



SUNNYBRAE NORMAL SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

A Connected Community of Positively Engaged Learners

Issue 33 - Week of 4 November 2019

Chào 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: **Aliza Yip (R5)**. We also welcome the following Masters Students from the University of Auckland: **Khayla Welch (R2)**, **Sanskriti Bhardwaj (R3)**, **Este Swanepoel (R12)**, **Chelsea Phipps (R18)** and **Chantelle de Beer (R17)**.

Planning for 2020

We are currently planning for next year. If your child is in Year 1 - 5 and they **will not be returning** to Sunnybrae in 2020, please email our Deputy Principal, Karen Rodger at krodger@sunnybrae.school.nz.

If you live in zone and have a child turning 5 next year, please make sure you enrol them at the office as soon as possible. Please also encourage any new in zone families to enrol their children as soon as they can as this helps with future planning. For enrolment forms and further information, please email office@sunnybrae.school.nz or call into our office between 8:30 am and 3:30 pm weekdays.

Y1 and Y2 Athletics

Tomorrow, **Tuesday the 5th of November**, the Juniors have a mini Athletics event on the field. We will start at 1:10 pm and finish just before 3:00 pm. Please make sure your child has their Sunnybrae hat, sunscreen and a water bottle. You are very welcome to attend and cheer us on. Please talk to your child's teacher if you have any questions.

PTA Sausage Sizzle - **Parent Help Needed**

Our next Sausage Sizzle is this **Friday 8 November**. We need helpers for the following times:

- 9:00 - 9:30 am = Sorting the orders
- 11:00 - 1:00 pm = Cooking sausages on the school bbq and sorting the orders for the individual classrooms.
- 1:15 pm = Helping sort classroom deliveries
- 1:30 - 2:00 pm = Clean-up

If you can help for even one of these time slots it would be most appreciated. Please email Ann Jacobs if you can help at annjacobs@atriatech.co.nz.

School Assembly: Full School Assembly hosted by Rooms 3 and 19 is this Friday 8th November at 2:15 pm. The Senior Syndicate Choir and Kapa Haka will be performing. We appreciate your ongoing support. Please come and join us at assembly.

Sun Hats

The **wearing of Sunnybrae sunhats** when outside is **compulsory in Terms 1 & 4**. Please ensure your child brings his/her named hat each day. If the hat is named clearly, it makes it very easy to return to the rightful owner.

Class Photos: Photolife are currently making necessary changes to the class photos taken at the end of last term. We will notify you as soon as they are ready for purchase.

Health Curriculum Survey

Reminder to all parents and caregivers, if you have not already completed our Health Survey, please can you click on the below link and complete.

[SNS Health Review](#)

It is really important to take part in this review, as we are required to consult with our school community about the importance of teaching and developing skills for 'Managing Relationships with Others'.

Onepoto Cultural Festival

Our Sunnybrae Senior Kapa Haka Group and our Pasifika Group will be performing at the Onepoto Cultural Festival at Onepoto Primary School on Friday November 22nd. Please feel free to come along to the festival and support them.

The performances will be, Kapa Haka 1:10pm, Pasifika Group 2:10pm. A letter will be sent home shortly with more detail for those whānau involved.

SNS ART CELEBRATION 2019

Some of the fantastic feedback from our talented students.....

I liked my pillow because it had pretty flowers. It has most of my favourite colours and it was warm. - Sammy

I liked the string nails because they looked cool. The turquoise one was shaped like a diamond. - Elliot

I liked the pig money boxes because they had beautiful colours. - Melania

I liked the caps because they were cool. My rabbit was very fabulous and my Mum bought it. I got the last chocolate muffin. - Asher





It was cool to see other peoples' artwork and you could learn different techniques and ideas for the future. - Mika

I really liked the boots that had plants coming out of them and the jellyfish were hanging down. I liked seeing our bunnies. - Ayla

My Mum and Aunty came with me to the Art celebration. I liked seeing the robots and my sister's artwork. - Na'a

I liked the little kid's artwork, it was amazing, I think they did a great job. - Hiroto

I liked the setup and that it was in order. The seniors at the front, the middles in the middle and the juniors in the music room. You could see each classes work clearly. - Riyan

I liked looking at other people's art. It was really exciting to win a prize for my art. - Tasman

I liked the way it was set out and it was in class groups. I enjoyed seeing my sisters art. Everyone put a lot of hard work into it. - Xander



English Update 2019

Book Week

Earlier this year, we celebrated our love of reading with Book Week. We had a week full of fun lunchtime and classroom activities, a special visit from the librarians from Northcote Library, a home learning challenge and finished the week off with a dress-up day inspired by our favourite characters. We loved seeing everyone's favourite books and especially enjoyed learning more about our New Zealand authors.



Family Literacy Evening

In the middle of our busy Book Week, we also held a family literacy evening. We had a guest speaker from one of our local libraries and spent the evening reading books by different New Zealand Authors and completing fun activities related to the stories.



New Resources

We have been so excited to get a lot of new resources this year to help support our literacy programmes in the classroom.



Reading comprehension cards for students to use in classroom reading programmes.



Many new readers across all levels of the school; including some new big books.



New PM Benchmark Kits for teachers to use to assess students' reading.

Matua Johnny visits Sunnybrae!

