



Sutton Park School Newsletter – 6 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, Xin chào.

Celebration

It is great to see the outcome of our collective efforts to contain the spread of Covid19. Let's celebrate an outstanding achievement and most importantly, our school community have been spared of any infection. I am sure with the good hygienic habits we have developed to keep any virus contained, it will help us immensely when we get to Level 2 of the lockdown. Let us be disciplined at home, and out in the community, so that we can be back together as a school in the near future.

Learning From Home

I am sure you have had some moments to remember with your children in the future. Your children would have appreciated having you around while they learn, and the feedback you would have given would be of great help. I am sure your children would have learnt something new from you, and you are more aware of your children's strengths and passions.

The lockdown has allowed staff to develop our on-line curriculum as well as delivering it on-line. It is pleasing to know that some of you have been part of your children's learning at home. I am pleased to see new opportunities provided for our children to learn from home. Staff will continue to put up learning projects and learning tasks for our children when they are not at school. There are learning projects and tasks for all students from Year 1 to Year 8. Learning packs were delivered and posted last week to home addresses of students who are not able to learn on-line.

3 Way Conversations

This is an ideal situation where both parents or caregivers at home can be part of these conversations. You will know from having your children at home, observing them learn, and your own knowledge of your children. Teachers will try and have a 3-way conversation with you and your child on-line. We only have two weeks maximum for these conversations to take place, so please make the time with your child's teacher to have this conversation.

I am mindful that we are close to halfway through the school year and you have not been formally informed of what level your child is achieving at.

Monitoring of the Devices

Be advised that the teachers can disable any of the school devices from school, if it shows that it is used for other purposes than for learning. The device cannot be used for anything once it is disabled, and needs to be returned to school. I ask that you monitor how your child or children use the device provided.

Iosua Esera, Principal

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Students' Safety

The safest place for your child is your home bubble. If you can be at home and your child can learn from home then keep your child home. The teachers will try and connect with students throughout the week. If your child is at school, please be very insistent on what they have to wear and do to be safe on the way to and from school, and while at school. Thanks for your anticipated support.

Alert Level 2

We are preparing for Alert Level 2 to start on Monday 18 May.

There are things from Level 3 that will remain:

- The school is for students and staff only.
- Hygienic practices and protocols to be observed.
- Staff and students to wear protective gears.
- All food to come from home.
- Assemblies to be outdoors with physical distancing.
- There will be no sports.

Value for the Term: DIVERSITY

Please share with your children what DIVERSITY looks like, sounds like and feels like at your homes. The school will start from looking at individual strengths and what students are good at. If you are able to have conversations at home and affirm what your children are good at, that is an ideal start. Thanks in anticipation of your support.

Birthdays this and next week:

Teio R20, Litia R6, Salesi R11A, Manu R21,
Brandon R6, Jane R9A, Jasleen R12, Atelaite R9A,
Tiare R10, Maryanne R24, EJ R7, Sophie Maree R6B,
Gabiella R13, Ethan R14 and Harlan R13.



Rotuman Language Week 2020

Sunday 10 May – Saturday 16 May

**Nurturing our Rotuman identity
through language and culture**

Rotuman

Language Week

We are one of a few schools in the country to celebrate Rotuman Language Week. All the activities for Rotuman Language Week will be on our school website. Please allow your children to be part of our school celebration by just visiting our website and connecting to the right link.



The FAST Campaign 2020 is a reminder to people that **stroke is always an emergency**. Think FAST, act FAST and calling 111 is still the best action to take if you suspect someone is having a stroke. Even during the current Covid-19 pandemic lockdown restrictions. Evidence from overseas show a drop in the number of people presenting with stroke to emergency departments has coincided with the COVID-19 pandemic. This is a huge concern and something we want to avoid in Aotearoa since recovery after stroke is highly dependent on receiving timely treatment. Please check the link below:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UfQpiluxMuc>



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