



Sutton Park School Newsletter – 14 Mahuru 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 8 Values: Diversity & Respect
Concept: We Learn, We Value, We Appreciate**

Te Wiki o Te Reo Maori

Kei te mihi nui atu kia koutou nga mātua, Kaiako me nga tamariki Maori o te kura. This is a special week for all our students. Te reo Maori is the language for learning and an everyday language for our tamariki in the Rumaki. This week there is the opportunity for all students across the school to learn a bit of te reo. Students across the school are to learn:

- i. our school haka
- ii. their pepeha in te reo Maori
- iii. the Lord's Prayer in te reo
- iv. to introduce themselves in te reo

If you are able to help them out this week, please do.

The Passing of Queen Elizabeth II

Our whole school stood and observed a moment of silence last Friday in honour of Queen Elizabeth II. It was a great opportunity for our students to know and show appreciation of a life well lived. The Queen has shown leadership across the Commonwealth for so many decades, through many challenges, natural disasters and wars. We salute her and wish that she gets the sunniest spot in heaven. All of our school flags were flown at half-mast all week-end in honour of her passing.

Haere atu te Mareikura, haere atu ki to Tane, haere atu ki te papa-kainga o ou tupuna, haere atu ki te wharenuui o te Tama o te Wairua Tapu. No reira, tena koutou, tena koutou, tena koutou katoa. *la manuia lau malaga.*

Virus Prevention

We still insist on prevention:

- i. Our students and staff are to wear masks indoors
- ii. Visitors to the school will also be expected to wear masks
- iii. Staff and students twelve and over are to be fully vaccinated
- iv. Any student or staff member who tests positive to be at home until tested negative

The Board of Trustees and I rely on your level of care for the well-being of our students and staff and to respect the school's position. The wellbeing of our students is paramount.

Tongan Language Week

What a wonderful week that was. The success was due largely to the collaborative efforts of staff and parents, and I would like to acknowledge the planning and organisation from the staff of Sia Ua. I would also like to say fakamalō lahi atu to our parents for their support for our children. All of our children looked superb during the week.

Right: Tongan girls from R6, in their teunga tau'olunga.



Term 3- Week 8- Te Wiki o te Reo Maori

Today: Talanoa Ako @ 4.30pm

Thurs. 15 Sept: LIT school leaders session in hall 9.30am-11am
Y7&Y8 Tongan Interschool Speech Competition

Week 9

Mon. 19 Sept: Community Swimming for Moana and Y7

Tues. 20 Sept: Community Swimming for Aorangi;

: SPS community cleanup

: MOSA Y5&6 Boys' Rugby

Wed. 21 Sept: Talanoa Ako

: MOSA Y5&6 Girls' Rugby

Thurs. 22 Sept: LIT school leaders session in hall 9.30am-11am

Friday 23 Sept: Moana English Speech Competition – 9.30am in hall



APPA Speech Contests

i. English Speech Contest

Talita R7 represented Mangere in the Auckland regional English speech contest that was held at Manurewa Intermediate School on Wednesday 7 September. Talita has won the Years 5-6 section and was also the overall winner.

Cara Miah R11 who came first in the Years 7-8 section at the Mangere English speech contest, also represented Mangere at this contest held on Thursday night, 8 September. Cara Miah did herself and Sutton Park proud. She won this division.

Talita's and Cara Miah's achievements were spectacular considering the schools that participated. Many private schools and schools from affluent suburbs took part, and the winners from the primary divisions were both from Sutton Park.

ii. Years 5-6 Tongan Speech Contest

We hosted this contest last Thursday, and there were many schools that entered speakers for both year groups. We entered two students per year group and our students placings were:

Year 5: Timote R7 - 2nd and Talita R7 - 3rd

Year 6: Feingafono R7 -1st and Mele Letele R7 - 3rd

iii. Years 7-8 Tongan Speech Contest

We host this contest at school tomorrow 15 September starting at 9:30am. Parents are most welcome to come.

School Grounds

Please do not drive into the school grounds unless you have a mobility permit or are collecting an injured/sick child. The carparks directly in front of the office are for this use only. The rest are for staff use only.

Parking in front of Kohanga Reo

Please be considerate when parking by the school. Following inconsiderate parking on Friday, the Kohanga Reo will be putting up Tow-Away signs and will get any cars that park in their driveway towed away. It is not ok to park in front of our gate, the kohanga reo's gate, or on the yellow lines on either side of the road.

Iosua Esera – Principal

Right: Mele R9, Eva R8 and Aryyell R10



New Chrome books

Thanks to a grant from the Lion Foundation, R24 students all received chrome books to use at school. *Photo below: R24 with their new chrome*



Enrolments for 2023 - New Entrants

If you have any pre-schoolers who are turning five and will be at school early 2023, please enrol her or him as soon as you can. If you have members of your family and community with pre-schoolers 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.

Intermediates

There is **no vacancy** in both Sia Ua and Masina Va'aia for Years 7-8 this year. The intermediate roll in both the Tongan and Samoa bilingual units is full. There is only space in Years 1-6.

Values for the Term: *Respect and Diversity*

These are our school wide focus for the rest of the term. These are important for our children to internalise and follow. The specific goals for this week are:

- i. *I will use kind words.*
- ii. *I will use my little voice.*
- iii. *I will listen with my heart.*

Do have a conversation with your children at home what these can look like at home and in the community. Fakauhe lahi, kia orana, fakafetai, vinaka vaka levu, ka rawe, malō, fa'afetai tele lava, falamalā lahi, thank you in anticipation of your support at home.

*Right: Tongan students enjoying kai together in the hall, during Tongan Language Week.
Far Right: students performing Tongan dance, out in the sunshine last Friday, with the flags half-mast, in the background.*



Birthdays for this week and next...

Tomorrow: Litia R24, Mele R17A and Zacchaeus R17A

Friday: Nathan R16 and Henry M. R17A

Saturday: Tau R9, Shanita R13, Steven R5, Curtis-Lloyd R20 and Deborah R12

Sunday: Maria R8 and Paula R6B

Tuesday: Petelo R5 and Carlos R24

Welcome to these new students...

Sanipepa R6B, Heloini R7, Suifua R4 and Maria R15

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



William Pike to Tongariro National Park – Student reflection

We made a quick stop at Pirongia on our way to the Tongariro National Park. After we were allocated our cabins upon arrival at the campsite, we went to hire some boots and goggles before heading up the mountain for some snowman experience. After our first meeting, we then started our adventure. We were full of excitement and we had two kind men as our guide. They were Ed and Dave. We drove up this winding road up to the mountain to the parking lot. It was snowing when we arrived. Before I finish, I would like to thank Ed & Dave for taking us on this beautiful Adventure. I would also like to thank Mr Lemanu for organising this and Mr Esera for letting us go. I would also like to thank the Board of Trustees for funding our William Pike adventures. -Amelia R10

Pub Charity
Limited



A big thank you to Pub Charity for their generous grant, making it possible for the William Pike Students to have their trip to Mt Ruapehu.

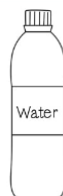
Talanoa Ako

There was another wonderful turn-out of Samoan and Tongan parents for the Talanoa Ako last Wednesday. Looking forward to another successful session tonight. There will be child care provided.

Class Affirmation

Congratulations to these classes selected to have special treats this Friday afternoon: R14, R17A, R21 and R10.

Sugarless School



Our aim is to avoid obesity and associated health conditions for our children. Please ensure your child does not bring sweets, chewing gum, fizzy or sugary drinks to school. We are a plain milk and water only school. Any drinks/sweets that are brought to school will be disposed of.





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