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Aloha Kealakehe Elementary Community. My name is Wendy Daniel and I am the new principal. Nancy Matsakawa is enjoying a much deserved retirement after serving our Warrior ohana for many years. I would like to thank her for her dedication to KES and all of her guidance and support as I begin this journey with you all.

Welcome to the 2021-2022 school year! I am excited to serve as your new principal. A little about myself, I taught for 4 and a half years at Kealakehe Intermediate School before becoming an administrator there as well. My administrator training took me to several schools as an administrator including Konawaena Elementary, Keauu Middle School, Holualoa Elementary, then finally Kealakehe High before being appointed as your principal.

At Kealakehe Elementary, we have a unique opportunity this school year to not only continue the good things that are here but also to grow as a school community to help our students learn all they can. There is a new administration team who are excited to be here to work with your students and your family. Please welcome Dayne Snell-Quirit, Kealii Freitas, and Sarah Lokosuka to our Warrior ohana. Our school vision for all students at Kealakehe Elementary School is for all of our students to be responsible, respectful communicators and complex thinkers. During this transition year back from the craziest year in education any of us have ever seen, we will provide an education for the whole child, including academics, social, emotional, and physical learning and growing. Although the task is great, we will accomplish this by working together with our community to make sure our children have a smooth transition back to our school campus.

If you have any questions or would just like to come introduce yourself, you are welcome to come visit me. My email address is: wendy.daniel@k12.hi.us . My phone number is 313-7911 or 286-8045. I look forward to meeting and talking with you all.

With Aloha,

Wendy Daniel

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School hours: 8:00 am -2:00 pm

After school programs and times:

A+:

Boys and girls club:

Before and after school information and times:

Cafeteria open: 7:00 am for car riders/walkers whose parents have to get to work early

Other walkers/car riders arrive at 7:50 am. This may change depending on what we hear from the bus company. We will let you know if this changes.

Morning recess: 7:35-7:50. Play areas will be by grade levels

Class starts at 8:00 am on the dot

Staggered Dismissal: We are waiting to hear from the bus company for times. Once we know specific pick up times, we will let you know.

Some safety information/procedures for parents/guardians:

Parents can not walk their students to their class.

All students and visitors to campus must come through the main entrance and visitors will check in the office.

Masks will be required inside the classroom by students and teachers.

Masks required for all visitors.

Masks will be optional at recess for students.

Cafeteria will be open, however we will be creating some outdoor lunch spaces for students to eat as well.

Social distancing of 3 feet will be in place, when possible. As all students are returning to school, at KES this will not be possible in our classrooms.