

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.

Samoan Language Week

What a wonderful week that was and one can arguably say that it was our best Samoan Language Week ever. The involvement of more students, the preparation and the activities planned all contributed to the success of the week. Having most of the events on-line with many parents and others in the community joining in was a great success. The wider audience made it very authentic for our students and all stepped up to our expectations and all did us proud. The involvement of the wider school in the devotion, word and phrase of the day gave our students more purpose and motivation.

This may be the new norm for our language weeks and other celebrations from now on. Having it live-streamed or pre-recorded and made available to a wider audience may be the way forward.



Above: Rm 18 celebrating Samoan Language Week.
Below Right: Valentina R16

I would like to acknowledge the planning and preparation done by Masina Va'aia staff, in putting the programme into action. I would also like to thank the parents of Masina Va'aia for the support they provided and also respecting the wish of the Board of Trustees in closing the school to parents. I know many families would rather be on site to be a part of the programme as in the past. Thank you one and all.

I would like to acknowledge the rest of the staff for their support. Lastly, to all the students in Masina Va'aia, you made us all very proud. Malo le amio lelei, malo le taumafai, fa'afetai fa'aaloalo.



More of our Students are Back

It is great to see more of our students back especially our Years 7 and 8 in the mainstream. The percentage of mainstream students at school is close to 70% this week. Sia Ua and Masina Va'aia continue to top the number of students returning to school. Both have 95% of their roll at school now. It is good to see them enjoy being with their peers, and the associated noise level as well.

We continue to consolidate some practices that will be part of our new normal. This involves washing hands with soap, coughing protocols agreed to, sanitising of hands and immediate environment, and wearing of facemasks. These are good practices to continue with after the lockdown as it will keep our students protected from any virus.

We will continue with our rolling start, playtime, lunch and finish times. PLEASE make sure the children are in before their scheduled start and that they are inside the compound before **the gates are locked at 9am**. Make sure your child is at school no earlier than thirty minutes before they are to start.

Thank you for picking up the children promptly after they finish. Thanks to those of you who dropped off and picked up your children at Sutton Avenue and Fleming Street.

Thank you for supporting our school in lockdown, for the safety of our students and staff. If we continue to work together Covid19 will not be within our midst. Together we can keep the virus out of Sutton Park.

Weather Proof Tops/Warm Jackets

As winter approaches and the welcome rain arrives, and hopefully, continues to shower us with blessings, our students without raincoats have been offered Warriors jackets, donated by KidsCan. Do be mindful that these are for them to wear to and from school. Please take care of them.

Birthdays this week:

3 June: Summer R11A and Talita R7
4 June: Meliuaia R24 and Pau-mo-Levuka R6B
5 June: Chase R6B
6 June: Lavina R17 and Maralee R16
7 June: Eric R17
8 June: Mosa'ati R10, Penihea R7, Manatu R20 and Maui R14
9 June: Jeremiah R4



Welcome to our new student: Alosi R13B

Goals for the Week

Our three goals for the week are on safety and they are:

1. **Do not share spit:**
 - i. Stay out of people's breath zone.
 - ii. Wear your facemask.
 - iii. Do not share food or drinks.
2. **Be virus free:**
 - i. Wash your hands with soap.
 - ii. Sanitise your hands.
 - iii. Sanitise your immediate surroundings.
3. **Be fit:**
 - i. Exercise and be active.
 - ii. Keep your distance and keep moving.
 - iii. Measure your fitness.

The silver lining in the Covid19 cloud is the opportunity to re-set our sights, targets and goals. And we can.



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Value for the Term: DIVERSITY

Please share with your children what DIVERSITY looks like, sounds, 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 for your support.

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.



*“la sauni lelei pe a alu se faiva pe fāgota.
la fa’aaogā le ofu lavea’i i taimi uma.”*

“Prepare yourself when fishing, wear a lifejacket”





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