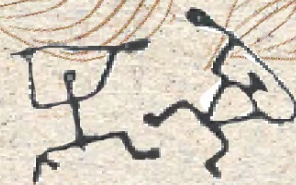


KEAUKAHA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

HOME OF THE WA'A

'Ohana and Community Bulletin



May 2019



Aloha e Keaukaha 'Ohana!

"The most beautiful way to start and end the day is with a grateful heart."
~ Author Unknown

Wow!! Although we've been busy over the last week, I am so ready to welcome in the month of **May**, the final month of the 2018-2019 school year. As a heads up, May will be extremely busy for us with numerous schoolwide celebrations, excursions, and activities to keep our students engaged. We really don't want our students to miss a thing so please be sure to check in with your child's teacher often about what's happening in school. Mahalo!

Our annual May Day program, themed ***Mai Ka Mauna I Ke Kai Ka Ahupua'a***, was celebrated on Wednesday, May 1st, at Hualani Field. Our program focused on celebrating and honoring our beloved 'Ahupua'a o Waiakea with members of our May Day court representing each area - mauna, waena and kai. MAHALO goes out to Kumu Loke and Auntie Mona for taking the lead in putting this day together and for working with the many individuals who made this special celebration possible! I'm sure many of you would agree with me that this year's May Day celebration was absolutely beautiful. I was blown away by the hula of our students! From our preschoolers opening our grade level performances, to our 3rd graders using multiple instruments, to our 5th graders performing a kahiko, all I could say was "WOW"! All of our grade levels were just so great to watch that I can't wait to see what next year's performances will be. Hūlō! Hūlō!

A special MAHALO also goes out to our parent organization, Hui 'Ohana o Keaukaha, for all that they've done in partnership with and for Keaukaha Elementary School this past school year! They have done so much to support our students and to help me move some ideas forward. As many of you know, Keaukaha Elementary was a part of the **Merrie Monarch Royal Parade** on August 27 and I could not have done it without our school staff and our parent group! Hui 'Ohana President, Robyn Riedel, was instrumental in taking the lead on the crafting and building of our school float, which allowed me to focus on coordinating the walking unit for the parade. Mahalo, Mahalo, Mahalo! I am just so grateful for the partnership this parent group has built with our school. If you are not yet a member of this Hui 'Ohana group, I strongly encourage you to become one, get involved and help us make everyday a memorable experience for your children at Keaukaha Elementary School!

As a friendly reminder, space is still available in **Kindergarten** and we are accepting registration forms. If you know of any families who have not yet registered their child for school, please encourage them to do so quickly. All students entering Kindergarten must be 5 years old on or before July 31, 2019. Should you have any questions, please contact Sharon in our main office. Mahalo for helping us spread the word!

Happy birthday wishes go out to Academic Coach Lei Fa'anunu, PCNC Mona Ubedei, 2nd grade Kumu Sarah Tamura, Counselor Kristin Spear, Office Assistant Alan Tada, and to all the students who celebrate their birthdays in the month of May. Hau'oli Lā Hānau to you!

Friday, May 31st will be the **last day of the school year** for our students and Monday, August 6th will be their first day back of the 2019-2020 school year. Please mark your calendars so that you can plan ahead to ensure our students return to campus on the first day of school. 100% attendance on the first day back is always our goal. ☺

Words can not express how great it feels to have your support all year long! **MAHALO** to each and everyone of you for all that you do for us at Keaukaha Elementary School! We are so thankful for you!

Mahalo for all that you do! Be Strong, Be Proud, Be Pono!
A Hui Hou!

Kumu Stacey Bello

COUNSELORS CORNER Kumu Spear



GEOGRAPHY COMES TO LIFE WITH FUN AND EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES

Helping your child learn about geography can help him/her relate to the world around them. Here are some educational and fun activities to boost their interest in geography:

Have your child draw a map of how to get from your home to school, the grocery store or a friend's home. Then follow the map.

Walk outside and identify *north*, *south*, *east*, and *west*. Ask your child to use these words to describe where things in our town are located. "My school is *north* of my house."

Encourage your child to start a collection of objects from countries around the world. Stamps, post cards and coins are all easy items to collect and store.

Tell your child where their ancestors came from. Find these places on a map. If possible, learn about the routes they traveled when they came to this country or state.

