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August 11, 2023

Dear Hale`iwa Families,

Our opening of school has been fabulous! Our teachers have thoroughly enjoyed meeting our new students and being reconnected with students who seem to be growing way too quickly! So many of our students seem taller and more "grown up" from just two short months of summer vacation. We are so proud of how quickly our students have acclimated to the school routines and procedures. It really has been a terrific first week of school.

We cannot thank all of our parents and families enough for your understanding as we continue to refine our pickup procedures at the end of the day. We are doing our best to get to know our new families and all of the new cars in our drive thru pickup lane. Your patience is very much appreciated!

This is just a friendly reminder that Monday, August 14 will be the last day for parents to walk their children to class. Beginning on Tuesday, we respectfully ask that families allow us to assist their child(ren) to make their way to their classes or waiting areas. We will have numerous staff members available to walk our youngest children to their classes and to ensure that any other student who needs assistance will receive it. Please be assured that all of our students on campus are supervised by school personnel from 7:15am. Students should not arrive on campus earlier than 7:15am for their own safety.

Next week **Thursday, August 17 is picture taking day!** This is always a fun day for our students and staff. All families should have received the picture taking order form this past week. If you did not, please contact our school office.

Please don't forget that next week **Friday, August 18 is a holiday for Statehood Day.** Hale'iwa will also have a **teacher's professional development day on Monday, August 21 so there will be NO SCHOOL for students**. Please mark your calendars. Finally, if anyone is interested in being a member of our school community council, please email us at <u>haleiwaschool@haleiwa.k12.hi.us</u>.

Thank you again for your support of Hale`iwa Elementary School!

Sincerely,

Malaea Wetzel Principal