

# WAILUKU ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Principal Nikan Arapoff, Vice-Principal Noelani Castro

## Congratulations to our August Citizen Wildcats!

### Kindergarten

Aurelio Takemoto,  
Makena Takamori-Lopez,  
Rylee Valdez, Logen  
Kawaha, Quinn Vander  
Plas

### 1<sup>st</sup> Grade

Juliana Escalona,  
Deshanee William,  
Keanu Citrawireja,  
Mialisa Celestin, Daryl  
Noguchi

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade

Nathaniel Hapakuka-  
Nunuha, William-Kayden  
Akau, Miracle Kahae,  
Saoirse Monson-Gaspar

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade

Zofia Kennedy, Genesis  
Anela Cruz, Breylah  
Amaral, Kensi Cockett

### 4<sup>th</sup> Grade

Haezyn McKee-Corpuz,  
Lacy Feiteira, Luke  
Kawaha, Sianprimm  
Nantin

### 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

Kaya Kiyabu, Chanel  
Amari Duque, Savannah  
Monson-Gaspar, Kiare  
Matsuo



## PICTURE TAKING DAY

With Nagamine Photo Studio

### SEPTEMBER 7 & 8

Students will get a flyer from Nagamine with their picture taking day printed on them (either September 7 or 8). Look for it to come home soon.

Picture taking day is a free-dress day (appropriate attire only, please).

### WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 7

Kindergarten: Barona, Gima, Delos Santos, Tonu

1<sup>st</sup> Grade: Cheetham, Ziegler

2<sup>nd</sup> Grade: Holokai, Nakamoto

3<sup>rd</sup> Grade: Cronk, Chung

4<sup>th</sup> Grade: Lopez, Nassar, Tomooka, Okuda

### THURSDAY, SEPT. 8

Kindergarten: Balicanta

1<sup>st</sup> Grade: Parker, Pearce, Bantilan

2<sup>nd</sup> Grade: Flowers, Rickard

3<sup>rd</sup> Grade: Honda, Alvarado

5<sup>th</sup> Grade: Towata, Saito, Hymas, Brown



## EMERGENCY DRILLS

We will be practicing our emergency drills on the following dates:

**September 2:** Shelter-in-place/Lockdown

**September 23:** Offsite Evacuation

Fire drills are practiced every month.



No School

### **NO SCHOOL** **Sept. 5 & Sept. 30**

The school will be closed on Monday (9/5) in observance of Labor Day. There is no school for students on Friday (9/30) for our Waiver Day.

### **FOR YOUR CHILD'S SAFETY**

Please do not drop off your child earlier than 7:00 am. Our wonderful staff who receive your children do not start work until 7:00 am. Remember, school begins at 7:45 am. After 7:50am, your child is tardy.

**Congratulations to our August Scholar Wildcats!**

Kindergarten

Kalea Ching, Kuha`o Baisa, Dallas Meri Agibuay, Joe Williams, Izen Saucedo

1st Grade

Victoria Manini-Leroy, Manawanui Peterson-Kihe, Royal Jones, Wyatt Nakashima, Landon McGuffey

2nd Grade

Kallie Kamali`i, Rylend Raquinio, Coco Wolfson, Brixton Antonio

3rd Grade

Nighjah Tagalog, Kaizen Furtado-Nakagawa, Sharena-Rae Allado, Kaimana Williams

4th Grade

Aizayah Cabaero, Nalani Potts, Honey Tuipulotu-Emmanuel, Garrell Odango

5th Grade

Jared Carbonell, Kenzie Kamali`i, Esther Lee, Kiana Malunao



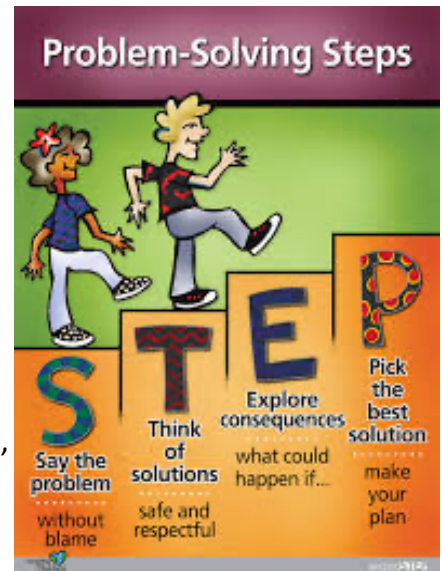
**FREE BOOKS FROM SCHOLASTIC BOOK TRUST EVERY MONTH for Pre-K, Kindergarten, 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Grade!**

Your child will pick out the book (or books) he/she would like to get from the flyer. If it's \$7 or less, Book Trust will pay for your child's order! If it's over \$7, just pay the difference. For more information go to:

<https://www.booktrust.org/>



We started teaching the Second Step program this week. This schoolwide social-emotional learning program is designed to teach kids skills to help them get along with peers, manage emotions, and succeed in school and throughout their lives.