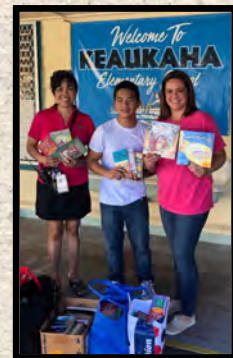
Go through your house and talk about where things came from. Have your child read labels to see where items were made. A calculator may have come from Taiwan. A box of cereal may have a Michigan or Illinois address. Together, locate these places on a map.



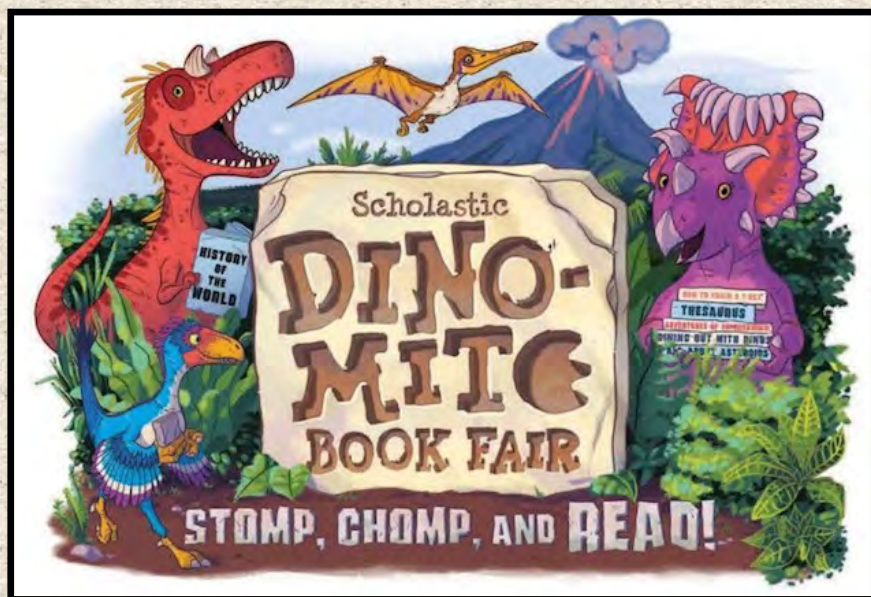
Book Donation Mahalo Hilo High School and Cain Ross!



Former Keaukaha student, Cain Ross, is the President of his Sophomore class at Hilo High School. Cain led a Book Drive at Hilo High that focused on getting books for our Keaukaha students and was able to collect 120 books. Mahalo Cain and the students and faculty of Hilo High School!



BOOK FAIR May 21-23, 2019



Mark your calendars and start saving your money. Our 2nd Scholastic Book Fair this year is coming to our school with a Buy One, Get One free offer. Buy a book and get another book of equal or lesser value for FREE. It will be held on May 21st through the 23rd at the Keaukaha Elementary Library. Hope to see you there!

May 21st from 2:30-3:30

May 22nd from 1:30-3:00

May 23rd from 2:30-3:30

Congrats!

3rd Quarter Awards Assembly

April 18, 2019



Mahalo to all the `ohana and friends who came to celebrate the achievements of our students. These students worked very hard throughout the quarter.

Congratulations!



Congratulations to Kumu Sasaki-Cann's class for winning the Perfect Attendance Award!



Keaukaha's `Ohana Night focused on Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics. Mahalo to UH Institute for Astronomy, Gemini Observatory, Pacific International Space Center for Exploration Systems, Mr. Kalani, Center for Study of Active Volcanoes, Ozbot, Brandon Crichton, Kamehameha Schools, and the faculty and students of Keaukaha Elementary School!



Merrie Monarch Royal Parade April 27, 2019



Mahalo to everyone who participated in donating, decorating and walking in this year's Merrie Monarch Royal Parade. Keaukaha Elementary School took 3rd place because of all of your hard work! Congratulations! .





May Day

May 1, 2019



Mai ka Mauna i Ke Kai – Ko Kākou `Ahupua`a. From the Mountains to the Sea, this is our `Ahupua`a. This year's May Day Program was such a pleasure to witness. The children were so mākaukau (prepared) and performed very well. To our families, kupuna, friends and community members, we the Faculty, Staff, and Students of Keaukaha School send to you our deepest aloha and mahalo for sharing this exceptional day with all of us. We mahalo you for your inspiration and aloha shown to our school and students. May our May Day Program and Celebrations continue to shine and be a bright highlight of this community. Mahalo!



