



# Sutton Park School Newsletter – 13 May 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 e mauri, Xin chào.**

## Noa'ia e mauri

Happy Rotuman Language Week! On Monday morning we had, for the first time, launched a language week on-line. I would like to thank all of you who joined us on Zoom, on Monday morning, for the launch. I was enormously proud of our student leaders who helped put the programme together. I would also like to thank Mrs Lakokiperitania and Mr Katafono for their leadership in the on-line launch as well as the programme for the week. I hope many of our students will continue to join in on-line. There will be a finale on Friday and the Zoom-embly starts at 9.30am. Enjoy the Rotuman Language Week programme and activities.

## Ready for our Students to Return

We are as well prepared to have our students back to school as we can be. The staff and cleaners will have the school well sanitized, the Board of Trustees and staff have agreed on what to do to ensure our students are as safe as possible. Here are the critical things you need to be aware of before school returns next **Monday 18 May**:

- i. The school is open to students and staff only until further notice.
- ii. There will be rolling start, play, lunch and finish times. (details below)
- iii. There are strict protocols on wearing protective gear.
- iv. Food and drink to be brought from home: the school canteen, lunch and breakfast clubs will be closed until further notice.
- v. Children with any fever, cough or other ailments to stay home.

## School In Lockdown

In an attempt to make sure our students return to school safely, the board has approved that our school will open *only for students and staff at Level 2* until further notice. Any parent or agent who wishes to visit the school will need to make an appointment. Please contact the office by phone or email for an appointment.

## Rolling Start and Finish

### *Sia Ua and Masina Va'aia:*

Start at 8:30am.                      Play at 10:30 am.  
Lunch at 12:30pm.                  Finish at 2:30pm

### *Mainstream and Rumaki*

Start at 9:00am.                      Play at 11:00 am.  
Lunch at 01:10pm.                  Finish at 3:00pm.

Playtime will be 30 minutes long and lunch will be 40 minutes.

Children are to head straight to their classrooms on arrival. Children are to leave school promptly after school each day.

Iosua Esera, Principal

### **Contact Details:**

School office phone: 276 4560  
School email:  
[office@suttonpark.school.nz](mailto:office@suttonpark.school.nz)

## Protective Gear

Each child will be given 3 facemasks. These are to be worn at all times.

- i. One facemask is to wear home and from home to school.
- ii. The second facemask is for inside the classroom only.
- iii. The third facemask is to be worn outside, during breaks.

I recommend that your child wears one to school on Monday so that s/he is protected on the way to school.

## Physical Distancing

This is an expectation at the school, and we would like our students to be well aware of this expectation. All school gatherings will be outside, except for approved inside gatherings. Inside gatherings are strictly for up to 100 people only. Teachers will follow this for all programmes at the school. Fitness and sports will be in classes only, carefully planned and strictly monitored.

Your support is essential in helping our students keep their distance from each other both at school, on the way to school and on the way home.

## Coming to and Leaving School

If your child can walk to school safely, please encourage her/him to do that. If you have to drop off and pick up your child, please help minimise the congestion at the front of the school. If you can, drop off and pick up your child at Sutton Avenue, off Blake Road at the back of the school, or at Fleming Street, off Tennessee Avenue. This will be of great help in minimizing the congestion before and after school. Please drop off and pick up the children on time for their allocated start and finish.

Students to arrive at school no longer than 30 minutes before their allocated start time. If you wish to pick up your children earlier, please contact the office, via email or phone, and the students will be escorted to the front gate of the school.

## Water Bottles

Children are to bring water bottles from home. We want to get our students into a routine of making sure they have a water bottle at school. Make sure their water bottles are named. They can refill the bottles at school.



## Learning At Home

It has been great to see many of the parents joining in the students' learning on-line. Thank you for being part of your children's learning. We wish to continue to strengthen our on-line curriculum and delivery post Covid19. Big congratulations to many of you who taught your children some aspects of your home language, culture or family tradition. Those things cannot be found in any textbook or on google.

## Chrome Books

Please be sure these are returned to school next week with your child. Do ask your eldest child to return the chrome book and take care in packing it so it arrives safely.

## Birthdays this week:

14 May: Eliesa R6B and Samantha R12  
16 May: Seniala R13                      17 May: Fisiipeau R11A  
18 May: Michael R25                      19 May: Aukuso R20





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