

Sutton Park School Newsletter - 23 Mar. 2022

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Nga mihi, malo e lelei, talofa lava, kia orana, bula, namaste, talofa ni, Fakalofa lahi atu, sabiadee, ola, bonjour, ni hao, welcome, konichi wa.

Welcome to Term 1, Week 8 Concept: Journey/Folauga Values: Identity and Diversity

Support for Schools in Tonga I would like to thank all those of you who were part of our aid package for Queen Salote College and Toloa College. These colleges hosted our students and staff when we were last in Tonga and it is great to reciprocate the

favour, care and the



hospitality we were shown. *E manatua pule a lē manatua fa'alaeō*. A Samoan saying to remind us of those who had shown us love in our walk-through life, and that doing good for others is often reciprocated in some way.

I was very proud of our students taking part in a project to show care for others. These opportunities are rare for New Zealand children and most often, we expect something in



return. Serving others is a big part of being at Sutton Park School and it was great to see our students witness such care in action.

Special thanks to Mr Pita Taufatofua Junior, the flag bearer for Tonga in the last Olympic games, for his generous sponsorship. Mr Pita Taufatofua is a Sydneysider and it's wonderful to see his ongoing service for his people. Thanks to Mr Sione Taufa for making the contact, and doing the paper work. Thanks to our Board of Trustees, staff, especially Mr Woods, and the Sia Ua team.

I would like to acknowledge Robertson Road School, Favona School, Rise Up Academy, Henderson Intermediate, Weymouth School, Manurewa South School and Al Madinah School for their generous donations. I would also like to acknowledge our students for the many letters they have written to students in these colleges, wishing them well while recovering from the volcanic eruption and tsunami.

Next stop: Ha'apai Primary Schools.

Attendance

It is safe for your child to be at school. So, I hope to see all our students who do not have covid or who are not a close contact, to be at school next week.

Fakaaue lahi, kia orana, fakafetai, vinaka vaka levu, ka rawe, malō, fa'afetai tele lava, falamalō lahi, and thanks for your anticipated support at home.



Iosua Esera - Principal

2022 School Year

Please note these dates on your family calendar for 2022.

Term 1: Ends Wednesday 13 April

Term 2: Monday 2 May - Wednesday 6 July

Y8 Gardasil9 Dose 1 & Boostrix – Monday 16th May (new date)

Dental van onsite Tuesday 7 June - Friday 8 July

Term 3: Monday 25 July - Thursday 29 September Term 4: Monday 17 October - Friday 16 December

Y8 Gardasil9 Dose 2 – Thursday 17th November (new date)

This Week (8)

Wed. 23 March: 3-Way Conversations 2.30pm-7pm Thur. 24 March: 3-Way Conversations 2.30pm-6pm

: School closing at 1.30pm

Next Week (9)

Tues. 29 March: BoT meeting 4.30pm

Wed. 30 March: Talanoa Ako (Masina Va'aia) 4pm - online

3 Way Conversations

This is the first opportunity for teachers, students, parents and caregivers to have a conversation about each child's learning. As lockdown and other issues have impacted on the children's learning, please use this opportunity to set some goals for your child for the rest of the year. Ideally, your child has input in to these goals.

These conversations are held today and tomorrow. The school closed today at 1:30pm and will again, tomorrow. All conversations will be on-line.

Speeches in Lea Fakatonga

Sia Ua has been invited to register some students to speak on the Tongan stage at the 2022 PolyFest. They will be speaking in the Year 9-13 competition, and I aim to have feedback from the organisers of where our students are in terms of the National Certificate of Educational Achievements for Tongan Language. NCEA is a certificate for secondary students issued on how well the students perform in different curriculum learning areas including Lea Fakatonga, Gagana Samoa and Te Reo Maori. Teaching, learning and assessments for this certificate start at Year 9.

The students speaking will leave from our school on Friday morning and I wish them the very best. All the speeches will be streamed live, and parents of students going will be given the link before the event.

Classroom Treaties

It is pleasing to see all of the classes have their treaties finalised. Most importantly, it is lovely to see their treaties in action. Teachers will continue to use classroom treaties as the basis for having conversation with our students. The treaties make clear the collective expectations on the language, actions, behaviour and learning expected in every classroom. All our classroom treaties reflect the culture we wish to sustain at Sutton Park School.

