

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 4, Week 2 Values: Excellence & Perseverance
Concept: Celebrate Good Times**

Happy Diwali

We are celebrating Diwali all week. The children are learning different aspects of Diwali this week, with the final sharing at assembly this Friday. Indian students are encouraged to wear their traditional clothes to school all week. If you are able to join us at the final assembly on Friday at 9.30am, please do.



Above: Manha R25, Shyna R20, Rayna R20 and Jemimah R20

Niuean Language Week



Front row: Peyton R24, Paris R24
Taylor R24 and Nicole R25
Back Row: Edyna R21 and Lianna R12

Our Niuean students as well as their friends did themselves proud with their commitment to the celebration of Niuean Language Week. They stayed true to their commitment all week and their performance at the final assembly was something that we were proud of. I would like to acknowledge the leadership and delivery of the programme planned, from Ms Renee Misiniu and Ms Benita Leolahi.

Years 5-8 Auckland Samoan Speech Contest

This is the final speech contest for the year. This will be at Mangere East School next Thursday 3 November starting at 9:00am. We have entered two students per year level for this contest. I wish all those students competing the very best.

Year 8 students – enrolment at high school 2023

Do make sure your child is enrolled for 2023. If you need support in enrolling your child in the high school of your choice, please contact Mr Lemanu for support. Also, you are welcome to contact me.

Visitors from Hastings

This morning we had a powhiri for a group of nine guests. The visitors included teachers and Ministry of Education reps., all the way from Te Kura o Kimi Ora, Hastings. They came to see how we as a school work with our Maori and Pasifika students, with a focus on our bilingual programmes. Nga mihi to the various speakers who welcomed the guests.

Term 4 Dates (see next page for 2023 Term dates)

It is looking a very busy term and here are the dates for approved events at the school. Please note these dates on your family calendar so that you are able to be a part of these events.

Week 2

Wed. 26 Oct: Talanoa Ako @ 4.30pm

Thur. 27 Oct: Y7&8 Boys' Volleyball; Aorangi Science Show 10am

Friday 28 Oct: Diwali Day Celebration 9.30am in the hall

Week 3

Wed. 2 Nov: Talanoa Ako @ 4.30pm

Thur. 3 Nov: Y5-8 Auckland Samoan Speech Competition

Sia Ua parent fono 4.30pm in R7

Talanoa Ako

This is a get together and learning together that those in the programme look forward to. The teachers also find this interaction very useful. Do continue to invite others to be part of this 'talanoa' as there is always something to share and learn. We look forward to sharing with many of you tonight. The talanoa starts at 4:00pm with a little get together and a small meal together.

Virus Prevention

We will ease our approach, but continue to focus on prevention of infection for our students and therefore:

- i. Our students and staff are to wear masks indoors
- ii. Visitors to the school will also be expected to wear masks
- iii. Any student or staff who test positive are to be at home until tested negative

Please encourage your children to wear masks to and from school. This protects everyone in the family from any possible infection. If you require any RATs kits, we have some available.

Value for the Term: Excellence

Excellence is one of our school values for this final term. It is important that our children internalise aspects of Excellence as a value. As we plan to for the end of the year, there are a lot of things that will challenge and push our students, and they need to be the best they can be. The specific goal for the start of this term is:

- i. *I will be the best that I can be, always.*

Do have a conversation with your children at home as to what this can look like both at home and in the community. Thank you in anticipation of your support.

Found

A child's watch was handed in to the office last week. If you think it is yours, please see Kathleen or Wendy.

Duffy \$5 Summer Reading Offer

If you want to take advantage of this please fill out the form and return to the office with your cash payment of \$5 per book ordered. All forms and cash payments need to be returned by **Friday 11th November.**




Iosua Esera – Principal

Left: Mr Esera in his Diwali clothes during Monday's assembly. Right: Quinella and Monei R12 in their Niuean costumes last week.





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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.

2023 School Year

These are our Term dates for next year for your information. Changes will only be through extreme circumstances.

Term 1: Start Date: Tuesday 31 January

End Date: Wednesday 5 April

Waitangi Day- Monday 6 February

Good Friday- 7 April, Easter Monday 10 April

Term 2: Start Date: Monday 24 April

End Date: Friday 30 June

ANZAC Day- Tuesday 25 April

King's Birthday- Monday 5 June

Term 3: Start Date: Monday 17 July

End Date: Friday 22 September

Matariki -Friday 14 July

Term 4: Start Date: Monday 9 October

End Date: Friday 15 December

Labour Day- Monday 23 October

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

Saturday: Cassandra R14 and Manha R25

Sunday: Shyna R20 and Mouena-Grace R13B

Monday: Devontae R11A and Moala R5

Tuesday: Asitamani R9, Izzabella R6B, Christina R20 and Michael R17



Welcome to these new students:

Aloisa R5 and Marangi R24

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

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.



Do you **LOVE** working with kids?

If YES, please send your CV and Cover Letter to gemiezkidsincare@gmail.com or send us a direct message!



Reminder

If your child is absent for any reason please let the office know. For 3 or more days sickness/injury a medical certificate will be required.

You can email, phone or use the school website to notify us.

If you have changed your phone number, please update us with your correct contact details.

Photolife

If you had an individual or sibling photo taken last term, you will have been emailed your child's unique Key Code to go online to view and purchase 2022 School Photos. Keep an eye on your trash / spam folder.

The class photos are still being processed and you will be notified when these are ready for viewing/purchasing.

Parent Queries – Please contact: enquiries@photolife.co.nz

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