



Sutton Park School Newsletter – 29 May 2024

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Nga mihi, malo 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 5

Term 2 Concept: Te Huringa o te Ao – ‘The Changing World’

Term 2 Values: Respect and Diversity

Talofa lava - Malo le soifua

Our Samoan Language week theme for 2024 is:



Tautua i le alofa, manuia le lumanai – Serve with Love for a blessed future

This captures the essence of what we already do here at Sutton Park School. The service we do here is to ensure that we give the best learning opportunities for all our students here at Sutton Park. We support and help our community to ensure they have food and other necessities needed for their children and the reason behind all this is to ensure that our children grow up and have a blessed future to serve in their families, church and communities. We had the FAGASA official opening at Maota Samoa, in Mangere, last Sunday evening. I was very proud of our performers on this evening. Malo lava le tapena. Faafetai tele lava to Ms Neemia and the Masina Va'aia team for organising Samoan Language Week 2024. I know that you are working with the limited space you have available due to building constraints, but our children are happy. Please join our school facebook page so you can view what is happening throughout Samoan Language Week. Faafetai tele lava.

Samoan speeches Years 1-8

Congratulations to all our place getters this year for our Samoan speeches. (See page 2 for results). Our years 5-8, 1st, 2nd & 3rd placings will represent our school at the FAGASA speech competitions. Years 5 & 6 speeches will be held on Thursday 13th June 2024 at 9:00am at Otahuhu Primary School. Our Years 7 & 8 students will have their FAGASA speech competition on Friday 14 July 2024 at 9:00 - the venue will be confirmed by the end of this week. The students who were placed 4th and 5th in Years 5 to Year 8 will go and compete in the APPA Samoan speech competition which will be held at a later date.

Attendance Data Term 1, 2024

I had shared with the Board of Trustees and staff the Attendance data for Term 1. We seem to be tracking well but there is always room for improvement. 79% of our students attended school 80% - 100%. As discussed at our community fono we held 2 weeks ago, we can work on getting our percentage up. **90%** is our overall goal.

Faiakse'ea,
Vaitimu Togi Lemanu, Principal



Term 2 Dates: Please add these dates to your calendar

This Week: 5 - Samoan Language Week

Thurs. 30 May: Sia Ua Parent's fono at 4.30pm in R6/6B

Friday 31 May: R8 bike programme catchup

: Last day for Student teachers at SPS

: Mr Whippy on site for best attendance

Week 6

Mon. 3 June: King's Birthday Holiday -**school closed**

Tues. 4 June: Perform Education (Science) - Senior school

Wed. 5 June: Aorangi trip to the Botanical Gardens

Thurs. 6 June: Aorangi Trip to the Botanical Gardens

: Talanoa Ako Session 1

Friday 7 June: Teacher Only Day – **school closed**

Week 7

Mon. 10 June: Moana/Aorangi Swimming

Tues. 11 June: Y5&6 Boys and Girls Netball

Thurs. 13 June: Fagasa Y5&6 speeches at Otahuhu Primary

: Y7&8 Boys Rugby @ Aorere Park

: Talanoa Ako Session 2

Friday 14 June: Fagasa Y7&8 speeches @ TBC

: Mr Whippy on site for best attendance

Student News

Yamina R17, will be performing at the opening ceremony for the official launch of the international exhibition by renowned artist Yuki Kihara. The exhibition is titled Paradise Camp that was part of the NZ showcase for the La Biennale di Venezia 2023.

Yamina made her international debut, supporting her father, as the only Samoan female to play the revived Samoan practise of *fagufagu* (an instrument indigenous to Samoa) that was last seen in the 18th century, at the Paradise Camp opening at the Powerhouse Museum in October 2023. She has since played for various international gatherings, including the historical Pacific General Assembly 2024 held at the Māngere Arts Centre recently. She will also be a part of the Kiingitanga gathering at Turangawaewae in August this year.



Above: Yamina R17 performing with her father.

Right: The Y7&8 Girls' Soccer teams. They went to Barry Curtis Park to compete last Thursday. The Y7 team came 5th overall and we are still awaiting results for the Y8 team.



Left: Reuben R16 cooking as part of Samoan Language Week.



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Birthdays this week and next...

Today: Temaleti R7
Tomorrow: Benjamin R9
Friday: Jonathan R16
Saturday: Miyah R20
Sunday: Peau R7 and Brandon R14
Monday: Tokailoto R5 and Lile R9A
Tuesday: Lili R10, Pau-mo R8, Matu R9 and Ofa R8



Welcome to our new students:

Victor R15, Kalita R13B, August R18 and Silalotalie R17
We hope your learning journey at SPS leads to great things!

Reminders

If you are wanting to take your child/ren out of school early, you need to go to the office first, where you will be issued a blue slip to show to the classroom teacher.

If you have changed your email address or phone number, please inform the office.

Children away for 3 or more days due to sickness or injury need a medical certificate.

Please inform the office by 10am if your child is absent for any reason. You can use the online form on the school website, or use the contact details on the letterhead above. If your child is late, please remind them to visit the office before going to class.

Best Attendance Week 4, Term 2

These classes had the best attendance last week and will have a Mr Whippy treat on Friday:

Whenua R13B 92% and R18 89%

Moana R20 90% and R6B 95%

Aorangi R12 94% and R21 91%

Atea R9 93% and R15 93%

Samoan Speech Years 1-8 Results

	1 ST PLACE	2 ND PLACE	3 RD PLACE
Y1 R18	Mekaire	Hope	-
Y2 R18	Souvenir	Jocelyn	Clara
Y3 R17	1=Ezekiel T 1=Ezekiel I	-	Alonu'u
Y4 R17	Yamina	Zelda	Penuafa
Y5 R16	Mele F	David	Azaleah
Y6 R16	Julieta	Emily	Zacchaeus
Y7 R15	Areanna	David	Jesmaine
Y8 R15	Sonya	Anthony	Opetai

Wet weather



Please ensure your child/ren are warm and have rain jackets or umbrellas with them to shelter from the rain. The weather is becoming increasingly cold now so please ensure your child/ren are warm when coming to school.

PE Shirts for Y7&8

We now have sizes 8, M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL and 4XL available for sale. \$22 each

School Carpark

This is for staff use, service and emergency vehicles and those with mobility parking permits only. We are trying to keep our students safe within the school grounds, the more traffic in and out, the more chance of an accident. It is important that you do not park in front of the school gates at any time, this makes it difficult for those who need access.

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.

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.



Water Only School

This is a friendly reminder that our school is a Water only school which means that we don't encourage children to bring any sort of sweet drink or fizzy drink to school. Our past students had campaigned for this many years ago and they took their campaign to Parliament in Wellington. It is important that we, as a school community, support this policy.

Awhina group

Please contact our Awhina Team if you or your children need any support to attend school. The contact email for this group is: awhimaiawhiatu@suttonpark.school.nz

Contact details

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



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After and Before School Care

Please be informed that the school cannot guarantee your child's safety before 8am and after 3.10pm. You need to make sure your child is safely supervised outside school hours, both in the morning and after school. **There are a few students still waiting here after 4pm in the afternoon, unsupervised.**

SKiDs provide safe child care in the mornings and after school. If you need your child to be cared for outside school hours, please contact 0800 543 922. Your child's safety is our priority.

New Entrant Enrolment intakes for Term 2

Last Intake for Term 2 is Week 8: Monday 17 June – Friday 21 June

Breakfast club is open

Tuesday - Friday mornings.

All students are welcome to come to the tech block for breakfast before school starts at 8.15am.





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