



Sutton Park School Newsletter – 11 Mar. 2026

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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 1, Week 7 Wednesday 11 March 2026

Term 1 Theme: KAITIAKITANGA - How can we be Kaitiaki?

Term 1 Values: RESPECT & IDENTITY

Our Attendance Data Weeks 1-6

Attendance is a priority this year and it is pleasing to see where we stand according to our attendance data so far:

Week	Good	Worrying	Concerning	Serious concern
1	100% (481)	-	-	-
2	100% (491)	-	-	-
3	97% (483)	3% (13)	-	-
4	98% (494)	2% (8)	-	-
5	97% (490)	3% (16)	-	-
6	99% (504)	1% (3)	-	-

Thank you to our families who are making attending school every day a priority. I do not want any child/ren left out of the exciting learning programmes planned by our teachers. A friendly reminder to contact the school if your child is away and bring a medical certificate if your child is absent 3 days or more for illness or injury. Let's try to keep our attendance in the 90% range. Keep up the awesome work parents and families.

Parents Please Take Note

This is a reminder to all our parents. If the teacher is not in class please I humbly ask that you wait patiently for the teacher to come before you enter the classroom. These are for safety reasons.

3 Way Talanoa/Korero/Conversations - Week 8

It is that time of the year where you will be able to connect with your children's teachers through the 3 way talanoa/korero/conversations. This is an important time for you to meet with your child's classroom teacher one on one. At this time you can ask questions about your child's learning, their behaviour, their attendance and what you can do as parents to help support your child's learning at home. If you are unable to book online at home, please come to the office and they will help you out. These conversations will happen on Friday 20 March 2026 starting at 9:00am through to 4:00pm.

Please go to:

www.schoolinterviews.co.nz

Make a booking and use Event code: **mb7ut**

Coaches and Trainers

From time to time, we may need help with coaching and training school sports teams. It would be good if we can get some parents who are available to coach in their field of expertise to help our teachers and sports coordinator. Our sports coordinator will update in the newsletter for any coaches needed.

Fata Vaitimu Togi Lemanu, Principal

2026 Term 1 Dates: Last Day Term 1 is Wed 1 April

This Week (7):

Thurs. 12 March: Group 11 trip to Ihumatao (R2 and R11)
: Mr Whippy for best attendance in W6

Friday 13 March: Aorangi Trip to the Museum

Week 8: Life Education Caravan on site

Wed. 18 March: Science Roadshow for Atea (at SPS)
: Y5&6 Softball (Boys and Girls)

Thurs. 19 March: Eye on Nature Trip (30 Aorangi students)

: Mr Whippy for best attendance in W7

: Masina Va'aia parent fono 4.30pm

: Sia Ua parent's trip meeting 4.30pm

Friday 20 March: 3-Way Conversations 9am-4pm

Week 9: Life Education Caravan on site

Tues. 24 March: Community Cleanup

: SWZ (Y7&8) Touch @ Southern Cross

Wed. 25 March: MOSA (Y5&6) Ripper Rugby boys and girls

Friday 27 March: Mr Whippy for best attendance in W8

Week 10: Life Education Caravan on site

Wed. 01 April: Mr Whippy for best attendance in W7

: Last day of Term 1 for Students

Thurs. 02 April: Teacher Only Day

Friday 03 April: Good Friday Holiday

Term 2 starts Monday 20 April

Camp 2026 Payments (\$100 per student)

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

ASB 12 3079 0198868 00 (Sutton Park School Board)

Please use your child's name and CAMP26 as references.

Best Attendance

The following classes will receive a Mr Whippy treat on Thursday 12 March for having the best attendance in Week 6:

Whenua: R13A 94% Moana: R6 95%

Aorangi: R15 97% Atea: R9 97%



Life Education

Life Education is starting with us next week, and will be here until the end of the term. Each class will have sessions on the following topics which were chosen by the teachers:

Whenua - looking after ourselves and the environment

Moana - how to be kaitiaki for the environment

Aorangi - the importance of creating a good reputation for ourselves

Atea - understanding the affects alcohol and vaping can have on their developing bodies



Right: Moana students on their visit to Ihumatao, busy working together, making poi.





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New Entrant Enrolments and Transitioning Term 1 2026

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

Week 8 - Tues- Thurs. 17 Mar-19 Mar (transitioning) 9am-11am

Week 9 - Intake from Mon 23 March

Week 10 - Tues- Wed. 30 Mar-1 April (transitioning) 9am-11am

Interested in your tamariki enrolling in the Rūmaki...

You can come and visit the Rūmaki Māori every second week of Term 1 - Thursday mornings between 10am-11am.

Before and After School Care

For their safety, children should be collected from school by 3.15pm every day and arrive at school no earlier than 8.30am. It is not the responsibility of the teachers or office staff to look after your children outside of these hours.

There are before and after school care agencies available if you need them:

Skids: aineeta@skids.co.nz; 027 627 5001

Good Seeds: 027 537 3115; 09 275 1065

Little Feet: 09 255 5526; info@littlefeetchildcare.co.nz

Or collect a brochure from the office.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club is open Tuesday - Friday mornings. All students are welcome to come to the tech block for breakfast between 8.15am-8.45am.



PE Shirts

These are needed by our Y7&8 students to wear for sport, fitness and PE, to keep their uniform shirts and blouses clean and tidy. Please buy at the office \$22 each (cash, Eftpos, or pay online). We have the following sizes S, M, L, 2XL, 3XL and 4XL

Right: R10 & R3 exploring Ihumatao yesterday.



Birthdays this week and next

Today: Reuben R2, Siaosi R9A, Harlem R14 and Xavier R13A

Thursday: Anthony R25

Friday: Jayden R12

Saturday: Adele R25

Sunday: Kalo R3 and Emeline R7

Monday: Chase R20 and Heather-Lilly R14



Mobile Phones

A reminder that 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. If a student is found to have a phone with them during the day it will be confiscated and the caregivers asked to come in to collect it.

McAuley High School Enrolments for 2027

The decision as to which secondary school your daughter attends is an important one. As a Catholic school for girls, McAuley High School is a good choice.

Enrolment applications for Year 9 students in 2027 are currently being taken.

The closing date for non-preference applications is **2nd April**, the end of Term 1. The closing date for preference applications is **3rd July**, the end of Term 2, or when the roll is full.

Enrolment packs can be collected from the McAuley High School office or sent to you by post. Please phone or email to request a pack - 09-2768715, office@mcauleyhigh.school.nz.

Forms can also be downloaded from the school website:

mcauleyhigh.school.nz/enrolment/enrolment-information/

Please use the checklist to ensure all required information is included with your application as we cannot process applications that are incomplete.

Dilworth Open Day

If any Year 8 boys are interested in knowing more about Dilworth School for 2027, they have an upcoming open day (Sunday 29 March).

If you are interested please visit their website to register and for more information <https://www.dilworth.school.nz/home>

Rūmaki Māori o Whaia te Matauranga

Nau mai! Haere mai! Kuhu mai ra!

Ko wai ēnei? Ko ngā tamariki o te Rūmaki Māori o Whaia te Matauranga. He akomanga taumata - maha (multi-level) Teina mā: Tau Ako 1-3. tuakana mā: Tau Ako 4-6.

Nga Kaiako

Whaea Molly Whaea Uru

For more info
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Below: Students from R3 and R11 on their trip to Ihumatao yesterday





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