



# Sutton Park School Newsletter – 19 Feb. 2020

**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.**

## Community Fono

When: Tonight  
Where: School Hall  
Time: 6:00pm

Do come and meet your child's teacher for the year. It will be an opportunity to network, and get to know each other. The students will report back on the camp, followed by a report from the school, and then there will be meetings in ethnic groups. The programme will be:

6:00pm	Welcome from Student Leaders Karakia/Lotu Report from the school: Senior Management Report of the Leadership Camp Grocery Voucher Draw
6:40pm	Meeting in Groups

## Term 1 Assessments

These started this week and will continue for the next two weeks. Please make sure your child comes to school ready for learning. A good sleep the night before and good food often helps. The results will be discussed with you, in our first report back to you, scheduled for later this term.

## Blessing of the New Classrooms

The blessing will be done next Friday 28 February starting at 5:00am. This will be followed by a small combined breakfast with our manuhiri. Parents of students taking part are most welcome to attend. The senior students in the mainstream will move into the relocatable classes that day.

## Water Competence and Swimming

Your support is needed to help build our children's competence in the water. Please make sure your child has togs when her/his class is timetabled for swimming. Being able to swim may save your child's life, so it is most essential that we do everything possible to help your child survive, and hopefully, thrive in the water.

## Health Alert

Let us not be complacent about the coronavirus as like any virus, it can spread very quickly. Some very easy to follow practices that will help minimise the spread of any virus is still:

- i. Wash and sanitise hands before eating.
- ii. Wash hands after going to the toilet.
- iii. Do not share spit.
- iv. Cover your mouth when coughing or sneezing.

## Back Gate

Due to construction work, the back gate that leads to Sutton Ave will be locked for the next two weeks.

Iosua Esera, Principal

## 2020 School Year

**Term 1** 03 February – Wednesday 08 April  
**Term 2** Tuesday 28 April – Thursday 02 July  
**Term 3** 20 July-24 September  
**Term 4** 12 October-18 December

Easter Holidays: 10-13 April (during school holidays)  
Anzac Day Observance: Monday 27 April  
Queen's Birthday Holiday: Monday 01 June  
Labour Day Holiday: Monday 26 October

## This Week:

**Tonight:** Community Fono 6pm  
Thur 20 Feb: Masina Va'aia Fundraising: nachos \$5  
Whenua Fundraising- Y1-4 Disco:  
gold coin donation in the hall at lunchtime  
Sia Ua parents' meet and greet 4pm

Fri 21 Feb: Inter-house tabloids

## Next Week:

Tues 25 Feb: BOT meeting 4.30pm  
Wed 26 Feb: Reading Together Programme 3.30pm

## School Attendance: Your Support is Needed

We continue to be vigilant about attendance and our children arriving on time for school. The recent report from the Ministry of Education suggests that many of our students have very poor attendance. **Do aim to have every one of your children attend school daily.** This will most certainly help your child's learning significantly. Thanks for your support.

## Sun Smart

I would like to acknowledge the support from Kids Can who have supplied many of our students with sunhats. These sunhats will remain at school to be worn at school.

## Breakfast Club

Please discourage your child from having pies on their way to school. If you are not able to provide your children breakfast, encourage them to have breakfast here. There is enough for everyone and it is much healthier.



We provide a breakfast menu that helps reverse the growth of obesity among our children.

## School Leaders for 2020



Left to right: Head Girl-Rejoice R15, Deputy Head Girl-Ilaisaane R9, Head Boy-Reuel R11 and Deputy Head Boy-Paul F. R10

## School Leaders:

Braxtyne R11, Madison R11A, Chelcie R15, Maryanne R9, Sela R9, Trusting R15, Tiare R10, Kenoni R9, Peasipa R9, Jayne R15, Rayden R11, Tanielu R10, Simon R15, Atonio R10, Sonatane R9, Aarush R11A, Toutai R11, Valu R11, Tyrus R11, Inoke R11

