



Sutton Park School Newsletter – 13 Feb 2019

Nga mihi, Malo e lelei, Talofa lava, Kia Orana, Bula, Namaste, Taloha ni, Fakaalofa lahi atu, Sabiadee, Ola, Bonjour, Ni hao, Welcome, Konichi wa, Noa'ia, Xin chào.

Ni Hao

We welcomed our first group of Chinese students this year in a powhiri yesterday. The students are from one of the schools that hosted our students last year and is our sister school. The students have been in the three Year 5-6 classes and appear to be enjoying their stay. Our children and staff have been great hosts.



Our visitors from China.

Our junior students stepped up to be seniors of the school with our Year 7 and 8 students away on their leadership camp. I was especially proud of our students from the Rumaki Reo unit for the powhiri, especially the girls doing the 'karanga' as for all of them, it was their first time. They did the Rumaki and the whole school proud.

Leadership Camp

It was great to see our seniors excited about their annual leadership camp. The time for preparation was minimal owing to the availability of the venue this year. However, the reports so far have been most pleasing. I am looking forward to spending the day with them tomorrow.

This is an important part of our annual calendar for our senior students, and I thank you for your efforts in supporting your child to be a leader. Leading together is a big part of our school mission, and we aspire for our students to be leaders of the future.

Students Leaders

The senior management and I will finalise the rest of the students with leadership responsibilities after the camp. Students who have shown a lot of leadership capacity and have a better chance of meeting leadership expectations will be selected. The school will continue to support students selected to be leaders. Letters to parent of students selected will be posted when the final selection is made.

Start of Year Assessments

This starts next week with the purpose of ratifying where each student is achieving. Their achievement levels at the end of last year gave some idea to the teachers of where to pitch their programmes. These assessments are important for them and they need to be as well prepared as they can be. It will help if they have a good sleep the night before.

Iosua Esera, Principal

Term 1 Events

These are the events approved for this term. It is always great to have you at these meetings as your 'voice' is always valued. Please put these dates and events on your family calendar for this term.

This Week:

Today 13 Feb: Rumaki Parents' meetings 5pm
Thurs. 14 Feb: Parents welcome to visit camp at 7pm
Friday 15 Feb: Y7&8 students return from camp

Next Week:

Tuesday 19 Feb: Y7&8 immunisation talks 9.30am
Thursday 21 Feb: Sia Ua parents' meeting
Sia Ua Y7&8 sausage sizzle

Rest of Term 1:

6-7 March: 3 Way Conversations
7-8 March: Inter-house swimming sports
15 March: Inter-house Tabloids
18 March: Chinese Students arrive
22 March: Inter-house Tabloids
28 March: Athletics Years 1-4
29 March: Athletics Years 5-8
3 April: Community Expo
5 April: Inter-house Tabloids
10 April: Community Clean up
11 April: Students' last day of term 1

Traffic Safety

Thanks for those of you who have shown care when driving at the front of the school in the morning, before school, and in the afternoon, after school. This helps our Traffic Wardens greatly in keeping our students safe on the crossing.

Avoid parking on the yellow lines and at the gate at all times.
Thanks for your support.

Fitness

We are focussing on developing our students' fitness levels through being active. There are fitness and running circuits that our students are expected to do daily. It is one of the ways we are trialling to minimise the level of obesity among our students. It is aimed at developing better life style habits for our students.

Swimming

This is one of the few things your child will learn that can save her/his life in the future. We have kept our swimming pool open so that our students can start to learn. This will only be until the end of March, so please make sure your child brings his/her togs to school when it is the day their class has swimming.

Sugar Less School

Less sugar intake is critical for our children's physical well-being. The increase of sugar in our foods is a major contributing factor to our children's level obesity and inactivity. Thanks for your support of this policy. Lollies and sweets are not allowed at the school. Sugary drinks and sweets brought to school will be discarded.

Sun Smart

Students are expected to have a hat to be in the sun starting this week. Please remind your child to bring his or her hat to school. Melanoma kills so be mindful of protecting your child from melanoma. You can also purchase a sunhat from the school office for \$12.



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School Wide Goals: IDENTITY: We decided as a team to start with identity to go with our topic for the term: Knowing Me, Knowing You. The children will be learning all aspects of themselves: their village, mother, father, grandparents and parts of their family, village, island that make your child unique.

We will be talking with our students on their physical, mental, emotional and spiritual wellness this term. There has been a focus on their physical wellness from the start of the term.

Sutton Park School is a part of their identity, and our students have been asked to think about things that make Sutton Park School a special school. They are to know, use and show the values, vision, mission, behaviours and the languages of Sutton Park. When they do, their school is a school for all to feel proud of. Thanks for your support.

Goals:

- i. I am proud of who I am.
- ii. I am proud of my school.

Love Your Maunga

A free community event celebrating Māngere Mountain and the Tūpuna Maunga of Tāmaki Makaurau with live performances from Vince Harder, Lavina Williams and TJ Taotua - food stalls, craft markets and a Kids zone - there's something there for everyone.

Sat 16 Feb: Māngere Mountain from 11am-3pm - an alcohol and smokefree event brought to you by the Tūpuna Maunga Authority.

LOVE YOUR MAUNGA

FREE EVENT
Sat 16 February
11am – 3pm
Māngere Mountain
Māngere

A community celebration of Māngere Mountain and the Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains) of Tāmaki Makaurau

LIVE on stage
Che Fu and the Kratez
Lavina Williams
Yorke
Grace Ikenasio
Skylah
Kapahaka and more

Food stalls
Craft markets
Kids Zone

☹️ No Smoke and alcohol free

Brought to you by
Tūpuna Maunga Authority

www.facebook.com/LoveYourMaunga

Food at School

We have breakfast Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. Do encourage your child to have breakfast here, as it is mainly cereal, fruit and milk. Fruit in Schools started yesterday, and the Fonterra Milk for Schools also started this week.



Mangere Bridge Dragon Basketball Club

PLAY basketball in Mangere Bridge.

For children ages 8-10.

WHERE - Auckland Chinese Community Centre, 99 Taylor Road, Mangere Bridge.

WHO - we cater for children ages 8-10 looking to develop basketball skills.

WHAT - we are family run and we focus on fun, building individual skills and team-work.

WHEN - Every Monday starting February 18th 3.30pm - 5.30pm during school term

COST - Term 1, \$80.00. There is a discount for siblings.

Contact: Rojene Leavasa

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Mangere Bridge Dragons Basketball

Pre-register your child now by visiting us on Facebook.

<https://m.facebook.com/Mangere-Bridge-Dragons-Basketball-Club-319471178879714/>

Birthdays this week and next:

Happy birthday to you...

13 Feb. Michael R9A

14 Feb. Shafaa R11

16 Feb. Sela R24 and Phoenix R10

19 Feb. Sela R9



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VACANCY IN SCHOOL TUCKSHOP (not SPS)

PART TIME - SOLE CHARGE

FULL TRAINING GIVEN

WILL NEED TO LIKE WORKING WITH CHILDREN,
BE ORGANISED & RELIABLE AND USE INITIATIVE

Text Julie on 021 732 829

2018 Cultural Extravaganza DVDs for Sale!

Place an order in the office for your copy of last year's Cultural Extravaganza! \$20 each





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