

Sunnybrae Normal School

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

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Dates to note for Weeks 2 & 3

Thursday 9 February

Meet the Teachers evening from 7 pm.

Friday 10 February

Music/Cultural group slips due back

Monday 13 February

Dental Van - onsite for two weeks

Tuesday 14 February

Classroom Helpers meeting - 9.00 am

See all dates for Term 1 on page 3.

Te Reringa Kōrero

Māori phrase of the Week

Engari koe!

Get you! Gee, you're the one!

Health & Safety Tips

Today has been designated as 'Safer Internet Day' by Netsafe.

You can access information about how to keep your children safe online from the following link

<https://www.netsafe.org.nz/>

All Year 3-6 students need to have signed a Digital Citizenship Agreement; this applies to all Year 3 students and any new students to Sunnybrae.

Featured Blogs

Every year each class starts a new blog. These have been set up for 2017 and are ready for students and teachers to begin posting items about their learning to share with you. We feature our blogs in this part of our newsletter. Please [watch this space](#) ...



Tēna koutou to our parents, caregivers and whānau,

Welcome back to the new school year. We are pleased that all of our students have arrived back safely. On the first day we had a special assembly and powhiri to welcome all of our newcomers. We also welcomed back Glenda Pretorius, teacher in Room 4, Eva Roding as teacher in Room 17 and Winnie Ngata, teacher aide.

We would like to especially welcome the following new students to our school this year, and any families new to our community:

Room 2	John Lee, John Kim, Dante Fetuani, Jeremy Chon, Francesca Clewett, Emilie Belsham, Maya Behse
Room 3	Sorsha Scott-Donelan, Sophie Qin, Jamie Pan, Keeley-May Morrissey, Emma Ma
Room 4	Stefan Zhang
Room 5	Annie Harris, Amelia Grey, Aaliyah Lammonde, Jake Crooks, Madeleine Miller, Isha Prathepan
Room 6	Jason Wang, Annzu Suetake, Sanna Alexander, Sam Cunninghame, Lesley Hua
Room 8	Brayden Fitzgerald
Room 10	Leo Foucher, Keira Mataora, Si Qi Liu
Room 11	Maya Foucher, Tai Mataora
Room 12	Daisy Yang
Room 15	Sammy Maiava-Soloman
Room 16	Yuan Qi Yang
Room 17	Gabby Pace, Lucie Foucher, Xin Yu Lu
Room 18	Mustafa Al Naime
Room 19	Sizhe Zhang, Caleb Coombe, Tuarae Tanner

Sunnybrae PTA Update

Find us on [Facebook](#)
Here is the link to our
new Facebook page ...



**PTA meeting tonight at 7.00 pm in
the meeting room - all welcome! This
will be to organise the Food Festival
coming up on 10th March**

Community Notices

“First Voice” singing and music for 7-12 year old boys and girls. Held on Mondays, commencing 20 February: girls from 3.45 - 4.55 pm and boys from 5.05 - 6.15 pm. Rehearsals held at Tui Room, Salvation Army, 4 Kaipatiki Road, Glenfield. Register your interest by phoning 021 813 718 or email firstvoiceboyschoir@gmail.com

Forrest Hill Milford United Football Club is taking registrations for winter football. Football is offered for all ages from 5 and up for both boys and girls. Trials are held for players aged 9 and up. Further details can be found on the Club's website. You can register online now at www.forresthillafc.co.nz For any queries please email registrations@forresthillafc.co.nz

After School Art Class for ages 7-12 yrs. A structured drawing and painting program with artist/art tutor Eion Bryant. Fun and focused. Venue: Highbury House, Tuesdays 3.30 - 5pm for 6 weeks starting February 21. Cost \$105. Bookings: Ph. 483 6703 or email eion@eionbryant.com

Information session for new migrants being held at Glenfield Library, Bentley Avenue, Glenfield on 21st February from 10.30 am - 12 noon. This session also covers consumer rights.

Flash Bang Science Club Children's Science classes for children aged 7 years up. Classes held in Beach Haven. Further information from www.flashbangscienceclub.co.nz or email admin@flashbangscienceclub.co.nz

See over for more Community Notices ...

We also welcome two student teachers who will be with us for the next 5 weeks: Josh Jeffrey (R16) and Lesley Joe (R19) and the following four Graduate student teachers from the University of Auckland who start their practicums today - Jina Park (R10), Eric Rone (R11), Laura Taylor (R12) and Sophie Sills (R13).

Meet the Teacher Evening

A meeting will be held this Thursday 9th February commencing at 7 pm in the school hall. I will address parents and caregivers briefly and introduce our staff. You will then have an opportunity to go to your child's classroom where his/her teacher will speak to you about expectations for the current year. We hope that as many of you as possible will be able to come along.

