

Sutton Park School Newsletter – 1 May 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.

Welcome Back

Welcome back to the start of the second term. It was lovely seeing the children excited about being back at school. We made a point of being grateful that we are back considering many families who had lost loved ones over the two week period we were apart.

Welcome to Mrs Tanielu

I would like to extend a special welcome to Mrs Talalelei Tanielu who is the new teacher in Masina Va'aia, R15, teaching Years 1-2. Mrs Tanielu comes with experience in the Junior area after teaching in Wiri Central School as well as the Malelega o le To'elau early childhood centre.





Above: Pesi R11, Liam R3, Manuia R10 and Junior R18, the kaikorero and kaikaranga who led the powhiri, and Right: Mrs Tanielu.

Special Welcome to Teachers from Samoa

We have hosted a team from Samoa for the first three days of the term. There is a school principal, two teachers and an officer from the Ministry of Sports, Culture and Education visiting our school. They will spend most of their time here observing in our Samoan Bilingual, as well as gaining some ideas of school leadership and management.

All were welcomed at a powhiri on Monday. Our tamariki did us proud in the way they spoke and welcomed our manuhiri.

Right: Mr Esera with the visitors from Samoa.



Physical Fitness and Well Being

We will continue to work with our students on their physical well being through increased movement and better knowledge of food. Our students showed overall improved fitness through our fitness tests. Students aiming to play sports have set targets in terms of their fitness.

There are careers that our students are capable of doing well in BUT may not be considered if they continue to be less active and eat poorly. Thanks for your support in trying to improve our students overall health and well being.



Iosua Esera, Principal

<u>Important:</u> If you have a new phone number, or address, please let the office know! It is important that we have your correct contact details.

Term 2 Dates

Please note these dates on your family calendar or diary. It will be great if you are able to be part of any of these planned events. Other dates and events will be in our newsletter in the near future.

This week:

Thursday 2 May Sia Ua Parent's Meeting 4pm

Next few weeks:

Friday 10 May Junior Tabloids

Monday 13 May Rotuman Language Week begins

Tuesday 14 May Hiwi the Kiwi 'Healthy Pacific Ocean' show

9.30am; Girls Rugby Y7&8

Wednes. 15 May Boys Rugby Y7&8

Friday 17 May William Pike Rock Climbing; Sia Ua cakestall; Senior tabloids athletics finals

Water and Milk Only

Thanks for your support in trying to minimise the sugar in our children's diet. We have good access to water fountains for our children. Children are expected to drink only water or milk at school. Be advised any sugary drink brought to school will be discarded.

Children's Safety - Cars on school grounds

Thanks for your understanding with the changes for this term. It has been a change for staff in the attempt to ensure our students are safe from any traffic mishaps at school.

- i. The school gate is closed from 08:00am to 04:00pm.
- ii. Only staff cars are allowed onto the school grounds.

My apologies for the inconvenience to many of you.

Nominations for BOT Elections

These will open on 10 May, and nomination forms will be available from the office next week. You can nominate a parent, someone in the community you believe capable, or yourself. There are criteria for nominees to meet.

Condolences

Our sincere condolences to any of you affected by the massacre in Sri Lanka. Our thoughts are with Marietta Gomes and Heather Jayamanne. They are two of our staff from Sri Lanka. Remember them in your prayers.

Our students have also been asked to write cards for students in Tokoroa North Primary who lost five of their students in the car accident last weekend. Do be safe on the road during winter.

Netball Season

The netball season officially starts this weekend. I am very proud of the commitment our coaches, parents and students have made in preparation for the season. I am so looking forward to watching them. We will inform you through our newsletter on how they are getting on. Thanks again to staff, parents and girls involved.

ANZAC Commemoration

Our students and staff stood in silence and reflection on the sacrifice those brave men and women did for our freedom. Our student leaders led our commemoration service and again they did a wonderful job.



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School Wide Goals: RESPECT:

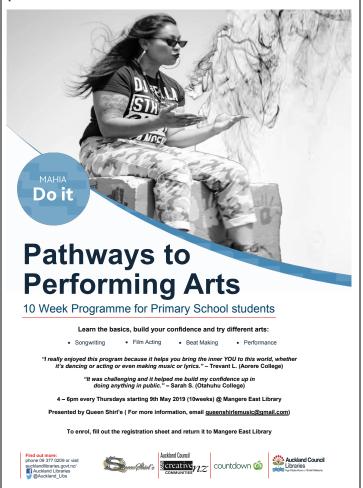
Our value for the whole term is RESPECT. Students and teachers will have conversations in class on what respect looks, sounds and feels like in class and at school. Respect is common to all families, communities, cultural groups and organisations. We have talked about what each individual student needs to be mindful of in class and at school for the next few weeks.

Therefore, the goals for the next few weeks will be:

i. I will use my little voice.ii. I will use kind words.iii. I will wait my turn.

Pathways to Performing Arts is specifically aimed at primary school children. This time it will be a FREE tenweek programme, and will cover basic arts such as Song Writing, Film Acting, Beat Making, and Performance. Children will need to have parental permission to join, so collect a registration form from the library or the school office.

Spaces are limited so the first ones in will secure their places.



Pick & Mix:

Theatre, music, comedy, dance and visual arts

There are pamphlets available in the office regarding free performances and workshops, including Auckland Live event guides.

Contact Details:

School office phone: 276 4560

School email: office@suttonpark.school.nz

We now have **EFTPOS** available in the school office for any payments you need to make.

Birthdays this week

Happy birthday to you...

2 May: Ferila R17 and Ioapo R18

3 May: Teio R14 4 May: Litia R9A 5 May: Salesi R11

6 May: Atelaite R6, Jane R6, Brandon R9A and Fagamanu R25

7 May: Tiare R10 and Sau R20

Welcome to these new students:

Samuel R2, Esther R13B, Nauma R13A, Joshua R4, Lafaele R4, Joseph R5 and Moses R15.



Reminder:

You need to let the office know if your child is absent from school. If your child is away for 3 or more days, because of illness, a medical certificate will be required from the doctors. Late children need to go to the office, before going to their classroom.



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