



# SUNNYVALE SCHOOL

"Learning is for Life"

Week 4

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Greetings, Tena Koutou e hoa ma, hello parents and friends of the school, Talofa lava, malo e lelei, fakalofa lahi atu..

## TERM 2: UPCOMING EVENTS

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



### ATTENDANCE TROHPY

Last week Room 6 won the Attendance Trophy again!! This trophy is awarded each week to the class that has the most children at school everyday and on time.



### OUR NEW STUDENTS

Pictured with Mrs Coffey, from left are: David Lister, Sharon Hayward, Sarah Leota, Teresa Kendall, Gretchen Fernandez and Scott Kennedy. They come to Sunnyvale each Tuesday and will be here until the end of Term 2.

### STOP WORK MEETING

Thank you to our families who supported the teachers stop work meeting. Our teachers work extremely hard and put their heart and soul into teaching and learning. Please make sure that you ask your child everyday if they have any notices. Each Tuesday the school newsletter is sent home with every child. The newsletter is also available on the internet, [www.sunnyvale.school.nz](http://www.sunnyvale.school.nz).

### UNIFORM

We are finding that children are taking off polar fleeces, jackets, socks and shoes because it gets hot during the day. Please check that all uniform and shoes are named. Often the name washes off and this makes it extremely hard to return lost property.

### MATH-A-THON

This week you will receive a notice and sponsorship form for Math-a-thon. The money raised will go toward building our new Junior playground. The PTA has already raised \$27,000 toward the \$30,486 cost. On top of this cost is the purchase of bark to provide safe fall for the children.

The prizes are:

- 1<sup>st</sup> A kitchen appliance
- 2<sup>nd</sup> onwards Vouchers from West City, Pak n Save, Mitre 10 and games

This year we feel that vouchers will be helpful prizes for our families.

Parents, please encourage your children to get sponsorship from family and friends. Do not let your child walk around the neighbourhood getting sponsorship as this is unsafe.

If we raise more money, over and above the cost of the Junior playground, the proceeds will go towards the building of a new Senior playground.

### MAKING TIME TO TALK

We can never underestimate the power of conversation. Making time to talk to our children is very important for their social and emotional development. The richer the vocabulary of our children the better readers, writer and mathematicians they will be.

Our world flies by at such a fast pace we often forget the simple chances to engage in conversation as our parents did. Great times to talk are:

- At the dinner table every night instead of sitting in front of the T.V.
- In the car
- Bedtime when stories are read and shared
- Homework time when you can ask how their day went, what friends they have and what they like and are good at.
- A visit to the library
- When they have visited family and friends



**OUR BUILDINGS ARE LOOKING GREAT**

The outside of the hall is nearly completed and the interior is well underway. It is very exciting to see the interior taking shape, it means that an end is in sight. The outside has been painted and the final touches are being completed over the next 3 weeks.

The reroof is almost complete and the walkway structures over the Library and Rooms 3 and 4 are nearly finished. It will be great to have extra shelter at the back of these classrooms and down to the end of the admin block.

Pathways are being concreted around the junior area and entrance way, everyone is looking forward to be able to use the access way again

A new closed in area outside the staffroom and new blinds in the staffroom will go up shortly.

Once again we would like to thank our families for the patience while all this work in being completed.

**BEING AT SCHOOL EVERYDAY**

Attending school everyday and on time means:

- Better learning
- Success at school
- More confidence
- Happy kids
- Good friends
- A feeling of belonging
- Good habits
- Support for families
- Set up for life

The choice is yours. What kids say:

- “Coming to school makes me feel great”
- “I love making friends at school”
- “ I like playing and learning at school”
- “ I want to learn and be brainy”
- “ School is cool. I like having fun at school”

What teachers say:

- “Every day at school counts”
- Make the best choice for your child-they have a right to an education”
- The single most important achievement in a child’s life is to attend school every day”

**LISTON MENTORING STUDENTS**

Year 11 boys come to Sunnyvale School once a week to work with 6 Sunnyvale boys. This is an ideal mentoring opportunity for our children. The Liston boys are excellent role models and very encouraging. We have been running this partnership for the last 5 years.

**RECIPE FOR THIS WEEK-PIZZA**

Base

- 1 cup of flour
- Pinch salt
- ¼ cup milk
- ½ teaspoon Baking Powder
- 2 Tablespoons butter

Rub butter into flour, baking powder and salt. Add milk and form into a soft dough. Roll out to fit a 23cm pizza tin or oven tray. Then you can choose whatever topping you like:

- Tomato paste
- Seafood
- Spaghetti
- Cheese
- Mushrooms
- Tomatoes
- bacon/ham/luncheon
- Salami/Chicken
- Baked beans
- Herb and spices
- Olives



Bake at 200C 10-15 minutes, or until the cheese has melted and turned golden brown.

This is a great meal that children can help make, choosing their own toppings. You can make as many as you need for your family, they are also great for lunchboxes the next day.

<b><u>Saturday Netball Results</u></b>		
<b>Team</b>	<b>Win/Loss</b>	<b>Player of the Day</b>
Super Stars	No Game	
Sapphires	Win 10-6	Heaven Tuimaunei
Shooting Stars	Loss 2-3	Linda McFarland
Champs		
Silver Ferns		