



SUNNYBRAE NORMAL SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

A Connected Community of Positively Engaged Learners

Issue 25 - Week of 26 August 2019

Talofa to all of our parents, caregivers and whānau.



This week we would like to welcome the following new student and her family to our school community: Rangitāmiro Hogg (R2). We also welcome the following international student and his family to our school community: Andrew Wang (R2).

Farewell to May Seleq

Last week we said farewell to our Admin Accounts Clerk, Mrs May Seleq, who has left Sunnybrae to dedicate more time to her family. May has worked in the office at Sunnybrae Normal School for the last 20 years. We would like to thank May for her dedication and wish her all the best.

PTA Spell-a-thon Fundraiser: If you have not already done so, we would appreciate your support in helping your child collect their sponsorship money and passing on our thanks to all those who sponsored or made a donation. Please pay this money to the office by Friday 30th August. Alternatively, you can pay the money into our school bank account via online banking - Sunnybrae Normal School, ASB Northcote, 12 3053 0370789 00, please include your child's first name, room number and the word 'Spell' in the reference.

The draw for students who get over 10 sponsors or raise at least \$50.00 and bring in their sponsorship money by Friday 30th August will take place at school on Friday 6 September. Prizes for the student in each syndicate who have been the most successful at raising sponsorship will also be given on that day.

Daffodil Day - Friday 30 August: Each year we participate in a fundraiser for the Cancer Foundation. Paper daffodils will be available for sale for a gold coin donation on Friday and all funds forwarded to the Cancer Society.

Parent Survey - School Reporting

We value effective communication about your child's overall progress at school and presently, we are refining the way we report to our parent community. As part of this process, we would appreciate your feedback by completing this brief survey.

The Ministry of Education requires us to report on your child's progress twice a year. We are currently reporting four times, with two parent conferences and two written reports. Please refer to your child's report to assist you when completing this survey. Thank you to those parents who already completed this survey emailed to you last week. Please click on the link below to complete the survey.

<https://forms.gle/McYBi3UKCcU5pLwRA>

Senior Syndicate Showcase

This week the Senior Syndicate will be putting the final touches on their Showcase. On **Saturday 31 August** (this Saturday) the senior students have an important **Dress Rehearsal from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm** to review a range of items including staging, costume transitions, sound and lighting. It is important that all Year 5/6 students attend this rehearsal in order to be prepared for our upcoming performances. Our evening performances are on **Monday 2 September** and **Tuesday 3 September** and start at 7 pm. Tickets are on sale from the office and prices are as follows:

Children (5 years and older) \$4

Adult \$6

Note: Sunnybrae Senior Syndicate students do not need to purchase a ticket. It should be noted that a limited number of tickets are also available for our matinee performance to the school on Monday 2 September.



'It's Better When We're Dancing'

Young Leaders Day

'*Dream It, Believe It, Achieve it*' was one of the messages from the North Shore Student Leadership Forum hosted at Kristin School and attended by 30 of our Senior Syndicate students. This event brought together approximately 700 students from across the North Shore and as one of our students commented there was a 'sea of different school uniforms'. The theme for the forum was 'The Butterfly Effect' and through working together we can make a difference. Related to the theme was that small things really matter and a small change can make a significant difference. The students heard from students working on local projects such as Lucas Creek and climate change. New Zealand Olympic Ambassador Melissa Ingram also spoke to the Young Leaders about the importance of setting goals as she reviewed the challenges

she faced during her swimming career. Students enjoyed the opportunity to dance along with Ezra Bush and play the drums with Rhythm Interactive to round off this interesting and motivating event. Thank you to the parents who assisted in transporting our students and to the parent helpers who helped our students during the day.



Play, Eat, Learn

We have had some fantastic feedback from our parents regarding the new Play, Eat, Learn lunch format..

Just a note on the new lunchtime format – I love it!!! Please continue in this format as I no longer have ratty children at the end of the day – and they come home with empty lunch boxes. They now go off and play when they first get home rather than straight into afternoon tea.

Health Curriculum Update 2019

Prepared by Melanie Hanson, Health Curriculum Leader

This year we have continued to develop our safe walking programmes. This has included increasing awareness and safety around our school crossing, and continuing to maintain a focus on drop-off and pick-up areas around our school. We are working with Auckland Transport and our school council students to develop some flyers to help alleviate some of the congestion around our school and promote safer and more considered parking.



In the first two weeks of Term 3 students participated in a unit of work supported by the Life Education Trust.

Each class had two lessons inside the caravan with their enthusiastic and amazing educator, Corrine Kirkham, and of course Harold the Giraffe!

Lessons from the visits in the Life Education caravan, are then followed-up and supported by classroom teachers.



