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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 4, Week 8 Wednesday 4 December 2024 Term 4 Theme: Relook, Reflect, Refresh Term 4 Values: Excellence & Diversity

An evening of Cultural celebrations - 2024 Cultural Extravaganza

What an evening it was last Friday at Sutton Park School. We had nearly all of our cultures represented and celebrated with a packed out crowd coming to watch and enjoy. It was great to see so much support from families and friends from our Mangere community. All the dances from our students were beautifully performed and the enjoyment on all our children's faces showed their pride and joy in what they were doing. Thank you to our community - the community spirit was high and I really do appreciate your continued support for our school. Thank you to all the staff who put the performances together from the different classes. Thank you for your dedication in making it a successful evening for our children. We always remind our students to be proud of who they are, be proud of their culture and to always do their best. A successful evening indeed.



Fun Days

Syndicate Fun Days started this week, with Aorangi's yesterday, and will finish with Atea's on Mon 16 Dec. It is important that your child is part of their syndicate fun day and I do not want anyone left out. These fun days are for our children to enjoy their activities and celebrate their end of year programme. Please ensure that your children have what is needed for their fun day. A hat, sunscreen and a packed lunch is needed. Pack a large water bottle as the days are getting very hot. Enjoy your fun day everyone.

Safety of our children during the festive season

As we are gearing up to the festive season it is a busy time for everyone. The roads get busy, shopping malls get very busy and traffic gets a bit crazy. We need to remember our children during these times. Their safety is very important and I want all our children to enjoy the festive season without mishap.

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Vaitimu Togi Lemanu, Principal

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Term 4 Dates -please add to your diary or calendar
Week 8:
Friday 6 Dec: Mr Whippy on site for Week 6 and Week 7
best attendance
Week 9: Prizegiving week
Mon 9 Dec: Sports Prizegiving 10am
Tues 10 Dec: Whenua Prizegiving 9.15am
: Moana Prizegiving 11.30am
Wed 11 Dec: Sia Ua Prizegiving 9.15am
: Masina Va'aia Prizegiving 11.30am
Thurs 12 Dec: Rumaki Reo Prizegiving 9.15am - Pool Trip
Friday 13 Dec: Aorangi Prizegiving 9.15am
: Atea Prizegiving 11.30am
: Whenua Trip to Chipmunks (\$10)
: Moana Fun Day (at school)

Week 10:

Mon16 Dec: Atea Fun Day to Panmure Pools (\$10)Tues17 Dec: School Reports issued; Y8 Dine and DanceWed18 Dec: Last day of the year finish at 12noon

Our major focus points in 2025

Attendance, Structured Literacy & Structured Maths will be the main focus points next year. Just to give you a heads up we will be focusing more on Structured Literacy and then slowly introduce Structured Maths. I do not want to overwhelm our teachers with the new Literacy and Maths programmes, so we are working to the pace of our teachers to ensure these programmes are well implemented next year. Attendance will be the focus right at the start of 2025. We need your support in ensuring your children are at school every day, for them to grasp onto new knowledge every day.

Out of zone families

This is only a friendly reminder for all our families in our community. If you are out of zone and you want to enrol your child/ren into our school, you can only go into the Rumaki Maori class, Tongan Bilingual unit or the Samoan Bilingual unit. You cannot request for your child/ren to be in the mainstream if you are out-of-zone. It is illegal if you are using any family address around Sutton Park School to enrol your child/ren if you do not stay at that place. It is a serious offence to falsify your address.

Y7&8 Camp 2025

Please have the permission/medical/dietary form completed and returned to school as soon as possible.

Prizegiving 2024

Our prizegivings start next week. You will be receiving a letter if your child is a nominee for an award. It is extremely important that you do attend if your child is nominated for an award. It will not be a good look if your child receives an award and no one is there to celebrate their success. A reminder that we are a sugar-free school so **no** lolly necklaces at any prizegiving. Thank you for understanding.



Above: R3 enjoying the school pool as a treat yesterday.



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New Entrant Enrolments and Transitioning

If you have a child wanting to start school Term 1 2025, please enrol them now!

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

Birthdays this week and next...

Today: Kamenamayson R12 and Isabel R7 Sunday: David S. R10 Tuesday: Keyano R10



Best Attendance for Term 4 Week 7:

Well done to these classes who will be receiving their Mr Whippy treat on Friday along with the

Week 6 winners: Whenua: R13B 93% and R5 89% Moana: R24 90% and R25 85% Aorangi: R12 94% and R21 94% Atea: R15 94% and R10 87%



Success Stories from our Past Students

It is always great to hear the success stories from our past students who have achieved Excellence in Year 13. If you know any past students doing well, we would like to hear from you.

PE Shirts for Y7&8

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

2025 confirmed dates:

Term 1 Wednesday 29th January 2025 - Friday 11th April Term 2 Monday 28th April - Friday 27th June Term 3 Monday 14th July - Friday 19th September Term 4 Monday 6th October - Friday 12th December Our school office will be open on Tuesday 28th January 2025 from 9am.

Coding NZ – free holiday activities

We're excited to announce that Coding NZ will be running free tutored school holiday coding activities for all NZ students again this summer!

With the increasing amount of digital technology in our world today, we believe every student deserves a chance to enjoy discovering more about how coding works. Our free holiday workshops are a great way for students to stretch their existing coding skills, or to get started for the first time.

Feel free to let us know if you have any questions. We are looking forward to seeing lots of awesome student coding projects. Ph 027 919 9234 schools@codingnz.com



- Learn coding languages online with help from expert live tutors.
- Ages 9 to 10, 11 & 12, 13 to 15. 16+
- 1 hour online at either 4pm, 5pm or 6pm. Sessions available between Jan 6 & Feb 9 2025.

Sign up for free at codingnz.com/freeactivity

Email: office@suttonpark.school.nz

Camp Payments - Thank you to those who have paid. A friendly reminder that if your child went to camp and you have not vet 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



Above left: R20 dressed and ready to go on stage last Friday afternoon at the Cultural Extravaganza. Above right: Manu R15 with his prizes from playing table tennis yesterday.

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

Mobile phones

Just a reminder to our parents that we have a mobile phone policy that has been mandated by the government. No student should be carrying around a mobile phone at school. All mobile phones should be handed into the office in the morning and picked up after school.

Contact details

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



Borrow a lifejacket

Have you got enough lifejackets for your next boating trip? Did you know you can borrow one from a DPA Lifejacket Hub? Located across Tāmaki Makaurau Auckland and Waikato, our Lifejacket Hubs are available for anyone to borrow a lifejacket to help keep themselves and their loved ones safer while out on the boat, or enjoying their favourite waterbased activity.

Find your nearest DPA Lifejacket Hub



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