



Sutton Park School Newsletter – 2 April 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 10 Wednesday 2 April 2025

Term 1 Theme: Whanaungatanga

Term 1 Values: Identity & Respect

Trying something different & giving it a go - Surf (Aotearoa) Education

Our School and Tautua Leaders were fortunate enough to attend the Surf (Aotearoa) Education programme on Monday this week. This was held at the Orewa Beach Surf Life Saving Club. This gave an opportunity for our students to try something out of their comfort zone and they really enjoyed the skills they all learnt. Some of our students had natural skills and could adapt to the surfing easily, while others had to adjust in order to grasp onto the new skills learnt. In leadership, this often happens. You have to adjust your skills to whatever space you are in, in order to get the most out of it. After talking to the students upon their return, they really enjoyed the surfing programme.



Thank you Mr Katafono for your organisation, Mrs Taufalele, Miss Frost and to our parent helpers, your support is very much appreciated.

*Photo above: Longolongo R9
Photo left: Timote R9 (standing)*

Life Education Programme

Life Education is back at our school for another year. This programme is a worthwhile opportunity for our children. The Life Education programme offers our school:

- Specialised lessons that align with the New Zealand Curriculum and the Child and Youth Wellbeing strategy
- A whole school approach with support to integrate key learning points into the school classroom after lessons
- Interactive and engaging learning experiences supported by unique technology and resources

The topic sessions for this visit are:

Y1-2 What makes us special & Being kind to others

Y3-4 How our body systems work

Y5-6 What makes us special & What makes a balanced diet

Y7-8 The impacts of our decisions on and offline

Vaitimu Togi Lemanu, Principal

2025 Term Dates:

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 10: Life Education Caravan on Site

Thurs. 3 April: Talanoa Ako 4.30pm

Friday 4 April: Mr Whippy for Week 9 best attendance
: Sia Ua Drama at 11.30am

Sat 5 April: Daylight Savings ends at midnight- change clocks

Week 11: Life Education Caravan on Site

Thurs. 10 April: Mr Whippy for Week 10 best attendance
: Talanoa Ako 4.30pm

Friday 11 April: Last day of Term 1 - school finishes at 3pm.



Zero-waste programme

Above left: Paige R20 learning about worms and right: R20 students Thaddeus, Lucas and Aisea getting their hands dirty making worm farms.

Weekly attendance

Thank you to all our parents who are sending your child/ren to school every day, and on time. We have seen some really good results weekly and the students are receiving their treats from Mr Whippy. You can also view our weekly attendance rates on our school Facebook page. Thank you for your continuous support.

Final week of the term- next week

Next week will be the final week of Term 1. We finish next Friday at the normal time of 3pm.

New Travelwise Signs

When you are dropping off your child/ren to school or picking them up after school you will see our new travelwise signs our monitors will be holding up (see below). We really need to get the message across to our community about being safe around our school area. These signs are all in the different bilingual languages we have here at our school.





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New Entrant Enrolments and Transitioning

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

Week 10 - Monday - Wed 31 Mar- Wed 3 Apr (transitioning) 9am-11am

Week 11- Intake 5 - From Mon 7 April

Term 2 dates

Week 1 - Monday -Wed 28 April-30 April (transitioning) 9am-11am

Week 2 - Intake 1 -From Mon 5 May

Week 3 - Monday -Wed 12 May-14 May (transitioning) 9am-11am

Week 4 - Intake 2 -From Mon 19 May

Week 5 - Monday -Wed 26 May-28 May (transitioning) 9am-11am

Week 6 - Intake 3 -From Mon 2 June

Week 7 - Monday - Wed 9 June-11 June (transitioning) 9am-11am

Week 8 - Intake 4 -From Mon 16 Jun

Week 9 - Monday -Wed 23 June-25 June (transitioning) 9am-11am

Birthdays this week and next...

Today: Fred R21

Friday: Manase R8, Jonathan R5 and Mila R13A

Saturday: Anthony R6

Monday: Losaline R8 and Nafetelai R7

Tuesday: Grace R7 and Lakelynn R5



Senior School PE T-Shirts

A reminder that the school green PE t shirts are only worn by our Year 7/8 students. We are waiting for the new order of PE t shirts to come in, then we will let you know. Thank you for your patience

We do 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.

Uniform Help

Thank you to those who have donated outgrown uniform items. If your child has outgrown their uniform, please consider donating it to us, so we can pass on to families who need it.

Contact Details

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

Tu te Korero Māori Speeches

These were held last Thursday for TA5-8.

Congratulations to Halatoa R1 (TA5-6) and Liyani R3 (TA7-8), who will be representing SPS at the Manu Korero next term at Te Kura Maori o Nga Tapuwae.



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

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.**

Best Attendance for Term 1 Week 8:

Well done to these classes who will be receiving their Mr Whippy treat on Friday (and R15 who were on their trip last week).

Whenua: R13B 95% and R4 94%

Moana: R6B 97% and R6 92%

Aorangi: R9A 96% and R7 94%

Atea: R2 98% and R9 98%



Breakfast Club

Breakfast club is open Tuesday-Friday mornings. All students are welcome to come to the tech block for breakfast before school between 8.15am and 8.45am.



Below left is the TA 5-6 entrants. Back row L-R: Te Kohu R1, Marangi R11A, Kevin 11A, Tiare R11A. Front Row L-R: Elixir R21, Halatoa R1, Margret R15 and William R1.

Below right is the TA 7-8 entrants, back row L-R Carleine R3, Izaiyah R11, Yosh-Bert R10. Front row L-R: Erynn R11, Zariah R11, Liyani R3, Rose R10 and Eztarahmarie R10





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