

Sunnybrae Normal School

Our Vision is to be : 'A connected community of positively engaged learners'

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Dates to note for Weeks 7 & 8

Wednesday 29 November

Middle Syndicate Choir and Kapa Haka Teina group to perform at Northbridge - you are welcome to join us for this at 1.45 pm.

Thursday 30 November

Junior Syndicate Huff'n'Puff on the back field at 2.00 pm.
Sports Prize Giving in the hall - please join us at 3.15 pm.

Friday 1 December

Respect Our Community Day

Māori Kupu/te Reringa Kōrero

Māori word/phrase of the Week

hokomaha - supermarket

Kei te haere au ki te hokomaha.

I'm going to the supermarket.

Health & Safety Tips

Adults must set a good example by always wearing their seatbelts.
Children learn by copying what we do. Ensure that children are always wearing their safety belts when travelling in your car.

Featured Blog

Please click on the following link to view our featured class blog -

<http://sns2017room13.blogspot.co.nz/>

Thanks to the students in Room 13 and their teacher Mr Gordon for the work they have put into their blog posts this year.



Kia ora to all of our parents, caregivers and whānau,

This week we welcome the following new students to Room 1a - Olivia Fung, Reachney Hong and Sohumi Patel. We also welcome the families who are new to our school community.

End of Year Activities

As we head to the end of the term, there are a number of events happening and it is important that all of the information sent home about these is read so that students are prepared. This week the following events are on, and a full set of information about each event has already been sent home to the students involved. Please ask at the office if you did not receive any of this information:

- 🎤 Middle Syndicate Choir and Kapa Haka Teina to Northbridge
- 🏃 Junior Syndicate Huff'n'Puff race
- 🏆 Sports Prize-giving after school on Thursday
- 🍔 ROC day on Friday - **please note that there will be a sausage sizzle held on Friday in conjunction with this** - we apologise that a healthy lunch was requested on the note sent home last week.

Use of School Pool

School families are able to hire a pool key for the summer season. The pool is available for use from 4 December. If you have already ordered a key, these are now available for pick up. Please note that the key will be issued to adults only; students cannot collect them. If you have not yet ordered a key but intend to do so, please note that this must be done before 13 December. No keys will be issued after this date.

Sunnybrae PTA Update

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- The next Food Festival planning meeting is being held on Tuesday 5th December at 7 pm.
- The last sausage sizzle for the year will be held this Friday.

Lost Property

An umbrella with a distinctive 'samurai sword' handle has gone missing from outside Room 12. Please return it to the office if you come across it.

Community Notices

- Kiwi Tennis will be running summer holiday camps at Marlborough Park tennis club from 18-22 December, 15-19 January and 22-26 January. For further information email fin@kiwitennis.co.nz
- Sunnynook Primary School is having a 50th Jubilee on 16th March from 1 - 5 pm. RSVP to rebeccam@sunnynookschool.nz
- Birkenhead Primary School Art Festival Friday 1st December - Sunday 3rd December. Art workshops for adults and children. Art work for sale. Further information from artplusfestival.org
- A PhD student at AUT University is conducting research with those who have taken part in an international study tour (1 - 4 weeks in length) whilst at high school. If you would like to be a part of this research please contact Donna McDonnell at dodonnell@aut.ac.nz

Congratulations, thanks and well done to ...

... the Middle and Senior students who competed in the school **Athletics Day** held recently. We have published the names of the placegetters on page 3 of this newsletter. Ka pai to all of the students who took part and special thanks to the staff involved for their organisation and support of the students.

... the **Senior Festival Choir** who performed in the Town Hall last week; what a wonderful concert! We were very proud of your commitment to this performance and the excellent standard that you achieved. Thanks to Mary Waters for working with me over the year to train this choir.

... the **Senior Kapa Haka Tuakana** group for their performance at the Onepoto Cultural Festival; another performance that we were very proud of. Thanks to Laura Bateman for your leadership and support of this group over the year. Thanks also to Kim Pharo for helping with uniforms and to Anna Jung and Beth Railton for assisting us with supervision.



... to the following students whose names were pulled out of the Respect Badge box at our last singing assembly: Isla Fitzgerald (R2), Alex Bambury (R18) and Hayley Le (R9).

... to the following parents who helped with our last sausage sizzle: Ann Jacobs, Anna Jung, Beth Railton, Jeehye Yim, Song Hui Sim, Amy Emms and Seul Gi Um.

... our PTA group and all the parents who have supported our fundraising efforts this year - a big thank you to everyone involved. A total of \$29,000 has been raised - a fantastic effort! These funds have enabled us to purchase new library furniture and some programmable robots.

... all the parents who have paid the suggested school donation. Thank you, this has raised an additional \$45,000 for the school. You are welcome to still pay the donation if you have not already done so. Please check with the office if you are unsure about any outstanding payments.

... two of our teachers, Catherine Sands and Sheryle Snellaert, (see photo on page 1), who graduated as fully registered teachers at the North Shore Principals Association event on Friday; we are proud of your achievement. Thanks also to their mentor teachers, Anna Blair, Laura Bateman and Barbara Shephard for their support of them.

Ngā mihi nui, Jennie Stewart (Principal)