAY OF
PICTURE TAKING. (SEE ABOVE)
LATE ORDERS ARE TO BE TAKEN TO**

**ACTION PHOTOS HAWAII-HILO
(APOHI.COM)
65 MOHOULI ST
HILO, HI 96720
808-935-9922**

"Help Wanted"

We are looking to fill the following positions, if interested applications may be picked up at the main office.

- ❖ *Adult Supervisor (Meal Tracker)*
- ❖ *Sub Cafeteria Helper*
- ❖ *Sub Custodian*
- ❖ *Sub Classroom Cleaner*

****As of August 30, the following is required:*

*Proof of a COVID-19 Vaccination or
Negative Test results
Pass FBI Fingerprinting & background
check.*

Breakfast 7:15am -7:50am

**Preschool & Kindergarten drop off
and pick up @ designated locations in
front of the school. Please follow
your child's teachers guidelines.**

**Grades 1-6, drop off gym parking lot
@ cafeteria/basketball gate & will
report to the cafeteria in the
morning.**

**Afternoon Pick Up
Grades 1 & 2 Pua Ave Gate
Grade 3 Front of school
Grades 4-5-6 Gym Parking Area**

**EVERYTHING IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE & WILL
BE SHARED VIA SCHOOL
WEBSITE & PARENT SQUARE.**

Keaukaha Elementary Website
KeaukahaElementary.com

KES on Facebook
<https://www.facebook.com/keaukaha.elementary/>

KES on Twitter
<https://twitter.com/KeaukahaSchool>

KES on Instagram
<https://www.instagram.com/keaukahaelementaryschool/>

Annual Notification of Privacy Rights

Know your privacy rights as they apply to 1) Student record information; 2) Directory information; 3) Surveys and other information collection; and 4) Military recruitment information.

For more information on your privacy rights, the laws that protect them, and how to exercise your rights, contact your school administrator or visit <http://bit.ly/FERPAHI>

Reminder:

School uniforms are mandatory as stated in the parent handbook.

Fridays are designated as free dress days.

There will be designated days throughout the school year where students may dress up, i.e.. Spirit week, Breast Cancer Awareness, Kindness Challenge, Anti-Bullying, to name a few.

Keaukaha School is a Title I school. We receive federal funds to ensure that all children have a fair, equal and significant opportunity to obtain high-quality education and reach, at minimum, proficiency on challenging state academic achievement standards and state academic assessments.

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ADA/Section 504 inquiries

Krysti Sukita, ADA/504 Specialist
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Hawaii State Department of Education
P.O. Box 2360
Honolulu, HI 96804
(808) 586-3322 or relay

Title VI, Title IX, and other inquiries

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