

# Sunnybrae Normal School

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

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## Dates to note for Weeks 8 & 9

### Monday 20 March

Board of Trustees meeting at 7 pm

### Wednesday 22 March

Parent meeting re Walking School Bus - 9.00 am in the staffroom

### Thursday 23 March

School Tryathlon for Y3 - 6 students

### Friday 24 March

*Lost at Sea* show to be performed at school for the Senior Syndicate students. Cost \$5 each, payable at office or online.

## Te Reringa Kōrero

Māori phrase of the Week

Tapatapahi ana!

Cool! Choice!

## Health & Safety Tips

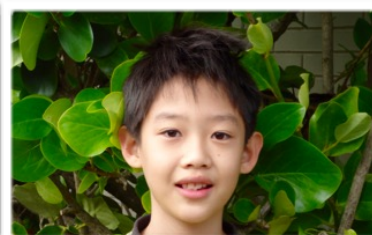
Scooters and bikes should always be walked into school. Please ensure that your children know that they are not allowed to ride them in the school grounds before and after school. Skates, skateboards, heeles and roller blades are considered to be unsuitable modes of transport for our students.

## Featured Blogs

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

<http://sns2017room8.blogspot.co.nz/>

You can click on the link at the bottom of a post to leave a comment. Thanks to the students in Room 8 and their teacher Mrs Shephard for the work they have put into their blog posts.



## Tēna koutou to our parents, caregivers and whānau,

This week we would like to welcome the following new students to our school: Sua Lim (R15), Dana Lim (R12), Lamar Al Naime (R5), Mike Yang (R3), Declan Kamalie (R5) and Shulun Sun (R11). We also welcome the families who are new to our school community.

### Year 3 - 6 Tryathlon

This event is being held this week on Thursday between 11.05 am and 12.30 pm. All children in the Middle and Senior Syndicates are encouraged to participate; they can compete either individually or as a team. The start of the races will be staggered, commencing with Year 6 students first. You are very welcome to come along and watch.

### Student - Parent - Teacher Conferences









Today your child will bring home a sheet, or you will receive a separate email, with full information about the parent and teacher conferences being held in the last week of term. Bookings for these conferences can be made online by clicking on

## Sunnybrae PTA Update

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



### Community Notices

-  Bubble Dome school holiday workshops held in Albany - includes workshops on Minecraft, Robotics, Junior Web Design, etc. More information by phoning 0800 438 282 or through [www.bubbledome.com](http://www.bubbledome.com)
-  Puff the Magic Dragon is being performed at the Pumphouse, Takapuna during the next school holidays. Book on 489 8360 or via the website: [www.timbrayproductions.org.nz](http://www.timbrayproductions.org.nz)
-  Brain Day Auckland at the University of Auckland on Saturday 25 March from 10 am - 3 pm. Lots of free activities for children including an inflatable brain, a bike that makes smoothies, colouring in, paint your own brain mould and meet real brain scientists - this is a free event.
-  Ecofest Enviro Fund Day for the Kaipatiki Project being held on 25th March, 17 Lauderdale Road, Birkdale from 10 am - 2 pm. Face painting, harakeke weaving, guided bush walks, scavenger hunt, guided bush walks - this is a free event.
-  Pasifika Festival being held on 25th and 26th March at Western Springs Park from 10 am - 5 pm. Free entry. More information from [www.aucklandnz.com/pasifika](http://www.aucklandnz.com/pasifika)
-  Ocean Kids 200 m Ocean Swim for 7 - 12 year olds on 8 April. Enter at [oceankids.co.nz](http://oceankids.co.nz)
-  School holiday computer classes at Westlake Boys High for ages 5 - 15 years. Minecraft, Animation, 3D games and other things. Phone 488 0787 to enrol.
-  Easter Holiday Kids Surf programme at ONeills Surf Academy, Orewa for 7 - 14 year olds. Further information from [www.oneillssurfacademy.co.nz](http://www.oneillssurfacademy.co.nz)

the following link <https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/> and entering the code **p4g7x**. If you prefer the booking to be made via the office please return the slip at the bottom of the information sheet. (Please note the students from Rooms 2 & 5 will not need to book for conferences at this time.)

### Reminder re Easter and holiday dates

Our first term ends at the usual time of 3 pm on Thursday 13th April and Term 1 commences on Monday 1st May. Please note that on **Wednesday 12th April all students will need to be picked up at 12.30 pm** so that the parent teacher conferences can be held during the afternoon. There will be no supervision provided after 12.30 pm on that day.

