NEWSLETTER
An inclusive school living our values and maximising the potential of all.
He kura mākoha e ū ana ki ōna mātāpono, e akiaki ana i ngā tamariki kia eke panuku.

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Nǐ hǎo to all of our parents, caregivers and whānau.

This week we welcomed Dhanvi Patel to Room 1. We also welcomed international student Joshua Li to Room 5 who is spending up to a month with us.

PTA Fundraising Raffle
Thank you to all of those families who have already sold and returned payment for their raffle tickets that were sent home last Friday. If your child is unable to sell the tickets, please send them back to the office in the envelope provided **early next week** so we can reallocate them to other interested sellers.

Once your child has sold their allocated tickets, they can bring them back to the office and we will allocate them more to sell if you wish. A reminder that there is a prize for the student in each syndicate who sells the most tickets. All students who sell and return their two tickets go in the draw for a voucher.

Children need to bring the ticket stubs back to the school office in the envelope provided before the **9th of April.** You can buy tickets at the office using cash or EFTPOS, or into our school bank account via online banking - Sunnybrae Normal School, ASB Northcote, 12 3053 0370789 00. Please include your **Child's First Name**, **Room Number** and **RAFFLE** in the reference.

We hope this will be a successful fundraising venture that encourages our families to actively assist the school.

School Pool Keys: Our school pool closes for the season on Sunday 29 March. All $20 bonds will be refunded when the key is returned to the office by pool key holders. It would be helpful if you bring your bank account details into the office when you return your key so we can deposit the bond straight into your account.

COVID-19
- We have made slight adjustments to our lunch schedule to ensure all students wash their hands before eating.
- All assemblies, buddy classrooms, music groups, cultural groups will be cancelled.
- Classroom routines will now include cleaning surfaces, keyboards and door handles at the end of each day.
- All windows will be opened daily to ensure proper ventilation.

Potential School Closure
We are preparing for potential school closure, therefore, we need all parents to be connected to **Seesaw**.

As soon as a case is confirmed in our immediate school community (eg. a student, staff member, or member of their household), the Medical Officer of Health and Ministry of Education will inform me about this, and we will work together to get quick and clear messaging out to you

If there was a case confirmed of someone in our school, we will likely be asked to close temporarily by the Medical Officer of Health. This will allow time for close contacts to be traced, appropriate testing to be undertaken, and a careful clean of the school to be undertaken.

If our school does need to close temporarily, we have a plan in place to support student's learning. Our teachers are planning lessons for students to complete online from home.

Auckland Transport Bus Services - Cash Free
From Monday 23 March 2020, Auckland Transport will be suspending cash fares on all buses. They are doing this to minimise physical contact between customers, Auckland Transport staff and people who work on buses during Covid-19. Customers will be expected to pay their fare using AT HOP cards only. This will eliminate cash handling on buses and at depots to reduce the risk of transmission of the virus through touching money and interacting with customers. Their priority is to protect customers and staff to ensure they continue to deliver public transport.

Found Ukulele
A Light purple ukulele has been left in the music room since last year. If you or a family member owns this, please see Mrs Barlow or Mrs Babbage.

Congratulations to the following students whose names were pulled out of the Respect Draw this week: Amilia Lagmay (R1), Kate Kinsey (R5), Quezon Malaeulu (R14) and Ezana Leykune (R18).

Thank you to Hellers who sponsored our sausage sizzle at our recent International Food Festival.

YMCA Before and After School Care for 2020
Please contact Kristina Ineson on 021 808 278 or www.ymcaauckland.org.nz.

DATES TO NOTE

Thursday 26 March
Board of Trustees meeting - 7:00 - 9:00 pm
Thursday 9 April
Raffle tickets due

Community Notices

1. **JR Thunder Basketball HQ:** Calling all ballers, join the NZ Thunder family. Weekly year-round sessions are available for Grades 1-4. Playing at Westlake Boys High School on various days and times each week. For further information contact Zac on zac@nzthunderbasketball.co.nz.

Māori Kupu/te Reringa Kōrero
Māori Word/Phrase of the Week

He tino pai tō mahi!
You've done a good job!

UPDATE FROM PTA

Like us on Facebook: Click on the link below to access our Facebook page
www.facebook.com/sunnybraenormalschool

The Sunnybrae Normal School Fundraiser 2020
- 34 days of prizes! All money raised will go towards a permanent shade structure to be built at the back of the school hall facing towards the fields. $10/ticket

Kind regards,
Lorene Hurd
Principal