



SUNNYVALE SCHOOL

"Learning is for Life"

Greetings, Tena Koutou e hoa ma, hello parents and friends of the school, Talofa lava, malo

Week2	Term 2, 2010
27 April 2010	
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TERM 2: UPCOMING EVENTS

- 30 Apr Sunnyvale Cross Country
- 01 May Saturday Netball begins
- 03 May Kauri (R3, 4, 5, 6) Zoo Trip
- 04 May Kowhai (R 10, 11, 12,16) Trip to the Zoo
- 07 May Nikau (R 7, 8, 9) Trip to the Zoo
- 10 May Stop work meeting school closes 2:00pm
- 11 May Interschool Cross Country
- 19 May Pohutakawa (R17,18,19,20,21) Zoo trip
- 01 Jun Interschool Basketball
- 07 Jun Queens Birthday
- 20 May Board of Trustees meeting 7:30pm
- 23 Jun Parent Interviews
- 24 Jun Parent Interviews



ROOM 9 NEWS

I am delighted to let you know that Miss Monique Rakich will remain Room 9's Teacher throughout the whole year. Mrs Emily Auva'a has found motherhood a wonderful experience. Emily has decided to return to teaching in Term 3 in Room 11 for 2 hours a day while Mrs Sullivan takes Reading Recovery. Miss Linda Watson currently is the Release Teacher for Mrs Sullivan.



WELCOME TO OUR NEW CHILDREN IN ROOM 11

Mrs Beverley Sullivan has started a class for our new 5 year olds. They have settled in well and are enjoying being at school. Mrs Sullivan is testing children now and will meet parents individually to inform them of their child's next leaning steps. We have been doing this with our New Entrants for almost a year now.

NATIONAL STANDARDS

The National Standards provide a nationally consistent means for considering, explaining and responding to student's progress and achievement in Year 1-8. They provide reference points, or signposts, that describe the achievement, in reading, writing, and mathematics that will enable students to meet the demands of the New Zealand Curriculum. They will help teachers to make judgments about their students' progress so that the students and their teachers, parents, families and whanau can agree on learning goals.

When used in conjunction with effective assessment practices, the National Standards will be a powerful means of informing students, parents, families, whanau, teachers, schools, and the education system about how well things are going and what could be done better to improve learning for all students.

All teachers working in English-medium settings will work with the standards from 2010. From February 2010, consultation and trialing of Nga Whanaketanga Rumaki Maori will begin in Maori-medium schools and setting that are working towards implementing Te Marautanga O Aotaroa.

Working together, the New Zealand Curriculum, the National Standards, Ka Hikitia, and the Pasifika Education Plan give schools a rich resource to draw on to ensure that all students build strong foundations for a lifetime of learning.

SUNNYVALE SCHOOL

The Ethnic make up of our Sunnyvale families makes us a very special school. The diversity of New Zealand, particularly Auckland and the predicted statistics of ethnic diversity in the future, tells us that our families will be able to enter into adulthood with the value of integrity and respect for all cultures.

ATTENDANCE TROHPY



Last week Room 6 won the Attendance Trophy. This trophy is awarded each week to the class that has the most children at school everyday and on time. Please make sure that your child is at school before the 8:55am bell. If your child is going to be absent for any reason, please phone the school office on 838 9248 or text 021 027 46448

STOP WORK MEETING

Our staff are attending a stop work meeting on **Monday 10th May. School will finish at 2:00. After school care will open at 2:00pm. Please mark this on your calendar and ensure your children know arrangements.**

SATURDAY NETBALL

Teams are now well into training for netball games on Saturday. Parents please remember that siblings of children practicing after school are not permitted to stay at school. Coaches and managers are busy training their teams and are not responsible for unsupervised children. We are still in a construction zone and need to ensure that all children are safe

CROSS COUNTRY THIS FRIDAY SUNNYVALE CROSS COUNTRY

This Friday, 30 April weather permitting, we will be holding our whole school cross country. Starting at 11:30am the children will race as follows:



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| 5 year old girls and boys | 1 lap |
| 6 year old girls and boys | 1 lap |
| 7 year old girls and boys | 1 lap |
| 8 year old girls and boys | 2 laps |
| 9 year old girls and boys | 3 laps |
| 10 and 11 year old girls and boys | 3 laps |

You are most welcome to come and cheer on your children.

Children will need to bring:

- A change of clothes
- Drink bottle and water

BOARD OF TUSTEES ELECTION

Nominations for the Board of Trustees election have now closed. We have had 7 nominations:

- Neil Donaldson
- Alice Heywood
- Kata Hope
- Allan Howie
- Te Paea Muir
- Jan Tasker
- Lara Williams

Voting papers were posted today. You are able to vote for up to 5 people. You can either post the voting papers back to school, or drop them into the box at the school office, in the envelope provided. Voting closes at noon on the 7th May.

Janet Edgar-Returning Officer

COMMUNITY NOTICES



FREE ENTRY TO MOTAT

MOTAT wishes to thank you for your support. Free entry is being offered for Waitakere City Residents from 1-31 May 2010. Bring proof of your address or your rates bill to MOTAT from Saturday 1 to 31 May and receive free entry to MOTAT for you and your family (2 adults and 4 children under 14)

Open every day 10am -5 pm

LOST KITTEN

"Griff: the lovely black and white kitten that is often seen at school has gone missing. He lives next to the school in Ribblesdale Road and is terribly missed by the little girl who lives there. Please ph 027 279 2181 or see Lynne in the school office if you know where he is.

GLEN EDEN PLAYHOUSE

The Glen Eden Community House invites you to "Info Fest 2010"

Where: 13 Pisces Road, Glen Eden

When: Saturday 8th May 2010

Time 11.00am to 2.00pm

What is "Info Fest 2010"

This fun filled day is for people living in or around Glen Eden to gather information on what is happening or being offered in your local community.

Community Groups Ace Classes Info

Out School Care Info Playgroup Info

Eco Matters Trust Refreshments

Free bouncy Castle Food

For more information contact Leanne or Carole 818 2194

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ORATIA KINDERGARTEN

Oratia Kindergarten is having a *Trash and Treasure Sale*. 10am - 2pm on Sunday 2 May. 552 West Coast Road. Bargains are to be had. All welcome.



A LETTER FROM THE PRIME MINISTER!!!!!!

Pictured above is Waikura Koroheke. During Term 1 Waikura worked with Cate Erickson and a small group of children. Their challenge was to answer the question, "What would you change when you become Prime Minister?" This created a great dialogue with Waikura and his friends

- Who is the Prime Minister?
- What can he change?
- How do you become the Prime Minister?

The changes that were suggested were very KID realistic - so far Sunnyvale Primary has become a resort with restaurants and a fun park, the Sky Tower has free entry, Rainbows End costs a dollar to enter and cars are very cheap- \$100!!

We decided to e-mail John Key to let him know about what the changes would be when Waikura became Prime Minister. We sent the above picture and a covering letter, and John Key wrote back to Waikura.

This is a great example of learning, especially about how our country is run and who is in charge. Well done Waikura, we may see you as Prime Minister one day.