

## Hō'ike Haumāna

### MĀLAMAPŌKI'I

The Mālamapōki'i hui is made up of 32 keiki ages 3 to 6 and includes KANU's youngest learners. Our theme for SY 2010-2011 is Nā Wahi o Waimea, which means the "The Places of Waimea!" Our focus will be mālama 'āina (sustainability) through interdependency. Virtually from the first day, our keiki, under the guidance of their kumu Aunty Debbie, Aunty Kalāokahaku and Aunty Kai, have begun exploring, investigating and learning about mālama 'āina. At the same time the students have been introduced to basic language arts and math and the foundations of the Hawaiian culture. All subject areas are integrated throughout the day, with Aunty Debbie leading the child-directed learning centers as well as teacher-directed language arts and math lessons, while Aunty Kai and Aunty Kalāokahaku focus on building a cultural foundation and practicing 'ōlelo Hawai'i.



The first week, we worked on separation anxiety since some of our keiki and their makua were coming to school for the very first time. During the second week of school the keiki, divided into two groups, got on the town shuttle bus with Aunty Kai and Aunty Kalāokahaku. This little huaka'i through Waimea allowed them to share places they were familiar with, like where they or someone they know lives, or where someone's parent, aunty or grandparent works. This huaka'i also exposed them to places they were not familiar with. The most enjoyable part was riding the blue bus!! We learned about sustainability by using local free transportation. After returning to the classroom, the students drew a picture of what they saw and the aunts wrote their dictation. The next day in Aunty Debbie's class, they traced or copied their dictation and glued it on to a construction paper and gave it to Aunty Kai who laminated their work.



Our first 'ohana huaka'i or family excursion is scheduled for September 11, where we will join Nā Kupukupu to visit Akolea with Aunty Keōmailani Case. At Akolea we will perform a service project of eradicating the Kahili ginger and replacing them with ti-leaves. We will also visit the Waikoloa dam and come down to the famous rain rock, Manaua. We will then end our day with a potluck luncheon at our classroom. We are also excited as we begin to plan our 2nd quarter huaka'i to Ka'ū.

Mission: Kūlia i ka Nu'u - Strive To Reach Your Highest!

## Kihikihi Makua

### NĀ KUMU O MĀLAMAPŌKI'I

Aloha, 'o Kalāokahaku Akīma ko'u inoa. 'O kēia ko'u makahiki 'umikūmākahi ma Kanu o ka 'Āina. 'Elua a'u keiki, 'O Kalaualohananiokahula ka'u kaikamahine, 'O Kekoakaulanaoku'upu'uwai ka'u keikikāne, nana i puka mai KANU i 'elua makahiki aku nei. 'O Gerard Guerrero ku'u ipo, no Kukuiahaele mai 'o ia. Hau'oli au e ho'i i ka papa a hoihoi nō ho'i e paepae i ka 'ōlelo Hawai'i a me ka loina Hawai'i i loko o ka papa me nā keiki a me ko lākou 'ohana. Mahalo i ka mea loa'a!!!



Aloha, my name is Debbie Child-Lawrence. I was born in Honolulu but have lived most of my life on the Big Island. My husband, Bryn, was also raised on the Big Island. We have three grown children, Joey, 37, Bryn, 22, and Brooke, 21.

I have been teaching for 26 years. This is my fourth year at Kanu o ka 'Āina. I feel very fortunate to be at this school and look forward to another year of teaching and learning about this beautiful place in which we live. A hui hou!



Aloha. My name is Kaiolohia Tolentino. I am a graduate of Kanu o ka 'Āina, Hawaiian Academy, class of 2000. I was a kumu at Mālamapōki'i Early Childhood Education Program between 2003 and 2007 and fortunate to return in 2009 to the current Mālamapōki'i hui.

My children are Keawe Kawaiola, who is 6 years and Kāna'i Ka'ōnohikūikamoana, who is 2 years old. This is Keawe's second year as a KANU student. He is in the Nā Kupukupu hui. As we begin this school year, I want to welcome all the new families of Mālamapōki'i and KANU. We are going to have an amazing year learning the different mo'olelo of Waimea. Kūlia i ka nu'u!



