

# KALIHI KAI WARRIORS

## PARENT BULLETIN

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### IN MEMORIAM



The Kalihi Kai School 'Ohana mourns the loss of beloved educator, Kimberly Parrilla, who passed away on March 15, 2019.

A humble and caring teacher, mentor, coach, and colleague, Mrs. Parrilla taught at Kalihi Kai for nearly 30 years, spending 18 years teaching Kindergarten, three years as a 2<sup>nd</sup> grade teacher, and nine years as an academic coach.

She will be remembered for her love of teaching, her passion and dedication to serving the students of Kalihi Kai, and for her wisdom and guidance that we will forever cherish in our hearts and memories.

### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Kalihi Kai's Lion King Kids (LKK) production was amazing! All of the students were engaging, expressive, and confident. The Lion King Kids play gives our students the opportunity to showcase their leadership and talents beyond the classroom walls and is an example of why we are proud to be a Turnaround Arts and Leader in Me school. I cannot thank our students, staff, parents, and community partners enough for all of their time, support, and contributions to make LKK a success.

On a different note, our WASC visit is right around the corner. Our WASC Self-Study was submitted electronically in February and the Visiting Committee will be on campus from April 1st to the 4th. We're excited to share all the things that Kalihi Kai is doing and hearing their recommendations for how we can improve. The Visiting Committee will be meeting with and interviewing school staff, students, and parents to learn about our school.

Finally, a construction project will begin in May and continue into the summer. Contractors will be replacing air conditioning units in certain buildings and classrooms. It may result in some classrooms and the front office being relocated temporarily while the project is ongoing. Thank you for your patience.

Marc Kawahara  
Principal

#### OUR VISION

*A community of innovative, life-long learners.*

#### OUR MISSION

*Together, the community of Kalihi Kai Elementary School creates a positive learning environment through effective collaboration and ongoing reflection. This results in empathetic, inquisitive, and adaptive life-long learners.*



**KALIHI KAI IS A WELLNESS SCHOOL**



Please **DO NOT** bring any cake, cupcakes, food, and balloons to celebrate birthdays in the classroom.

Birthday parties can interrupt class time, cause “sugar rushes,” and can also trigger food allergies. Instead, goodie bags or a class gift like a book are greatly appreciated.

**STUDENT IDs**

All students are strongly encouraged to wear their school IDs DAILY!

It is important for students to wear their IDs when purchasing breakfast and lunch, checking out books from the library, and for their safety.

Remember that school IDs are a property of the Department of Education, and if lost or damaged (i.e., bent or cracked, scratched barcode, stickers or drawings on the ID), the cost is **\$3.00** for the first replacement, and **\$5.00** for the second replacement.



**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**April 2019**

1 – 4 WASC Visitation

19 NO SCHOOL – Good Friday

**May 2019**

2 5:30 pm SCC Parent Informational Meeting & BINGO Night, Cafeteria

27 NO SCHOOL - Memorial Day

28-29 Field Day

29 2:15 Student Dismissal

31 Last Day of the 2018-2019 SY  
-1:30 Student Dismissal

**August 2019**

**First Day of the 2019-2020 SY begins on Monday, August 5<sup>th</sup>.**

The  
**Leader in Me™**  
great happens here

**KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION**

**If your child was born on or before July 31, 2014**, please register your child for Kindergarten for the 2019-2020 School Year. It is strongly recommended that they are registered during this time so we can prepare for your child’s testing for Kindergarten. The following documents **ARE REQUIRED** at the time of registration:

**1) Current Proof of Residence**

To show that you live in the Kalihi Kai School area, please provide a current utility bill (e.g. water, electric, gas, cable, or land line phone).

**2) Official and Original Birth Certificate**

**3) Hawaii School Health Record (F-14)**

\*A completed current F-14 includes Tuberculosis (TB) clearance, physical examination completed within one year before the first entrance into a Hawaii school, and all required immunizations.

Please contact the school office at 832-3322 if you have any questions. Thank you.

## SCHOOL MEAL PRICES

### **Breakfast**

Regular Student Breakfast	\$1.10
Reduced Student Breakfast	\$0.30
Adult Breakfast	\$2.40
*Milk Only	\$0.75

### **Lunch**

Regular Student Lunch	\$2.50
Reduced Student Lunch	\$0.40
Adult Lunch	\$5.50

***This institution is an equal opportunity provider.***

## **SCHOOL MEALS FROM THE CAFETERIA**

For liability reasons, we must follow strict guidelines and regulations mandated by the Federal Government and the USDA; therefore, meals purchased from the cafeteria must be consumed in the cafeteria and no adult is allowed to eat from a child's plate. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.



## SCHOOL & OFFICE HOURS

School Hours: 8:00 a.m. to 2:15 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday  
8:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Wednesday

Office Hours: 7:15 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday  
(7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. when school is not in session)  
*\*Closed on official holidays*

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

## VISITORS ON CAMPUS

To all visitors, please report to the office and present a valid ID, sign in the Visitor's Log, and obtain a visitor's pass while school is in session.

