



Sutton Park School Newsletter – 11 Sept. 2024

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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 8

Term 3 Theme: Endurance: Citius, Altius, Fortius – Faster, Higher, Stronger - Together

Term 3 Values: Perseverance & Diversity

ERO Visit 2024

The ERO visited our school for 3 days last week. I want to pass on a big thank you and congratulations to our Board of Trustees Presiding Member, Julia, and to new Board Member, Alex, our staff, our students and our parents for making the ERO visit a good one. Our Evaluation Partner, Richard, wanted to pass on to you all how impressed they were with their visit - from the powhiri, to the korero with the BoT, the senior management team, the teachers and especially to our students who they managed to korero with. They were very pleased with how everything went and they felt very relaxed with our school culture and the tone of the school. Well done to everyone and I am looking forward to our draft report on how we can strengthen what we are doing here at Sutton Park School. Once again congratulations to everyone.

A.P.P.A. Samoan Speech Results 2024

Malo lava le tausinio - Well done to all our Samoan students that competed in the APPA Samoan speeches. Maryann, Zacchaeus and Azaleah, went to Otahuhu Primary on Thursday representing Sutton Park School in the contest. Well done to Zacchaeus Y6, who came 3rd.



Above Left - Maryann, Zacchaeus and Azaleah (all from R16).

Above Right: Zacchaeus with his trophy.

Sports camp 2024

Congratulations to all our athletes who competed in the John Walker Field of Dreams sports camp. We had some very good results. SPS came 4th overall. Thank you to the staff and parents who made it possible for our athletes to be part of the Sports Camp this year. There will be a medal ceremony this Friday 13 Sept. at 9.30am, to acknowledge all our athletes.

Rehu Tai speeches

This week we are holding all our within school English speech competitions. Only those in Years 5-8 will be competing in the interschool speech competitions next week. Good luck to all those students who will be participating this week.

Vaitimu Togi Lemanu, Principal

Term 3 Dates

This week (8): Dental Van onsite

Thurs 12 Sept: Whenua Speech Competition 9.30am

: Moana Speech Competition 11.30am

Friday 13 Sept: Sports Camp Assembly 9.30am

Week 9: Maori Language Week

Mon 16 Sept: Y8 HPVaccine 2nd Dose

Tues 17 Sept: Y7&8 Boys League; Community Clean-up

Wed 18 Sept: Y5&6 interschool speeches 9.30 Al-Medinah

Y7&8 interschool speeches 11.45 Al-Medinah

Friday 20 Sept: Sia Ua Assembly at 11.30am

: Mr Whippy for best attendance Week 7&8

Week 10: Fijian Language Week

Wed 25 Sept: NZ-VR visit with Atea

: Moana Games 11.30am

Thurs 26 Sept: Sia Ua Pacific Art Exhibition in hall 11.30am

Friday 27 Sept: Last day of Term 3

Te Wiki o Te Reo Maori

We are looking forward to our Te Reo Maori Language Week. Next week will be a week where we will all learn something in Maori. There are some great resources that will support Te Reo which will be shared in all our classrooms.



Year 8 students

This is the time of year when you should be thinking about what college your Y8 child will be attending next year. It will be an easy transition into college if you start enrolling **now** rather than leaving it to the last minute when it gets too busy. Have a talanoa with your child and start planning now.

Attendance

Thank you to all you for sending your child/ren to school every day. It is important that they attend every day so that they do not miss out on their daily learning. This is just a friendly reminder about when your child/ren are absent. Inform the school straight away in person, by phone or email and bring in a medical certificate. Our term attendance is very good but I know that we can do even better.

New Entrant Enrolments

This week is the last intake for this term.

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

The next intakes will be Term 4: Week 1 and Week 4

Those starting school at the beginning of Term 1 2025 can transition during term 4 this year.

Parking

Please do NOT park on the grass in front of the school. This is not a parking space and it makes the ground all muddy. There is usually plenty of parking available in Wakelin Street, even if it means you have to walk the short distance.

Measles update – looking ahead

Measles is dangerous and contagious, especially in communities with low vaccination rates. Although New Zealand continues to be free of measles, it could arrive at any time. We encourage everyone to check if they are immune to measles, especially those planning to travel overseas for the school holidays. The key message: if you aren't sure, get vaccinated.



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Birthdays this week and next

Today: To'o R16 and Mina R6B

Thursday: Daniel R13A and Faith R16

Friday: Alisi R7 and Hope R18

Sunday: Litia R12, Mele R16, Zacchaeus R16 and Sione R5

Monday: Henry R16 Tuesday: Shanita R11 and Deborah R11

Welcome to our new students:

John R7, Rose-Shanice R18, Roman R13B, Makelesi R11A,

Veisinia R13B, Semisi R13B and Mildred-Juliemma R18

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



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

School Gates and Carpark

The school gates will be locked between 8.15am and 3.45pm. If you need access, you will need to contact the office on 276 4560.

Staff only to come into the school grounds unless you have a mobility parking permit or have been asked to enter.

Best attendance for Term 3 Week 7:

Well done to these classes who will be receiving their Mr Whippy next Friday 20 Sept:

Whenua: R18 91% and R4 90%

Moana: R6 89% and R20 84%

Aorangi: R16 88% and R12 85%

Atea: R15 93% and R9 92%

School Start First Impressions

Our charity supports 5-year-old children from struggling families with everything they need to start school in a positive way. We understand that families are holding off enrolling their child in school due to the cost barriers and we believe in doing our part to assist in overcoming this.

Our offering includes the following:

- A brand-new school uniform
- School stationary
- A named backpack
- A lunch box and drink bottle
- Pencil case
- Reading and activity books
- A family game
- An outdoor activity
- Swimming gear; swimming bag with swimming togs, towel and goggles
- The donations from our partner KidsCan; a pair of school shoes, socks and a high-quality hooded jacket
- Additional clothing such as underwear and knitted slippers



The only criteria we have to be able to access this offering is as follows:

- The child must be a new entrant and the family must be experiencing hardship.
 - Enrolment paperwork must be completed.
 - A minimum of two weeks' notice before the start of school.
- For further information on our charity please visit our Facebook page or website www.ssfi.org.nz.

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.

Awhina group

Please contact our Awhina Team if you or your children need any support to attend school, (i.e. uniform, stationery). 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.)

PE Shirts for Y7&8

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

Breakfast Club is open Tuesday-Friday mornings.

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



GIVE SOFTBALL A GO



ONEHUNGA MĀNGERE SOFTBALL CLUB INC

Swanson Park, Māngere Bridge (Behind Fresh Choice)

SUNDAY 22nd
SEPTEMBER 2024
11am - 1pm

onehungamangeresoftball@gmail.com
www.sporty.co.nz/onehungasoftball

Call Sharon 021816292 or Michelle 0220622720

ALL WELCOME (5yrs upwards)
No softball gear or experience needed!



ONEHUNGA MĀNGERE
UNITED SOFTBALL CLUB

We are a local softball club that is trying to get new members. We aim to get kids and their whanau to play sports in their local area. We have managed to get grants for new equipment so our costs are as low as possible.



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