May Day

May 1, 2019



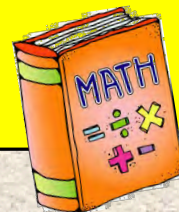


Academic Coach – Gr. 3 & 4

Kumu Miyataki



Math
ROCKS



May is here and the countdown begins! ☺ Our students are still working hard on the Smarter Balanced Assessments (SBA) to show how much they have learned from our wonderful teachers! Let's continue to help our students to be the best they can be! Here are some reminders again to help reinforce the learning your child has accomplished:

- Have a regular study time for your child and if possible, have a quiet place for them to study
 - No TV, video games, or phones allowed
- Allow them to use a computer, phone, etc. to access online accounts or websites to improve their basic skills and practice their math and reading fluency.
 - www.gregtang.com
 - www.adaptedminds.com
 - www.mathisfun.com
 - www.sheppardsoftware.com
 - www.mathplayground.com
 - www.pbskids.org
 - www.ixl.com/signin/keaukaha
 - www.login.i-ready.com
- Play mental math games or just talk to your children about math
 - Everyday real life situations will help your child greatly.
- There's more than one right way to get an answer
 - It's okay if your child may not use the most efficient way
 - That's the way they UNDERSTAND how to do it and its okay
- Have your child use the CUBES strategy to figure out a math word problem
 - C = Circle Key words/phrases
 - U = Underline the question
 - B = Box math action words (Words that help to figure out what equation to use)
 - E = Evaluate and/or Eliminate (plan out steps to solve and/or eliminate extra info)
 - S = Solve the problem and check
- Finally, Make sure they eat a good breakfast or have a snack to help them concentrate better ☺



Get kids to....
TALK MATH



Don't forget, if you ever need help with math work or help to understand the math programs better, please feel free to come and see any of your child's teachers or the coaches (Kumu Loke, Kumu Fa'anunu, or myself). We would be happy to help in any way. The coaches are located in A-Building basement. Please come, stop by, and say "Hello".

Mahalo, Kumu Miyataki ☺



"Good mathematics is not about how many answers you know...
It's how you behave when you don't know."

~ Author Unknown



Math Olympiad



It's math time! Complete the math problem for your grade level and return your answer to me, Kumu Miyataki, in A-Basement on or before the deadline of May 10th, Friday. You can cut the box out or come to A-Basement to fill out an answer sheet. Correct answers can win you a prize from the Math Olympiad Treasure Chest. ☺ Winners will also be announced in Ka Leo Pono or with the morning announcements.

Have fun practicing and playing together! Do not forget, if you ever need help with math homework or help to understand the math programs, please feel free to contact your child's teachers or any of the coaches, Kumu Loke for grades PreK to grade 2, Kumu Fa'anunu for grades 5-6, and myself, Kumu Miyataki for grades 3-4. You can also call the school at 974-4181. I look forward to meeting you... ☺

A Hui Hou,
Kumu Tina Miyataki ☺ tina_miyataki@notes.k12.hi.us



Name: _____

Grade: _____

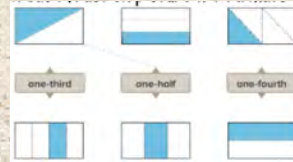
PreK-1

Write the numeral that matches the dots in the square.



Grades 2-3

Draw lines to join each fraction picture with a matching name.



PreK-1

Complete each equation.

$$(6 + 7) \times 2 = \boxed{}$$

$$9 \times (12 \div 4) = \boxed{}$$

Draw parentheses if they are needed to make an equation true.

$$16 - 8 \times 3 = 24$$

$$4 = 2 \times 16 \div 8$$

PRESCHOOL WAIAHOLE KUPUNA PAINA & MINI LUAU APRIL 2019

Waiahole Kupuna Paina was the culminating event of PreK learning of STEAM. The students learned about: living and nonliving, life cycle of the 'ama'ama, mele, engineering a fishing tool from once a plant-bamboo, tying fishing lines and hooks, to finally catching and cleaning fish. They celebrated their ho'ike by inviting special guests and presenting them with prepared fish. They ended their day with a luau.



Learning about Kalo

Preschool partnered with Kumu Malani and had the opportunity to dive into everything kalo. Learning the mo'olelo/story, mo'okuauhau, parts of the kalo, planting huli, huki kalo & ku'i kalo. The students had a mini luau with laulau and a chance to pound poi. This was a highlight of this years Kalo Learning!



