Aloha Kona Pacific Families!

Welcome back to the fourth and final quarter of the school year! As we approach the end of the school year, , we have some exciting events and activities lined up for our Kona Pacific Ohana. Here's what's coming up:

Merrie Monarch Aloha Spirit Week:

Get ready to show your school spirit during our Merrie Monarch Aloha Spirit Week, taking place from **April 1st- April 5th**. Each day will feature a different theme, so dust off your creative hats and join in the fun:

Monday: Kupuna Day - Wear something to honor your ancestors

• Let's pay tribute to our kupuna by wearing something special to honor our ancestors and the rich heritage they've passed down to us.

Tuesday: Kumu Day - Dress like a teacher

• It's time to give a nod to our amazing educators! Dress up as your favorite teacher or show appreciation for the hard work they do every day.

Wednesday: Anuenue Day - Celebrate the rainbow state, wear anything rainbow!

• Hawaii is known as the rainbow state, so let's celebrate its vibrant colors by wearing anything and everything rainbow-themed.

Thursday: Hula Hair - Wild and ancient or sleek and modern

• Channel your inner hula dancer and get creative with your hair! Whether you prefer wild and ancient styles or sleek and modern looks, let's embrace the spirit of hula.

Friday: Hawaii's Finest - Dress to impress or aloha wear

• Finish off the week in style by dressing to impress or donning your favorite aloha wear. Let's show our pride in being part of Hawaii's finest community!

We can't wait to see everyone's participation and school spirit during Merrie Monarch Aloha Spirit Week. Let's make it a week to remember!

May Day Celebration - May 1st:

Mark your calendars for our annual May Day celebration on May 1st! Our students will be participating in traditional May Day festivities, including making beautiful Lei's and performing for the entire school community. To make this event extra special, we kindly ask families to **bring donations of flowers.** Let's come together to celebrate the beauty.

Re-enrollment surveys for the 2024-2025 school year are now open. **We ask that all families complete this** <u>re-enrollment survey</u> to ensure that we are well prepared for the next school year. Thank you!

Open enrollment for new preschool and Kindergarten through 8th grade students is now open! Any families interested in enrolling their PK-8th grade students at Kona Pacific program can apply at <u>kppcs.org/enrollment</u>.

As we approach the end of the quarter and move into the last quarter of the school year, we want to remind all families of the importance of regular attendance. Attending school with limited absences improves students academic and social outcomes. Exciting things happen on campus daily and we want all students to be able to participate.

Important Upcoming Events:

- Monday-Friday March 18-22 Spring Break
- Friday March 29th Good Friday NO CLASSES
- Monday April 1st Governing Board Meeting- Agenda Attached
- Thursday April 11th-Friday April 12th- parent Teacher Conferences- No School
- Monday April 15th-Friday April 19th 6th-8th grade SBAC testing Window
- Monday April 22nd- Friday April 26th 3rd-5th grade SBAC testing Window
- Thursday April 18th-Friday April 19th 6th grade Global Games @ Malamalama Waldorf School
- Tuesday April 30th PK and K May Day Celebration
- Wednesday May 1st- May Day Celebration 1st through 8th grade

Mission Alignment

We thank all of our families who support us and enable us to provide a high-quality education for all of our students. Kona Pacific's mission is to educate the whole child. We prioritize a high level of academic excellence, social emotional well-being, and enthusiasm for learning through an academic standards-based curriculum infused with Waldorf-inspired practices, Hawaiian culture and 'Āina based education through our sustainable agriculture program. Linked here are our mission aligned practices. We are always looking for ways to strengthen all of our school tenets through continuous improvement. Please reach out to amberh@kppcs.org with any questions.

Kona Pacific has a Facebook account where we share important updates, upcoming events, and daily happenings on campus. If you are on social media, please follow us here <u>Facebook</u>

Order your 2023-2024 School Yearbook from Jostens HERE There are only 30 copies left!

As always, thank you for your continued support and involvement in our school community. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer for upcoming events, please don't hesitate to reach out to us.

Mahalo nui loa, Amber Herres Director