### Pū'ulu Aukahi Mākua (PAM)

Our parent group continues to work in support of our keiki, finalizing our fundraising policy, organizing volunteers, fundraising opportunities and team work. As a friendly reminder, our Pu'ulu Aukahi Makua monthly meeting is scheduled for next week Wednesday, September 1st, at Halau Ho'olako, at 6pm. We welcome all. There are still openings in parent committees and we are looking forward to filling these spots; Special Events, School Uniform Recycle, Fundraising and Membership. Parents and 'Ohana members still interested in volunteering in the classroom and within the school, please fill out a Volunteer Application located at either office. You will be contacted if you have already filled out a form. And lastly, to keep communication open within each project hui, Hui Parent Representative(s) are needed. Parents work cohesively with kumu in support of parent involvement, needed classroom materials, huaka'i and volunteering to name a few. Hui Parent Rep.'s to be addressed at our monthly meeting.

*In helping others, we shall help ourselves,  
for whatever good we give out completes the circle and comes back to us.  
~ Flora Edwards, Author*

Visit our website: <http://kanu.kalo.org>

Ho'omana'o



September Birthdays

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| 1 Hunter Acia & Kailani Anderson-Hanohano | 13 Traven Lee                                    |
| 2 Kai Lacy                                | 15 Keakealani Iona-Duncan                        |
| 3 Kaniaala Acdal-Kaniho                   | 16 Kai Marshall                                  |
| 5 Antonio Coffee & Sophia Plunkett        | 17 Cy Kealoha, Hinanui Starr-Boyle & Kaila Silva |
| 10 La'amai Julian-Puhi                    | 21 Kailena Akau & Sadie Giltner                  |
| 11 Val Hanohano, Naila Pahi'o & Skye Noah | 22 Kealohalani Etherton                          |
| 12 La'i Bertelmann                        | 23 Keahiwai Lindsey                              |
|   | 24 Owen Sarsona                                  |



**5<sup>th</sup> GRADE AHO LOA DROP-OFF & PICK-UP** – This school year, haumāna in grade 5 will participate in AHO LOA workshops at Hālau Ho'olako. Parents must drop off their children at Hālau Ho'olako no earlier than 7:30am and pick-up them no later than 12:15pm on Fridays. Child(ren) who eat breakfast at school must be dropped-off at Hālau Ho'olako by 7:30am to allow adequate time for eating. For more information, contact Chris Plunkett at 890-8144.

**HO'OKAUHALE PROGRAMS** – Monday, August 30 will be the start of a wide variety of new classes and workshops promising to be educational, engaging, and lots of fun for learners of all ages. Especially created for our extended learning 'ohana, including students, parents, 'ohana members, staff, friends, neighbors and other Waimea residents, these exciting classes and workshops are funded by a grant from the US Department of Education Native Hawaiian Grant Program and KALO. Most classes and workshops will be held at Hālau Ho'olako, free of charge. Registration will be on a first come, first serve basis and registration forms can be returned to either of our school offices. For more information contact Chris Plunkett 890-8144.

**STUDENT PORTRAITS** – Students' portraits will be done by Kelvin Nakano of Positive Image. Submit your payment (checks made payable to Positive Image) in an enclosed envelope with the order form that was included in last week's HUNEHUNE KALO to either of the KANU offices. Order forms and payment are due by Monday, September 6. On picture taking day, all students must wear a KANU shirt to school. Students may also bring aloha attire to wear for the picture taking only. Note that KANU's dress code applies for aloha wear. If students wear inappropriate attire, they will have their picture taken in their KANU shirt. Please contact Auntie Sasha at 890-8144 if you have any questions.

Date	Site	Time	Grades
Monday, September 13	Hālau Ho'olako	10:00 am	6 -12 Students, Kumu & Staff
Tuesday, September 14	Lālāmilo Campus	9:00 am	Pre K to 5th Grades, Kumu & Staff

**PŪ'ULU AUKAHI MĀKUA** – KANU's parent support organization meets on the first Wednesday of every month from 6:00pm – 7:30pm at Hālau Ho'olako in the Lōkahi Room. Next scheduled meeting is on Wednesday, September 1, 2010. All are welcome. For more information, email Eva Maikui at [emaikui@gmail.com](mailto:emaikui@gmail.com).

**LOCAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING** – KANU's Local School Board (LSB) meets on the second Wednesday of every month at 4:00pm at Hālau Ho'olako in the Lōkahi Room. Next scheduled meeting is on Wednesday, September 8, 2010. Meetings are open to staff, students, parents and the general public. For more information, contact Margo Kawamoto at 890-8144.

**KTA KŌKUA I NĀ KULA FUNDRAISING PROGRAM** – will continue through Tuesday, October 12. Help KANU get its share of \$100,000 for improvements, learning materials/equipment, school breakfast/ lunch/ supplemental instructional programs and school excursions when you buy at least one participating sponsors' product. Be sure to write KANU's school number "60" in the space provided on the Kōkua I Nā Kula stub of your sales receipt. For more information, please contact Chris Plunkett at 960-6806.

