

Aloha Kona Pacific 'Ohana,

Welcome back from fall break! We hope you and your 'ohana had a restful time together. As we dive into quarter three, we are excited about all the learning and activities we have planned for the next three months. It's going to be a busy and rewarding time, and we truly appreciate your ongoing support and trust in us to nurture and guide your keiki. Mahalo for being such an important part of our school community, and we look forward to continuing this journey together!

Aloha Ticket Winners

Congratulations to our weekly Aloha ticket winners! This week, **Athena from 3rd grade** and **Matilda from 5th grade** were selected for demonstrating our Aloha values of being kind, safe, and responsible. We are proud to have them represent our school as the Aloha Values Ambassadors this week. Mahalo to both for setting a positive example for their peers!

School Photos

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School Wide Read-a-Thon

Read-A-Thons actually get your reader excited about reading and it gives friends and family the opportunity to encourage your child to read even more.

Our Read-A-Thon starts Monday October 21, 2024.

We have sent home a paper with your child with instructions on how to register on the website (it's very easy!). This is where you will be able to view and record their progress.

We encourage you to activate your reader's account today by clicking on <https://www.read-a-thon.com/readers/r/323831383637/1> and following the simple instructions.

We've chosen Read-A-Thon because it will not take much of your time, gives your child a reason to read and helps in the development of stronger reading skills. The money your keiki's classroom earns will be able to be used by your teacher to help obtain items they can use to enhance your student's learning environment.

We hope EVERYONE participates.

Thanks so much,

Kona Pacific 'Ohana Association

October's Literature Celebration: A Hero's Journey

This month, we are celebrating the magic of literature with our school-wide theme of "**A Hero's Journey.**" Throughout October, students will be reading and writing all about heroes, diving into stories of courage, perseverance, and growth. Our celebration will culminate in a special event on **October 30th**, where students are encouraged to **dress up as heroes**. Each class will be hosting a potluck and engaging in crafts and activities to bring the theme to life including pumpkin carving. Please send your child to school with a pumpkin. Be on the lookout for more specific information from your child's teacher regarding class celebrations and contributions.

Parent-Teacher Conferences: October 31st and November 1st

We are excited to announce that **Parent-Teacher Conferences** will be held on **October 31st and November 1st**. Sign-ups will be sent out by your teacher. This is a wonderful opportunity to connect with your child's teacher, review their progress, and discuss ways to support their continued growth. We are aiming for **100% participation** this year and encourage all families to attend. Together, we can ensure our students' success.

Lantern Festival and Book Fair: November 4th-7th

Mark your calendars! We will be celebrating our annual **Lantern Festival** with a **community walk** on **November 4th**. We look forward to sharing more details after the break as we prepare to bolster this beautiful tradition within our community. Additionally, beginning **November 4th**, we will host our **Book Fair**, which will run through **November 7th**. We invite families to stop by and explore a variety of books to inspire young minds. This is a wonderful opportunity to support our students' love for reading and find great reads to take home.

Lunch Menu for the Week of October 21st

- **Monday 10/21:** Fish Sticks/Tater Tots
- **Tuesday 10/22:** Fried Rice/Hot Dog
- **Wednesday 10/23:** Spaghetti/Meat Sauce
- **Thursday 10/24:** Orange Chicken/Rice
- **Friday 10/25:** Pork Cutlet/Rice and Gravy

Upcoming Events

- **October 21st - November 1st:** School Wide Read-a-Thon
- **October 30th:** Schoolwide literature celebration
- **October 31st-November 1st:** Parent-teacher conferences - No school
- **November 1st:** Kona Coffee Lantern Parade ~ Meet at Kailua Pier 4:30pm
- **November 4th:** Lantern Festival
- **November 4th-7th:** Book Fair

Class Spaces Available—Referrals Welcome!

We currently have spaces available in select classes, and we would greatly appreciate referrals! Any referral that results in a new enrollment will receive a **school credit**. Please spread the word and help us grow our school 'ohana.

Mahalo,

Amber Herres
Executive Director