



Sutton Park School Newsletter – 04 May 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 2, Week 1

Concept: We Learn to Serve

Values: Perseverance and Excellence

Welcome Back

Welcome to the start of Term 2. It is lovely to see so many of our students back at school and all look ready and energised for more learning. I am sure many of you were looking forward to having the children back to school so that you are able to return to your normal routines. It is good to see many of our staff return as well.

Special welcome to our new students and their families.

Welcome to the teacher trainees from Auckland University. Mrs Malu Leota Fasavalu and Ms Vasa Toleafoa are both studying at Auckland University and they are in their second year of their Bachelor of Education degrees. Both were welcomed at a whakatau on Monday morning and they will be here for seven weeks, based in Masina Va'aia.



Above: Some scenes from the whakatau on Monday. Thanks to these students for their part in the proceedings: kaikaranga- Eztarahmarie, Caoilainn and Lilly; karakia- Te Kohu-i-Waihape; kaikorero- L'Amor and Matua Khan.

Prevention and Protection is Best

Our students are expected to wear masks inside, and masks are provided. I continue to ask that you inform the school office if any of your family tests positive for Covid 19, and follow Ministry of Health Guidelines. Again, the Board of Trustees and I encourage you to consider full vaccination for your children. As another variant is heading our way and while omicron and delta are still with us, we cannot take risks with our children's lives.

Our revised guidelines will be uploaded on to our school website when the Board of Trustee ratifies the changes. The status quo remains until then.

Please note these dates on your family calendar:

Term 2: Monday 2 May - Wednesday 6 July

Week 1:

Today 4 May: Masina Va'aia Parents' meeting @ 5pm

Week 2: Rotuman Language Week

Tuesday 10 May: Science Roadshow in hall

Friday 13 May: Finale of Rotuman Language Week

Week 3:

Monday 16 May: Y8 Gardasil9 Dose 1 & Boostrix Y7

Tuesday 17 May: MOSA netball @ David Lange Park

Thursday 19 May: SPS Samoan Speech competitions

Rotuman Language Week.

We are looking forward to celebrating Rotuman Language Week next week. This is the first of the Pacific languages we celebrate annually. There will be an official opening on Monday 9 May, daily learning activities, with the final assembly on Friday. It will be good to profile our students with Rotuman ancestry.



Condolences

Sincere condolences to Ms Renee Misiniu for the passing of a loved mother and grandmother. Mrs Tuaopepe and Ms Leolahi, with a few students, will represent our school at the funeral service on Friday. Please remember Renee and her children, Azahryus and Monei in your prayers.

Traffic Safety

Thanks so much to many of you for your consideration. Your considered approach allows for safe management of students to cross the pedestrian crossing safely. Our students' lives are precious and your part in keeping them safe is critical.

Fitness

As there are many interschool and week-end sports for our students, there will be plenty of fitness activities and events that require mobility in the next few weeks. Students have been informed of the fitness levels expected before they can be considered to participate in teams. The students taking part are expected to practice before any interschool sports event.

Masina Va'aia Parents' Meeting

This is held this evening at 5pm in the school hall. The meeting will be on how to enhance bilingual education, the maintenance of Samoan and the acquisition of English. It will also be to affirm the parents' 'Statement of Commitment' and how we can all work together to achieve our school goals. It will be an opportunity to gather parents' voice on other matters to improve our school.

Fakaau 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

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

Birthdays for this week and next:

Yesterday: Teio R12

Today: Litia R9A

Friday: Atelaite R8, Manu R11 and 'Akosita R6

Tuesday: EJ R8



Welcome to our new students:

We hope your learning journey at SPS leads to great things!

Conrad R3, Abigail R13A, Tony R11A, Amelia R4 and Emeline R4

William Pike Challenge Payments

If your child is involved in the William Pike Challenge this year, please contact the office to arrange payment. EFTPoS, online, or part-payment plans all available.

Leadership Camp Payments

If your Y7 or Y8 child went to camp earlier in the year, and you have not already paid the fee, please do so. Contact the office for info. regarding online payments, or to arrange part payments. EFTPoS is also available in the office.

Contact Details

Please inform the office of any changes to phone numbers and addresses.

Breakfast Club Restarting

This will reopen on Monday 9 May (next week) at the tech block. Children can get a free, nutritious breakfast of weetbix, fruit and toast between 8.15am -8.45am.



Before and After School Care

If you need to drop your children off early or you can't collect them at 3pm, you can enrol them with Skids.

Values for the Term: *Perseverance and Excellence*

Our students are asked to:

- i. find a way to solve a problem and never give up
- ii. be at her/his excellent best, always.

Parents, please have a conversation at home with your children about Perseverance and Excellence, what these qualities may look like in the home, school and community environments.

Thank you in anticipation of your support.

Awhina Group

The Awhina Group, is still in operation to help support our students and families when in need. Please make contact if you need any assistance: awhimaiawhiatu@suttonpark.school.nz

Staff Bonding Day

At the end of last term, most of the staff of Sutton Park got together to learn and play lawn bowls in Mangere Bridge. The weather was great, the bowling not so much!



Above Left to Right at back: Mrs Kaifa, Mr Khan and Mrs Lovatt.
Front: Ms Leolahi and Ms Taliu.



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