

Welcome to Papa 'Ekahi

Liholiho C1 02- Kumu Kalehuawehe

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I check my phone and email in the morning, after lunch and after school.

If you have an emergency, please call the office to ensure your message is received.

UNITS OF STUDY

READING- DAILY 5 (Read to Self, Work on Writing, Word Work, Listen to Reading, Read to Someone), CAFE Strategies- Comprehension, Accuracy, Fluency, and Expanding Vocabulary, Stephanie Harvey (make connections, visualize, determine importance, monitor understanding, infer, ask questions, synthesize, summarize).

MATH- Addition & Subtraction, Place Value, Measurement and Data, Geometry (Go Math).

WRITING- Narrative, Opinion, Informative/Explanatory Pieces (Lucy Calkins).

SOCIAL STUDIES

- *School, Communities, and Careers*
- *Our Earth and Resources*
- *Our Country, Our World*

Aloha!



Welcome Back to School!

I am very excited to be your child's 1st Grade teacher this year. I am looking forward to getting to know each of you better as we work together to help your child have a successful experience. I believe that all children can succeed and that each of us (school, family, and child), must do our part in order for success to happen.

A Little About Myself

This will be my 25th year teaching and 5th year at Kamehameha Schools Maui. I graduated from California State University of Long Beach and received my Bachelor of Arts degree and Teaching Credential. I began teaching in California with Long Beach Unified School District and taught for 10 years at Pukalani Elementary and 6 years at Wailuku Elementary School. My husband is a High School P.E. Teacher at KSM. I have a 24 year old daughter who graduated from Portland State, OR and a 12 year old son who attends KSM in 7th grade. I enjoy traveling, spending time at the beach, going to the movies and dining out!



Grades

A 4-point scale is used to grade Reading, Writing, Listening and Speaking, Math, and Social Studies.

- 4- Exceeds
- 3- Proficient
- 2- Developing
- 1- Improvement Needed
- 0- Unsatisfactory

Grades are determined by Math Chapter and Unit Assessments, Reading, Writing, Listening and Speaking, and Social Studies Rubrics.

Homework is not graded, but checked to determine understanding.

A 3-point scale is used to grade Learner Qualities.

- 3-Almost Always
- 2- Sometimes
- 1-Infrequently

Classroom Management Philosophy

I believe in having a classroom that pursues value. I have high expectations for all students and also provide a safe and nurturing environment. Our class follows the Kamehameha Maui Campus Elementary Division student code of conduct:

1. E Aloha (Love)
2. E Ho'ihi (Respect)
3. E Malama (Take Care)

Students reflect on their behavior daily with a self-evaluation form. A clip chart is used in the classroom to show if students are demonstrating positive or negative behavior.

Parent Communication Plan

Through my blog, Google Classroom and Seesaw you will be able to access:

- Weekly homework assignments and class activities.
- Learning topics and activities.
- Positive classroom news and rigorous academic work.

You can view our class blog at <http://blogs.ksbe.edu/irkalehu/>



Homework Policy

Common Core State Standards are used to guide our teaching and learning. Homework is given Monday-Thursday. In most cases, your child will read daily and have a math assignment if needed which is a review of the lesson taught during the day. No homework will be given on Fridays.

Thematic Unit- 'Aina

Grade 1 will be learning about the 'Ahupua'a Regions, moku and communities on Maui. We will also be doing inquiry research about Native Hawaiian Species and Protecting our Native Forest. Projects will be assigned throughout the year.

