



Sutton Park School Newsletter – 19 July 2023

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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, আবে

Welcome to Term 3, Week 1

Concept: Citizenship (Law, Knowing your rights/place, Rights and Responsibilities, Digital Citizenship)

Values: Respect and Excellence

Welcome Back

It was wonderful seeing our children return in high spirits ready to start their learning. The school, despite the congestion caused by our rebuild, looks ready for our Term 3 programme. Many thanks to Mr Woods and Mr Tau for the work they do to make sure our school is ready for the term. Special welcome to our new students and their whanau.

Staff Learning

Our whole team had a wonderful day on the last day of Term 2 at Mataatua Marae, close to the Mangere shopping centre. (see photo below). The feedback from staff suggests it was a wonderful experience for all. The knowledge gained will help inform our school programme and practices. It has been a great forerunner to the planned learning tour of Hokianga and Waitangi at the end of this term.



Pukepuke Fonua Conference

Six of our teachers also attended a conference in Tonga, not only to present, but to network with other educators on how to further enhance learning for our Tongan students, and to maintain Lea Fakatonga among our Tongan students. It was a very positive experience for our teachers who attended. It will continue to strengthen our position as the New Zealand authority on providing effective learning approaches for our Tongan students, and approaches to retain Lea Fakatonga.

Best Attendance

For each syndicate, the two classes with the highest attendance during the week, will have a movie afternoon on the Friday. The movie selected will be strictly vetted. Healthy nibbles and water will also be provided.

Mr Iosua Esera, Principal



Above: R11 students as book characters

Term 3 - Monday 17 July – Thursday 21 September

We have a busy term ahead and here are some of the confirmed dates. Please put these on your family calendar for your information. You are most welcome to join any of the school events.

Week 1

Friday 21 July: Matariki Celebrations



Week 2

Monday 24 July: Swimming lessons (Y3-Y6); Fire Wise for Whenua

Wed. 26 July: Bilingual Framework Launch

: Swimming lessons (Y3-Y6)

: Beat of Mangere 3.30pm at Mountain View School

Thurs. 27 July: Masina Va'aia Parents' Fono 5pm

Friday 28 July: Matariki observatory – R3 1pm-2pm

: Lacrosse & Ki o Rahi training for Year 7/8

Week 3

Monday 31 July: Fire Wise for Whenua

Tuesday 1 August: Y7&8 Girls' Netball

Wed. 2 August: Community Fono 5pm

Friday 4 August: Sports Camp Training at Walter Massey Park

Launch of The Bilingual Framework

Our students will host many principals, Ministry of Education and Education Review Office staff at our school next Wednesday. It will be the official launch of the Bilingual Framework that will be used to assess and review bilingual units in New Zealand. Our children will play a prominent role in the launch from start to finish. It will involve the Years 7 and 8 of the Sia Ua, Masina Va'aia and the whole of the Rumaki. The programme will be:

Powhiri: Rumaki

Welcome in other languages: School Leaders

Ava Tonga: Sia Ua

Performances: Sia Ua and Masina Va'aia

Speeches: Guests

Lunch

Acknowledgements: Mr Lemanu

Final Prayer: Masina Va'aia

School Haka: All the students in the hall

If your child is involved, you are most welcome to come.



Above: Students in R11A dressed up as book characters on the last day of Term 2.



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Support for Students and Families

Please contact our Awhina Team if you or your children need any support to attend school. The contact email for this group is: awhimaiawhiatu@suttonpark.school.nz

Goals for the Week

Our school value for the term is RESPECT / WAHAKARO / FAKA'APA'APA / FA'AALOALO. This is as important as all the other values of the school. Please talk with your children to help them understand this at your home. Teachers are committed to continue this in class. The specific goals the children are to know and practise are.....

- i. I will use my little voice.
- ii. I will use polite words.
- iii. I will use my kind tone.

Thank you in anticipation of your support.

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

Speech Contests

Our students are preparing for the speech contests this term. We have our own contests to select students to compete in the regional and national speech contests. We have seven students preparing for the National Samoan speech contest in Christchurch. We have the reo Maori, English and the Tongan speech contests coming up soon. Please support your child by helping him or her as much as possible. The dates for these contests are:

- i. Te Manu Korero – 24 Aug
- ii. Atea speech contest– 15 Aug 9.30am
- iii. Y5-Y8 Lea Fakatonga – 17 Aug
- iv. National Samoan speech contest – 10 Aug

Be in to win a family pass to Roald Dahl's *The Twits!*

We have been running our Annual Audience Survey for many years. Your feedback is very important to us because it's an opportunity for us to get to know you and understand what you value and what's important, so we can continue to deliver live theatre and youth theatre programmes that suit your children and your family. It also gives us the chance to see if you would like to be part of our artistic journey.

Plus if you complete the survey by **8 August, 5pm**, you will go into the draw to win a family pass to Roald Dahl's *The Twits!*

[Complete Survey](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PXSXV9V)

Or go to: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PXSXV9V>

Reminders

If you have changed your email address or phone number, please inform the office.

Birthdays for this week and next!

