



SUTTON PARK SCHOOL
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Nga mihi, malo e lelei, talofa lava, kia orana, bula, namaste, taloha ni, Fakalofa lahi atu, sabiadee, ola, bonjour, ni hao, welcome, konichi wa.

Delayed Start to 2023 School Year

My apologies for any inconvenience caused to many of you with the late notification of this delay. Our staff were all prepared to start yesterday, after two days of further collaboration and planning last Thursday and Friday. However we need to make sure our students are safe and well prepared for school. I am also not privileged to any damages parents may have endured because of the heavy rain we had.

Start of Year Powhiri

This will be on Tuesday 7 February at 9:15am for all our new students and their families. It will also be an opportunity to welcome back our students and staff. We have to be grateful to be back together again.

Enrolment for 2023

The office will open tomorrow from 8:00am to 3:00pm for enrolments. If you know of any family or members of your family who wish to enrol their children at Sutton Park School, please let them know. Students who start before the end of March this year need to be enrolled as soon as possible. Be advised that both Sia Ua and Masina Va'aia have limited numbers, and vacancies in these bilingual units are finite. First come first in-line.

Community Fono

When: Wednesday 8 February

Venue: School hall

Time: 5:00pm.

Purpose: On-line learning. Care and monitoring of devices at home.

Only students with parents at this fono, will be issued devices for learning on-line, and after signing the contract. There is also a grocery voucher draw at the end of the community fono.

Farewell for Mrs Simaima Finau

Mrs Finau has been the backbone of Sia Ua and Sutton Park School for many years. Her part in growing Sia Ua to be a sought after learning environment for Tongan students, is and will continue to be appreciated. I accepted her resignation from her position at Sutton Park School last year, but we could not fit in a farewell, worthy of her service to Sia Ua and Sutton Park School. This will now be on Friday 10 February at 10:00am. If you are able to join us, please do.

Condolences

It is with sadness that I inform you of the passing of Mrs Meripa Leilua, a dedicated mother to Eric and a supportive parent of Masina Va'aia and Sutton Park School. Our school will acknowledge her passing in the best way possible. There is a 'Family Service' for Meripa at Tatupu Funeral Parlour next Tuesday 7 February.

Awhina Group

Do contact this group if you need any support at the start of the school year or as a result of heavy rain and flooding we are experiencing. Please support this group in case you are asked for any support, and you are able to help. Thanks in anticipation of your support. Any requests will be on our school Website and Facebook.

Attendance

I would like to impress on each of you the need for your child to be at school daily. Our students love learning with each other and we are here to help out the best we can. As a generation better school, the best way forward for almost all of our students is through a better education. Please support your child to be at school daily.

Fakauhe lahi, kia orana, fakafetai, vinaka vaka levu, ka rawe, malō, fa'afetai tele lava, falamalō lahi, and thanks for your anticipated support at home.