For the first quarter, our schoolwide theme is skills for learning: listening, focusing attention, using self-talk to stay on-task, and being assertive when asking for help with a learning task.

Second Step lessons teach skills for learning and self-discipline. You'll be receiving Home Links describing why these skills are important and including fun activities to do with your child to practice them. We hope you enjoy them!

Please tell your child's teacher if you'd like more suggestions about supporting skills for learning at home.

**Heidi Kahakauwila (Gr. K-2 Counselor) 727-5531**  
**Tiffany Mei Tamashiro (Gr. 3-5 Counselor) 727-5521**  
**Zeyuna Fadem (School Based Behavior Health Counselor) 727-5523**





**PCNC CORNER**

**“Miki” Lisa Mochizuki**

Hi! I’m your PCNC, Parent Community Networking Center, for Wailuku Elementary! I’m the one who sends you emails and posts to our website.

Here are a couple of videos I thought you might find interesting (scan the QR code):

**3-minute Video Explaining the Common Core State Standards**



Scan here or click

<https://vimeo.com/51933492>

**Common Core Math, explained in 3 minutes**



<https://goo.gl/XxAtzT>

**ATTENTION PARENTS:**

Yes, our electronic devices have become an easy baby-sitter for us, but the online world can be a dangerous place for children.



We have had conversations with students who play games online and chat with their “friends,” whom they’ve never met.

**Come to our parent workshop on Internet Safety with officers from the Maui Police Department on Wednesday, September 21.** Learn about how to keep your children safe online.

Look for the flyer to come home soon. RSVP for light refreshments.



**UNIFORMS**

Students should be wearing the Wailuku Elementary uniform. Students who do not have a uniform will be issued a “loaner” in the morning, which will be collected at the end of the day. **Your child’s Picture Taking Day is a free dress day!**



It’s been hot lately, and we’re coming up on the hottest month of the year. Please make sure your child brings a water bottle to school every day.



**“Annual Notification of Privacy Rights**  
Know your privacy rights as they apply to 1) student record information; 2) directory information; 3) surveys and other information collection; and 4) military recruitment information. For more information on your privacy rights, the laws that protect them, and how to exercise your rights, contact your school administrator or visit <http://bit.ly/FERPAHI>.

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**IF EVERYONE FOLLOWS THE SAME TRAFFIC GUIDELINES, TRAFFIC WILL FLOW SMOOTHLY.** Please remember to *drive with Aloha!* We are here to help get your children *safely* to and from school. **SLOW DOWN!** To better assist our staff, please have your child's name & teacher displayed on the dashboard of your vehicle.

**FEDERAL SURVEY CARDS**

Federal survey cards will be sent home on **Sept. 8**. Please return the survey to your child's homeroom teacher. The survey helps the school get money under public law 103-382.

**(SEL) Online Survey (Gr. 3-5)**

In order to learn more about student experiences, we will be asking for your child's feedback via an online survey during the fall, winter and spring. A letter will be going home soon with more information.



**EVACUATION DRILL**

On Friday, September 23, we will be holding an off-site evacuation drill. **Do not leave your child on campus if you arrive between 8:00 AM and 9:30 AM. No one will be on campus.**

*mahalo*

Thank you to the wonderful people and organizations who have donated to us this month!

Mahalo to **Bertha Verkerke** and the family of **Mikayla Silva** for their donation of school supplies! Special thanks to the **Maui Police Department** and **Keiki Cupboard** for their very generous donation of school supplies as well!

We would also like to thank **Costco Wholesale** for their huge donation of backpacks, which were passed out to the students who attended our Back-To-School Nights!

There have been anonymous donors as well this month who have donated school supplies, uniforms, and masks to our school. We thank everyone for their kindness. We are all in this together!

**DATES TO REMEMBER**

**SEPT. 5:** NO SCHOOL (Labor Day observed)

**SEPT. 7 & 8:** Picture Taking

**SEPT. 7:** PTSA Meeting (5:30pm), SCC Meeting (6:30pm) cafeteria

**SEPT. 9:** Outdoor Movie Night (RSVP), 7pm

**SEPT. 21:** Wildcat Recognition for August Wildcats (5:30pm), Parent Workshop on Internet Safety (6:00pm refreshment, 6:30pm presentation)

**SEPT. 23:** Offsite Evacuation

**SEPT. 30:** NO SCHOOL for students (Waiver Day)

Wailuku Elementary School  
is a Title 1 School