



# Kani Kolea "The Voice of the Kolea"

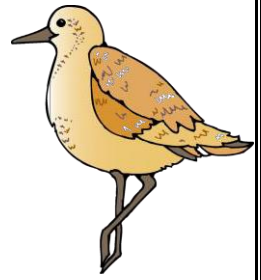
## Ahuimanu Elementary School

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# May 2019



**Respect ★ Responsibility ★ Resourcefulness ★ Relationships ★ Resiliency**

## Principals Corner

Aloha Ahuimanu Ohana,

Thank you all for welcoming me into your Ahuimanu family! It has been such a pleasure to get to know the students, families, faculty, and volunteers here at the school. I have to say, I'm feeling a bit sad to say goodbye next month!

Our students worked so hard on the end of the year testing, and I am really proud of their dedication to learning. I would like to thank all of the teachers and staff who assisted in organizing the testing and making sure it went smoothly these past few weeks.

Ahuimanu School has an amazing team of staff members who are committed to helping all of our students succeed. I would like to thank them for all of their hard work throughout the school year. I would also like to thank all the family members and volunteers who have helped at the school. Thank you for your time and attention to our school, and for helping our students understand the importance of learning and growth.

As we look forward to summer break, please encourage your children to continue their learning. Students will have access during the summer months to use the IXL Math program as well as Kidbiz. The Summer Reading Program sponsored by the Hawaii State Public Library System is another way students can keep their learning going during the summer months.

Thank you again for a wonderful school year!

Aloha  
Eliza Elkington,  
Interim Principal

## Upcoming Events

MAY	
Wed May 1st	All School STEM Event "May Day Is Play Day"
<b>Mon 6th - Fri 10th</b>	<b>Ahuimanu Staff Appreciation Week</b>
Wed 8th	Pot Luck Lunch for Ahuimanu Staff
Th 9th	2:30pm SCC & 6pm Ohana meetings in the Library
Mon 13th - 15th	4th Grade South America Presentations
Wed 15th	<b>School out at 2pm</b>
Fri 17th	<b>May Day Performance!! Early Release at 12:35pm Regal Food Pick-Up 11am - 5:30pm</b>
Th 23rd & Fri 24th	Grade 3 "Trip to Europe"
Fri 24th	End of the Year Garden Party & Kinders Field Trip to the Honolulu Zoo
Mon 27th	Memorial Day - NO School
Tues 28th	School Service Clubs Field Trip to Ice Palace
Wed 29th	4th - 6th Grade Dance & <b>School out at 2pm</b>
Th 30th	6th Grade Graduation
Th 31st	<b>Year-End Awards Assembly &amp; Last day of School Early Release 12:35pm</b>
AUGUST	
Mon 5th	2019 - 2020 School Year Begins





**AHUIMANU**  
Elementary

*Ohana*

# *Mahalo Ahuimanu!*

## **1 Fun Fair**

**Raised \$13,500**



Craft booths, rides, games, food, entertainment, silent auction, prizes for the whole community! Proceeds go directly to the classrooms!

## **5 Days of Appreciation**



Gifted school polo shirts for staff, \$625 in gift cards for teachers, and a lunchtime potluck provided by over 20 volunteers and donations.

## **4 Family Events**

1 breakfast, 2 movies, 3 dinners, 5 rounds of bingo, 200 popcorn bags, over 500 participants! Lots of family time and fun for all!



## **1 Wog-About**

Over 25 parent, family, and staff volunteers provided warm-up, encouragement, cooling mist, and Cuties to over 300 of our wogging students.



## **Donated \$5200 for STEM & Athletics**

For Carvey Machine and Makey Makey sets, and 34 athletic meet shirts



## **\$7,600 Raised**

Money raised from Regal Bakery sales, AmazonSmile, and ShopWithScrip.



**...and 9 monthly meetings!**

# *Join Us!*

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**STATE HISTORY DAY WINNERS!!!!**



Our Ahuimanu GT students worked extremely hard on their History Day projects and four students qualified for State History Day which was on Saturday, April 13<sup>th</sup> at the Windward Community College campus.

In the Youth Division for Websites, Tristan Urasaki and Kaleo Castro placed 3<sup>rd</sup> for their project entitled "Stalin's Purge" and Natalia Nyza placed 2<sup>nd</sup> for her website "Galileo: Tragedy from Triumph in the Skies".