Students and teachers wish to mahalo Kumu'ola, Kumu Kalani & the Staff at Waiahole Fishponds.



CAUSE FOR A PAUSE

May 2019



Keaukaha Elementary Schools Critter Club began a donation drive for all of the animals at the Keauu Humane Society. The drive lasts until May 7th and the students are collecting, old towels, toys and treats for the many cats and dogs at the shelter. Awesome Job Critter Club!



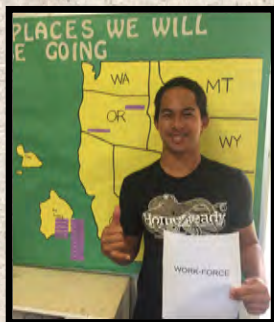
Hilo High AVID Celebration

Keaukaha Alumni

May 17, 2019



AVID, which stands for Advancement Via Individual Determination, is a college readiness program designed to help students develop the skills they need to be successful in college. The program places special emphasis on growing writing, critical thinking, teamwork, organization and reading skills. These Keaukaha students have been a part of the AVID program for several years. Congratulations! Keaukaha is proud to be a part of your journey! Good Luck!



Chase Agpoon is a 4 year AVID student. Chase would like to thank his parents, Chad and Teresa Agpoon and his family for their constant support. Chase is undecided on a college and for now, has decided to enter the workforce to earn money for his college education.



Kekoa Gomes is a 5 year AVID student. Kekoa would like to recognize his dad, Mike Gomes and his mom, Uilani Gomes. He would also like to give a big thanks to his teachers and friends. Kekoa will be attending Hawaii Community College. He is currently undecided in his major. AVID has taught him the skill of taking notes and he feels that this skill has really helped him so far and will continue to do so in the future. Kekoa has also been involved with Junior Achievement Program for the past 4 years. Kekoa has also completed the First Hawaiian Bank MyMoney Program.



Alexus Wilson is a 5 year AVID student. Alexis would like to recognize her mother, Mary Makua and her aunty, Cindy Lizardi. She also wants to give a special thanks to her dad Thomas Wilson and her brothers Kaydin and Kamaki Wilson. Alexis will be attending The University of Oregon in the state of Oregon and majoring in Biology. Alexis is involved with Upward Bound for the past 5 years since the 8th grade. Alexis special memory is doing tutorials. Alexis has also completed the First Hawaiian Bank MyMoney Program

SCHOOLWIDE READING CHALLENGE

GOAL: 35,000 books by the end of the year.

Congratulations! We read 39,509 books!
We have surpassed our goal for the year!
The students will be selecting the activity for reaching their goal for the end of the year.

Time Spent reading each day...

8000 words per year



< 1 minute a day

282 000 words per year



4.6 minutes a day

1.8 million words per
year



20 minutes a day

HAPPY STAFF APPRECIATION WEEK!

MAY 6-10



**Please show your love and appreciation
to the hardworking and caring staff of
Keaukaha Elementary School for all that
they do!**

UPCOMING EVENTS and Announcements



May 1, 2019 – May Day Program
May 3, 2019 – Hui Wala'au
Principal Talk Story
May 17, 2019 – Makahiki - Rainbow Run (Gr. 3-6)
May 20, 2019 – Student Council/Kia'i/Ka Leo Pono –
End of Year Celebration
May 21, 2019 – HERO End of Year Celebration
May 22, 2019 – Kindergarten Celebration
May 24, 2019 – PreSchool Promotion Ceremony
6th Grade Promotion Ceremony
May 27, 2019 – NO SCHOOL - Memorial Day
May 28, 2019 - 4th Qtr. Awards Assembly (Gr. PreK-5)
May 29, 2019 – Reading Challenge Celebration
May 30, 2019 - Water Day
May 31, 2019 – Last Day of School for Students

E hoe i ka wa'a! E ho'olōkahi e! -"Let's Paddle Our Canoe Together!"

Principal's Pledge to Students

All adults will work hard for you.
You will be safe in our school.
If you have something to say about
our school, we will listen.

Student's Pledge to Keaukaha

Come to school on time everyday.
Follow all expectations.
Be ready to learn and work hard.
Be a "sponge"

YEARBOOK

Reserve your yearbook copy now!
Cost is \$10! Payment can be made at
the school office.

Keaukaha Elementary School WEBSITE!

<http://www.keaukahaelementary.com/>

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>

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Reminder:

Breakfast is served daily from 7:15 – 7:55 a.m. in our cafeteria.