We were lucky enough to have Matua Johnny from Westlake Boys High School come in to work with our Middle Syndicate who have been learning about the importance of place. Matua Johnny talked about special features of our local area such as Rangitoto and Waitematā, the Māori history behind their names, and significant iwi in our area like Ngāti Paoa. He taught us the waiata he created to help people learn about this special area that we live and work in.



New Books recommended by two of our lunchtime Librarians



Vinay in Room 11 recommends, **The Magic Bookshop**. "It is about Ben who goes to his grandfather's bookshop. The bookshop has secret doors and passages and tigers under the floorboards!"

Gunn in Room 11 recommends, **There's a Rang-Tan in My Bedroom**. "It's about humans running wild in the rainforest and burning down all the trees. It has a message about conservation."

Community of Learning

Student Inquiry Success

Over two terms, four representatives of Sunnybrae worked as part of a Community of Learning student inquiry team to provide student voice around the 3 Achievement Challenges (Wellbeing, Key Competencies and Community Engagement).

Zac Lawrey, Annabel Barlow, Ann Chen and Oliver Crooks worked in teams made up of primary, intermediate and high school students, not only to inquire into aspects of the Achievement Challenges but to then provide advice to the principals of our nine schools on ways forward from a student perspective. It was an invaluable experience for our students who developed their communication, collaboration, creative and critical thinking skills, as well as making new friends. They all spoke impressively at the final meeting in front of the principals. The information shared is now being collated so that it can be formally presented as a set of recommendations from the students to teachers on ways we can continue to evolve our Pupuke Community of Learning.

“Well done Ollie, Zac, Annabel and Ann - I will miss our fun chats during the car rides!” - Mrs Knight



Celebrating Success

Well done to our Year 3/4 touch team, the Sunnybrae Stingers who won their first game 7-0.

Walk to School Day Prize Winners



Congratulations to the following children who had their names drawn out of our prize draw. Well done for participating in our walk to school day last week!

**Ishita Sengundar (R1), Ryker Keeling (R14), Jun Onishi-Lee (R19),
Ryujiro Kudo (R8), Kate Bloem (R9) and Willow Annear (R13).**

YMCA Before School Care and After School Care

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

DATES TO NOTE

Tuesday 5 November

Y1/2 Athletics - 1:00 - 2:45 pm. All parents/caregivers welcome.

Wednesday 6 November

Y3/4 Gymnastics Zone Competition - 11.30 am

Thursday 7 November

Y5/6 Gymnastics Zone Competition - 9:15 am

Friday 8 November

PTA Sausage Sizzle

Full School Assembly at 2:15 pm hosted by Rooms 3 and 19. Senior Choir and Senior Kapa Haka to perform.

Wednesday 13 November

Y3-6 Athletics - 10:30 am - 3:00 pm. All parents/caregivers welcome.

Monday 18 November

Kids for Kids Concert Performance - Bruce Mason Centre 7:30 - 9:30 pm

Thursday 21 November

Board of Trustees Meeting - 7:00 pm

Friday 22 November

Pre School visit 9:30 am - 11:00 am

Onepoto Cultural Festival



Inspiration from your CoL team

Pupuke Kāhui Ako



Inspiration from your CoL team on the importance of breathing

[Rainbow Breathing](#)

Star Breathing

Up in space things move very slowly. Think about what it would be like to float through the air if you didn't weigh anything! Start at any "Breathe in" side of the star, hold your breath at the point, then breathe out. Keep going until you've gone around the whole star. Imagine you are an astronaut!



Community Notices

1. M Sports: are coming back to hold fun Football Kidz clinics at the school with their new inflatable pitch. Girls and boys from years 0-6 are welcome to participate. They'll play fun games, learn exciting new skill techniques, play small matches and make new friends all under the guidance of our great team of qualified coaches.

When: 5 weekly sessions starting Monday 11 th Nov

Time: 3:10 – 3:55pm

Where: School Field

Cost: \$64 per child, \$32 per extra sibling

Register on www.enrolmy.com/msports-northshore For more info please email Chris on adminnorthshore@msports.co.nz

2. **NZ Surf Academy:** Wave Warriors Holiday Surf Programme at Orewa Beach. 6-16 year olds, 5 day programme, \$175 per person, various dates throughout the holiday. Please visit www.surfacademy.co.nz or email surf@nzsurfacademy to book.
3. **The Beach Series:** Into running or swimming? Kids or the whole family? The Beach Series is an all ages Beach, Run & Walk, Coastal Run, Stand-UP Paddle and Ocean Swim Series held on Tuesday evenings at Takapuna Beach starting Tuesday 5 November. Come along to 1 event, or all 18 events or any number in between. Challenge yourself to at least 12 events and you're in the running for overall and age category medals at the end of the season! Grab your friends, family and the kids and join us for a summer of fun, fitness and healthy competition. #keepfithavefun. We have secured a 20% discount for our school community when you register at www.beachseries.co.nz/event-info/primary-schools-competition. Just enter code BS19SNS20 for each person entering. Make sure you enter Sunnybrae on your registration to get our school points. Anyone interested can enter above or one of our parents at school, Karen Simpson karen.simpson@nzi.co.nz is happy to be contacted with queries.

**Please note the
change of day this
term.**

**Now every
Thursday at 2:30 pm**

Come and join us - bring a friend and make some new friends at our Drop in cafe.



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 THURSDAY 2:30 PM

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

Kei a koe tō kai tina?

Have you got your lunch?

UPDATE FROM PTA

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

