

2024 CALENDAR

- Week 5 – Tongan Language week
- Week 6 – Math-a-thon
- Week 7 – Student Led Conferences
- Nov 20 – 22 – Year 6 camp @ motu moana

Dance: **Week 5&6** [Wake me up before you go go](#)

Waiata: **Week 5&6** [Mali Mali mai](#)

TERM DATES 2024

- Term 1 Tues 30th Jan – Fri 12th April, 2024
- Term 2 29th April 2024, - 5th July, 2024
- Term 3 22nd July, 2024 – 27th Sept, 2024
- Term 4 14th Oct, 2024 – 16th Dec, 2024

SUNNYVALE CAFÉ MENU

WEEK 1	Main item / recipe	Sides
MONDAY	Chicken salad sandwich	yoghurt and apple
TUESDAY	Beef burger	N/a
WEDNESDAY	Vegetarian burritos	N/a
THURSDAY	Butter chicken and rice	N/a
FRIDAY	Chicken Ratatouille	N/a

CAMP NOTICES

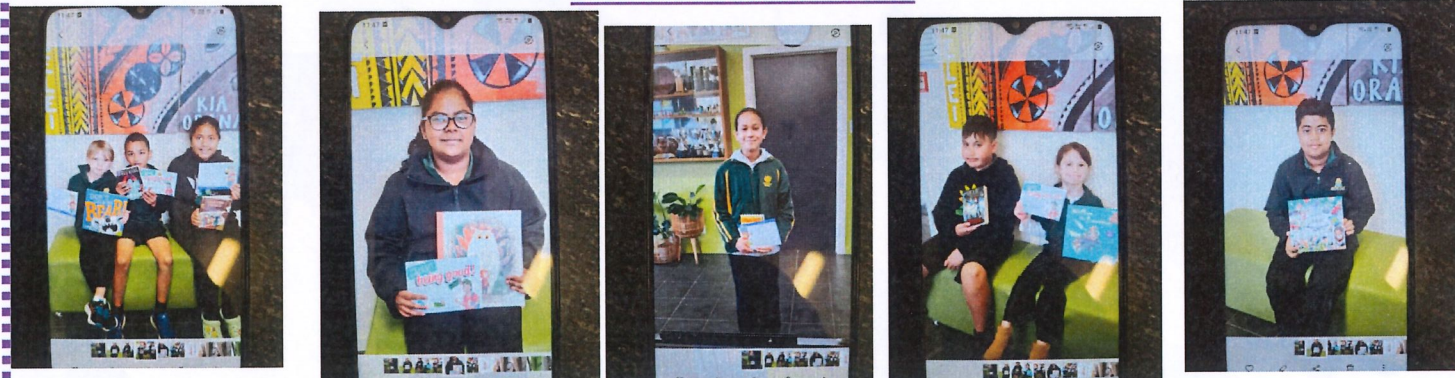
At the end of last term all of our year 6's were sent home with a notice regarding camp. Please send these in asap or have a chat to their classroom teacher if you have any questions or concerns.

KICKING OFF TONGAN LANGUAGE WEEK

This week is Tongan Language Week. To kick start our week off, we had an awesome fashion show where the children were displaying some cultural attire. Thank you Mrs Vaipulu for organising this. You really put the T in TERRIFIC.



CAUGHT BEING GOOD



MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Tēnā koutou, Talofa lava, Malo e lelei, Nihao, こんにちは, 안녕하세요, Zdravo, Fakaalofa lahi atu, Kia ora whānau, नमस्ते, As-Salam-u-Alaikum

Kia ora whānau,
Welcome to Week 5 Term 3.

The change in the maths curriculum has been brought forward to the beginning of next year. At Sunnyvale School we have seen a huge amount of progress made in our Maths progress data this year- a shift of over 27% of students from "below" to "within or above". We have 78% of our students working within or above the expected level. We have achieved this by spending lots of time working in teams of teachers, focusing on what the children are learning in maths and how they are learning it. Everything we do is underpinned by our pedagogy and vision- Connect, Learn, Create, Share. We connect first with what the students already know and have experienced, link this to new learning, create something with that learning and share it with others. At our upcoming Student Led Conferences, you will be able to see a short example of what your child/ren has/have been learning in maths, reading and writing.

We are open to curriculum change, and new learning for our teachers, but we are also cautious. We have concerns around the impacts of a one-size-fits-all approach for our learners with diverse needs, and those who are more confident speaking languages other than English. We will do all we can to negotiate the changes in the best way possible.

This week we have our Winter Sports tournament. We have a large number of students travelling to compete in netball, rugby, soccer and hockey on Tuesday. It is a BIG day and we are looking forward to it. We have scheduled to be back at school by home time and will do our best to get everyone back from the various venues on time.

We are at the exciting stage of designing the second part of our playground upgrade! Groups of students met with our selected playground designer on Tuesday. Below are some of the design ideas they were considering. This playground will be located on the field area near the bike track.

This week is Tongan Language Week. Thank you to Mrs Vaipulu for all her hard work with our Tongan group, who are excited to perform in assembly on Friday. 'E tu'ulua 'a e Lea faka-Tongá 'o ka lea'aki 'i 'api, siasi (lotú), mo e nofo-'a-kāingá - The Tongan Language will be sustainable when used at home, church and in the wider community. This theme derives from the overarching Language Week Series theme for 2024, 'Sustainability'.

Ngā mihi,
Whaea Katie

