

Sunnybrae Normal School

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

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Dates to note for Week 2

Tuesday 9 May

PTA meeting at 7.00 pm

Wednesday 10 May

Pre-school visits for prospective Y1 students

Friday 12 May

School Assembly - hosts R2 and R17 Bright Day and Walk to School Day

Monday 15 May

Board of Trustees meeting at 7 pm

See page 3 for Term 2 dates, which can also be viewed from the [Community Calendar on our website](#)

Te Reringa Kōrero

Māori phrase of the Week

Kua riro te pōro!

Lost the ball!

Health & Safety Tips

Wet days mean more traffic and less visibility. Extra care and patience is needed. Use your lights, bring an umbrella and be prepared to walk further than usual to pick up your child. Children will copy your example, good or bad. Set a good example by always using safe crossing areas such as our controlled crossing. Please choose safety over convenience.

Featured Blog

Please click on the following link to view our featured blog this week - <http://sns2017room12.blogspot.co.nz/>
Thanks to the students in Room 12 and their teacher Mrs Waters for the work they have put into their blog posts. Please check it out and leave a comment with your feedback.



Tēna koutou to our parents, caregivers and whānau,

Welcome back to school everyone, we hope you enjoyed Easter and the holiday break. This week we would like to particularly welcome the following new students and their families to our school: Sky Kim (R5), Isla Fitzgerald (R2), Leila Lee (R1), Laura Li (R9), Alex Li (R18), Deborah Lin (R2), Joban Grewal (R5), Vanessa Lavemaau (R2), Layla Straight (R2), Aamenah Mahmoud (R2), Ze Yu Sun (R5) and Zoey Soriano (R3).

Welcome to two new part-time teachers - Natalie Oborn and Kezia Delowe who will be releasing teachers in Room 16 and the Middle Syndicate. We also welcome Chelsey McDonald, a student teacher from AUT, completing a 5-week practicum in Room 8.

Property Update

During the holiday break there has been quite a lot of progress made with our Junior and Senior block upgrades. New outdoor seating has been ordered and will be installed in a few weeks time. We apologise for any inconvenience this will cause as we know parents/caregivers sit on these while waiting for children at the end of the day.

Sunnybrae PTA Update

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Click on the link above to access our Facebook page ...



The next PTA meeting is being held on Tuesday 9th May between 7 pm and 8.30 pm. All welcome.

Yummy Fruit Stickers

Our school is participating in the Yummy Sticker promotion which is running for the next 2 terms - see note below.

Community Notices

-  Milford Sea Scouts are looking for new members aged between 5 and 10 years. First 6 weeks free. Meet on Wednesdays from 6 pm - 7.30 pm at 24 Craig Road, Milford. Phone Christien Griffith on 027 663 6782 or email christiengriffith@gmail.com
-  Young at Art after school classes held for children ages 5 - 15 years in Beach Haven. For more information visit www.youngatart.co.nz or email anna@youngatart.co.nz
-  Flash Bang Science Club has after school classes for children aged 7 years and up in Beach Haven. For more information visit www.flashbangscienceclub.co.nz or email admin@flashbangscienceclub.co.nz
-  Tennis sessions are available in our school hall as follows: Years 1 - 3 on Mondays from 12.45 - 1.20 pm, starting on 8 May and Years 4-6 on Thursdays from 12.45 - 1.20 pm starting this Thursday 4 May. Book online at www.kiwitennis.co.nz
-  After-school art classes for ages 7 - 12 years held on Tuesdays for 6 weeks, starting 23 May at Highbury House, Birkenhead. Cost \$105. Phone 483 6703 or email eion@eionbryant.com
-  Rudd School of Rock offers individual music tuition after school at Sunnybrae. Enquiries to 479 1081.

Keeping Ourselves Safe

Over the next 4 weeks all of our students will participate in the *Keeping Ourselves Safe* programme. This programme has been developed by the NZ Police and the Ministry of Education. It will be taught by your child's teacher. Our Police Education Officer, Steve Harwood, will take some of the lessons. This programme enables children and young people to learn and apply a range of safety skills that they can use when interacting with others. Students recognise the differences between healthy and unhealthy relationships, and those who have been or are being abused are encouraged to seek help.

A parents' meeting was held last term; it was good to see parents taking advantage of this offer. If you have questions about the programme please talk with your child's teacher.