This year our local community constable, Steve Harwood, ran both scooter training and cycle safety lessons with some of our students.

Scooter training was offered to all our students and they were taken out on their scooters around our neighborhood. Students learnt how to ride and stop their scooters safely and look out for potential danger spots like sneaky driveways.

The cycle safety programme was developed for our competent and capable Year 5 & 6 students and included skills and road rules for travelling safely on and around our local roads.

Life Education Payment Reminder Years 1-6

If you haven't paid for our Life Education visits yet, please do so as soon as possible. The cost is \$7 per child and can be paid at the school office or online 12-3053-0370789-00. Please include your child's first name, room number, and Life Ed.

Celebrating Success

Well done to the following students whose names were pulled out of the **Respect Badge** box at singing assembly last Friday: Alexander Chen (R8), Esme Stewart-Smith (R8), Ahmed Al-Kasab (R13), Jason Wang (R19), Matthew Wu (R19), Catherine Li (R19), Lamar Al-Naime (R19) and William Yang (R19).

Congratulations to Sanna Alexander and her cheer team. They came 2nd at last weekend's Cheer Comp with a last minute change to their routine due to team members not being able to perform. Well done Sanna!!!

Community Engagement

YMCA Before School Care and After School Care

Please contact Kristina Ineson on 021 808 278 or www.ymcauckland.org.nz.

Fathers' Day gifts from Ezlunch

It's time to celebrate Dads – and how better than to get them something a little different! Place an order with ezlunch for **delivery from 26th – 30th August** (that's this week!) and be in the draw to WIN one of two Bright Ideas Goodie hampers worth \$50 for Dad on Fathers' Day. [Book your lunch for this week](#) to be in to win.



DATES TO NOTE

Wednesday 28 August

Year 2 trip to Ambury Farm

Thursday 29 August

Board of Trustees meeting at 7:00 pm

Friday 30 August

Daffodil Day 2019

Spell-a-thon sponsor money due

Saturday 31 August

Senior Syndicate Showcase dress rehearsal from 1.00 - 3.00 pm

Sunday 1 September - Saturday 7 September

Tongan Language Week

Monday 2 September

Senior Syndicate Showcase - Matinee at 1.15 pm

Senior Syndicate Showcase - Evening performance at 7.00 pm

Tuesday 3 September

Senior Syndicate Showcase - Evening performance at 7.00 pm

Wednesday 4 September

Middle Syndicate trip to Motat (Rooms 8, 9, 17, 18 & 19)

Spending Time Together

It is lovely to see our future Sunnybrae Normal School students enjoying being read to at the 'Drop in Cafe'.

Please come and join us.



LET'S CHAT
COME & MEET OTHER
SUNNYBRAE PARENTS

DROP IN CAFE
In the School Library

Tea or coffee, biscuits and fruit provided.
Under 5's welcome. Hope you can join us.

EVERY MONDAY 2:30 PM

**Māori Kupu/te Reringa Kōrero
Māori Word/Phrase of the Week**

pikitia = picture

**Tirohia tenei pikitia
ataahua
Look at this beautiful
picture**

UPDATE FROM PTA

Yummy Sticker Promotion: To download and print more sheets go to www.yummyfruit.co.nz and click on School Sticker Promo.

Stuck on You: Personalised name tags www.stuckonyou.nz/affiliate/fundraiser/SNFT Use Promo code SNFT to earn dollars for our school.

Like us on Facebook: Click on the link below to access our Facebook page www.facebook.com/sunnybraenormalschool

Kind regards,

Lorene Hurd
Principal



Years 1, 2 & 3 Netball

Congratulations to all our Year 1, 2 and 3 netball teams who played in the Mother Earth Future Ferns competition on Monday evenings. Thank you also to the coaches and managers for supporting teams.

Sunnybrae 2/1 - Manager/Coach - Nicole Annear

Zoe Cameron, Rachel Sun, Ravyn Annear, Kent Ogilive, Latiyana Tuitupou, Mandy Zhang, Kaia Mansfield.

Sunnybrae 2/2 - Coach and Manager - Judy Stewart, Katie Parker, Celeste Power

Summer Old, Storm Newcombe-Parker, Felicity Campbell, Ayla Moore, Angela Wu, Noelle Vella.

Sunnybrae 3/1 - Coach and Manager - Sarah Alexander

Sanna Alexander, Emilie Belsham, Francesca Clewett, Layla Straight, Sophie Qin, Kailey Deng, Isla Fitzgerald, Tamaku Howell.



Sunnybrae 3/2 - Coach and Manager - Claire Everett

Chloe Everett, Leonie Mackenzie, Taylor Karaitiana, Emma Ma, Sina Angitoo, Ameila Grey

