



Sutton Park School Newsletter – 27 Aug. 2025

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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, আবে

Term 3, Week 7 Wednesday 27 August 2025

Term 3 Theme: Planet Earth and Beyond

Term 3 Values: Identity & Diversity

Tongan Language Week 2025

Well done to our Tongan community for your support in celebrating Tongan Language Week 2025. The week was 'alive' with singing, speaking, arts, crafts and displays of various ta'ovala, and we learnt how they are used for different events. Most evident throughout the week was the students' pride in being Tongan. Thank you to Mrs Paea and the staff of Sia Ua for organising the Tongan Language Week programme which included hosting the Years 5-6 APPA interschool Tongan speeches. (We shared the results in last week's newsletter). Today, these students went to compete at the Y7-8 APPA Tongan Speeches at Otahuhu Intermediate:

Folau R9, Charles R9, Talita R9 and Losaline R8. (We will share the results in next week's newsletter).

APPA English speeches 2025

Last week, we also had students represent our school in the APPA interschool speech competition for Mangere Schools. Once again, congratulations to all those who were placed in the different categories. We have 5 students who will be representing our Mangere schools at the APPA Auckland speech competition.

Y5&6

Overall Winners

Leopoli R11A - Speech - 3rd Place

Zelda R15 - 1st Place - Spoken Word

Ishmael R15A - 1st Place - Rap

Y7&8

Overall Winners

Areanna R2 - 1st Place - Spoken Word

Ketesemane R2- 1st Place - Rap

Davai R3 - 1st Place - Flash Talk

Board of Trustees - Voting

You should have received your voting paper in the mail last week. If you have completed your vote, seal it in the envelope provided and bring it to the school office, ready for posting. Last day to drop off your vote is Wednesday 10 September, by 4pm. All the best to our candidates.

Fata Vaitimu Togi Lemanu, Principal



Left: Learning how to plait si leaves with Mrs Tohi, to make a sisilousi.



2025 Term Dates:

Term 3 Monday 14th July - Friday 19th September

Term 4 Monday 6th October - Friday 12th December

Term 3 dates to add to your diary or calendar

Week 7:

Wed. 27 Aug: 5:30-9pm - Y5/6 APPA Oral Language Finals (Dilworth Junior campus)

Thurs. 28 Aug: Moana Syndicate Community Swimming 5:30-9pm – Y7/8 APPA Oral Language Finals (Dilworth Junior campus)

Friday 29 Aug: Mr Whippy for best attendance in W6

Week 8:

Wed. 3 Sept: Rumaki Whanau Hui 4pm

Thurs. 4 Sept: Stardome trip for R14 and R18 (Y2 students) : Moana Syndicate Community Swimming

Friday 5 Sept: Mufti Day – gold coin for Aorangi Fundraising : Mr Whippy for best attendance in W7

Week 9: Talent Quest this week

Tues. 9 Sept: Y7&8 Boys' League @ Kedgley Intermediate : Community Clean-up

: English Speeches 9.30am Whenua Syndicate

: English Speeches 11.30am Moana Syndicate

Wed. 10 Sept: Wig Wednesday- Gold coin supporting the Child Cancer Foundation

: Rumaki Whanau Hui at 4pm

Thurs. 11 Sept: Moana Syndicate Community Swimming

Friday 12 Sept: Mr Whippy for best attendance in W8 : 11:30am Sia Ua Visual Arts Display

Vacancy - School Cleaners Needed

We are looking for experienced school cleaners who could work for our school. This is Monday to Friday work for 4 hours each evening. If you have experience and you would like to work for us please send us your C.V. Thank you.

No Mobile Phones

Please parents and caregivers, no student should be coming to school with a mobile phone. If they do, they need to bring it to the office in the morning and pick it up after school. I will be sending students home if I find out that they have phones with them. The reason being is that students start mis-using phones to take photos and play silly games. I will not tolerate that here at Sutton Park school.

Yellow Lines and the School Pedestrian Crossing

It is by law that you cannot stop your car to drop off your children in front of the pedestrian crossing or park on the yellow lines. You are giving the wrong message to your child/ren that it is ok to stop anywhere you want to. It is now becoming a habit where lots of cars are parking on the yellow lines and stopping in front of the pedestrian crossing. **We need to stop doing this.**

Left: Sinai R6 in a traditional Tongan Vala Mali (David R6 is behind Sinai).



Right: R13B wearing their hand made Heilala Kahoa.

New Entrant Enrolments and Transitioning

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

Week 7 - Intake 4 - From Mon 25 August

Week 8 - Monday - Wed 1 Sept- 3 Sept (transitioning) 9am-11am

Week 9 - Intake 5 - From Mon 8 September

Week 10 Monday - Wed 15 Sept- 17 Sept (transitioning) 9am-11am

Birthdays this week

Monday: Kata R8 and Rosevalu R5

Tuesday: Maata R11A, Chelsea R15A,
Kevin R11A and Urshula R15A

Wednesday: Blessing R16 and Lia R13A

Thursday: Aisea R20

Saturday: Christa R24 and 'Aisake R4

Sunday: Jarell R11A, Salesi R9A, KJ R6, Cain R12, Viliani R11A
and Rose-Shanice R18



Best Attendance for Term 3, Week 6:

Mr Whippy will be here on Friday to reward Week 6 classes with the best attendance.

Whenua: R14 87% and R13A 86%

Moana: R1 90% and R6B 83%

Aorangi: R21 84% and R12 83%

Atea: R10 86% and R2 85%



Y8 Students – 2026 High School Enrolment

Parents of Y8 students need to be starting the process of enrolling their child into a high school/college. Well done to those who have already done this. It is important for your child, and the college, to do this **before the end of Term 3**.

PE T-Shirts

We have sizes S, M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL and 4XL available. \$22 each, from the school office.

EXPECT THE UNEXPECTED



SPOTLIGHT THEATRE

TAVERN LANE, PAPATOETOE

SHOW DATES:

MONDAY 1ST SEPT. SUNDAY 7TH SEPT.

TUESDAY 2ND SEPT. WEDNESDAY 10TH SEPT.

WEDNESDAY 3RD SEPT. THURSDAY 11TH SEPT.

FRIDAY 5TH SEPT. FRIDAY 12TH SEPT.

SATURDAY 6TH SEPT. SATURDAY 13TH SEPT.

iTICKET

<http://www.iticket.co.nz/events/2025/sep/auckland-central-gang-show>



SCOUTS

Aotearoa



Girl Guiding

New Zealand



Left and right: The Rumaki visited the Whare Whetu recently and had a great time learning about the planets etc



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

Swimming for Moana Syndicate

All Moana syndicate classes (R1, R20, R24, R25, R6, R6B and R16) will have swimming lessons on a Thursday. Please ensure your child has packed their togs, a towel and goggles in a suitable bag. The students will be taken by bus to and from Moana Nui a Kiwi Pools in Mangere for these FREE lessons.

Camp Payments- Thank you to those who have fully paid.

Many Y7&Y8 students who went to camp at the beginning of the year have yet to pay their camp fees. 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 Camp25 as references.



Above: Loki 7 in their ta'ovala lōkeha.



Above: Loki 8 Boys dressed in their finest ta'ovala.



Left: Fredrick R5 with his Lole Niu.

Right: Tangi making Lole Niu with Loki 4 students.





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