Values for the Term: Respect and Identity

Our students are asked to be mindful of:

- The language and tone they use in class and in the playground.
- ii. Introducing themselves, stating the unique aspects of who they are.



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Ma te rongoa araimate....

Ma te rongoa araimate ka whiwhi oranga koe. Ma te rongoa araimate ka kore e herea e koe. Ma te rongoa araimate ka ora koe. Tikina atu kia rua ngā rongoa araimate.

Tui Puipuia Mai le Koviti Tui ia Ōla Tui ia Sa'oloto Tui mo le Soifua Lāulelei Tui uma le tou aiga Huhu Malu'i mei he Vailasi Teletaa' Huhu malu'i keke mo'ui, Huhu malu'i keke tau'atāina, Huhu malu'i keke pau'ia, Ko ia ai, fakahoko fakatou'osi ho ongo huhu malu'i'. Vaccinate!
Vaccinate to Live
Vaccinate to be Free
Vaccinate for Wellbeing
Vaccinate the whole family

Learning From Home

Make sure the children are ready for their lessons. Be mindful that the charger is in safe keeping, and the chrome-books are charged. Years 5-8 students are encouraged to share the chrome-books, as well as help their younger siblings navigate the use of the chrome-books. Being the teacher to younger ones is encouraged at our school, and likewise our older students need to be willing to learn from younger ones as well.

Be advised that the use of Chromebooks can be monitored by the classroom teacher, and misuse of this opportunity to have the Chromebooks can lead to a disconnection. We trust our students to do what is right, and your monitoring and word of advice at home goes a long way to ensuring they are used correctly and safely.

We at **Southern Districts Hockey Club** (based in Papatoetoe) are after new club members, and would love to see as many children as possible participating in our upcoming hockey season.

Our muster is this week. Southern Districts Hockey Club is an amazing, inclusive and welcoming club!

No experience necessary. We look forward to seeing you all! See ad below:

JUNIOR HOCKEY FOR 5 - 13 YEAR OLDS. ALL PRACTICES AT PAPATOETOE.

ALL GAMES ON ARTIFICIAL TURF

"HAVE-A-GO" DATES • 2022

The Have-A-Go dates are for any kids who want to play this season to come and have an open play of hockey with some of the SDHC kids' coaches. They'll have a ball, and be able to register for the seasons at any of these sessions.

YEARS 3 - 8 YEAR

MONDAY 14TH MARCH - 5:50PM - 6:45PM
WEDNESDAY 16TH MARCH - 5:00PM - 6:15PM
SATURDAY 19TH MARCH - 9:00AM - 10:30AM
MONDAY 21ST MARCH - 5:30PM - 6:45PM
WEDNESDAY 25RD MARCH - 5:00PM - 6:15PM

SATURDAY 26TH MARCH . 9:00AM - 10:30AM

Kids can come to as all, some or just one of the sessions below – you choose! Season fees 2022; \$80.

YEARS 1 & 2

Our "Fun-Sticks" age group (Years 1 & 2), begin in Term 2.

To register your interest, please simply email Lucy at youtheadhc.co.nz

FOR MORE INFORMATION . LUCY RUSS . YOUTH@SDHC.CO.NZ

Library Art Competition (right): Children can create their own art depicting what Pasifika means to them. On the back of the art the children will need to write their name, their age, their school and contact phone number.

The children can either deliver their entry to one of the local libraries in the Māngere Ōtāhuhu Local Board or return their entry back to school to be scanned to the library.

- Name,
- Age,
- School.
- Contact phone number

Birthdays this week and next:

Today: Luisa R1 Tomorrow: Esther R3 Thursday: Quinella R12 and Maama R1

Friday: Nane R9 Sunday: Kiani R20

Monday: Moses R9 and Aquinas R17A





Pazifika Month Competitions at Mängere
Ötähuhu libraries

What does 'Pasifika' mean to you?

Youth category: 12 to 17 years old - Photography competition
Winning Prize: Apple iPad 8 case (valued at \$1.000.00)

Children's category: 5 to 11 years old - Art competition
Winning Prize: Tablet 8 case (valued at \$500.00)

TREs

Opens Fri 11 March 7pm - Closes Fri 15 April 7pm.

You must live in the Mangere-Otahuhu Local Board area. All short listed entries may be temporarily displayed at our Mangere or Toia Libraries. Judge's decision is final. Prizes can not be exchanged for cash.



