



Sutton Park School Newsletter – 20 Sept. 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 10

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

Values: Respect and Excellence

Congratulations

It was a proud moment for our school to applaud the achievements of Mr Lemanu and Mrs Taufalele. Both have been learning at the University of Auckland towards their Master's degree. Last Monday was their graduation and we are enormously proud of both of them. They have set the challenge for our other staff to continue to learn. It is also a great example to our students that learning is a lifelong endeavour and learning is a daily occurrence for those who seek it.

School Board Update

i. Principal's Appointment

The school board engaged a consultancy firm to help out in making the appointment of the new principal. The board went through a thorough process and met all the legal requirements in making school appointments for school principals. The board was also very clear in the criteria it considered critical for the new principal.

Of all the applicants, four were shortlisted to be interviewed. The interviews were held last Saturday and took the whole day. All four interviewees did well and the board was pleased with the qualities of those interviewed.

The school board was unanimous in appointing Mr Vaitimu Togi Lemanu to be the next principal of Sutton Park School.

ii. Staff appointment

The board in its meeting on Monday ratifies the appointment of Mrs Kaloni Tohi to the permanent position advertised. Mrs Tohi has been teaching at the school as a reliever and the principal is pleased to appoint Mrs Tohi.

Years 7 and 8 APPA Lea Fakatonga Speech Contest

One of our students in the Years 7 and 8 division did well in this contest and she was not mentioned. My apologies to Ana R8 who came a credible fourth with only a student from another school that disrupted a Sutton Park School trifecta.

Whakamihini nui atu, Fakamalo lahi, Fakaue lahi, Vinaka vaka levu, Fa'afetai tele.

Thank you so much for your support throughout the term. Many of our programmes would not have been successful if it was not for your generosity with your time and resources. Thank you for always being willing to support us and do have a wonderful break with your children starting this Friday.

Mr Iosua Esera, Principal

This week

Thurs. 21 Sept: Last day of term for students

Friday 22 Sept: SPS Staff Haerenga

During Holidays

Sat 30 Sept: Working bee to fill container for Tonga

Term 4 Dates Monday 9 October- Friday 15 December

Please put these dates on your family calendar for next term.

Week 1 – Fijian Language Week

Mon. 9 Oct: Term 4 Starts

Wed. 11 Oct: Talanoa Ako 5pm-6pm

Week 2 - Niuean Language Week

Wed. 18 Oct: Talanoa Ako 5pm-6pm

Friday 20 Oct: Beatz of Mangere

Week 3 - Assessment Week

Monday 23 Oct: Labour Day Holiday

Tues. 24 Oct: School Photos

Wed. 25 Oct: Duffy Theatre Y1-4 @ 11.30am; Y5-8 @ 2pm
: Community Fono 4.30pm

Thurs. 26 Oct: Talanoa Ako 5pm-6pm

Week 4 – Assessment Week

Wed. 1 Nov: Talanoa Ako 5pm-6pm

Week 5 – Diwali Week / Assessment Week

Wed. 8 Nov: Talanoa Ako 5pm-6pm

Week 6

Wed. 15 Nov: Talanoa Ako 5pm-6pm

Week 7

Wed. 22 Nov: Talanoa Ako Graduation for Sia Ua

Thurs. 23 Nov: Talanoa Ako Graduation for Masina Va'aia

Week 8

Wed. 29 Nov: Rainbow's End Care Day

Friday 1 Dec: SPS Cultural Extravaganza

Week 9 – Prizegiving Week

Week 10 – Syndicate End of Year Fun Days

Friday 15 Dec: Last Day of school 2023

Support for Ha'apai Schools in Tonga

There will be a working bee on Saturday 30 September to load the container of resources to support schools in Ha'apai, Tonga that were severely damaged by the volcanic eruption and tsunami. Contact Mr Sione Taufua if you can help.

APPA Rehu Tai - The English Speech Contest

Congratulations to all our speakers at the Rehu Tai last week. Talita R7 came first on the Years 5-6 division, and Angela R10 came third in the Years 7-8 division. Both speakers spoke at our assembly again this Monday.

Talita will represent the Mangere region in the Auckland wide contest. This will be at Remuera Intermediate tonight. If you are able to attend this final contest to support Talita, that will be most wonderful.



Congratulations to Talita R7 -1st place - Yr 5-6 (left) and Angela R10- 3rd place- Yr 7-8 (right).



Birthdays for this week and next...

Today: Carlos R21

Thursday: Helen-Marie R9A and Anthony R15

Friday: Anne R9 and Silivia R7

Saturday: Nallie R11A and Tapea R11A

Sunday: Stephanie R11A and Savelina R5

Monday: Luke R16, Tiana R16 and Suifua R5

...and during the holidays:

Kazmira R10, Lawrence R17, Vilikesa R11, Salio R9A, Jarell R13A, Tunatu R11A, Stenley R13B, Christian R15, Josiah R20, Lavinia R21, Sione R7, JT R14, Sione R12, Elmeah R14, Seini R25, Hyrum R10, Josaiah R11, Therese R15 and Yamina R17.



Goals for the Week

It is the last week of the term and I thank you for your support in embedding our school values within our children. RESPECT is as important as all the other values of the school.

- i. I will ask
- ii. I will say PLEASE and THANK YOU.
- iii. I will walk when there are too many people.

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.

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

Sugarless School

Please bear in mind that we are a sugarless school. This means any sugary drinks brought to the school will be poured down the drain. Thank you in anticipation of your support.

Best Attendance

Well done to these classes who had the best attendance for Week 9: Whenua **R13A 86%** and **R18 82%**

Moana **R17 89%** and **R6 88%**

Aorangi **R7 91%** and **R21 90%**

Atea **R15 94%** and **R9 89%**

They enjoyed a movie with snacks this afternoon!

Whenua and Moana English Speech Competitions

These took place yesterday morning and the results were:

Y2: Amelia R5 1st, Jaime R14 2nd, and Naomi R14 3rd

Y3: Tyson R20 1st, Sekope R6 2nd, Manisela R20 2nd and Mele Finau R6 3rd

Y4: Leopoli R20 1st, Rayna R20 2nd and Isabel R6B 3rd



Left: The Y2 Speech winners
Front L-R: Naomi R14, Jaime R14 and Amelia R5
Back L-R: Mrs Dutt, Mrs Lovatt and Ms Paulo.
Right: The Y3 2nd and 3rd placer-getters. L-R: Sekope R6, Mele R6 and Manisela R20 with Rayna R20 as MC at the front.

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

2023 Election

Be sure that you are registered to vote. Pacific people in past elections, always had the lowest voting turn-out. Vote for your rights, vote for your family and vote for your children.

A vote for education is a vote of HOPE, and for a better future for your children. Please make sure you do VOTE. Our school will be a polling booth on the day.

Traffic Safety, Student Safety

Thanks again and again for your consideration when you drop off and pick up your children. Our children's wellbeing, health and safety are our priorities. Please park away from yellow lines. **Cross ONLY on the pedestrian crossing and DO NOT drive into the school compound.** Thanks for your patience and consideration.

Manu Korero at Clendon Park School

Our speakers spoke well but needed to express themselves more. It was still a great experience for our tamariki to watch and learn from the speakers from other kura.

We also caught up with a friendly face who we were glad to see and he was glad to see us.



Above L-R: Whaea Uru, Eztarahmarie R3, Irihia R3, Liyani R3, Freedom, Caoilainn R3, Lilly R3, Joanna R3 and Keyano R11A.



Right: The Y4 speech winners
L-R: Leopoli R20, Rayna R20 and Isabel R6B.



Above: Y3 Speech winner Tyson R20





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