

Sutton Park School Newsletter - 2 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 3 Values: Excellence & Perseverance

Concept: Celebrate Good Times

Speech at the Auckland Primary Principals Association End of Year Function

Our two students, who won the English speech contest, were invited to speak in front of the Auckland Primary School Principals Association, at its end of year function. Cara Miah R11 is unable to attend but Talita R7 will represent our school. It is a rarity to be asked and I believe this is the first time for Sutton Park School. Congratulations to these two students, their parents and teachers for their collective effort and support.

Years 5-8 Auckland Samoan Speech Contest

Seven of our students are speaking at this contest tomorrow. This is for Year 5 to Year 8 students and it will be at Mangere East School starting at 9:30am. The contest will be in Year Levels. I wish all our students 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. Please advise us of the high school/college your Y8 child will be attending next year.

Congratulations to Zaccheaus

Our school collectively voiced its congratulations to Zaccheaus R17A, as he won the 'Strength and Conditioning' Award at the Disability Sports Auckland Awards for 2022.

It is well deserved as he shows courage and commitment daily at school. We are very proud of him.



Zacchaeus R17A, (centre), with his two younger sisters and the Olympians Lisa Adams (left) and Valerie Adams (right).

Traffic Safety

Thank you for your consideration at the front of our school. Our children's lives are precious so we thank you for your patience.



Iosua Esera – Principal

Upcoming events to add to your diary or calendar:

Week 3

Wed. 2 Nov: Talanoa Ako @ 4.30pm

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

East School starting 9.30am Sia Ua parent fono 4.30pm in R7

Week 4 - Assessment Week

Tues. 8 Nov: Y7 & 8 Mixed touch

2023 Years 7/8 parents' zoom meeting @ 6pm Wed. 9 Nov: Whale Rider Show for Atea @ Mangere Arts Centre

Final Talanoa Ako @ 4.30pm

Talanoa Ako

Today is the second to last session for parents who have turned up for these sessions. These no doubt have helped parents support their children's learning throughout their schooling. The graduation for these parents will be on Wednesday 16 November (for Tongan parents) and Thursday 17 November (for Samoan parents).

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 two goals starting this week are:

- i. I will be the best that I can be, always.
- ii. I will encourage others to be their best.

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 (which was distributed with last week's newsletter) 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.

Interschool Sports

Again our students showed character and exhibited the values of our school. Despite coming sixth in the Y7&8 boys volleyball tournament, the students' sportsmanship did us proud. Thanks to Mr Katafono who was in charge of organising this interschool event.



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Diwali at Sutton Park School





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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

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.

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

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.

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

Todav: Edvna R21

Friday: Nate R13, Damien R15, Ainsley R11 and

Ngatuaine R10

Saturday: Caroline R8, Sina R17A and Jacob R6B

Sunday: Micah R 14 and Ema R1

Monday: Esther-Ann R14 and Carleine R25





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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