

Sutton Park School Newsletter - 4 August 2021

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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.

Term 3, Week 2:

Kia orana katoatoa 'Ātuitui'ia au ki te Oneone o tōku 'Ui Tupuna, (Connect me to the soil of my ancestors).



This week is Cook Islands Language Week and we have an exciting programme about the Cook Island culture and will be sharing performances this Thursday at 9:30am in the hall. You all are most welcome to attend this assembly. It is important for our Cook Island students to know who they are and to be proud of who they are. Our classes will have some activities to further explore the Cook island culture through music, dance, the history and the language.

Ms Tuaopepe and myself are both in Rotorua for the **New Zealand Principals Conference**. We are taking in some new learning for our professional development to further support our teachers and students at Sutton Park School. It is good to see a lot of Maori and Pasifika from all around New Zealand attend the conference.

A reminder that our **Community Fono** is next Wednesday. On this evening, we will be celebrating the achievements of our children, and also have performances by our students. We hope to see you next Wednesday.

Parents hui and fono - We have our hui and fono for our Maori, Tongan and Samoan bilingual units and there will be some important messages about each of the units at these meetings. Please ensure that you make some time to be present at these meetings so you know what is happening or is going to happen throughout this term. Looking forward to seeing you all there.

Unpredictable weather - We have been having some unpredictable weather lately, so I kindly ask that safety is paramount when you are dropping your child/ren off to school. Please ensure that they are warm and comfortable when they are coming to school.

Our School Value for this term is Perseverance. Perseverance is persistence in doing something despite difficulty or delay in achieving success.

Faafetai tele lava

Alleman,

Mr Lemanu, Acting Principal



Above: Riana R21 and Felili-Wiki R16 enjoying Cook Islands Language Week **Term 3 Dates** to add to your diary or calendar. Please join us when you can.

This week:

Today :Sia Ua parent's meeting @ 4.30pm; Masina Va'aia

parent's meeting @ 5pm

Thurs. 5 Aug: MOSA Y5&6 Girls Soccer @ Walter Massey Park

: Finale of Cook Islands Language Week 9.30am

: Mainstream New Entrants Meet & Greet @

9.30am, in the staffroom.

: Rumaki Whanau hui @ 4.30pm

: Sports Camp Parents meeting @ 4pm in staffroom

Week 3 - Maths Week / Assessment week

Mon. 9 Aug: MOSA Y5&6 Rugby @ Aorere Park

: Science Roadshow Atea 12.30 @ Otahuhu Inter.

Tues. 10 Aug: Y7&8 Girls Netball,

MOSA Y5&6 Boys soccer @ Walter Massey Park

Wed. 11 Aug: Community Fono @ 5pm

Fri. 12 Aug: APPA Choir rehearsal 9.15am -12.30pm

Week 4: Assessment week

Tues. 17 Aug: Y7&8 Boys Netball

Thurs. 19 Aug: FAGASA National Samoan Speech Competition

(Held in Christchurch)

Fri. 20 Aug: FAGASA National Samoan Speech Competition

(Held in Christchurch)



Sports update: A very good effort was put in by our Year 7/8 students in their hockey tournament last week. The boys (above), came 2^{nd} and the girls (below), came 3^{rd} ! Thank you to our coaches who make it possible for our students to play and enjoy the game of hockey.





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COMMUNITY FUNDING

WEEKLY WORKSHOPS

Funding & grants are available to help with your community work An opportunity for groups & individuals to learn all about funding. We can even help your group with incorporation (if required)

FREET

DATE: Thursdays (starting 29/07/2021)

TIME: 5:00 - 6:00 pm

VENUE: Otahuhu Town Hall, 10 High St, Otahuhu

A Project Polynesia initiative.

For more information, contact Kennedy on mobile: 021 281 7800 or email: tonganrobinhood@gmail.com











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 already contacted the school office. 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

Our **SWiS** (Social Worker in School) is on site every Monday and Tuesday, if you would like to see her in regards to any support needed, please email her: rebecca@mefsc.org.nz

Birthdays this week:

04 Aug: Anuanu R7 08 Aug: Teresa R6 09 Aug: Vaiola R5

10 Aug: Rickyanne R13 and Jonathan R8

BIRTHDAY

Welcome to our new student:

Temanea R13B

We hope you enjoy being part of the Sutton Park School family.

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.

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

Parking - please <u>do not park on the yellow lines</u>, they are there for a reason and that is the safety of our children. We have had complaints from neighbours that cars are blocking their entrance ways so please find legal, safe street parking to avoid any obstructions to our neighbours.



Above: Students during their Cook Island Language Week programme.

