Aloha Grade 4 Families,

I look forward to being your child’s teacher! I feel so fortunate to teach at a school that feels like home. I wanted to share with you a little bit of information about myself.

I received a Bachelor of Arts from Bowdoin College in Brunswick, Maine and a Master’s degree in Teaching in Elementary Education from the University of Hawaii at Manoa. Upon graduating from Manoa, I taught 1st and 3rd grade at Iroquois Point Elementary School in Ewa Beach on Oahu. Originally from Waimea, I wanted to move back to the Big Island. I taught 3rd grade at Hilo Union Elementary School and then taught 2nd and 3rd grade at Hualalai Academy. In 2014 I joined our Parker ‘Ohana!

It has been a dream of mine to teach in Waimea. Having a father who taught at Hawaii Preparatory Academy, I have grown up within the small school setting. We lived on the upper campus in one of the faculty apartments attached to a dormitory for over 10 years! I understand the dedication and passion involved in teaching at a small, independent, private school.

I aim to provide a fun, exciting and safe space for your child to learn. With that comes dedication, independence, and hard work. I look forward to watching our classroom community grow throughout the year. I encourage collaborative learning within the classroom as well as students taking risks independently.

I encourage you to have your child keep up with reading over the summer. Attached is a Summer Reading List of age appropriate books for your child’s enjoyment. I am positive that this year will be filled with new learning experiences and discoveries! Should you have any specific concerns or questions please contact me at hmatsunaga@parkerschoolhawaii.org.

Please make sure to supply your child with the following school materials.

(1) Regular sized backpack       (1) lunchbox
(1) Reusable water bottle        (1) Lg. 3-ring zippered binder
(1) 3-ring pencil bag to keep in binder   (1) set of AUX earbuds/headphones

Mahalo,
Mrs. Matsunaga
### Parker Lower School 4th Grade Schedule

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The core subjects of Language Arts, Math, Science and Social Studies will be taught by Mrs. Matsunaga. These are not shown on the daily schedule but will be covered throughout the week. This open block schedule allows for flexibility in designing for a student-centered approach to learning.