



# Sutton Park School Newsletter – 10 Aug. 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 3, Week 3**

**Concept: We Learn, We Value, We Appreciate**

**Values: Diversity & Respect**

**Cook Island Language Week**

What a week it was!

All the Cook Island children did themselves proud. Jireh R11A, Taivero R10 Terai R13 and Alania R11 did us all very proud of the leadership role they assumed throughout the week. I would like to acknowledge the planning, organisation and encouragement from Mrs Ma'ara Williams and Ms Benita Leolahi. They did a wonderful job. Meitaki ma'ata.



**National Samoan Speech Finals**

This was held in Christchurch last Friday. The standard for the primary and intermediate sections of this contest was exceptionally high. There were thirteen schools from across Aotearoa New Zealand that had students in the primary and intermediate sections. The content of all the speeches was of a very high standard and all the contestants spoke well. As a result, the differences between students were minimal and this was reflected in the scores students gained. We had contestants in the primary and intermediate divisions of the competition and I was most impressed with their delivery and confidence. The results were:

**Year 5:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Jesmaine

**Year 6:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Opetaiia

**Year 7:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Charisa  
3<sup>rd</sup>

**Year 8:** 1<sup>st</sup> Evalda  
4<sup>th</sup> Melody



Above L-R: Opetaiia, Evalda, Charisa, Jesmaine & Melody.

I would like to acknowledge the support and guidance from staff and parents. I would like to congratulate our students who took part for their persistence and courage. You made us all very proud.

**Thank you,** Counties Manukau Sport, for the donation last Friday of hockey sticks and balls!

**Iosua Esera – Principal**

**Term 3- Week 3**

Tonight 10 Aug: Community Hui **4pm** – online – *see link below*

Thurs. 11 Aug: Y5&6 girls' soccer @ Walter Massey Park

: Leaders in Training Session in hall 9.30-11am

Friday: 12 Aug: Syndicate Sports

**Week 4**

Mon. 15 Aug: Community Swimming for Moana and Y7

Tues. 16 Aug: Community Swimming for Aorangi

: Y5&6 boys' soccer @ Walter Massey Park

: Y7&8 boys' netball @ David Lange Park

Thurs. 18 Aug: Leaders in Training Session in hall 9.30-11am

Friday 19 Aug: All Black Experience trip for Atea Syndicate

**Community Meeting**

This will be on-line this evening at **4pm**, and I look forward to have a talanoa / korero with you. It will be an opportunity to have a conversation on matters that are critical to the success of our students. It will also be another opportunity to continue the conversation with your child's teacher, for those of you who were able to have a three-way conversation with your child and his/her teacher last week.

**Join Zoom Meeting**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81945849782?pwd=bHpWZVA0ZFJhcHpOU2FjWWZDVlhCZz09>

Meeting ID: 819 4584 9782

Passcode: 581270

**Welcome on Board**

I am pleased to confirm the members of our Board of Trustees who will be responsible for the stewardship and governance of our school for the next few years. There were seven parent or community positions available and we received ONLY seven nominations when the nominations closed. These nominated parents and community members are duly elected. Therefore, the Board of Trustees are:

**Parent Trustees:** Mrs Julia Belford, Mrs Ofa Katoa, Mrs Deepanjali Raj, Mrs May Ngatuakana, Ms Charlene Peters, Mr Ioelu Tautaiolefua and Mrs Talita Mafi Fitikefu.

**Staff Trustee:** Mrs Fiona Filipe

**Principal:** Mr Fa'atili Iosua Esera.

**School Grounds**

A reminder that parents and caregivers are to report to the office if collecting a child early and to wait at the gate after school. Please **do not** go to the classrooms.

**Enrolments for 2023**

**Year 8 students**

I would like to ask that parents start having conversations with their Year 8 children about colleges they would like to attend. As school zones are being closely guarded, parents with Year 8 children need to start the process of enrolling students for 2023.

**New Entrants**

If you have any pre-schoolers who are turning five and will be at school early 2023, please enrol them as soon as you can. If you have members of your family and community with a pre-schooler starting school before March 2023, please encourage them to enrol as soon as possible. For those who wish to enrol in Sia Ua, Masina Va'aia or the Rumaki, early pre-enrolment will guarantee a placing in these parts of the school.



## Birthdays for this week and next...

Today: Rickyanne R13  
 Saturday: Alianza R10 and Patrick R25  
 Antonio R20 and Alo'i R9  
 Sunday: Emmanuel R9 and Izrael R11  
 Monday: Azarayar R12, Ezra R14 and Vea R4  
 Tuesday: VJ R24 and Manisela R20



## Welcome to these new students...

Asaeli R4, Liston R18 and Lucas R13A  
 We hope your learning journey at SPS leads to great things!

## Covid Cases

Thank you for notifying the school when there is a positive case at home. Families with a positive covid19 case need to:

- i. self-isolate for seven (7) days.
- ii. children to return to school after day seven (7), subject to a negative test result.

As Covid19 continues to spread in our community, please be very cautious. Our community, especially our students, still need to be protected. I would like to again impress on you the benefit of vaccinating your children. Covid19 continue to claim lives including a thirteen-year-old early this week. Prevention is always best.

## Virus Alert

There are winter related viruses around. If your child has a cough, please keep him or her at home until the cough is subsided or best still, gone completely.

If you require some RAT kits, we have some available.

Images from the **Field of Dreams Community Swimming** classes:



Above Left: Pualagi R16;  
 Above Right: Chace R12;  
 Right: R3 (Y5&6) with R16 at Moana Nui a Kiwa Pools.



## 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](mailto:awhimaiawhiatu@suttonpark.school.nz)

## Free Dinners

Every Tuesday at the Metro Theatre, Massey Rd, Mangere East. Kai and music from 5.30pm. Dine in. All welcome.

## Girls Hockey



Above: Last Wednesday the Y7&Y8 Girls' Hockey Team went to the Kolmar Hockey Turf in Papatoetoe to compete. The girls placed 3<sup>rd</sup> out of the six schools competing. Well done!

## Join us to celebrate the opening of Ngā Hau Māngere

Explore the bridge on foot, wheels or come along with your fishing rod to spend an afternoon catching kai from the Manukau Harbour.

Event details  
 12 noon to 2pm  
 Saturday  
 27th August





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