

# Monthly Newsletter

"E ho'okela e Waiāhole!" - Waiāhole strives toward excellence

May 2018

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<b>Fri 4</b>	 <b>Career Day</b>
<b>Mon-Fri 7-11</b>	 <b>SBA Testing</b> Grades 3-6
<b>Fri 11</b>	 <b>Movie Night</b> 6:30pm-8:30pm Back Field
<b>Wed 16</b>	 <b>Bell Schedule</b> School finishes at 2:05pm
<b>Fri 18</b>	 <b>Hawaiian Cultural Day</b> 9:30am - 11am School finishes at 12:50pm
<b>Fri 25</b>	 <b>Pre-K Promotion Celebration</b> 10:00am
	 <b>Family Night</b> 5:30pm- 6:30pm Cafeteria
<b>Mon 28</b>	 <b>HAPPY MEMORIAL DAY</b> Holiday: No School
<b>Wed 30</b>	 <b>Bell Schedule</b> School finishes at 2:05pm
<b>Thu 31</b>	 <b>6th Gr. Promotion Celebration</b> 9:00am-10:00am
	 <b>LAST DAY of SCHOOL</b> School finishes at 12:50pm

### Principal's Message

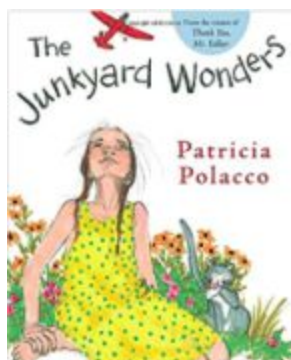
Aloha e Waiāhole 'Ohana,

Happy May Day! Can you believe we are in Quarter 4? This school year has gone by quickly! We have a number of activities this month and we hope that you can join us!

- Kristi Yamaguchi Read Aloud (Kindergarten Only) - May 7th
- Movie Night - May 11th
- Hawaiian Cultural Day - May 18th
- Pre K Graduation - May 25th
- "Splash into Summer" - May 25th @ 5:30 p.m.
- Grade 6 Promotion Ceremony - May 30th

On May 25th, we will be having a parent night, "Splash Into Summer" and will be sharing some summer ideas for learning. We hope you can join us! We want students to enjoy their summer and continue to read, practice their math facts and do some writing as well!

Sincerely,  
Ms. Obra



The Book of the Month is The Junkyard Wonders by Patricia Polacco. The 5R highlighted by this books is resiliency.

## Coach's Corner:

Thank you for attending our STEM Family Night on April 20! Everyone had a blast building, testing, redesigning, and racing their card cars!

We believe that the involvement of parents and caregivers in our keiki's learning is crucial. Here are some recommendations from the National Science Teachers Association on ways to support our keiki in science!

What can we do?	What does this mean/look like?	How can this help our keiki?
Encourage keiki to observe and ask questions.	Model your own curiosity. For example, share with keiki your wondering about why, on some mornings, there is dew on the grass even though it hasn't rained.	This is what scientists do! This encourages our keiki's natural curiosity.
Encourage keiki to seek their own understanding of natural and human-made processes.	Pause before providing answers to our keiki's science questions. Is there a way to help our keiki make that discovery?	This provides our keiki the opportunity to engage in asking further questions and perhaps even experimenting and tinkering (safely).
Provide opportunities for science learning at home and in the community.	Opportunities to play outside, participate in summer programs, take trips to the park/zoo/museum/nature center, etc.	This expands our keiki's background knowledge through real life experience.

Have fun exploring and discovering with your keiki!

~ Miss Morishige

## Counselor's Message:

Aloha Families,

We're almost there, summer break is just around the corner! Waiahole Elementary is averaging just a shade under the state's target of 95% with 94.27% through the 2017-2018 school year. In order to help us meet the state's goal, please continue to bring your child(ren) to school on time, every day till the last day of school on May 31st. If you will be planning a family trip, we kindly ask that you schedule it at the conclusion of the school year. If that's not possible, please contact the front office to let us know the days that will be missed.

If your child has accumulated 15 or more absences this school year, the school should have contacted you to notify of your child's status of being chronically absent. A letter will be sent out at the beginning of the 2018-2019 school year to notify you of the updated attendance procedures for students who were identified as chronically absent from the previous school year. Please take some time over summer to consider how to improve your child's attendance for the upcoming school year.

To celebrate the end of the quarter, we will be holding our 4th Quarter Awards Assembly on May 31, 2018 from 8:00-8:30 AM in the cafeteria. We hope you will be able to join us to celebrate the students who have been awarded for Student on the Month, GLO Student of the Quarter, and Perfect Attendance. Letters to parents of students who will be recognized will be going out by May 23rd.

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