Road Safety Week

Next week (8 - 14 May) has been designated Road Safety Week and our school has registered for this. The theme is *Speed - Slow Down on Roads*. Our school will be promoting coming to school in a sustainable way and encouraging our students to walk all the way, or part of the way, to school. On Friday 12th May we are having a *Bright Day* where the students and teachers dress up in bright visible costumes to walk to school with the teachers. The Assembly that day will have a Travelwise theme and prizes will be given to children who have walked to school, as well as a prize for a colouring contest, which will be run that week.

Help needed with school Pedestrian Crossing

We would appreciate parental assistance with the supervision of the light-controlled crossing in front of our school on Sunnybrae Road on Tuesday mornings between 8.30 am and 9 am. Please email Karen Rodger if you are able to assist us with this: krodger@sunnybrae.school.nz

Unclaimed Polar Fleeces

We currently have 27 polar fleeces which are either unnamed or named with students previously at Sunnybrae. Please call at the office if you wish to claim one of these.

Congratulations, thanks and well done to ...

... Corina Grey, one of our parents who is standing down from the PTA team that she has successfully led for the last few years. We appreciate the many hours of voluntary work that Corina has put in to ensure that the PTA have been effective in raising funds for our school and building a stronger sense of community - thanks Corina for the significant contributions you have made.

... Matassa, the property company that have been working in our school and who have donated a \$1,000 voucher for us to purchase Sports equipment; we appreciate their generosity.

... to Ezilunch, who have donated \$71.82 to our school as a result of online lunch sales made in Term 1.

... all of the parents/caregivers who came along for a parent conference at the end of term; we appreciate your support.

Ngā mihi nui

Jennie Stewart (Principal)

Dates to note for this term

Tuesday 9th May	PTA meeting at 7.00 pm
Wednesday 10th May	Pre-school visits for children about to start in Year 1
Friday 12th May	Full school assembly, hosted by Rooms 2 and 17
Monday 15th May	Board of Trustees meeting at 7 pm
Wednesday 17th May	Second pre-school visits for children about to start in Year 1
Friday 19th May	School disco: Y1-3 from 5.30 - 6.45 pm and Y4-6 from 7 - 8.30 pm
Tuesday 23rd May	Literacy evening from 6.30 pm - 7.45 pm
Wednesday 24th May	Prospective Parents meeting between 9.30 and 10.30 am
Friday 2nd June	Sausage sizzle
Monday 5th June	Queen’s Birthday - public holiday
Friday 9th June	Full school assembly hosted by Rooms 10 and 15
Tuesday 13th June	PTA meeting at 7.30 pm
Wednesday 14th June	Science Van to visit school, all classes to attend
Monday 19th June	Board of Trustees meeting
Wednesday 28th June	Pre-school visits for children about to start school
Friday 30th June	Full school assembly hosted by Rooms 18 and 6 Sausage sizzle
Tuesday 4th July	PTA meeting at 7.00 pm
Wednesday 5th July	Second pre-school visits for children about to start school
Thursday 6th July	Senior Syndicate Marae visit - yet to be confirmed.

Options for Ordering lunches at Sunnybrae

There are 2 options available as follows:

- a. Ordering online through www.ezlunch.co.nz. This can be done on a daily basis. Full information and menus are available on their website. Please note that orders and payment cannot be made via the school office: it is an online option only.
- b. Available on Thursdays only - 9 small pieces of sushi for \$4.00. Please note: orders must be received by Wednesday morning for delivery on Thursday. Ordering envelopes are available from the office.

Yummy Fruit Stickers Promotion

Participating schools will receive a share of \$200,000 of sports gear. Collect the Yummy cut-out labels from bags (each cut-out label is worth 10 stickers) and individual Yummy apple stickers for your school’s share of the \$200,000 free DG Sport sports gear prize pool. Yummy apples are available from New World and Pak’n Save. Collection sheets available from the office or at www.yummyfruit.co.nz

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 or call at the office. Hard copy books are available and if you order early, you may also receive a sheet of Early Bird bonus offers.

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.

Additional Community Notice

Anita Kumar is an exercise physiologist currently working for Te Puna Hauora Medical Centre under a Whānau Ora contract. She would like to offer our Māori students a place in their exercise rehabilitation programme called ‘He Ngakau Hou’, which is an 8 or 12 week exercise programme that is run at Te Puna Hauora on Akoranga Drive. Her main focus is to increase physical activity in young Māori. The programme is free of charge, normally you would pay \$40 a week for a similar service. If you require any further information please contact Anita by emailing her - anitak@tepuna.org.nz.