

Sutton Park School Newsletter - 13 Nov. 2024

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Nga mihi, mālō e lelei, talofa lava, kia orana, bula, namaste, talofa ni, fakalofa lahi atu, sabiadee, ola, bonjour, ni hao, welcome, konichi wa, আরে

Term 4, Week 5 Wednesday 13 November 2024 Term 4 Theme: Relook, Reflect, Refresh

Term 4 Values: Excellence & Diversity

Nearing the end of the year

As we are coming to the end of the year, I really want to acknowledge all of our students who completed all their assessments this year. Thank you for giving it your best and thank you for your patience. Assessment weeks happen in all schools in Aotearoa New Zealand and it is good to expose all of our students to assessments at a young age for them to understand the importance of attending school. Once assessment weeks are over the teachers have an opportunity to give an overall teacher judgement of where your child is at in relation to the National curriculum levels. These will be shown in the final reports given out in December. Also at this time, teachers are able to finalise their award winners for the end of year prizegiving for each syndicate. Our sports tournaments are also coming to an end and we have had some pleasing results this year. Our Boys Volleyball team competed in the Auckland Championships today.

With five weeks of school left, and we still need to continue with our normal school programme. You all know that we finish midday on Wednesday 18th December 2024; it is not in our favour that our children are signed out early to start their holidays as this will affect our Term 4 and end of year attendance record. So I ask our parents and our community to send your child/ren to school every day until Wednesday 18th December 2024.

Next year's classes

We are still working on this as we want to get the best fit, not only for our teachers but especially for our students. We want our students to enjoy their learning experiences in the different year levels so the Deputy Principals are working very hard to ensure teachers have the right number of students in their classrooms. You will be notified later on in the year of staff changes and room changes for next year.

Pedestrian Crossing

There is a reason why we have a pedestrian crossing outside the school. It is for our children and families to use to cross safely to get to the other side of the road. Some teachers and I have seen a lot of our students crossing the road around the corner where it is very dangerous. We have spoken to the students about being safe on the roads when coming to school and when leaving the school. Thank you for your patience and consideration. Our children's lives are most precious and

we would like to keep them

safe.



Vaitimu Togi Lemanu, Principal

Term 4 Dates -please add to your diary or calendar

Week 5: Assessment Week

Thurs 14 Nov: Y7&8 Girls/Boys/Mixed Touch @ House Park

: Mr Whippy for best attendance

Friday 15 Nov: Duffy Theatre -11.30am junior school

1.30pm senior school

: last day for Duffy Summer Reading orders

Week 6:

Mon 18 Nov: 2025 School Leadership applications due

Thurs 21 Nov: Y7&8 Athletics@ Mt Smart

: Sia Ua and Masina Va'aia parent fonos

Friday 22 Nov: Rainbow's End trip for leaders/monitors \$10

: Mr Whippy on site

Week 7:

Mon 25 Nov: School Photos

Tues 26 Nov: Sia Ua singing performance

Wed 27 Nov: Community Clean-up Thurs 28 Nov: Mr Whippy on site Friday 29 Nov: Cultural Extravaganza

Out of zone families

This is only a friendly reminder for all our families in our community. If you are out of zone and you want to enrol your child/ren into our school, you can only go into the Rumaki Maori class, Tongan Bilingual unit or the Samoan Bilingual unit. You cannot request for your child/ren to be in the mainstream if you are out-of-zone. It is illegal if you are using any family address around Sutton Park School to enrol your child/ren if you do not stay at that place. It is a serious offence to falsify your address.

Sunhats and Sunscreen

The days are becoming warmer and the sun is getting hotter. All students have been given a school bucket hat with our school logo on it. We encourage



them to wear it every day when they are outside in the sun and to use sunscreen lotion to protect themselves. (Just like these girls above, Mildred, Abbey, Soona, Mekaire and Hope). Be aware of any sort of spots from the sun on your skin that can cause melanoma, it is all about being safe out there. You can bring your own hat but it must be blue/navy blue to go with our school colours.

New Entrant Enrolments and Transitioning

If you have a child wanting to start school Term 1 2025, please enrol them now!

Students turning 5 / new entrants **must** have a transition before starting school.

Those starting school at the beginning of Term 1 2025 can transition during term 4 this year, Weeks 6 and 7: Tuesdays-Thursdays 19 Nov - 21 Nov, and 26 Nov - 28 Nov. mornings 9am-11.30am.

2025 confirmed dates:

Term 1 Wednesday 29th January 2025 - Friday 11th April

Term 2 Monday 28th April - Friday 27th June

Term 3 Monday 14th July - Friday 19th September

Term 4 Monday 6th October - Friday 12th December

Our school office will be open on Tuesday 28th January 2025 at 9:00am.



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Birthdays this week and next...

Friday: Vincent R12 Saturday: Vaiola R8 Sunday: Praise R17

Monday: Tevita R8 and Jean R5 Tuesday: Jaspreet R8 and Elijah T. R16

Welcome to our new students:

Iva R18, Caleah R13B, Setiva R4 and Fakava R4 We hope your learning journey at SPS leads to great things!

Best Attendance for Term 4 Week 4:

Well done to these classes who will be receiving their Mr

Whippy treat tomorrow:

Whenua: R13B 94% and R4 89% Moana: R3 91% and R6B 90% Aorangi: R7 95% and R9A 89% Atea: R9 92% and R10 92%





Duffy \$5 Summer Reading Offer

Students will be coming home with forms about this. If you would like to order any books, please return the completed form and money to the school office by **Friday 15 November.**

All ordered books will arrive at school by Friday 6 December.

Success Stories from our Past Students

It is always great to hear the success stories from our past students who have achieved Excellence in Year 13. If you know any past students doing well, we would like to hear from you.

PE Shirts for Y7&8

We have sizes 8, XL, 2XL, 3XL and 4XL available for sale. \$22 each from the school office.

School Leaders and Year 7 Leaders 2025

Applications are due back Monday 18 November for students who are wanting to apply for School Leadership roles and our new Year 7 Leadership programme.



Camp Payments - Thank you to those who have paid.

A friendly reminder that if your child went to camp and you have not yet paid, please do so! Full cost is \$100 per student. This can be paid in smaller instalments.

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Payments can be made in the office by Eftpos or cash, or via

bank transfer: ASB: 12 3079 0198868 00

Please use child's name and Camp24 as references.

Awhina group

Please contact our Awhina Team if you or your children need any support to attend school, (i.e. uniform, stationery). The contact email for this group is:

awhimaiawhiatu@suttonpark.school.nz

SWiS - Social Worker In School

This is one of the services that really helps out our families. Our SWiS worker (Eunice) is able to help families who are struggling, she can also direct you to where you need to go for further assistance. Please connect with her via email: Eunice@mefsc.org.nz or Ph: 021 417 321

Mobile phones

Just a reminder to our parents that we have a mobile phone policy that has been mandated by the government. No student should be carrying around a mobile phone at school. All mobile phones should be handed into the office in the morning and picked up after school.



Contact details

If any of your contact details have changed, please let the office know (addresses, phone numbers etc.)



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