## STUDENT INFORMATION UPDATE

If there are any changes in home address, phone numbers, or emergency contact persons, parents/guardians must fill out a *Student Information Update Form* at the office.

## SCHOOL TRANSFERS

- A *Request for Transfer Form* must be completed at the office at least **14 working days** to give the office sufficient time to prepare the student release packet which is needed for enrollment to the new school.
- All library books and outstanding obligations must be cleared before a release can be given.

## EARLY RELEASE FROM SCHOOL

- Please contact our school office ahead of time if your child will be leaving school early.
- Requests should include the reason, date and time of the release with the parent or authorized adult's signature. Only parents and authorized adults on the emergency contact list may pick up a student.
- The parent or authorized adult must report to the Administration Office (Building G) to sign out and obtain a student pass. Please provide a valid ID.
- Student will be sent to the office by their teachers once they have been contacted by the office.

## RESERVED PARKING FOR SCHOOL STAFF

- Please do not block or park in any of the stalls reserved for our teachers and staff. Teachers and staff need to get to their classrooms on time and leave at the end of the day. Double parking in our parking lots and on nearby streets is also not allowed.
- Please park in the public parking stalls on Kaumuali'i Street between Kalakaua District Park and our school when dropping off and picking up your child.

## **Notice of Non-Discrimination**

Equity Specialist for Schools in the Farrington-Kaiser-Kalani Complex

You may also contact this person questions or concerns relating to non-discrimination and anti-harassment at your school: **Sarah Medway, Equity Specialist, Farrington-Kaiser-Kalani Complex**

### Mailing Address

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## TOY DRIVE A SUCCESS!



For their RtI (Response to Intervention) Project, 4<sup>th</sup> graders Jayden and Jaime successfully collected toys in support of Shriner's Hospital. These toys will surely bring huge smiles to the children at the hospital. Thank you to everyone for their generous donation. Additional drop off dates will be announced shortly.

## GRADE 1 NEWS

I hope all of you had a wonderful restful Spring Break! The Lion King Show was a huge success and it was wonderful to see our very own first graders performing on stage and singing in the chorus. Thank you to all who were able to support the success of the show.

We are starting fourth quarter and are excited to begin your first graders last quarter as a first grader! So much to learn before they become an official second grader. This quarter we will be learning all about animals and their special structures and functions that help them to survive in their specific habitat. They will be using what they learned about animals to help them design a special tool that we could use to help us.

Please continue to practice reading and math facts daily to help prepare your first grader for second grade. Looking forward to a great month!

## GRADE K NEWS

Aloha, Kindergarten families! Welcome back!! We hope everyone had a restful and productive Spring Break. Can you believe it's already fourth quarter? Our Kindergarteners continue to work extremely hard studying and learning about many new things. We are so proud of them! Thank you, families, for supporting and encouraging your children.

Thank you for reminding your children to wear their school ID every day. The school policy is requiring every child to wear their ID at all times to keep them safe and it also teaches them to be responsible.

We are continuing to learn these concepts and skills: using observation skills (i.e. using the 5 senses), cause and effect of seasons/weather, celebrations & holidays, addition and subtraction (computation and story/word problems), matching numeral representations, identifying details & events in texts and stories and making connections (comparisons and contrasts between stories), reading comprehension and writing complete sentences using inventive spelling and sight words, and art strategies integration (signing the contract, reading images, VTS, tableau/snapshot, creative movement, etc.).

It is important to review/reinforce the concepts and skills learned so that your child can master and apply them. This will provide a solid foundation for your child to build on.

Let's continue to work together for our children's success.



## GRADE 2 NEWS

First of all, we'd like to send a HUGE shout out to all our second-grade actors that performed Lion King Kids on March 14, 15, and 16th. We are all so proud of all our side singers as well. We all put in a lot of extra hours practicing our songs and dances and the students really shined!

At this time, we would also like to thank all the parents that helped chaperone our field trip to Waikiki Aquarium on Tuesday, April 9th. We sure did have fun learning about different water ecosystems and seeing the interactions between the many living and nonliving things. The Waikiki Aquarium was so generous! Not only did they pay for ALL our bus fair and admission, but they supplied lunch for ALL our students as well. How lucky are we to have an awesome community partner like Waikiki Aquarium!

Learning science with Ms. Mimi has been super fun! Ms. Mimi is an independent drama teacher that services many different schools in Hawaii. She conducted many science experiments about solids, liquids, and gasses with all our second-grade classes. We connected our bodies together as atoms coming together as different molecules too. We learned about the spaces or lack of spaces between solids, liquids, and gas. No wonder we cannot put our hands right through solids, but we can easily do so with liquids like water and gas (the air all around us). Please ask your child about their work with Ms. Mimi!