



Sutton Park School Newsletter – 12 August 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 3, Week 4 Wednesday 12 August 2026

Theme: Embracing Diversity and Wellbeing Through Sports

Values: Perseverance and Respect

Thank You for Attending our 3 Way Korero/Talanoa/Conversations

Well done to all our families who attended the 3 Way korero/talanoa/conversations last Friday. It was lovely a lot of parents passed my office to go to their classes. Well done to all our students who shared their learning with their families and also to our teachers for putting in the hard work in ensuring that the day went smoothly. I am looking forward to reading the data of how many parents attended from each class.

Community Fono for Term 3 is Tonight!

Our Term 3 community fono will take place today at 5pm. Free sausage sizzle will start at 4:30pm in front of the school office. A reminder that we will meet in syndicates like we did in Term 1. This will be a good time for you to ask any questions in the syndicate meetings. Each syndicate will be sharing the mid-year data, attendance data and we will let you know what services our Social Worker in Schools and our school nurse offers to the community. We will also have \$50 voucher spot prizes at the end of the fono. Your attendance is important.

Term 3 - Week 3 attendance

This is our attendance data for Week 3. We are trying to support our families in getting children attending school every day. So, this is a start for you to monitor our school attendance data, week by week.

Y1 - 90% Y2 - 84% Y3 - 83% Y4 - 88%

Y5 - 93% Y6 - 91% Y7 - 91% Y8 - 92%

Our Year levels are all in the 80% and low 90% range which is better than last week. It will be extremely good if all our Year levels are in the 90% range. We can get there by working together. We can do this.

Our top classes from each syndicate are as follows:

Whenua - R5 (95%) Moana - R25 (94%)

Aorangi - R16 (96%) Atea - R11 (95%)



Congratulations to each of the top classes who are all in the 90% range, this is a great effort and Mr Whippy will reward you tomorrow.

Fata Vaitimu Togi Lemanu

Fata Vaitimu Togi Lemanu, Principal



Left: R1 celebrated Kuki Airani last week by making ei katu – flower crowns and ringa whakapaipai - wrist ornaments.

Term 3 Dates:

Week 4: Assessment Week

Wed. 12 Aug : Community Fono 5pm (free sausages 4.30pm)

Thurs. 13 Aug : Y7&8 Girls' Hockey- Auckland Champs
@ Northcross Intermediate, Browns Bay
: Mr Whippy for best attendance W3
: Masina Va'aia parents trip meeting 2.30pm
: Sia Ua Parents' Fono 4.30pm

Friday 14 Aug : Mufti Day for Sia Ua fundraising
: Duffy Assemblies 11am and 1.30pm

Week 5: Tongan Language Week

Mon. 17 Aug : Applications for 2027 Tautua and School Leaders open

Tues. 18 Aug : Y7&8 Boys' League; BoT meeting 4.30pm

Wed. 19 Aug : Y5&6 Tongan Speeches at Otahuhu Primary

Thurs. 20 Aug : Mr Whippy for best attendance W4
: FAGASA national speech competition

Week 6: Book Character Week

Tues. 25 Aug : Y7&8 Tongan Speeches at Finlayson Park Int.

Wed. 26 Aug : Ruhu Tai @ Al-Madinah School
Y5&6 9.30-11am ; Y7&8 11.45-1pm
: LIT at Bader Int. for school leaders (tbc)

Thurs. 27 Aug : Mr Whippy for best attendance W5

Friday 28 Aug : Book Character Parade (TBC)
: Mufti Day (gold coin) and Sausage Sizzle \$2.50

Pedestrian Crossing at Sutton Park School

The pedestrian crossing is used for ensuring all our children are safe when crossing the road to either come to school in the morning or go home in the afternoon. Our teachers will be reminding all of our children they need to be sure it is safe to cross before they do so. We have road patrol monitors and travel wise monitors on duty to help, so students need to be on time to use their services. If your child/ren are late to school they need to look both ways to see there are no cars before crossing. Some of our younger children are just running across the pedestrian crossing without looking and this is very dangerous. Please have a talanoa about the importance of being safe when crossing the road.

Results from Tongan Speeches

Well done to the following Sia Ua Speech winners!

