



Sutton Park School Newsletter – 1 July 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 2, Week 11 Wednesday 1 July 2026

Theme: Migration/Citizenship (Ngā Neke me te Mana Tangata)

Value: Diversity

MĀNAWATIA A MATARIKI. KO TE TŪMANAKO KA KAWEA MAI E TĒNEI TAU HOU TE ORA, TE TUPU, ME TE KOTAHITANGA KI A TATOU KATOĀ. CELEBRATE MATARIKI, IT IS OUR HOPE THAT THIS NEW YEAR BRINGS HEALTH, GROWTH AND UNITY TO US ALL!

Matariki is the Māori name for the star cluster more globally known as the Pleiades. In Aotearoa New Zealand, its reappearance in the early morning sky during midwinter marks *Te Mātahi o te Tau*, the Māori New Year.

The rising of Matariki—a central event tied to the lunar calendar (*maramataka*)—traditionally heralds a significant time for communities to gather. It is guided by three main principles:

- **Remembrance:** Honouring and farewelling those who have passed away since the last rising.
- **Celebrating the present:** Gathering to share an abundance of food (*kai*) and giving thanks for what has been provided.
- **Looking to the future:** Reflecting and making plans for the upcoming year.

This is a nice way for us to celebrate, respect and honour the work we do and to look forward to the next half of the school year (Terms 3 & 4). Our teachers have put in a lot of work this term to ensure our tamariki are getting the best education outcomes possible through their syndicate and whanau hui, syndicate planning and professional learning and development. In our own Pacific Islands we also have Matariki and that makes our connections stronger within the Pacific. Happy Matariki everyone. Nga mihi.

Thank You for your Dedication and Commitment

I want to thank our parents, our families and the community for the dedication and commitment in getting our tamariki to school every day. I know that when it comes to the winter season, I hardly see parents come into school but now I have seen a lot more parents join our Monday assemblies, attend whanau meetings, and asking for support which is really awesome to see. I am hoping that we do get an increase in our Term 2 attendance compared to last year's which I think looks promising... so we will wait and see and we will put the results in our first newsletter for Term 3. I am looking forward to the second half of the year to see more success from our students.

School Reports are out Today

Your child/ren will be coming home with their school report/s in an envelope. The school report is in a new format and it will take a bit of time to go through it. Have a read of the report and if you do have any questions, please come in and see the classroom teacher next term or have questions ready for the 3 way Talanoa in Term 3.

Fata Vaitimu Togi Lemanu, Principal

This week:

Wed. 1 July: School Reports Issued
: LIT at Bader Int. for school leaders 3.15pm
Thurs. 2 July: Moana classes Community Swim programme at Moana Nui o Kiwa Pools
: Mr Whippy for Best Attendance W10
: Last Day of term for students

Friday 3 July: **Teacher Curriculum Day**

Term 3 Dates:

Week 1:

Mon. 20 July: First day of Term 3
Thurs. 23 July: Y7&8 Boy's Hockey

Students of the Week (W10)

R2 Christian, R3 Nicole-Bella, R4 Kalisi, R4A Lilly, R5 Laveatu, R6 Kalala, R6B Rosevalu, R7 Abbey, R8 Faka'ilo, R9 Taufu, R9A Tapenisa, Rumaki Michael S., R10 Litia, R11A JT, R12 Kanoa, R13A Amishka, R13B Humairah, R14 Alaiah, R15 AJ, R16 Nessa, R18 Rose, R20 Junior, R21 Elixir, R24 Lupe and R25 Joyce.

Curriculum Day for Our Teachers

The teachers will be having their Curriculum Day on Friday 3 July, which means that the last day of the term for our students will be this Thursday 2nd July 2026 finishing at 3:00pm. This day will give time for the teachers to be prepared for the busy Term 3. Thank you in advance.

Holiday Programmes

There are a few local holiday programmes available for your child/ren to attend during the upcoming 2 week school holiday. (Good Seeds Trust have flyers in the office). Please keep your child/ren engaged in their learning but also give them space to rest and relax. Our local libraries in Mangere East (see page 2) and at the Mangere Town Centre also have programmes that will keep your child/ren learning.

Our School Facebook Page

I encourage you all, if you have not done so, to join our Sutton Park School Facebook page. A lot of information will be put up on our page, even before our weekly newsletter.

Right: As a technology assignment, R11 students designed and created miniature suitcases, during their studies on migration.



Whenua Syndicate had their end of term assembly yesterday, awarding the top students in the classes. Left: R18 award winners. (More on page 2)



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Winter Wellbeing

Early mornings are getting cold and so we need to ensure that our children are coming to school nice and warm. Parents, this is your responsibility - it saddens me when I see children come to school early in the morning with no school jumper or jacket and no shoes and it is very cold. This then starts a ripple effect of children becoming sick due to cold and flu by simply not keeping warm. We can help out if you are finding it difficult to provide. You need to let our SWIS Eunice know if you need any help:

Ph 021 417 321 or email eunice@mefsc.org.nz.

We also provide breakfast from Tuesday to Friday.

