



*Greetings, Tena Koutou e hoa ma, hello parents and friends of the school,
Talofa lava, malo e lelei, fakalofa lahi atu.*

CALENDAR FOR 2018

11 th May	- School Photos

11 th May	- Mobile Library Visit

17 th May	- Cultural Committee Meeting

21-25 May	- Senior Camp

4 th June	- Queens Birthday Holiday

26-27 June	- Parent Interviews

6 th July	- Last day of Term 2

Welcome back

Parents please make sure your child knows where to meet you after school. Changing the meeting place too many times causes confusion.

If you are going to be late to collect your child, please inform the school office (in plenty of time) so that we are able to get a message to your child and/or their teacher.

Mobile Library

The Auckland/Waitakere Mobile Library will be visiting our school on **Friday** from 1.15 – 2.00pm. Children who are members of the Auckland/Waitakere Library will be allowed to visit the Mobile Library and may choose up to 5 books. These books are issued for 4 weeks and may be returned to any Auckland Library or to the Mobile Library when it next visits the school.

Membership to the Auckland/Waitakere Library is **FREE**. Go to the website www.waitakere.govt.nz for details on how to join.

Netball Season

The season started on Saturday for our Year 5/6 netball team. All other teams will be due to start shortly. This is a general reminder that fees must be paid prior to the season commencing. Parents please make contact with your team coach or manager if there are any problems. Students will be issued with uniforms in the next week.

SENIOR CAMP - ONLY 4 WEEKS TO GO!

Rm 7 - 21st – 23rd May

Rm 8 - 23rd – 25th May

Soon our senior classes will be heading off to camp. Room 7 and 8 will be going at different times (dates above). **Last term an information booklet was sent home with all students. Please make sure this is completely filled out (all questions answered) and returned to school as soon as possible.** We still need more volunteers to help while at camp, if you are able to help on any of the days during camp week, please let Mrs McDonald know. **The Camp fee of \$200, needs to be paid in full before 16th of May.**

School Fun Run

The School Fun Run (Cross Country) was last week and we had a great morning! Thank you to all whanau who came and supported our children. All money raised, along with your sponsorship booklet, needs to be in by Friday 11 May at the latest. If you do not get your money in by this date, you will not be eligible for prizes. Information on how to order prizes will be in the next newsletter. If you have cash only, you must circle the prize you would like in your sponsorship booklet or one will be picked for you. Thank you to those who have sponsored our children to help the Kauri Syndicate get to camp.

“Learning is for Life”

School Photos

School photos will take place on **Friday 11th May**. Individually named order envelopes were sent home last term. Please use the envelope to return your order and payment. There are a range of photo packs available (Class, Individual and Sibling).

All orders must be returned to the school no later than Thursday 10th May.

- Payment can be made by cash, cheque or internet banking directly to Photolife Studios – NO EFTPOS
- Please use the preprinted envelope provided – one order per envelope (do not add multiple children on one envelope).

If you have misplaced your envelope, we have replacement envelopes at the school office, however you will be unable to pay via internet banking as each child has an individual “shoot key” number which is used to identify your order.

- Children will need to wear full school uniform, no bright undershirts, leggings or incorrect shorts.

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Medication

If your child requires medication while at school, please inform the school office. Medication is not to be kept in your child’s bag.

If your child requires an asthma inhaler, please make sure this is kept at school (in the sickbay) or handed into the office each morning.

We have a lot of children who do not bring their inhalers to school, and require them during the day. If this happens we will be calling parents/caregivers to bring medication to school.

Cultural Committee

The cultural committee invites you to school for coffee, cake and a chat. We would like to talk to you about how you can help us and your children to celebrate and embrace your culture at Sunnyvale.

When: Thursday 17th May

Where: Sunnyvale Staffroom

Time: 2:15pm

Cultural Groups

Our cultural groups have begun and they are starting to practise. At this stage there is a Kapa Haka group and a Pasifika group. We would really like some help to teach the boys in both groups. If you are available during school hours and would like to volunteer your time, please contact the school. If you are interested in volunteering your time for a different cultural group, please let us know as we are always interested in learning about and celebrating all cultures. You can contact the school office or saras@sunnyvale.school.nz (Kapa Haka tutor) or mayg@sunnyvale.school.nz (Pasifika tutor).

Alternatively, come along to our cultural coffee, cake and chat on Thursday 17th May. More details in this newsletter.

Concerns or Complaints

Process

A reminder to parents, if you have any concerns regarding your child your first point of contact should always be their classroom teacher.

Please keep in mind our Teachers are very busy at the beginning and end of each day with duties and meetings so please make sure you arrange a time that is suitable for both of you. If after this initial meeting you feel your concern needs to be dealt with further, please see the team leader for the syndicate or the Deputy Principal for further advice. Our office staff will be able to help you with an appointment. As always the Principal is always available to talk to concerned parents if the steps above have not helped. If this does not resolve the problem then put pen to paper and write to the Board of Trustees at the following address:

**The Board of Trustees
Sunnyvale School
34 Ribblesdale Road
Henderson**

The Board will always respond to written complaints confidentially. All written correspondence must contain the writers name and address in order for the board to fully resolve the issue and reply to your concern.

Scholastic Orders

Offer 3 leaflet will be sent home with your child this week. The last day for orders is **Thursday May 10th**. All credit card orders must be placed via the LOOP on the Scholastic website. Please send your orders and money to the school office and make all cheques out to Sunnyvale Primary School.

