



Sutton Park School Newsletter – 25 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 4 **Concept: We Learn to Serve**
Values: Perseverance and Excellence

Samoan Speeches

I would like to acknowledge the leadership and organisation of Mrs Ne'emias and the staff of Masina Va'aia for a well organised event last week. Many thanks to the parents for their part in preparing the students who took part. Students who gain the top three placings will continue to practise their speech for the Auckland regional speech contest. The top two for each age level will definitely compete, and the third-place getters will be reserves. *See results below.* The Years 5-6 contest will be at Otahuhu Primary on Thursday 16 June and the Years 7-8 at our school on Friday 17 June.

	YEAR 5	YEAR 6	YEAR 7	YEAR 8
1ST	Neysha	Opeteia	Charisa	Melody
2ND	Jesmaine	Vanya-Lee	Salvania	Evalda
3RD	Eric		Petra	

Both contests will be on-line. The student's speeches will be pre-recorded and emailed to the organisers. Students and parents will be informed in advance of when they will be recorded.

Samoan Language Week

We are looking forward to celebrating Samoan Language Week next week. The programme will be:

Monday: Official opening. Samoan speeches for Years 1-4

Tuesday: Art and Craft. Fiafia practices.

Wednesday: Celebration of 60th Samoan independence and Traditional sports.

Thursday: Finale in the school hall.

All Samoan students are expected to take part in the planned programme for the week. Samoan students are to wear their traditional Samoan clothes everyday next week, when appropriate for the programme. Girls in Puletasi and boys in 'Ie Faitaga and Alo'a.

Parents are welcome to attend any of the events planned for the week. Fa'afetai lagolago.

School Closure

Be advised that the school will be closed next Friday 3 June and the following Monday 6 June (Queen's Birthday), which gives families an extra-long week-end. The Board of Trustees decided in favour of this. Enjoy the long weekend with your children and aim to have some quality family time.

Communication with the School

Do speak with your child's teacher if there are any issues you wish to discuss. Feel free to speak with Mrs Tuaepepe if your child is in Y1 to Y 4, and to Mr Lemanu if your child is in Y5 to Y8. You are most welcome to speak with me if you feel it's appropriate.

Fakaauae 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

Term 2: Monday 2 May - Wednesday 6 July

This Week-4:

Thurs. 26 May: Sia Ua Parents' meeting 4pm - Loki 9

Friday 27 May: Superhero Assembly 9.15am with Nanogirl Y1-Y4

Week 5: Samoan Language Week

Mon. 30 May: Samoan Language Week opening and Y1-Y4 Samoan Speeches

Tues. 31 May: MOSA Y5&Y6 League @ Norana Park
Y7&Y8 Boys' Soccer @ Barry Curtis Park

Thurs. 2 June: Finale of Samoan Language Week

Friday 3 June: School Closed

Week 6:

Mon. 6 June: Queen's Birthday - School closed

Tues. 7 June: Dental Clinic onsite at SPS

BOT Updates: please see page 2

Interschool Sports

I would like to acknowledge the good conduct and sporting attitude of students who took part in interschool sports last week. I conveyed this to our students and encourage others representing our school in the future to do the same. There was interschool soccer this week and next, and I am hopeful that the same feedback will be received. Our students are currently preparing for interschool rugby before the end of the term.

Training Volunteers needed

We would like some volunteer trainers to help with our boys and girls rugby league and rugby union teams (Y7&Y8). If you can help or would like some more information, please contact Mr Katafono: tkatafono@suttonpark.school.nz; or call him on 021 028 69152; or the school office 276 4560.

Atea Girls' Soccer Results

Yesterday the two teams went to compete at Barry Curtis Park under the supervision of Mrs Lakokiperitania and Ms Leolahi. We are super proud of our girls who played well and showed our P.R.I.D.E values: Y8 team: 3rd overall and Y7 team 3rd overall.



Above: Some of the Y7 Girls' Soccer Team

Travelwise Leaders

These student leaders are seen standing by the road with signs asking parents to park safely. I would like to acknowledge their commitment to their responsibilities and the impact of what they do to the overall safety of our students. Thank you also for your support.



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BOT Updates

i. Vacancies on the Board

The resignation of Mr Taniela Fangai 'uiha has left a vacancy on the board. As Mr Fangai'uiha was a co-opted member, the board wishes to fulfil this vacancy through co-option.

Mrs Lakokiperitania resigned her position as the staff trustee from the Board of Trustees. Staff elections will be held to find a new staff trustee.

I would like to thank both Mr Fangai'uiha and Mrs Lakokiperitania for their years of service to our school community. They both were very effective and contributed well to the work of the board.

ii. Election of Officers

The board is pleased to announce the election of Mrs Julia Belford as Chairperson and Mrs May Ngatuakana as Deputy Chairperson. The board wishes to thank Mrs Ofa Katoa for her service of the last six years as Chairperson. Her commitment to our school community is commendable. I am also grateful to Mrs Deepanjali Raj who was the Deputy Chairperson. Both Mrs Katoa and Mrs Raj will remain on the board.

iii. Financial Position

The board is pleased to be in a sound financial position despite the lockdown and extra finance being made available to support families in need through the Awhina Group. The board wishes to acknowledge the leadership from Mrs Tuaepepe and Mrs Tautaiolefua in supporting our students and families on behalf of the board.

iv. Orange Zone

The board, in its meeting last night, approved the current 'Orange Zone Guidelines' for our school. This will remain until it is reviewed. The board is mindful of the ongoing increase in the number of covid cases in the community. With the onset of winter this increase may continue. Do look after your families. The current ORANGE ZONE Guidelines document is on our school website.

Attendance

Congratulations to many of you and to our students for our continued high attendance. We aim to have full attendance for more days this term. Please let the teachers know of how we can support you to get your children attending school daily. This helps their learning and connection with their friends and teachers. The majority of our children appear to enjoy learning with others.

Pink Shirt Day

This was held last Friday with donations going towards Anti-Bullying. We raised a total of \$448.30.

Ka rawe tamariki!



Values for the Term: Perseverance and Excellence

Our students are asked to:

- be respectful of others,
- be at her/his excellent best, *always*
- never give up.

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

Birthdays for this week and next:

Tomorrow: Amitola R9A and Denzal R15

Friday: Kato R9 and Faka'ilo R6B

Saturday: Ameliah R24

Sunday: Penani R15, Noela R15 and Olivia R9

Monday: Benjamin R9A

Tuesday: Moroni R11, William R6 and Jonathan R17A



Welcome to our new students:

Emosi R11, Ezekiel R18 and Arabella-Faith R13A

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

William Pike Challenge & Leadership Camp Payments

If your child is involved in the William Pike Challenge this year, or went to camp earlier in the year, and you have not already paid the fees, please contact the office to arrange payment. EFTPoS, online, or part-payment plans all available.

Chromebook Payments

If you have received a letter about a broken Chromebook, payments can be made in cash, by EFTPoS, or via internet banking. Please ask at the office for our account details.

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