Today: Aroha R13A

Thursday: Anushka R10, Leopoli R20 and Uili R11A

Friday: Tyson R20 and Joanna R3

Saturday: Lesieli R8, Silakivai R9, Hopoate R6B and Mercy R13A

Sunday: David R10 and Liston R18

Tuesday: Petra R15 and Areanna R16

Welcome to our new students:

Kaysen R24, Lesieli R4, Katya R18 and Mele Faiva R4

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



After and Before School Care

Please be informed that the school cannot guarantee your child's safety before 8am and after 3.10pm. You need to make sure your child is safely supervised outside school hours, both in the morning and after school. **There are a few students still waiting here after 4pm in the afternoon, unsupervised.**

SKiDs provide safe child care in the mornings and after school. If you need your child to be cared for outside school hours, please contact 0800 543 922. Your child's safety is our priority



Adventures: Before / After School & School Holidays

Come and join us for fun adventures that will help your child discover who they are and uncover their interests, talents, and individuality.

We offer the WINZ OSCAR subsidy to eligible families. To find out more on how you can save on childcare, visit www.skids.co.nz/OSCAR

SKiDs is proud to support the Robertson Road School Community, a portion of our revenue goes back to the school community.

SKiDs Sutton Park

Onsite Hours

Before School 7:30 – 8:30pm
After School 3:00 – 6:00pm
Holiday Programme 8:00 – 6:00pm

Customer Service

027 627 5001
0800 543 922

To book or find out more, visit: skids.co.nz

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Today!**

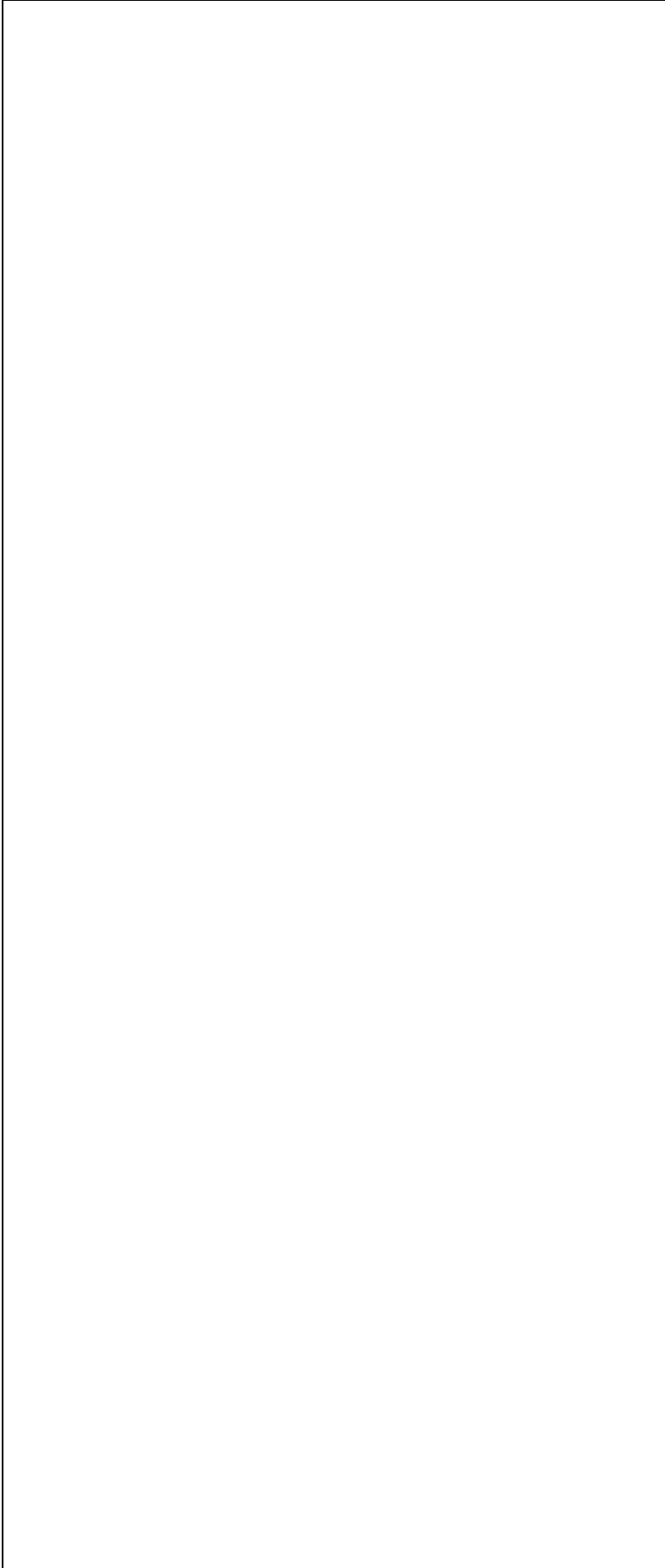
Children away for 3 or more days due to sickness or injury need a medical certificate. Please inform the office by 10am, if your child is absent for any reason. You can use the online form on the school website, or use the contact details on the letterhead above.



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