### Congratulations and well done to ...

... all the wonderful people who helped make our **International Food Festival such a great success** on Friday night. Thank you to all those parents, caregivers, whānau, grandparents, students and staff who contributed to the food stalls, manned the stalls, helped with set up and clean up, made other donations and/or came along to buy their dinner, go on the rides, or take part in the silent auctions! Your contributions are very much appreciated; we will announce how much was made soon once all expenses and payments are in. In particular we thank the PTA organising team members: Jane Pacey, Corina Keeling, Justine Mackenzie, Karen Simpson, Clare Brown, Freddie Bess, Sarah Alexander, Joanne Gan and Cathy O'Hanlon. We also thank Sanae Kudo, Anna Won, Ling Li, Tracey Qu, Inas Ali, Juman Dragh, Terri & Thomas Cumiskey, Leanne Barlow, Louise & Terry Sugrue, Sarah McGeorge, Beth Railton, Tony Ridley, Winnie Ngata, Geeta Naran, Saritha Satchidanandhan, Asha Dayha, Kim Jones, Catherine Bacon, Stephen Gordon, Shaun Stapleford Nigel and Shelley Key for their leadership of stalls and contributions. We remind people who need to claim expenses for their core ingredients to please check with office staff re the process and get these into the office this week. Thanks also to all of the students who performed for us and to their teachers for preparing them. We will share some photos of this event on our website soon.

... to the place getters in the Senior Syndicate swimming sports - we are very proud of all of you and of the students who took part - see list below.

Ngā mihi nui

Jennie Stewart (Principal)

### Entertainment Books

Our school offers the community an opportunity to purchase the Entertainment Books. For each book or digital membership sold the school receives a small portion back. The books cost \$70 each and are available either in digital form or hard copy. To order your book visit [www.entbook.co.nz/953i62](http://www.entbook.co.nz/953i62) or call at the office. Hard copy books will be available from 7th April onwards, but if you order early, you will also receive a sheet of Early Bird

Year 4 - 6 Swimming Sports Results			
	1st	2nd	3rd
<b>Freestyle</b>			
10 years+ boys	Nurira Won	Hamza Dragh	Thomas Raybould
10 years+ girls	Bethany Scott-Donelan	Lily Wilson	Sophie King
9 years boys	Joseph Shin	Harira Won	Thomas Howie
9 years girls	Maia Wood	Ruby Railton	Jovana Sovljanski
<b>Backstroke</b>			
10 years+ boys	Nurira Won	Louie Kishimoto	Hamza Dragh
10 years+ girls	Bethany Scott-Donelan	Sophie King	Lily Wilson
9 years boys	Joseph Shin	Harira Won	Thomas Howie
9 years girls	Maia Wood	Ruby Railton	Jovana Sovljanski
<b>Breaststroke</b>			
10 years+ boys	Nurira Won	Louie Kishimoto	Leo Foucher
10 years+ girls	Sophie King	Bethany Scott-Donelan	Lily Wilson
9 years boys	Joseph Shin	Harira Won	Corey Snape
9 years girls	Ruby Railton	Maia Wood	Fleury Yang
<b>Butterfly</b>			
Open	Nurira Won	Harira Won	Joseph Shin
<b>Class Relay</b>	Room 11	Room 12	Room 10
<b>Class Points</b>	Room 11	Room 12	Room 9

bonus offers.

**Additional Community Notice**

Drawing and Painting one-day workshop in the Easter holidays for children aged 7 - 12 years. Venue: Highbury House, Birkenhead. Held on Monday 24th April from 10 am - 3 pm. Cost \$50. Bookings at [eion@eionbryant.com](mailto:eion@eionbryant.com) or phone 483 6703

**ASB Supporting Success in Schools**

If you are a parent, staff member or member of the school community and you draw down a new ASB home loan of \$250,000 or more, ASB will donate to our school \$500. Just mention our school at the time of arranging your home loan. This also applies to any of your family or friends who nominate our school.

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Walking School Bus

Parents/caregivers are invited to a meeting about starting a Walking School Bus. The meeting will be held at:

9am on Wednesday 22nd March  
In the school Staffroom

A walking school bus is a group of children who walk together to/from school with parent supervisors along a set route.



For more information please visit:  
[AT.govt.nz/walkingschoolbus](http://AT.govt.nz/walkingschoolbus)




Benefits of a walking school bus for:

**Parents:**

- Take turns with other parents walking children to/from school
- Get to know other parents
- Spend quality time with your children
- Attend free events run by Auckland Transport and be part of Auckland wide Walking School Bus programme

**Children:**

- It's a fun, social and healthy way to get to school
- Arrive at school energised and ready to learn
- Learn about Road Safety

**Schools:**

- Students arrive on time
- Less congestion at the school gate

**Community:**

- Families get to know other families in the area
- Drivers are more aware of children walking
- Fewer cars on the road at peak time