

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.

Welcome to Term 2, Week 9: Matariki Week

We had a lovely Matariki assembly on Monday, hosted by our Rumaki Reo class. This week we are celebrating Matariki and there are so many activities our teachers are doing with our students, to understand what Matariki is all about.

We need your help - our Rumaki Reo tamariki is planning a trip up North and they need to fundraise a lot of money to make this experience possible. The first fundraising events are this Friday – a mufti day (*gold coin donation and please wear your house colours*) and there is a plate of yummy food (*drumstick, mushroom sauce, chop suey, Maori bread, rice, coleslaw...*) on sale for \$10.00. If you want to buy a plate, an order must be made by Thursday afternoon to ensure your child doesn't miss out. The money is to be given to your child's teacher. Thanks for your support.

This is our second to last week of this term and we can look back and say it has been a very busy term for our students and teachers. A reminder to all our parents that the last day of the term is **Wednesday 07 July 2021 at 3:00pm**. This will be a good time for families to start organising what their two week holiday might look like for our students. The learning is still ongoing even though you are on holiday. We will be looking at parents and students re-signing their Chromebook agreements next term and we hope to see all our Years 5-8 students working safely online.

We had our teachers attend their Paid Union meeting yesterday afternoon. Thank you to all the Teacher assistants and the teachers that remained behind to help supervise our students. Faafetai tele lava.

William Pike trip

Last Friday, the William Pike Challenge students went on their first trip to 'The Edge', an indoor rock climbing adventure site. There are several activities during the year that the William Pike Challenge team participate in. These activities are to promote growth in the following values: Courage, Teamwork, Resilience, Compassion, Pride and Enthusiasm. We encourage our students to practice these values as they grow to become young adults. We would like to acknowledge our instructors, whom we have a good working relationship with, our teacher, Mrs Cowley, and our SWiS, Mrs Wang, who went with our children. Well done, we have a few more activities before the year ends.




Mr Lemanu, Acting Principal

Dates for Term 2

This week:

Thurs. 1 July: U45kg girls Rugby League Champs tournament @ Opaheke Park, Papakura

: Mid-year reports go home

: Rumaki Reo whanau hui @ 4.30pm

: Last orders for plate of kai today (\$10 each)

Friday 2 July: Inter-house Sports / **Mufti day** for rumaki fundraiser Matariki Day

Next week:

Tues. 6 July: Aorangi Fairytale performance

Wed. 7 July: **Students' last day of term 2**

Thurs. 8 July: Teacher Only Day (school closed)

Friday 9 July: Teacher Only Day (school closed)

Found Ring

Another ring was found in the school grounds this morning. Please enquire at the office if you have lost one.

Safety to and from School

Thank you for your consideration when driving at the front of the school before and after school. Your co-operation creates a safe environment for our students. The traffic is especially challenging during rainy days. Thanks for your consideration so far this week.

- Be sure to know the route your child takes to walk to school and home again from school.
- Children to know **whom** to walk with.
- Children know **when** they are expected to be home.
- Remind your children how to cross any road safely.
- They are not to accept a ride from anyone else.

Our children are too precious to be on their own before and after school. Do make sure your children are looked after all the time. The service from SKiDs is available and affordable. For more information regarding SKiDs ph. 027 627 5001



Above: Tiana R10, and left, Mele R9 both having a successful climb at 'The Edge' last Friday. (See more photos over page).

Mid-Year Reports

Expect your child to bring home their mid-year report tomorrow.

School Value

As we come to the end of the term, all our children should be able to comfortably answer the question, **Who Are You? / Who am I?** It is an important part of Sutton Park School culture that our children know who they are, their identity and can exhibit what makes them unique and can be proud of who s/he is. Do continue to support your children in knowing themselves.

Reminders

If you need to collect your child before 3pm, you will need to go to the office and fill out a blue leave slip. Teachers are not allowed to release a child until they see this blue slip.

If your child is late, expect a text to be sent advising you of this, unless you have made contact with the school to let us know a reason.

Please let the office know if you have changed your address or contact details.

Mobile phones: if your child brings a mobile phone to school it must be taken to the office during school hours for safekeeping and collected again at home time.

Awhina Group

This group continues with the main purpose of supporting our students and families with the resources at our disposal. Please email this group when you need any support. The email address is: awhimaiawhiatu@suttonpark.school.nz

Birthdays this week and next:

29 June: 'Alailupe R13

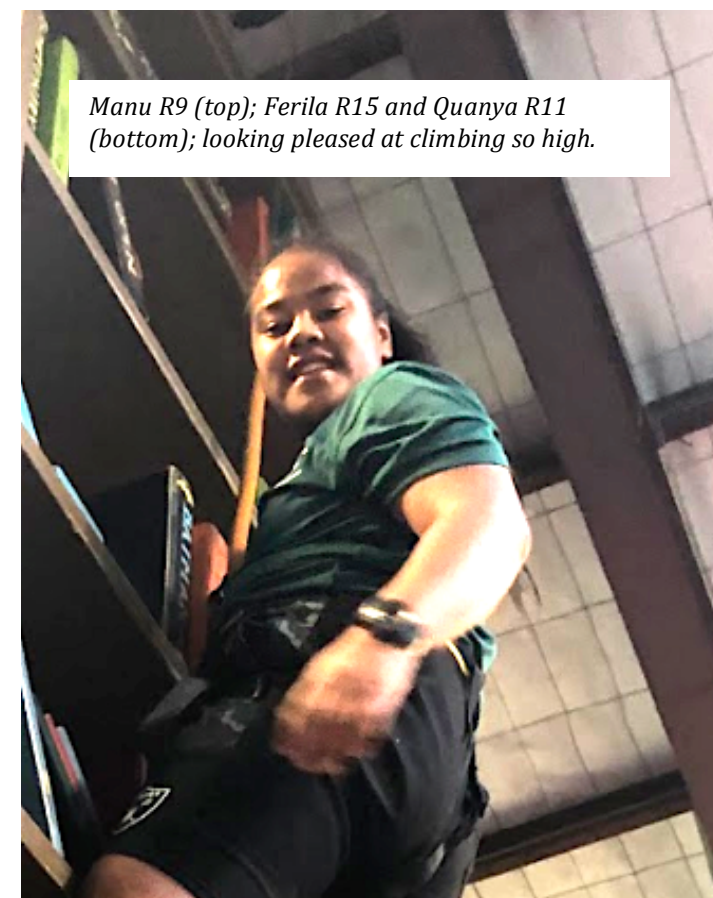
30 June: Sione R13B

01 July: Chantelle R12 and Kata R5

04 July: Nive R15

06 July: Aiden R24 and Sioi R5

07 July: Teuila R9A and Leah R20



Manu R9 (top); Ferila R15 and Quanya R11 (bottom); looking pleased at climbing so high.



What is Matariki?

Matariki is one of the most important Māori celebrations.

Matariki is a celebration of people, culture, language, spirituality and history. Matariki is the Māori New Year.



Matariki can be translated as:
Mata Riki – Tiny Eyes or Mata
Ariki – the Eyes of God.



Keeping Warm

It is getting very cold now and we want our children to be nice and warm when they come to school. Please ensure that they have a warm jacket and shoes, if not they can come to the office and we can give them a jacket and shoes. Please be aware that we are presently awaiting the arrival of shoes, and are unsure when the new ones will be delivered.

Lost Property

As we near the end of the term, please check the lost property chest for any items belonging to your children. This is located outside the office, near the staffroom. Also, it is a good idea to name your child's clothing, bag, etc.





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