

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.

Tuku Karakia

E tuku mihi ana kia koutou nga Rangatira, nga Kuia, nga Koroua, nga Kaumatua o te iwi o Tanui, me nga paakeke i tae mai, ki te tautoko i te tuku karakia mo nga whare hou.

We were blessed with the attendance of the elders of Tainui, a great honour, who came to bless our new classrooms. It was an occasion to behold with the quality of oratory and prayers last Friday morning. It was an opportunity for our tamariki to understand things Maori, the associated protocols and language.

Below: The school leaders and the Rumaki performing a haka for the Kaumatua of Tainui, in the early morning sunshine on Friday.



I would like to acknowledge the support from our members of our Board of Trustees; Taniela Fangau'iha Havea, Deepanjali Raj and May Ngatuakana. Special thanks to Matua Watini Tiakiwai (pictured below), our staff and students. It was a great opening and experience thanks to the manner in which our students participated.



The final inspection of the new classrooms was done yesterday and classes moving into these rooms will do so before the end of the week.



Iosua Esera, Principal

Please note as many of these dates on your family calendar so that you can attend any of these events.

This Week:

Today: Reading Together Programme 3.30pm in R13A

Thur 5 Mar: Masina Va'aia fundraising: burger and chips \$5 plate

Fri 6 Mar: Inter-house tabloids

Next Week:

Tues 10 Mar: SWZ Y7&8 Girls Softball

Wed 11 Mar: Y7&8 Vaccines in the hall

Reading Together Programme 3.30pm in R13A

Thu 12 Mar: Fono ma matua –Masina Va'aia @ 5pm in staffroom

Fri 13 Mar: Whenua Fundraising- Y1-6 Disco:

gold coin donation in the hall at lunchtime

BOT News

The board accepted the recommendation from senior management that the trip to China for 2020 is cancelled.

We will also forego the hosting of students from China for 2020 because of the Coronavirus.

After and Before School Supervision

We are fortunate to have this service provided at school for your convenience. Many of you will be entitled to financial support to have your child supervised safely before and after school.

SKIDS are open from 7:00am until 8:30am and after school from 3:00pm to 6:00pm. Their contact number is 027 627 5001

School Attendance: Your Support is Needed

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.

3 Way Conversations

This week is the final week of our start of year assessments. The teachers will make a judgement of where they think your child is achieving at the start of 2020. This is a very important aspect of managing your child's learning for the year.

A conversation with you as parents and caregivers is critical if your child is to achieve the best she/he can throughout the year. This is the first opportunity for your child and her/his teacher to have a conversation about your child's learning. Part of the meeting is to set some targets for your child for 2020.

These 3 Ways Conversations are scheduled for Week 8 on Wednesday 25th and Thursday 26th March 2020. Here's the password for you to book yourself an appointment with your child's teacher.

Go to: www.schoolinterviews.co.nz put in **Event Code : 6gir5**
If it is easier for you to book at the school office, please do so.

Mobile Phones at School

Be advised that when and if your child brings a mobile phone to school, it is handed in at the school office. These will be given back to your child at the end of the day.

The Board of Trustee reserves the right to stand down or suspend any child who uses any device to make other students unsafe on-line. Bullying on-line is unacceptable at Sutton Park.

Y7&8 2020 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).

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 from Sutton Park School
- I am from Mangere
- I am proud of who I am

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.



HOLI CELEBRATIONS 2020

Otago Town Hall
Community Centre
10-12 High Street, Otago
Time: 6-8pm
Monday 9th March 2020
Carpark 2 - Behind Youth Space

FREE EVENT!!
COLOR THROWING FUN!

SUPPORTED BY: SOUTH AUCKLAND SENIORS & YOUTH ASSOCIATION INC



Road Safety

It is important to follow the road rules to keep our children safe!

Too many children are exiting the car while it is stopped in the middle of the road, or on the yellow lines. Please pull over in the correct place to drop your children off. It is safer for children to exit a vehicle on the footpath side of the car, not open their door into traffic.

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.



Birthdays this Week:

Happy birthday to you...

March 5: Eva R7

March 7: Maryann R18

March 8: Misty R14

March 9: Wesley R9A

March 11: Reuben R18



Dates for rest of Term 1:

Wed 18 Mar: Y7&8 Boys Interzone Softball

Ministry of Ed. PREP Programme in Sia Ua

MOSA Y5&6 Rippa Rugby @ Bruce Pullman Park

Thur 19 Mar: Y7&8 Girls Interzone Softball

SWZ Y7&8 Boys and Girls Tag

Inter-house Swimming: Y5-8 @ Moana nui a Kiwa

:Y1-4 @ school pool

Fri 20 Mar: School Athletics

Tue 24 Mar: MOSA Softball @ Otahuhu College Field

Whenua Syndicate Trip to Butterfly Creek

Aorangi Syndicate: Eye on Nature

BOT Meeting 4.30pm

Wed 25 Mar: 3 Way Conversations

Thur 26 Mar: Atea Syndicate: Beach clean-up

3 Way Conversations

Sat 28 Mar: Masina Va'aia Fundraiser: Po Siva

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 in R13A

Thu 2 Apr: Y7&8 Boys and Girls Inter-zone Swimming;

Mufti Day for Rumaki fundraising

Fri 3 Apr: William Pike Challenge Rock climbing Trip

Mon 6 Apr: Duffy Theatre Y1-Y6 in the hall @ 11.30am

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

Last day of term for students

Health Alert

The spread of the Coronavirus is an opportunity to remind our children of being preventative of any virus. Some very easy-to-follow practices that will help minimise the spread of any virus are:

- Wash and sanitise hands before and after eating.
- Wash hands after going to the toilet.
- Do not spit or share drinks.
- Cover your mouth when coughing or sneezing.
- Put used tissues in the bin.

Thanks for your anticipated support at home. Practice makes it perfect and we want to insist on these at home and at school. If your child suffers from any flu symptoms or fever, please keep him/her home until she/he recovers.



Masina Va'aia Fundraising Tomorrow

Burger & fries - \$5 (Thursday March 5)

Please have orders in and money paid in the morning to get your food for lunch!

Masina Va'aia is always grateful and appreciative of your kind-hearted support towards the Y7 & Y8 trip to Samoa in Sept.

God bless you and your beautiful families.

Faafetai, faafetai tele lava.



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