October 14, 2019

Dear Family and Friends,

With Term 1 under our belt we are encouraged and excited about what we have accomplished so far. Our RISE scores from the Utah Standards Assessments are improving and proficiency in both Reading and Math are increasing. This is our goal, to ensure that we continue this trend and have our children reading at Grade Level as soon as possible. This does mean that each teacher will be extremely focused on learning and your support and partnership will be necessary. It's an exciting time in our children's lives as we build a stronger learning environment for them that enfolds just as strong character values. ‘Effective Learners, Ethical People and a Contributor to a Better World’ will always be our mantra and we strongly believe that our partnership is vital for us to help our children have the tools they need to face their future.

We have activities happening in our school that will only be successful with your help. Our PHA Whānau have worked extremely hard for our Up-coming Fall Festival scheduled for October 19th, and are hoping that you will bring friends, family and anyone else to come support it. All proceeds will go towards our Lunch program where families are unable to pay for their child's lunch, as the school needs to cover the costs. We ask for your support in this area so that we can use these funds towards resources for your child.

**LUNCH PROGRAM:**
As a Title One school we receive federal funds to run some of our programs, this includes the lunch program. One way to help us out is to fill in the Lunch Application so that we receive supplemental funding from the Federal program. We appreciate your support for this program.

**CONGRATULATIONS FOR OUR STUDENT LED CONFERENCE:**
The other activities that have been a great success are the Student Led Conferences and Movie Nights, we look forward for the Halloween Parade on October 31st and would like to remind you all that November 1st is a TEACHER ONLY day and there will be no school for your child.

**FACEBOOK LIVE:**
We hope that you have been able to log into our Facebook page to watch Community Circle each Friday and enjoy watching our children with their presentations. We encourage you to comment and interact as much as you can so that we can continue to promote our school.

**TARDY STUDENTS:**
Another area we need your support in is having your child here at school on time. When a student is even 10 minutes late, it causes significant disruptions to the classroom. The teacher then needs to stop the lesson and spend time catching up those who were late. Please have your child here before 8:30am so they are ready for CREW each morning.

**PHA WHĀNAU:**
We have so many activities planned for our children and families and we really need help to support them. Jenni Anderson is helping us to coordinate these activities and sign ups will be posted for parents to lend a helping hand. The first activity is our Fall Festival Oct 19th and we are all excited about being
here to support our PHA Whānau and their efforts to help off-set the owed balances within our Lunch Program.

We hope that you have enjoyed your 2019-2020 Voyage thus far, and are excited for what's coming up. Thank you for your much needed support and partnership as we build a stronger school for your children.

We are MIGHTY VOYAGERS!

Kumu Alaiasa
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