



Friday October 9, 2020

## Important Upcoming Dates

Date	Time	Event
Monday, October 12	All Day	First Day of 2nd Quarter
Monday, October 26	All Day	Optional Teacher Workday NO SCHOOL

### Aloha Parents & Guardians,

We are looking forward to a wonderful start of our second quarter of the 2020-2021 school year on Monday. As we noted last week, the Kona Pacific Governing Board (GB) voted at its last meeting to begin quarter 2 in all-distance instructional mode, continuing the arrangement we had for quarter 1. At the GB meetings approximately every two weeks in quarter 2, the GB will review the health and safety conditions on the Island of Hawaii to determine the earliest date we can move to our blended learning program in accordance with Hawaii Department of Health guidelines. We will let everyone know as soon as the GB makes a decision about blended learning.

### Website Help Needed!

Last spring we began a large project to migrate our current school website, based on a WordPress platform, to a new school website, based on a Wix platform. We are very close to having the new site ready to launch, and have received very positive feedback from those who have seen it. If you are fluent in the Wix website platform, and would like to help us with the finishing touches to our new website prior to launch, and/or would like to help us maintain our new website, please let Phil know at [philc@kppcs.org](mailto:philc@kppcs.org). Mahalo nui!

## **Important Notices on School Website**

We have posted several important notices on our current school website, under the Resources page. These include our Kona Pacific - Comprehensive Academic Plan (CAP) SY 20-21, our Parent Letter of Right to Request Teacher Qualifications notice, our Asbestos Compliance notice, and the Hawaii Board of Education Family and Community Engagement-Partnership Policy. Please let us know if you have any questions about any of these notices.

## **Grab-and-Go Free Meals Program Begins Again**

The Grab-and-Go free meals program, also known as the Seamless Summer Option program, that we enjoyed during quarter 4 last spring, will begin again on Monday, October 12 for all children ages 18 and younger. The program goes through December 18, 2020. Parents and guardians have to pick up meals for their children at a participating school of their choice. (Kona Pacific is not a pick-up location.) Parents and guardians pick up lunch and optionally breakfast for the next day one time a day during designated hours. Some type of student verification document must be presented to receive meals. Please see the attached flyer for details.

## **Parent-Teacher Conferences - Thank You!**

Thanks to all parents and guardians who were able to join your child's teacher for the twice-a-year parent teacher conference (PTC) last week. Our school-family partnership is so essential for the health of Kona Pacific, and our PTCs are an essential part of this partnership. If you weren't able to meet with your child's teacher yet, please schedule a time convenient to do so. If you didn't receive your child's quarter 1 learning report (report card) at the PTC, this will be mailed to you.

## **Free Mobile Tutoring**

The Boys & Girls Club of the Big Island is now offering free mobile tutoring for 1st through 6th grade students. Please see the attached flyer for more information.

## **Federal Impact Aid Survey**

This important survey will be sent home with quarter 1 learning reports. Please complete, sign and return your survey to the school as soon as possible after 10/14. Please help support our school by filling out this survey. Non-returned forms could result in forfeited education dollars for Hawaii students.

## **Donations of Cleaning Alcohol**

Cleaning alcohol plays an important part in our sanitation practices at KPPCS during the pandemic. Unfortunately, it is currently very difficult to procure cleaning alcohol on the island, or even to order it online. Our campus steward, Uncle Shane, would very much welcome any donations of pure (70%) cleaning alcohol that you might be able to make to the school from your home supply, if you have extra you might be able to share. Mahalo!