



Sutton Park School Newsletter – 18 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, আরে

Term 3, Week 9

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

Term 3 Values: Perseverance & Diversity

Te Wiki o te Reo Maori - Ake, Ake, Ake - A Forever Language

This week, we specifically focus on and celebrate Te Reo Maori, even though it is part of our everyday practice at Sutton Park School. We acknowledge, celebrate, respect and connect with the theme provided annually. Whaea Molly, Whaea Uru and the tamariki of Whaia te Matauranga and the students of Maori descent are having a week of activities, songs, games, and a hiko around our community on Friday and a trip to Ihumatao tomorrow.

Our strategic goal #5 allows Te Ao Maori to be present at our school for all our staff and students to understand and appreciate things Maori. I am looking forward to seeing our celebrations on Friday where classes will be recording what they have done throughout the week of Te Reo Maori. Nga mihi nunui kia koutou katoa.

Sutton Park School Speeches - Years 1-8

We had a lovely week of speeches last week from the different syndicates. Oral language is an important part of our school and we ensure that all our children have the opportunity to speak confidently in front of their peers and in front of the school. Congratulations to all our winners in the different syndicates.



Mrs Dutt with Penelope, Sione and Nanu.

These are the following speech winners from each syndicate:

- Whenua Y2 1st Penelope R14 2nd Sione R5 3rd Nanu R5
- Moana Y3 1st = Siosaia R24, Jordan R20 and Anthony R6
Y4 1st Harley R24 2nd Ezra R24
- Aorangi 1st Leopoli R11A 2nd Anna R21 3rd Emily R16
- Atea 1st Areanna R15 2nd Fono R9 3rd Davai R11

Rehu Tai Speeches

Leopoli Rm 11A, Anna Rm 21, Emily R16, Areanna R15 and Fono R9 in the Years 5-8 represented our school at the Mangere schools Rehu Tai competitions today, held at Al-Medinah School.



Congratulations to Emily R16 (centre), who came first and Leopoli R11A (right), who came second in the Y5&6 competition. Anna R21 (left).

Vaitimu Togi Lemanu, Principal

Term 3 Dates

This week (9): Maori Language Week

Friday 20 Sept: Sia Ua Assembly at 11.30am

: Mr Whippy for best attendance Week 7&8

Week 10: Fijian Language Week

Mon 23 Sept: Fijian Language Week Assembly 9.30am

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

Term 4 Dates

Week 1: Niuean Language Week

Mon 14 Oct: first day of Term 4

Friday 18 Oct: Atea Syndicate Mufti Day -gold coin donation

SKIDs

I am informing you all that SKIDs - (Safety Kids in Daily supervision) will no longer be operating at Sutton Park School, until further notice.

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. **If your child is travelling overseas, during term time, please let the office know!**

New Entrant Enrolments

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.



Above Left: Te Ohomairangi R3 learning poi. Above Right: Some students made screen prints onto T-shirts (of the school logo) on Monday as part of Te Wiki o Te Reo Maori.



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Birthdays this week and next

Yesterday: Curtis-Lloyd R11A and Steven R6B

Today: Paula R9A and Fifita R4

Friday: Carlos R21

Saturday: Helen-Marie R9A and Anthony R15

Sunday: Anne R9

Monday: Avary R13A Tuesday: Savelina R6B

Welcome to our new student:

Laila-Rose R14

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 8:

Well done to these classes who will be receiving their Mr Whippy next week:

Whenua: R14 87% and R5 85%

Moana: R17 88% and R6B 87%

Aorangi: R21 92% and R11A 90%

Atea: R8 91% and R10 86%

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).



SPLASH School Holiday Programme

Our popular one-day water safety programme for 8-11 year olds is back these school holidays at several facilities around Tāmaki Makaurau, Auckland.

Splash provides opportunities for kids to have-a-go at aquatic activities, to improve their water safety competence and knowledge, while enhancing their swimming ability.



SPLASH
One day water safety programme

Holiday Programme for 8-11 year olds

[More info and register here.](#)



R5 above
R13A right
R14 left



More images from the Y1-4 Speech Comps. last week.



R18 right

R13B left

R4 right





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