



Sutton Park School Newsletter – 12 Feb. 2025

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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 1, Week 3 Wednesday 12 February 2025

Term 1 Theme: Whanaungatanga

Term 1 Values: Identity & Respect

Leadership Camp 2025

Our Year 7/8 students are well on their way at Camp Adair this year. This is an important event for our Year 7/8 students to attend. At this time of the year the camp enables our students to get to know each other and their teachers. This is the time where we develop and grow leadership skills in all our students as this is one of the criteria to becoming a school leader in 2026.

I want to acknowledge the leadership and organisation of the Team Leader Mr Katafono and your team of teachers for ensuring that there is a planned programme to keep our children busy and engaged for the 3 days at camp. Thank you to our parents who opted to be part of the camp. It is once again an important part of your involvement in our children's education. We have a big number of parent helpers which is great to see at the beginning of the year. Enjoy the camp, and make every moment count by giving each activity a go. I am looking forward to hearing more about your camp experience upon your return today.



Thank you to our School Community

I just wanted to take this opportunity to say a massive THANK YOU to our school community and especially the families that surround our school. We are very fortunate to have no damages to any of our school buildings. We have had no break-ins whatsoever and this shows the support you have for our school. Our partnership is very important so let's continue to grow from strength to strength.

AN IMPORTANT COMMUNITY FONO TERM 1:

When: Wednesday 19th February 2025

Time: 5:00pm

Venue: School hall

Free sausage sizzle @ 4:30pm

8 x \$50.00 grocery vouchers to be won at the end of the community fono

We will be sharing important information about our strategic goals for 2025 - we want to hear your voice to finalise our strategic goals. We will be looking at our annual planning, our targets for this year and any other information that you all need to know for Term 1.

2025 Term 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

Term 1 Dates -please add to your diary or calendar

Week 3: Assessment Week

Wed. 12 Feb: Rumaki Whanau hui

Thurs. 13 Feb: : Mr Whippy for best attendance
: Talanoa Ako at 4.30pm

Week 4: Assessment Week

Wed. 19 Feb: Community Fono from 4.30pm

Thurs. 20 Feb: Gardasil 9 Talk & Boostrix talanoa (Atea)
: Talanoa Ako 4.30pm

Friday 21 Feb : Mr Whippy for best attendance

Week 5:

Tues. 25 Feb: Y7&8 Boys Softball

Thurs. 27 Feb: Y7&8 Girls Softball ; Y5&6 Boys Cricket
: Talanoa Ako at 4.30pm

Friday 28 Feb: Mr Whippy for best attendance

Theme for Term 1 - Whanaungatanga

School values - Identity & Respect

This is our theme for this term. Whanaungatanga means 'relationship, kinship, sense of family connection' - a relationship through shared experiences and working together which provides people with a sense of belonging. It develops as a result of kinship rights and obligations, which also serve to strengthen each member of the kin group. It also extends to others to whom one develops a close familial, friendship or reciprocal relationship. Different aspects of whanaungatanga will be discussed in the different syndicates and it is extremely important that all our children have an understanding of whanaungatanga. Knowledge and connections of this theme can be drawn from students' own ethnic and cultural understanding of whanaungatanga. We promote all our school values every day and the values that are aligned nicely to whanaungatanga are identity & respect.

School Uniform

Uniforms for junior and seniors students need to be correct:

Black socks only - No jandals or crocs.

Hats are to be worn this term when outside.

Best Attendance for Term 1 Week 2:

Well done to these classes who will be receiving their Mr Whippy treat tomorrow:

Whenua: R13B 99% and R18 96%

Moana: R6 95% and R6B 92%

Aorangi: R7 93% and R9A 92%

Atea: R2 91% and R8 90%



Whakatau for our new teacher

At our school assembly on Monday we officially welcomed our new Samoan teacher who will be teaching in the Samoan Bilingual unit - Masina Va'aia. Nau mai, haere mai Ms Ailini Ioelu. Thank you for choosing Sutton Park School. We look forward to working with you and sharing your knowledge with our students in Room 17.

Vaitimu Togi Lemanu, Principal



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New Entrant Enrolments and Transitioning

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

Week 3 - Intake 1 - From Mon Feb 10

Week 4 - Monday - Wed 17 Feb-19 Feb (transitioning) 9am-11am

Week 5 - Intake 2 - From Mon 24 Feb

Week 6 - Monday - Wed 3 Mar - 5 Mar (transitioning) 9am-11am

Week 7 - Intake 3 -From Mon 10 March

Week 8 - Monday - Wed 17 Mar.- 19 Mar (transitioning) 9am-11am

Week 9 - Intake 4 -From Mon 24 March

Week 10 - Monday - Wed 7 Apr- 9 Apr (transitioning) 9am-11am

Birthdays this week and next...

Today: Taylor R10, Ana R25 and Ane R25

Tomorrow: Moahengi R7

Friday: Ma'ata R8 and Genesis R25

Sunday: Abigail R2 and Loinidora R16



PE Shirts for Y7&8

We have sizes XL, 2XL, 3XL and 4XL available for sale.

\$22 each from the school office.

Until we have all sizes available, students to wear a plain t-shirt for sport/PE so their uniform stays clean and safe.

Welcome to our New Students

R1: Michael

R4: Angelica, Angelina, Leiola, Inoke and Laveatu

R13A: Alivia, Mila and Lia

R18: Eseta and Neriah

R7: Isabella

R9: Vaisiliva

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



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Camp Payments – Thank you to those who have already paid.

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 Camp25 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.)

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.**

Before and After School Care

We no longer have SKiDS operating at Sutton Park School. If you need child supervision, you can contact them as they are running from Robertson Road School. See below for other providers that offer after school care services.

SKiDS: 0800 274 172

Good Seeds Mangere: (09) 275 1065

Mangere East Community Centre: (09) 275-6161



Left: Erynn R11 and Teraupa R11 ready to have ago at kayaking.

Attendance

This is the Government's focus this year and as a school, we are going to do our very best to ensure all our students attend school every day. This cannot be done fully unless we get your full support and this is simply by bringing your child/ren to school every day. If they are sick, they need to present a medical certificate and you need to make contact with the school immediately.



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