## Auckland Tongan Community

proudly presents

# #AkoFaiva2020

## FREE Dance Classes in Traditional Tongan Performing Arts

Ideal for ages 8 - 18, but all ages are welcome to join and learn the traditional performing arts of Tonga (including: Tau'olunga, Tulafale, Ma'ulu'ulu, Lakalaka, Mako, Kailao, Soke, Taufakaniua, plus Drumming & Guitar workshops)



**WHEN:**  
Every Thursday from 5 - 7 pm  
(Excludes School & Public Holidays)

**WHERE:**  
Otahuhu Town Hall  
(10 High Street, Otahuhu)



Maloni is the son of the renowned Tongan poet Peni Tutu'ila who was commissioned by the late Queen Salote to choreograph her compositions

MORE INFO: Mobile: 021 2817 800 Email: AucklandTonganCommunity@gmail.com

### Camp Payments

If you haven't already done so, please remember to pay for the camp. Payments can be made in cash, or preferably by EFTPOS or by online banking. (Just ask for the school account number at the office).

### Sugarless School

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.

### Keep us up to date:

Please let the office know of any changes to your contact details.

### Traffic Safety

Thanks to those of you that have observed and respected the closing of the gate from 8:00 am until 4:00 pm. This is the case every day irrespective of weather. As the roll continues to grow we will allow only staff cars into the school. The board and I would like to make sure our students are safe on our premises. Thanks for your understanding.

### Water and Milk Only

Thanks for your support of this as we try to reduce the level of obesity among our students. We have so many students carrying too much weight for their age. With less sugar, carbohydrates and processed fat in their diet this will prolong the onset of diabetes and high blood pressure for our students.

Please provide your child with a water bottle as we have many fountains at the school to fill their bottles. Hydration is needed, as the temperatures remain high. Water is the best cleanser of the body.

### Contact Details:

School office phone: 276 4560

School email: [office@suttonpark.school.nz](mailto:office@suttonpark.school.nz)

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

**School Wide Goals: IDENTITY:** We decided as a team to start with identity to go with our topic for the term: *Welcome to Our World*. The children will be learning all aspects of themselves this term. Your support in this is essential. Goals:

- I am Samoan/Maori/Tongan/Fijian/Indian/Cook Island Maori/Niuean/etc
- I am proud of who I am.

### Birthdays this week

Happy birthday to you...

21 Feb: Talatisio R25 and Zeesha R24

22 Feb: Ysabella R12, Semisi R9A, Giovanni R16, Kataline R14, Shalomlance R18 and Lah-Trell R25

23 Feb: Trusting R15, Sione P. R14 and Rosalinda R16

26 Feb: Jubilee R11, Liona R21 and Simon R15



### Dates for rest of Term 1:

Tues 3 Mar: MOSA Cricket @ Mangere Centre Park  
SWZ Y7&8 Boys Softball

Wed 4 Mar: Reading Together Programme 3.30pm

Fri 6 Mar: Y4-8 Swimming Comps; Inter-house tabloids

Tues 10 Mar: SWZ Y7&8 Girls Softball

Wed 11 Mar: Y8 Vaccines

Reading Together Programme 3.30pm

Thu 12 Mar: Whenua Disco (lunchtime)

Wed 18 Mar: Y8 School Leaders to Polyfest

Y7&8 Boys Interzone Softball

Ministry of Ed. PREP Programme in Sia Ua

Thur 19 Mar: Y7&8 Girls Interzone Softball

SWZ Y7&8 Boys and Girls Tag

Fri 20 Mar: School Athletics; Whenua Syndicate Trip

Tue 24 Mar: MOSA Softball @ Otahuhu College Field

BOT Meeting 4.30pm

Mon 30 Mar: Duffy Assembly 11.30am

Tue 31 Mar: Y7&8 Interzone Girls and Boys Tag

Wed 1 Apr: Reading Together Programme 3.30pm

Thu 2 Apr: Y7&8 Boys and Girls Interzone Swimming;

Mufti Day for Rumaki fundraising

Fri 3 Apr: William Pike Challenge Rock climbing Trip

Mon 6 Apr: Duffy Theatre Y1-Y6 11.30am

Wed 8 Apr: MOSA Swimming @ Moana-nui-a-kiwa;

Last day of term for students



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