

HONU NEWS Week of March 30, 2020

"Be gentle with yourself, you're doing the best you can."

Aloha Kailua Elementary School 'Ohana!

How are you all doing? You should be hearing from your teachers this week if you haven't already as we officially begin the Distance Learning portion of our school year. We are working on a Kailua Elementary School Hub that you will be able to access and find ALL of the information for the various grade levels and from our school in ONE place! Stay tuned for that!

Save The Date and Mark Your Calendars!

3/30: Distance Learning Begins!
3/30: KES Meal Distribution (Front of School) Breakfast 7:30-8 Lunch 11:30-12 Every day!
4/30: Stay at Home/Work from Home End Date

Reading Fun From Home: Information from Mr. Tanaka

1. Accelerated Reader is ON

2. eBooks through a website and app called Sora. https://soraapp.com/welcome/login/201171

Students have access to all the ebooks in our library's collection plus ebooks provided by the state. Students use their 10-digit ID to log in.

3. Statewide Reading Challenge (called "#808Reads). https://hidoekailuaes.beanstack.org/reader365

Students have access to log in and record their daily minutes (on your honor). Challenge is 9 weeks long X 20 minutes per day. Right now, we have zero minutes (yes, I will start today and play too!). Students use their 10-digit ID to log in and their 6-digit birthday for the password (mmddyy).

If you have questions about logins, please contact Mr. Tanaka at <u>darren.tanaka@k12.hi.us</u>.

School Counselors Are Available to Your Child

Would your child like to reach out to Mrs. Cervantes or Mrs. Rohner, our school counselors? Have them use this link here <u>https://forms.gle/97Wtg4q4zRzzyKt36</u> It's a great form that lets the kids communicate how they are feeling and what they may need right now.

School Survey: We'd Love to Hear From You!

We'd still like to hear from you with the school survey if you haven't done so already. Here's the link: <u>https://forms.gle/44anz64rs7P7tKbv5</u>

Looking to purchase a computer but do not want to spend a lot?

HawaiianHope.org is a non-profit organization which offers reconditioned and gently used equipment. Give them a call today at 808.352.8800.

Spectrum Free Internet/WiFi for 60 Days

You may have seen online that Spectrum is offering free internet and Wifi services to **new customers** for 60 Days. If this is something that you are eligible for, you may want to contact Spectrum at 808.643.2100 to set it up by March 30th. If you start the service by March 30th or soon after, you will be able to have that free service until the end of school.

US Census: Message from Hawaii's Partnership Specialist "As you probably already know this COVID-19 situation has severely impacted 2020 Census efforts all across the state. Yet despite this the critical importance of the Census has not gone away nor can it be ignored or pushed aside. Too much of the resources and funding our communities need to survive and remain viable are informed by our Census response numbers. Our people need to know this and understand how even as we are in survival mode we have to look beyond this immediate threat and have a plan for recovery when we emerge."

Please take the time to fill out your 2020census form. You can go to my2020census.gov to fill yours out today. You should have received a form with your census ID on it. If you need to request a form, please call 1-844-330-2020 or 1-844-468-2020.

Just for Fun: Play Dough and Puffy Paint Recipes

Play Dough:

1 cup of flour

 $\frac{1}{2}$ cup of salt

1 cup of water

2 tsp of cream of tartar

1 tablespoon of cooking oil

Few drops of food coloring and/or flavoring (peppermint, chocolate, cherry, etc.) Mix all ingredients in a saucepan over medium heat. Stir constantly until it forms into a ball. Remove from heat and drop on waxed paper or in a plastic container and knead. (Be careful it will be hot!)

Puffy Paint:

You'll Need: Glue Shaving Cream Food Coloring Ziploc Bag Scissors

1. Add equal parts glue and shaving cream in a bowl

- 2. Add food coloring and mix well.
- 3. Add paint to the ziploc bag
- 4. Seal the bag and cut a small piece of the corner off.
- 5. Squeeze the paint through the opening.

We'd love to see your puffy paint pictures that you make!

Some more Online Learning Websites:

www.switcheroozoo.com watch, listen and play games to learn about amazing animals

www.pbs.org www.funbrain.com

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please let me know. Please take care of yourselves. We are living in a stressful time and it's important to get rest, get outside (practice social distancing of course) walks, bike rides.

Grateful for your support, Suzy Mitchell Family Engagement Lead, PCNC