

# Sutton Park School Newsletter – 16 Nov. 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 4, Week 5 Values: Excellence & Perseverance Concept: *Celebrate Good Times* 

#### Warm greetings to you all.

This week has been a very busy week for our school. We had the launch of the Gagana Samoa Minecraft Cards yesterday. The visitors from Microsoft NZ and Ministry of Pacific Peoples worked with our Year 7 and 8 Masina Va'aia students. This was a great opportunity for our students to explore the characters in Minecraft and create and design a Pacific character themselves.

Nga mihi nui to our senior school who took part in welcoming our visitors yesterday, the speakers did a wonderful job and the singing was great. Well done to everyone.



Above: Lilly, R3, leading Diana and the visitors at the powhiri yesterday.

# Assessments

We are nearing the end of our assessment week. I want to thank all students who have taken part in assessments these last two weeks. Teachers will now be able to write their end of year reports and share with you the shifts your child has made in his/her class this year. Thank you to parents for bringing your child/ren to school daily for assessments.

# Talanoa Ako Graduation 2022

We will be holding 2 graduation events: this evening - Tongan graduation and tomorrow evening – Samoan graduation. Congratulations to all those parents who attended the 10 sessions of the Talanoa Ako. No doubt you and your family will enjoy the graduation evenings. Listen out for any notices for our next Talanoa Ako session in 2023. This programme is proudly sponsored by the Ministry of Education.

# Uniforms

It is coming to the end of the school year but we need to keep up with wearing correct school uniform and continue to take pride in our uniform. If you need help with uniform, come and see the office ladies.

# Syndicate fun days

As you all know, the syndicate fun days are coming up. Please ensure that you sign the permission slip given by your child/ren and make the payments. These fun days are to acknowledge the work children have done this year.

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**Togi Lemanu – Deputy Principal** 

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#### Upcoming events to add to your diary or calendar: Week 5- Assessment Week

Wed. 16 Nov: Talanoa Ako Graduation for Tongan Attendees Thurs. 17 Nov: HPVaccine (2nd dose for Year 8)

Talanoa Ako Graduation for Samoan Attendees Friday 18 Nov: William Pike Challenge -final activity – Kayaking Last day to return Duffy Summer Reading orders

# Week 6

Wed. 23 Nov: Rainbows End Trip for school monitors/leaders Friday 25 Nov: Moana Syndicate trip to Otahuhu Pools : Beatz of Mangere Festival @ Mangere Central School

# Week 7

Tues. 29 Nov: Counties Manukau Sports Y5-Y8 Wed. 30 Nov: Counties Manukau Sports Y5-Y8 Thurs. 1 Dec: Counties Manukau Sports Y5-Y8

#### Beatz of Mangere 2022

Please come and support our students performing at the Beatz of Mangere cultural festival next Friday 25 November, at Mangere Central School. We will have a marquee there for our school, so you can come on over and sit and enjoy with us and watch the performances. There will be food stalls there for a yummy Pacific lunch. Our groups that will be performing are as follows: Maori Rumaki, Sia Ua Year 7/8 boys and girls, Masina Va'aia Year 7/8 boys and girls, The Niue group, SPS choir and our very own quartet band. This festival is free of charge, so come along and enjoy your day with us.

#### Hats

Please ensure that your child/ren come to school with a hat to cover their heads when in the sun during morning tea and lunch breaks, or when doing outside education. Our school provides sunscreen for the children and teachers will make this available to help protect them from the sun.

# Year 8 students – enrolment at high school 2023

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. Please advise us of the high school your Y8 child will be attending next year.

#### 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 now need to be returned by <u>9am</u> on <u>Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November</u>.



#### **Attendance Awards**

Congratulations to these classes for winning the top attendance awards for their year levels last week. Whenua (Years 1-2): R13B & R18 (85%) Moana (Years 3-4): R24 (87%) Aorangi (Years 5-6): R16 (88%) Atea (Years 7-8): R10 (93%)



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Ngā Hau Māngere Temporary bridge closure



#### Permanent anti-slip deck surfacing

We didn't get good weather while working in winter, so we need to come back now to apply the permanent deck coating. The bridge will close temporarily so we can get this work done.

Bridge closed from: 10am Monday 28 November to 7pm on Friday 9 December (weather dependent)

We'll be working as quickly as we can. If we get the work done sooner, we will open the bridge before this date.

During this time, you will be able to cross the Manukau Harbour via the SH20 underpass and security guards will be on duty.

For more information, contact email **omb@nzta.govt.nz** phone **0508 623 266** 

#### **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 preenrolment 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.

#### 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.



<sup>9am - 3pm</sup> 4/29 Wickman Way, Mangere East

New Enrolments Welcome Oyrs-5yrs

Come & meet our staff and walk through our Centre. We will also be having a <u>Bake Sale & Sausage Sizzle</u>

#### 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: <u>awhimaiawhiatu@suttonpark.school.nz</u>

# Birthdays for this week and next

Today: Vaiola R9A Thursday: Taivero R10 and Praise R18 Friday: Ofa R8 and Tevita R7 Saturday: Jaspreet R7 and Elijah R17A Sunday: Nicole-Bella R25 Monday: Leilani R18, Ignacio R6B and Marangi R24 Tuesday: Melody R15



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.



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



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