In the Youth Division for Performances, Sophia Foster placed 1<sup>st</sup> for her play, "Chinese Government Triumph vs. Tragedy of Uyghur People". Additionally, Sophia also received a monetary award for her outstanding research project from the Associated Chinese University Women, Inc.



A HUGE mahalo to Mrs. Aurellano for helping to support Mrs. Casey with the History Day curriculum development and providing recommendations to the students. Thank you Mrs. Bright, Mrs. Geiter, and Mrs. Aurellano for helping with the judging at the school level. Thank you to our supportive temporary principal Mrs. Elkington for supporting and congratulating the students at the State History Day. Thank you Mr. and Mrs. Urasaki, Mr. and Mrs. Castro, Mr. and Mrs. Nyza, and Mrs. and Mrs. Foster for your support of your children and our school!!



**Congratulations to our  
2019 Castle High School Speech Festival Participants!!**

**Division A (Grades 1-3)**

Earned 27 Superior Ratings and won First Place of total Superior Awards given!

**Division B (Grades 4-6)**

Earned 3 Superior Ratings!



**Congratulations and Mahalo to the 46 Ahuimanu Students who participated this year for your hard work, hours of practice, and dedication to quality work!!**

**2019-2020 School Year Volunteer Opportunity**

Do you have a green thumb (not required), or are you looking for a volunteer opportunity at our school?? Our AINA in Schools Program is looking for Garden and Nutrition Docents for the 2019-2020 school year. The Garden and Nutrition lessons are a fun and hands-on way to introduce the students in K, 1st, 2nd, 5th, and 6th to gardening and healthy eating. Through the AINA in Schools program, additional training and an easy to follow curriculum is provided to support the docents.

Please contact Mrs. Amy Casey, the AINA Team Coordinator at 305-4800 to sign up or for more information.

Grade Level	Docent Schedule
Kindergarten	<b>2 Garden docents - Starts in Aug, one Wednesday a month, 8:00-9:45am</b>
1 <sup>st</sup> Grade	<b>2 Garden docents - Starts in Aug, one Friday a month, 8:00-9:45am</b>
5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	<b>1 Garden docent - Starts in Jan, one Monday a month, 12:15-1:45pm</b>
6 <sup>th</sup> Grade	<b>1 Nutrition docent - Starts in Aug, one Monday a month, 9:00 – 10:45am</b>



## Counselor's Corner

Hi Parents and Students! Can you believe we're coming down the homestretch? May is jam-packed with something every week: Staff Appreciation Week, 3rd grade "Trip to Europe," Service Club Field Trip, May Day, 4th grade presentations on South America and swimming, Garden Party, grades 4-6 Dance, and 6th grade Graduation! Not to mention all the end of the year parties! Wow...May is going to fly by and Summer Break will be here before we know it.

This quarter, we're wrapping up with the fourth value in the Choose Love Formula: Compassion in Action. Students are learning that compassion in action is when you understand another person's pain or suffering and doing something to help them feel better. Compassion in action goes beyond sympathy and empathy; it's about doing something about it. Students are learning that compassion in action can be done for and by anyone and benefits both the giver and receiver. Compassionate acts can range from asking someone to play at recess to holding the door open to buying an extra musubi for a stranger. How can you take action by doing something kind today?



**Congratulations to our April winners for Perfect Attendance:**

**K-3: Chelsea Ford & Aubree Tano**

**4-6: Camilla Ostrander & Madeleine Roe**

**If You Don't Like Summer, You Must Be Crazy**

(based on a poem from ClassroomJr.com, edited by Mrs. Pua)



School is out. Summer is on its way.  
I know kids (and teachers!) are excited to play.  
Summertime is an excuse to be lazy.  
If you don't like summer, you must be crazy.

Enjoyed by the young and young at heart.  
Some have travel plans, set to depart.  
Go on a hike, draw or paint a daisy.  
If you don't like summer, you must be crazy.

Beat the heat with some shaved ice.  
Escape to the movies, the A.C. feels nice.  
Dance in circles until your brain is hazy.  
If you don't like summer, you must be crazy.

Have a GREAT Summer!! See you next year!



Mrs. Pua Howser