Reminder

Please let the office know if you have changed your address, email or phone numbers. You can do this via the school website, call, email or visit the school office.

Uniform Donations

We welcome any washed uniforms that your child may have outgrown or no longer requires. Please drop off to the office.

New Entrant Enrolments and Transitioning Term 3 2026

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

Transitioning Dates Term 3: 2026

Week 1 - Intake 1 - From Mon 20 July (for those who transitioned before the holidays)

Week 2 – Tues. – Thurs. 28 July- 30 July (transitioning) 9am-11am

Week 3 - Intake 2 - From Mon 3 August

Week 4 – Tues. – Thurs. 11 Aug- 13 Aug (transitioning) 9am-11am

Week 5 - Intake 3 -From Mon 17 August

Week 6 – Tues. – Thurs. 25 Aug- 27 Aug (transitioning) 9am-11am

Week 7 - Intake 4 -From Mon 31 August

Week 8 – Tues. – Thurs. 8 Sept- 10 Sept (transitioning) 9am-11am

Week 9 – Intake 5 -From Mon 14 September

Week 10 Tues. – Thurs. 22 Sept- 24 Sept (transitioning) 9am-11am

Interested in your tamariki enrolling in the Rūmaki...

You can come and visit the Rūmaki Māori every odd week of Term 3 - Thursday mornings between 10am-11am.

Right: the Rūmaki performing a Matariki waiata at assembly on Monday.



Birthdays this week ...

Today: Kata R9, Soni R6 and Kanoa R12

Thursday: Siosaia R11A

Saturday: Clara R17 and Eremasi R3

...and during the holidays...

Caroline R17, Marcel R2, Zeldia R15, Ariella R13A, Maheera R11A, Simon R2, Sione R25, Vaipapa R18, Alayna R13B, Lisaki R12, Rachel R12, Avery R15, Mataniah R3, Rayna R11, Christian R2 and Florenia R2



Best Attendance

Well done to these classes for having best attendance in Week 10. Mr Whippy will visit on Thursday to reward you:

Whenua: R18 85% Aorangi: R15 94%

Moana: R6B 86%. Atea: R2 93%



Breakfast Club – Check New Time

Breakfast Club is open Tuesday-Friday mornings. All students are welcome to come to the tech block for a free breakfast (weetbix or toast with milo or fruit) served between **8am - 8.30am**.

Camp Payments

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

ASB 12 3079 0198868 00 (Sutton Park School Board)

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

Matariki School Holidays

at Māngere East Library

Week 1: 4-12 July

- ★ Sat 4th & Sun 5th, All Day - Lego
- ★ Mon 6th, 10:30am - Rākau Games
- ★ Tue 7th, 2:30pm - Galaxy Slime
- ★ Wed 8th, 11:00am - Kiribati Dance Lesson
- ★ Thu 9th, All Day - Kiribati Activity Book
- ★ Thu 9th, 10:30am - Community Soup
- ★ Fri 10th, Matariki - **LIBRARY CLOSED**
- ★ Sat 11th & Sun 12th, All Day - Wishing Stars

Week 2: 13-19 July

- ★ Mon 13th, 10:30am - Rocket Launching
- ★ Tue 14th, 10:30am - The Recreators; String and Nail Stars
- ★ Wed 15th, 2:30pm - Galaxy Bags
- *Registration Required***
- ★ Thu 16th, 2:30pm - Star Cookies
- ★ Thu 16th, 3:00pm - Māori Board Games
- ★ Fri 17th, 10:30am - Poi Keychains
- ★ Sat 18th & Sun 19th, All Day - Cats Cradle & Community Colouring

To register, please email megan.golding@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz or message us on Facebook @mangereeastlibrary

Top Left: R13B; Top Right: R13A;
Bottom Left: R4; Bottom Right: R4A.



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IT'S REGO TIME
Renew before 1 August to avoid a late fee.

Register now

Tāmaki Turukī. Altogether Auckland.



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


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GO NATIVE

Get a free seedling and planting advice
1-30 June



find your nearest nursery at ourauckland.nz/plantnatives

6th JULY - 17th JULY SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

Contact Cherish on 027 537 3115

<p>WINTER treats</p>  <p>6 JUL</p>	<p>AROUND the WORLD</p>  <p>7 JUL</p>	<p>LET'S COOK</p>  <p>8 JUL</p>	<p>Trip Day:</p>  <p>9 JUL</p>	<p>CLOSED for Matariki</p> <p>10 JUL</p>
<p>TECH/PIZZA/PJ DAY!</p>  <p>13 JUL</p>	<p>Kidz TRIVIA TUESDAY</p>  <p>14 JUL</p>	<p>PARK</p>  <p>15 JUL</p>	<p>BACK to SCHOOL PARTY</p>  <p>16 JUL</p>	<p>TRIP DAY:</p>  <p>17 JUL</p>

WINZ SUBSIDY APPLIES email info@goodseedtrust.co.nz to enrol!
7.30 am - 6pm enquire now for bookings

goodseeds out of school care



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