



# SUNNYVALE SCHOOL

"Learning is for Life"

Week 6

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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

01 Jun	Interschool Basketball
07 Jun	Queens Birthday
20 May	Board of Trustees meeting 7:30pm
22 June	Twin Stream Planting R5/9-9:30-11:00
22 June	Twin Stream Planting R6/11-11:30-1:00
23 Jun	Parent Interviews
24 Jun	Parent Interviews

## CHILDRENS' ASTHMA

- Asthma affects one in four children in New Zealand
- Asthma affects one in six adults in New Zealand
- It is estimated that Asthma costs the country over \$1 billion annually

We are planning to have the Waitemata District Health Board Asthma Educator visit our school to talk to parents. As we get into the winter months this is a great opportunity to come to school and learn how:

- To manager your childs asthma more effectively
- Find out about allergies that may effect your child
- Ask questions regarding different products
- Be informed about medical updates/changes
- Get information about grants available to keep your house warm and dry during winter

We would like to have as many families attend this meeting. There is no cost. Can you please indicate below if a day time or evening session would be more appropriate for you. We haven't set a date as yet, watch out for a flyer to come home with more details. Please return this slip to the school office. Thank you

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## ASTHMA MEETING

I would like to attend the Asthma Meeting. I have indicated below the best time to attend this meeting. The workshop would run for approx 1 hour

2:00pm during school time

7:00 pm in the evening

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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## WINTER WEATHER

Please support your child and his/her teacher. Last Friday it was very wet and cold. 69 children were away from school. Many children did not come to school because it was raining. This is an unjustified absence (truancy). The New Zealand Government has taken the stance that all children should be working toward meeting National Standards. Poor attendance means children will not have the best opportunity to learn. Now that winter has arrived it is a good time to purchase a raincoat for your child. Keeping warm and dry to and from school is important. Please make sure your child is appropriately dressed for the wet weather. Being on time everyday is important to your child's learning. We find that in wet weather the traffic is slower and holdups happen more frequently. You may need to leave home earlier to ensure your child is at school on time. Remind child to have their school uniform ready the night before and to have bags packed and ready so you just need to pop in their lunchboxes in the morning.

Research has discovered the following facts regarding absence % rates across decile schools:

Decile of school	Average % unjustified attendance:
Decile 1	25% unjustified absent
Decile 4	13% unjustified absent
Decile10	2.5% unjustified absent

This is food for thought. Parents, you may have time to discuss these statistics with each other and problem solve some strategies to get children to school on time and consistently.

## What is a decile?

School decile rates are established through statistics gathered when there is a census (every 4 years) Deciles are rated from 1-10, decile 1 being the lowest income earning from their community to Decile 10 which has the highest income earning from their community. Sunnyvale School is Decile 4. Decil rating has no relevance to teaching expertise or experience.

## MRS MUNRO'S NEWS

On the weekend I went to Whakatane to Mrs McDonald's sons' wedding. Ben looked very handsome and his new wife, Eleanor looked like a princess. Mr and Mrs Coffey and Mr Munro went too. Saturday turned out to be a beautiful sunny day. Mr Munro and I went for a walk and were very lucky to see Moko the Dolphin. He was playing around the launches that were moored at the wharf. Moko jumped high, sprayed us with water from his blowhole and flipped the buoys from the wharf high into the air. He made such funny loud noises and squealed when we wet us. Moko is 4 metres long and about 4 years old. He is expected to grow a lot more yet. We were excited to see him.

**MATH A THON PRIZES**



The children are having their test this week and will bring home their sponsorship form. Next week the sponsorship money and forms can be returned to the school office.

The prizes are:

- 1<sup>st</sup> A kitchen combo of:
  - o Breville Health-smart Grill and Sandwich Press
  - o Breville Banquet Fry-pan
  - o Breville Meal Maker
- 2<sup>nd</sup> \$100 Westfield voucher
- 3<sup>rd</sup> \$20 Mitre 10 voucher and a family pass to Snow Planet

There will also be a class prize per syndicate for the class that collects the most money

**SCHOLASTIC BOOKS**

Offer 4 leaflet was sent home with your child recently. The last day for orders is **Friday June 11th. (You will not receive your order until Friday 18<sup>th</sup> June)** Please send your orders and money to the school office and make all cheques out to Sunnyvale Primary School.

**Saturday Netball Results - 15 May 2010**

Team	Win/Loss	Player of the Day
Super Stars		
Sapphires	W7-1	Tamia Popata-Hennessey
Shooting Stars	W12-0	Ofa Pouanga
Champs	L2-10	Moana Koari Tsujido
Silver Ferns	L9-13	Serenity Tuigamala-Faofua

**Saturday Netball Results - 22 May 2010**

Team	Win/Loss	Player of the Day
Super Stars	L2-11	Mila Tulafono
Sapphires	L2-7	Kimberley Tasker
Shooting Stars	W12-3	Francis Ionatana
Champs	L3-17	Katelyn Tasker
Silver Ferns	W5-2	Marion Noovao-McCamish

**CROSS COUNTRY RESULTS**

Sunnyvale School participated at the Henderson Cluster Interschool Cross country. This was held at Oratia School. Thank you to the parents that came along and supported our children.

- Placings were:
- Kimberley Tasker 1<sup>st</sup> 8 year old girls
  - Joshua Spraggon 1<sup>st</sup> 8 year old boys
  - Bradley Ward 3<sup>rd</sup> 10/11 Year old boys

**RECIPE FOR THE WEEK**

**Corn Chowder**

- 2 Onions peeled and chopped
- 2 Rashers of Bacon or ½ cup bacon pieces
- 1 Cup of peas
- 1 Tablespoon Oil
- 1 Teaspoon chicken stock powder
- 2 Cups of water
- ½ Teaspoon salt
- ¼ Teaspoon curry powder
- ¼ Teaspoon pepper
- 2 Cups whole kernel corn (frozen or tinned)
- 2 Cups raw potatoes
- 2 Cups Milk

1. In a large saucepan heat the oil. Add bacon, onion and peas and cook until vegetables are soft
2. Add the stock, water, salt, curry powder and pepper
3. Bring to the boil, cover and simmer about 5 minutes
4. Add corn and potatoes and simmer a further 10 minutes or until potatoes are cooked
5. Carefully add mil and bring to the boil. Check seasonings.
6. Serve hot



**ATTENDANCE TROPHY**

Last week Room 16 won the Attendance Trophy.

This trophy is awarded each week to the class that has the most children at school everyday and on time.



**NEWSLETTER BY EMAIL**

If you would like the Sunnyvale School newsletter emailed to you, please complete the slip below and return to the school office. Your child will still receive a copy at school to bring home.

Yes please, I would like the Sunnyvale Newsletter emailed to:

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Childs Name.....

Room .....