Y5: 1st 'Amelia R9a, 2nd Anthony R9a and 3rd Judah R9a

Y6: 1st Nafetalai R7, 2nd Sekope R7 and 3rd Siaoisi R9a

Y7: 1st Elizabeth R9, 2nd Melefinau R8 and 3rd Isabel R8

Y8: 1st Charles R9, 2nd Folauhola R9 and
3rd = Lesieli R9 and Longolongo'eiki R9

On Wednesday 19 August 'Amelia, Anthony, Nafetalai and Sekope will represent our school at Otahuhu Primary.

On Tuesday 25 August Elizabeth, Melefinau, Charles and Folauhola will represent our school at Finlayson Park School.

Coming up in **Week 6:**
Mufti Day And Sausage Sizzle for Masina Va'aia fundraising.





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Winter Wellbeing

Early mornings are very 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 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.

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.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast is an important part of our daily lives. We know that it is tough out there and families are finding it hard to provide for their families.



A hearty breakfast fuels children's brains and helps them stay focused for a full day of learning. You can encourage your child to visit the school's Breakfast Club, running **Tuesday through Friday between 8:00am to 8:30am**, where they can enjoy a warm, nutritious meal (weetbix or toast with milo or fruit) and a positive start to their day.

Students of the Week (Weeks 2&3)

Well done to the following students:

R1 Te Ohomairangi, R2 Donald, R3 Blessing & Mataniah, R4 Grace & Ofa, R4A 'Alisi & Pisila, R5 Haitelenisia, R6 Ovalata & Fealofani, R6B Lesieli M, R7 Nafetalai & Steven, R8 Hosea, Manase & Salesi, R9 Paula & Hopoate, R9A Tumupu & Moala, R10 Maryana, R11 Atonio, R11A Te Manu & Maheerah, R12 Joseph, Daniel and Arabella, R13A David & Paulo, R13B Sefulutasi & Clarence, R14 Luisa & Alivia, R15 Valena & Jennar, R16 Amanda & Nathalia, R17 Sanele, R20 Jacob & Tanush, R21 Maama & Christa, R24 Lesley & Ayva, and R25 Avei

Birthdays this week and next

Thursday: Patrick R3, Atonio R11 and Sinai R6

Friday: Fisi'ihone R9A and Isabella R20

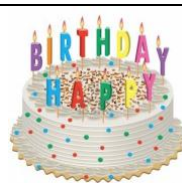
Saturday: Veia R7 and Ezra R12

Sunday: VJ R11, Manisela R21, Fealofani R6 and Maata R9

Monday: Lepeka R6B

Welcome to our new student: Tipene-Blayze R1

We hope your learning journey at SPS leads to great things!



2027 Year 9 High School and College Enrolments

It is that time of the year when parents and caregivers of all Y8 students should be applying for and enrolling in high school/college. It is important to do this by the end of term 3 to give your child a seamless transition to their new school. Once you have enrolled your Y8 child, please advise us at SPS which college they have enrolled in.

Otahuhu College Enrolments

"Enrolments for 2027 at Ōtāhuhu College are now open and with our Year 9 entrance exam taking place this December, it is important that you get your enrolments in as soon as possible. Over the past ten years, the academic performance of Ōtāhuhu College students has seen a significant and steady improvement, thanks to the efforts of our teachers, our families and our community support. We strive to have all students transition from education with the highest qualification possible. Ten years ago, we were on par with other similar demographic schools. Now, our school leavers have more than double the University Entrance rate. In 2020 half of all students from Decile One schools studying Engineering came from Ōtāhuhu College. In 2023 five former students graduated as Doctors. We want to continue to build on our successes so that our students and our community can have a brighter and more prosperous future."

Enrolment forms can be picked up from our SPS office or found online on the Otahuhu College website.

McAuley High School (for Girls)

We have enrolment forms in the office if you would like one.



Moana Sports - Mrs Mafi & the children playing jumping animals

MASINA VAAIA MUFTI DAY

WEEK 6

Come dressed in mufti and
bring a gold coin donation.

Let's support our
Masina Vaaia trip to Samoa! ❤️

ALL PROCEEDS GO TOWARDS
MASINA VAAIA'S TRIP TO SAMOA! ❤️



WEAR MUFTI



BRING A GOLD COIN



**SUPPORT OUR
MASINA VAAIA TRIP TO SAMOA!**

SAUSAGE SIZZLE

FOR SALE!



\$2.50

✓ TASTY!
✓ HOT!
✓ FRESH!



HELP
MASINA VAAIA'S
TRIP TO SAMOA!



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