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Quote

JULY-AUGUST

DCI OASIS, Teacher Trainers w/family members sort program materials for distribution at Tafuna Elementary. Malo lava! #TEAMWORK





Trainer Preparation

Year- round training is critical to the successful implementation of programs. Trainers prepare make-take materials for workshops. Hands on activities to engage teachers to be creative and see how easy they can make their own resources.



" Early literacy helps support the skills that children will need to become strong readers and writers." Ashley Love

Talofa All! It has been a while since our last newsletter and we are excited to share the activities and events of the past few months to promote early literacy. So here we go!!!

Data Collection & Entry

APRIL: Teams comprised of ELA, OASIS & School Administrators administered the 3rd round of the Acadience Assessment to measure student performance on early literacy skills during Y2 implementation. Additional initial program data provides valuable insight into the progress and critical focus areas! Way to go teams! All schools have access to the Acadience Data System and should be diligent in reviewing and having data discussions with staff.

MAY: Acadience data entry for K-2 students in all 23 schools

MAY-JUNE: All K-2 teachers compiled end-of-year RW & L4L unit/lesson data to assist with student Program Transition for the new school year. OASIS & ELA worked diligently to review and group for all 23 schools. A tedious and new procedure to ensure students are placed accordingly to their performance level and minimize teacher overload. Fa'afetai lava teachers and supporting areas.



OASIS provides Principals, Counselors and Division ADs an overview of program placement data for SY2023-24



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The key to reading success is to start early

Workshop outcomes!



Make-n-Take resources





Leone Midkiff K5 (Dora & Fiah)



Tafuna K5 (Corabell)



PHASE 3 Rollout: Workshops tailored for 3^{rd} grade teachers at Matafao. SY2023-24 kicks off with the K-3 Early Literacy Initiative in all K5- 3^{rd} classrooms.



SEPTEMBER ENGAGEMENT & LEARNING: Malo lava Teachers & TAs!

Manulele Tausala K5 (Sesilia)

Tuato'o K5 (Dolly)





Laulii K5 (Ellen)

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