



Sutton Park School Newsletter – 5 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.

Welcome to 2020

It is great to have most of the children back at school. The children are in good spirits and many appear pleased to be back with their friends. Congratulations to many of you for having your children well prepared for the start of the year.

We have to be grateful to be back, as many of our families were in different countries and many of you would have travelled to other parts of the country over the Christmas holidays. We have been spared the tragedy that befell other schools, communities and families.

New students and their families were welcomed at a powhiri on Monday morning. A special welcome to all those families that are new to Sutton Park School.

Leadership Camp

Our Year 7 and Year 8 students left in high spirits for the Christian Camp at Henderson Valley yesterday morning. It is our third visit to this campsite and I am pleased that almost all our Year 7 and Year 8 students are attending. This is an important part of the senior programme for Sutton Park. It is an opportunity for our seniors to bond, internalise our school values, and learn to relate to each other and connect with their teachers in the manner we wish them to. They set the tone for our school for the year.

They will be at camp over Waitangi Day and return on Friday. We have good camp staff going and I am confident that our students are in safe hands. You are most welcome to go for a visit in the evening if you can. The camp is on Henderson Valley Road on the way to the Waitakere Ranges. It is well sign posted and you will not miss it.



Property

We are at the tail end of getting the relocatable classrooms ready. Our mainstream senior students will relocate to these classrooms on 27 February and I am excited for our students with new classroom environments. My apologies to those of you on Vine Street who were inconvenienced while they delivered these new classrooms on site.

Back Gate

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

Iosua Esera, Principal

2020 School Year

Term 1 03 February – Wednesday 08 April

Term 2 Monday 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)

Queen's Birthday Holiday: Monday 01 June

Labour Day Holiday: Monday 26 October

Term 1 Events

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

Tomorrow: Waitangi Day: School closed

Friday 7 Feb: Y7 & Y8 Leadership Camp returning

Mon 10 Feb: Dental truck will be onsite for next 4 weeks

Tues 18 Feb: Y8 Vaccine Talks

Wed 19 Feb: Community Fono 6pm

Thur 20 Feb: Sia Ua parents' meet and greet 4pm

Fri 21 Feb: Inter-house tabloids

Tues 25 Feb: BOT meeting 4.30pm

Wed 26 Feb: Reading Together Programme 3.30pm

Thur 27 Feb: Whenua Disco (lunchtime)

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

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 Mar: William Pike Challenge Rock climbing Trip

Mon 6 Mar: Duffy Theatre Y1-Y6 11.30am

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

Last day of term for students

Condolences to the Savage and Fidow Families

Over the Christmas holiday, I was informed of the passing of Meretini Savage, who was a strong supporter and kaitiaki of Sutton Park. She was one of the pillars behind the Rumaki and the revival of reo and tikanga Maori at Sutton Park School. Our condolences to Matekahi, Manase, Daizha, Nirvana and Braxtyne Fidow and to the Savage whanau for the loss of a dear mother, grandmother, mother-in-law and aunt.

Haere atu koe Whaea i te huihuitanga o te Tama o te Wairuatapu. Whakamihi nui atu mo tou kaitiakitanga, me tou manaakitanga mo te Kura o te Matauranga. Haere atu i te pa harakeke, te wharenui o toku tupuna. Haere, haere hokihoki tonu atu koe.

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.

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.

MANUKAU CITY AFC – Registration Day Saturday
15th February 10am – 2pm
Walter Massey Park, 378 Massey Road, Mangere East
All new & existing players are invited to come & register for 2020
Have some football fun! BBQ! Prizes! All grades Welcome!
For more info, please contact:
manukaucityfootballclub@gmail.com | [facebook.com/manukaucityafc/](https://www.facebook.com/manukaucityafc/)



MANGERE BRIDGE DRAGONS BASKETBALL TEAM

REGISTRATION OPEN TERM 1

Session 1 - 3.30PM to 4.15PM
 Session 2 - 4.30PM to 5.15PM
 Register on www.mangerebridgedragons.co.nz
 Limited spaces available.

START DATE FEBRUARY 17TH 2020
UNDER 9'S AND UNDER 11'S

Birthdays this week

Happy birthday to you...

4 Feb: Tulikava R9A
 5 Feb: Nikolasi R9, Siosiana R8 and Ana R4
 6 Feb: Lyden R20 and Taufa R6B
 7 Feb: Kleighton R21, Hopoate R6 and Mele R6B
 8 Feb: Mele R9
 11 Feb: Kololite R6 and Charles R5



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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: Know me, Know You. The children will be learning all aspects of themselves this term. Your support in this is essential.

We will be talking to our students on their physical, mental, emotional and spiritual wellness this term. There will be a sharp focus starting this week on physical wellness.

Goals:

- i. I am proud of who I am.

Sun Smart

Thanks to those who have been diligent in providing sunhats and sunblock for their children. The sun has been exceptionally severe this week and is expected to be the same for the rest of the term. I would like to ask that you buy your child a sunhat.

I would like all of our students to have sunhats by next Monday 10 February. Melanoma kills and we would not wish an early grave for any of our students. Please help.



Above: Room 14 are all sun-smart!

Breakfast Club

This started this morning and will be on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. If you are not able to provide your children breakfast, do encourage them to have breakfast here.

School Nurses:

The nurses will be available from 9am-12.30pm Mon to Friday. Class throat checks (for rheumatic fever) will start in week 3. If your child has any skin sores, a sore throat or headlice, please send them to the clinic beside the tech. block at school.
 Nurse: Chhaya 021 193 5708



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