



Sutton Park School Newsletter – 16 Feb. 2022

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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.

Welcome to Term 1, Week 3

Concept: Journey/Folauga Values: Identity and Diversity

Leadership Camp

I would like to acknowledge the superb report received from our camp leaders and staff. I am most pleased that collectively, the camp staff believe our students were well mannered, co-operative and very respectful. The feedback from students was positive and they enjoyed the experience. Even though this is an annual event for our 'tuakana' it feels good to know how appreciative they are of the experience.



I would like to thank the parents for their co-operation. I would also like to acknowledge the leadership and organisation from Mrs Lakokiperitania and Mr Lemanu.

Dawn Blessing

This was held yesterday just before sunrise, and I would like to acknowledge the support from our staff and members of the Board of Trustees. Special thanks to our Head Girl and Deputy Head Girl on their first public event, they did us proud. Many thanks to our Rumaki whanau especially our tamariki.



L-R Caoilainn, Halatoo, Lilly and Eztarahmarie, all from the Rumaki Reo, and Fakaanga (far right), who was a student here previously, but came back specially to help with the dawn blessing. Nga mihi!

There was much movement at school as classes in Sia Ua had to relocate yesterday. Mrs Taufalele (R9) and Mrs Filipe (R8) are now in the two new classrooms, and the rest of Sia Ua had to move into new rooms.

Iosua Esera - Principal

2022 School Year

Please note these dates on your family calendar for 2022.

Term 1: Ends Wednesday 13 April

Y7&8 Boostrix/Gardasil9 Dose 1 Vaccine: Wed. 9 March

Term 2: Monday 2 May - Wednesday 6 July

Term 3: Monday 25 July - Thursday 29 September

Y8 Gardasil9 Dose 2: Wed. 14 Sept.

Term 4: Monday 17 October - Friday 16 December

2022 Public Holidays:

Easter Break: Friday 15 April – Monday 18 April

Queen's Birthday: Monday 6 June

Matariki: Friday 24 June

Labour Day: Monday 24 October

This Week (3)- Assessments

Tonight 16 Feb: Meet & Greet Online Zoom 5pm

Thur. 17 Feb: Talanoa Ako (Masina Va'aia) 4pm - online

Next Week (4)- Assessments

Wed. 23 Feb: Talanoa Ako (Masina Va'aia) 4pm - online

Thur. 24 Feb: Road Patrol Training for Y6 & Y8 monitors

Student Leaders

Congratulations to the Year 8 students who were selected as leaders for this year. I would also like to thank Mr Lemanu and the Team Leaders for their input. The leaders were finally approved by the senior management last Thursday before they were announced. Parents of students selected will be notified by letter. I would also like to congratulate the Year 7 students selected for the William Pike programme. This is a big part of growing leadership among our senior students.

We wish for all our students to be leaders. Therefore, those not selected will still have an opportunity to be a leader in other areas like sports teams, in the classroom, and as house captains. **Leading Together** is part of our school mission statement.

Covid Cases

Two of our students have tested positive and students in their classes are being tested and are self-isolating at home until they get a negative test result. We are working with the Ministry of Education in managing these cases. Parents of students involved have been informed. We continue to be vigilant with our processes and do the best we can to safeguard our students. Thanks for your support. Again, I urge you to vaccinate your children! See page 2 for a local vaccine drive- through event.

Access to the School

Be reminded that the school is open ONLY to students and staff. Those who wish to visit the school need to make an appointment by ringing or emailing the school office. Visitors need to be fully vaccinated and show their vaccine pass on arrival.

Students are to be dropped off at the gate in the morning, and parents are asked not to come on to the school grounds. Thank you for your on-going support.

Meet and Greet

I am looking forward to this event happening on-line this year. It is the first time for teachers and parents, so it will be a new experience for many of you. We expect senior students to help out at home. **Meet and Greet online via Zoom: tonight at 5.00pm**



TAMARIKI TIME

Mangere
Whaanau Fun Day
Tamariki (5-11 year olds)
Drive-through Vaccine Event

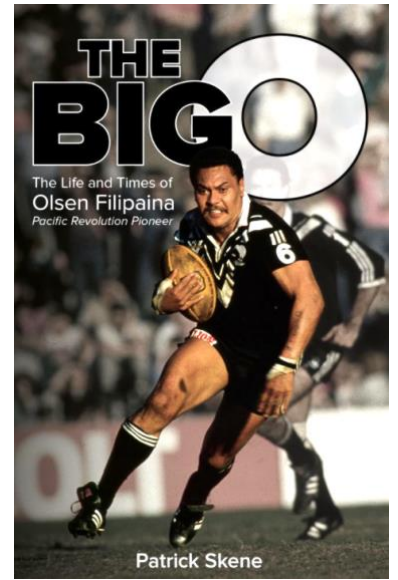
Kai trucks, giveaways and prizes!

Saturday 19th Feb, 9am-3pm
Mangere East Rugby League Club
10 Hain Avenue,
Mangere East, Auckland

Adult vaccine and boosters available

Condolences

Olsen Filipaina, or 'The Big O' as he is known in the rugby league community, was a former student of Sutton Park School. The Filipaina family is one of the first families at Blake Road and their original residence, that they still own, is just over the fence from the school. The goal posts at Sutton Park School, as mentioned in his autobiography, was where Olsen first practised kicking conversions. It was sad to hear of the passing of our well-known ex-student, who put Mangere on the world stage.



I would like to convey our very sincere condolences to the Filipaina aiga, and those who love him dearly. Thanks for the memory Big O, and may you find the sunniest spot in Puluotu.

Attendance

Congratulations to many of you who have had the commitment of sending your children to school. It was pleasing to see a much higher return of students. Special congratulations to the parents, teachers and students of these classes that have had the highest return so far this week:

Room 5 100% on Monday and Tuesday; R13A 100% on Monday

SKiDS

Parents who need to be at work early and are unable to pick up their children straight after school, are encouraged to use this service.

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