Today each child should bring home a *Meet the Teacher* sheet. We would like parents to fill this out, bring it along to the evening and give it to the class teacher. This will help to give teachers a better understanding of your expectations for your child's/children's learning in 2017. If you are unable to come along please send the completed form to the class teacher.

Music and Cultural Group Notice

Children in Years 3 - 6 will bring home a notice today regarding the music programmes offered at school. If your child wishes to participate in any of these groups the form must be returned by this Friday. We will then send out a second notice with further details of the group your child is in.

Swimming

Swimming lessons will start this week. All children are expected to participate. A reminder that the cost of these lessons is \$30 for Years 1 & 2 students and \$40 for Years 3-6 students. Please pay at the office. Please also ensure that all togs and towels are clearly named.

School Donation 2017

To continue to provide a quality education for your child/children, it is necessary to generate additional income to maintain our existing programmes and resources. The school donation qualifies as a donation for tax purposes and consequently you can recoup some of it through the Inland Revenue IR 526 claim form (<http://www.ird.govt.nz>). This tax relief brings the net cost of the donation, for one student, down to just over \$100; equating to approximately 50 cents per day. The recommended donation is \$160 per child, (maximum of \$420 per family). We appreciate that there are many expenses at the beginning of a school year and as a result we will be asking for this to be paid later on in the term. You can pay it now if you would like to, or pay by instalments during the year.

Payment can be made by using any of the following options:

- Cheque payable to Sunnybrae Normal School
- EFTPOS payment (at the office)
- Internet Banking - ASB Account: 12 3053 037 0789 00 - if using this option, please indicate what the payment is for.

Mobile Dental Van

This will be here from 13-24 February. The dental van provides examinations, x-rays and preventative treatments for children who are due to be seen. All other treatments will be undertaken at the Glenfield Intermediate Dental Clinic - parents will be contacted directly if a further appointment is required.

Congratulations and well done to ...

... Hariri Won, Nuri Won and Joseph Shin who competed and won medals in the Anthony Moss Classic Swimming Championships over the holidays.

Ngā mihi nui

Jennie Stewart (Principal)



School Lunches

Today all students will bring home a menu of the items available for purchasing lunches online. These lunches can be ordered each day. A percentage of the lunch sales is donated back to the school each term; last term we received \$65.34. The only other option is Sushi, available on Thursdays only. The orders must be handed into the office on Wednesday mornings. Sushi ordering envelopes are available from the office.

Dates to Note for Term 1 - all dates for the year are entered into the Calendar on our website available from this link - <http://www.sunnybrae.school.nz/community-calendar.html>

Monday 6 Feb	Public Holiday for Waiting Day
Thursday 9 Feb	<i>Meet the Teacher</i> evening 7.00 pm - 8.00 pm
13 - 24 Feb	Mobile dental van will be at school
Tuesday 14 Feb	Classroom helpers meeting at 9.00 am
Monday 20 Feb	Board of Trustees meeting - 7.00 pm
Wednesday 22 Feb	Prospective Parent meeting - 9.30 am - 10.30 am
Thursday 2 March	Meeting for parents of students in the ESOL programme - 2 pm
Friday 3 March	School Presentation Assembly - hosts Rooms 11 and 16
6 - 10 March	Scooter training week with Police Education Officer Steve Harwood
Wednesday 8 March	Swimming Carnivals - Middles at 11 am and Juniors at 1.30 pm
Friday 10 March	International Food Festival - starting late afternoon
Monday 20 March	Board of Trustees meeting - 7.00 pm
Tuesday 4 April	<i>Keeping Ourselves Safe</i> parent meeting at 9.00 am
Friday 7 April	School Presentation Assembly - hosts Rooms 12 and 14
Tuesday 11 April	Parent-Teacher Conferences from 3.15 - 5.15 pm
Wednesday 12 April	Parent-Teacher Conferences from 1.15 - 7.30 pm
Thursday 13 April	Last day of Term 1

NB: we will confirm dates for the Year 3-6 Tryathlon and Senior Swimming Sports soon.

Additional Community Notices

- Glenfield Music Centre provides music lessons for 7 - 12 year old children. Weekly classes held at Glenfield Intermediate during school terms on weekday afternoons or Saturday mornings. Cost from \$120 - \$350 for the year. Further information from www.glenfieldmusic.co.nz
- Rudd School of Rock provides individual music tuition for guitar, bass, drums, keyboard/piano, singing/vocals and ukulele. These lessons are available after school at Sunnybrae School. Further inquiries to 479 1081 or www.ruddschoolofrock.co.nz or email info@ruddschoolofrock.co.nz
- Marrzipan Drama Classes are held at Sunnybrae School after school. For further information visit www.marrzipandrama.co.nz or phone 027 217 0693
- Jump exercise classes are held at **Jump**, Areaway Drive, Mairangi Bay. After school coaching lessons aimed at children and teenagers of all skill levels. Jump mini classes available for Mums and bugs on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday mornings. Further information from www.jumpwithus.co.nz or phone 09 600 5397