

IMPORTANT DATES

Sept 12	Calendar Orders Close
Sept 17	Inter-School Cross Country
Sept 17	Senior School Music Ensemble
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Sept 19	Inter-School Cross Country Save-a-Day
Sept 19	Arataki Trip – Rooms 2 and 3
Sept 22	Walk-athon Information
Sept 24	Team Photos (Wednesday)
Sept 26	Term 3 finishes
Oct 13	Term 4 begins

Dear Parents / Caregivers
Kia Ora

The school celebrated the achievements of Room 16, Ms Carla Ritchie's, at the School Assembly last Friday. The class have produced some marvellous WIND poems and have shown what thinkers they are with their studies on Toys.

At the Assembly Quentin Pao and Mihinui Wynyard-Williams won soccer balls each for winning the competition to name the flags in the Hall. The flags represent some of the nationalities we have at Sunnynook School.

SENIOR SCHOOL MUSIC ENSEMBLES:

Please put into a named plastic bag a white top and a denim bottom (jeans, skirt or long shorts). These will be required for tomorrow (Friday and next week). We look forward to seeing you – see notice which came home with all children yesterday for times etc.

TRAVELWISE:

On September 22 at 2pm the TravelWise team would like to meet with any interested parents to discuss the draft TravelWise Plan. The plan is available in the Office for parents to view. The draft plan has been developed from the Planning for Real survey we did earlier in the year. This will be one of your last opportunities to comment on the plan and we would like to see you at the meeting. You can view the Draft Plan on our website www.sunnynook.school.nz/cms/travelwise

On Tuesday we had a close call with one of our students getting knocked over by a car outside the school gate. The student was fine as the car was going slowly, but everyone received quite a fright. It is a timely reminder to monitor car speed up Lyford Crescent, as children are not predictable.

PTA EVENTS – Xmas Shopping Night

The PTA are having a Shopping Night in Term 4. The Shopping Night is an annual event that will be held on the evening of December 5th. The event is a fun night with a wide range of entertaining and fun activities with lots of food!

The PTA is very keen to have parents and friends of the school purchase a stall at the small cost of \$25 for a trestle-table sized area at school for the evening. Please contact Andrea on 410 6534 to book a stall.

CALENDAR ORDERS:

A reminder that Calendar orders close tomorrow. Calendars can be viewed in the classrooms. The artwork for the calendars is amazing and they would make an excellent gift for Christmas.

ROAD CROSSING / POLICE ADVANCE WARNING:

Parents please observe the STOP Sign at the end of Lyford Crescent – this is going to be closely monitored and people not observing the Stop Rule will be sent tickets. North Shore Police have informed us of this.

ENROLMENTS 2009:

Enrolment at Sunnynook School is governed by an Enrolment Scheme. Students living in the Home Zone have automatic right of entry, but we request you fill in an Enrolment Form now to help us plan for 2009.

HEALTH SURVEY

In Term 2 2008 the School Community was surveyed as part of Health Curriculum consultation. The survey was based on a series of comments, relating to the Health Curriculum with a range of responses asked for on various Health topics. 223 surveys were received back from the parents. On August 12, 2008 the Health Curriculum Committee met and analysed the results.

Summary - The results were all very positive for all the concepts in the statements. Parents believe that children knowing how to keep safe in a variety of situations were the most important concept. The next responses in importance were centred on strategies for relating to others (e.g. coping with peer pressure,

communicating effectively, discussing ways to address bullying, accepting differences). Physical exercise and healthy eating concepts were seen as important. Aspects of Body Changes were seen as important yet received higher levels of not importance across the school.

Implications - The community response focused around two main areas as being very important and at Sunnynook Primary the current programme already caters for those areas:

Keeping Children Safe	<p><u>Keeping Ourselves Safe (KOS)</u> is a bi-annual programme that incorporates the NZ Police to teach safe strategies in uncomfortable situations. <u>Kia Kaha</u> is a similar type of programme and is taught in alternative years to KOS</p> <p>Water safety is taught during Aquatics and Education Outside the Classroom Week for the Year 5 – 6.</p> <p><u>Travelwise</u> will incorporate a Road Safety Programme.</p> <p><u>Sun Safety</u> is taught as part of the daily programme in the summer months.</p>
Relating to Others	<p>The school focuses on the <u>Friendly People, Friendly School</u> Programme which outlines policy and procedures on Peer Mediation, School Code of Behaviour, Sports Fair Play, Bullying, Buddy's and Class Charters.</p> <p>Relating to others is seen as a daily teaching component with particular focuses being at the start of the year to establish routines and then once more through the year. Teachers use resources from Life Skills Programme, Ministry of Education Booklets, Life Education and other Social Skills programmes.</p>

The curriculum delivery document covers all areas of the curriculum in a sequenced and balanced manner. The Sunnynook Primary School Health Curriculum delivery matches parent expectations and concerns.

TEAM PHOTOS:

All team photos will be on **Wednesday 24 September**. A note will be coming home to coaches, managers etc informing them of the approximate time. (Sorry, last week we had the incorrect date)

POOL KEYS:

There are still a few pool keys outstanding. Please return these to school as soon as possible. A reminder note will come home to those people concerned within the next couple of weeks.

SPORT:

Cross Country –The Senior (Year 5 – 6) Inter-School Cross Country will be held on 17 September at Sunnynook Pak with the Save-a-Day being 19 September.

Netball – Sunnynook Stars Year 2 Netball Team achieved a 12-0 win over Milford Kittens on Saturday. The whole team won the ‘Player of the Day’ award in recognition of how well they have gelled as a team and all show great sportsmanship. Well done team.

Sunnynook Angels – Won a great game against WP Diamonds beating them 7-0. Player of the Day was Courtney Watkins.

Sunnynook Gold lost 14-4 to St Josephs. The girls played an awesome first half scoring 4 goals but the other side proved too good in the second half. Great playing by all the girls. Player of the Day was Jasmine Suppaya.

Sunnynook Force had a great game against Greenhithe and the result was an 11-11 draw. A wonderful effort by all the players.

Sunnynook Flyers played Westmere and unfortunately lost their game. It was the last game for the season and overall the Flyers came 3rd in their Grade. Well done the Flyers. Player of the Day was Sia.

Sunnynook First played Marina View Minis resulting in a 5-5 draw. Unfortunately one of our goals was not recorded by their scorer in the first half, so recorded 5-4 win to them. Sorry girls. Player of the Day was ‘The Whole Team’ for their passing and strong supportive play throughout. Well done girls, keep it up.

Sunnynook Ferns played Torbay and won 15-9. Player of the Day was Alesha Nathan and the Fair Play Award went to Kayla Tapine.

Miniball – Sunnynook Slammers played an exciting game against Stanley Bay and won 10-5. Well done team.

Yours sincerely

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