Community

**WAIMEA COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION'S MONTHLY TOWN MEETING SPECIAL MEETING LOCATION** – Thursday, September 9, 2010 at 5:15pm at Hālau Ho'olako Community Learning Center. Come and join members of the Waimea community as they learn about our LEED Platinum-certified 21st century learning center. Program will include a briefing on Kanu o ka 'Āina and its recent 6-year WASC Accreditation, the vision of our non-profit, the Kanu o ka 'Āina Learning 'Ohana (KALO), and the various community education programs offered at Hālau Ho'olako through our E Ho'okauhale Kākou Program, which supports life-long learning. All Kanu learning 'ohana members are invited to attend.

Meeting also includes update by the Big Island Invasive Species Committee and The Kohala Center's Watershed Management volunteers who successfully staged a week-long swat team to remove a nasty invasive invader – poisonous Devil's Pepper Tree that was discovered in Pololū Valley. Sightings of this tree should be reported immediately to 933-3345. As always, WCA requests that you bring non-perishable food items to be given to Waimea food pantries. Contact Sherm Warner at 885-1725 or Patti Cook at 937-2833.

**BIDDY BASKETBALL** – Girls and boys ages 5 – 8 who are still interested in participating in Biddy Basketball should contact Renee at 887-3013.

**AGE-GROUP VOLLEYBALL** – Girls and boys ages 8 – 14 who are still interested in volleyball should contact Renee at 887-3014.



HUNEHUNE KALO

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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Kanu o ka 'Āina New Century Public Charter School

Imana'o Nui

Aloha mai kākou

The school year is off to a terrific start! It is truly exciting to see haumāna and kumu already deep into project inquiries. Our Mālamapōki'i students have already started exploring the community utilizing the Waimea Hele-On shuttle and have visited our Kauhale campus to learn more about the plants we have growing here. Nā Keiki o ka 'Āina students visited three different sites to learn about a unique composting process that will help them to implement a composting system at Lālāmilo. In addition, the Pu'upūlehu Project visited Puanui to learn more about sustainability and the Kauhale Project explored the holoholokai at Mauna Lani to discover the significance of pōhaku as it relates to building and designing of an ancient hale.



Providing opportunities for students to learn from the environment, to see first-hand how something works and to learn from other knowledgeable community members makes learning come alive. Through these opportunities relationships are built, relevance is established, and academic rigor cannot help but follow. Mahalo to our kumu who so willingly put in the extra time and effort to make these experiences happen.

Please continue to support your keiki by discussing and helping with assignments and projects. If applicable, check your child's planner, homework folder, and reading log nightly. Help them to be better prepared for the school day by making sure they get a good night's rest and by having a morning routine. Remember to make time to read the HUNEHUNE each week to be cued in to the happenings of our school. Make a commitment to memorize our weekly 'Ōlelo no'eau and discuss the weekly quote as an 'ohana.

As the year continues we encourage open and frequent communication. If you should have any questions or concerns regarding your child's progress, don't hesitate to visit with your child's advisor or kumu. If there are any school wide questions or concerns that can't be answered by your child's advisor, by someone in one of our offices, or by a member of our 'Ohana Support Team (OST), they will gladly direct your question or concern to a member of our executive team.

If there is ever any disagreement or concern, it's important to remember that the very first step in resolving any conflict is dealing with the person him/herself in an amicable manner, meaning being respectful and kind, even when we disagree with one another. As a learning 'ohana dedicated to Education with Aloha it is absolutely essential that each and every one of us, students, staff, parents and extended family members show that we care for one another and that we are willing to fix any disagreements among us for the greater good. If we all work together, and communicate effectively and with aloha, there is no doubt that we will have a productive, stimulating and fun School Year (SY) 2010-2011, full of academic, cultural, social and organizational growth."

Mahalo for your ongoing trust in and aloha for our leadership and our mission, by selecting KANU as your school of choice.

*Me ke aloha pumehana,*

Allyson Tamura  
Vice Principal

'Ōlelo No'eau

Kōkua aku kōkua mai.  
Give help, receive help.



This is our third behavioral expectation. In order for a family to function effectively, each member must be willing to give and receive help. This type of mutual, reciprocal help – expressed by the directionals aku, meaning away from the speaker, and mai, meaning towards the speaker - is a primary ingredient of an effective 'ohana. Only when all of us assist one another can we achieve our individual and collective short- and long-term goals and visions.