

Here at
South
Auckland
Seventh-day
Adventist
School we
grow to

LEARN

Through discovery

LOVE

Wonder

LIVE

With Passion

LEAD

Mission focused

**GOD'S
WAY**

WE VALUE

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South Auckland Seventh-day Adventist School Newsletter



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KNOWING YOU, KNOWING ME..

"My sheep hear my voice, and I know them and they follow me." John 10:27



As our school grows it has become more and more challenging to remember the names of every child, something I used to pride myself on. To be able to greet and acknowledge children by their name tells them that I care, and they are important to me. This is so noticeable when I walk around during playtime and lunchtime and have a number of children following me and start chatting with me. (it's very tricky holding several conversations at once and remembering names at the same time!) I learn so much about your children and what is important to them in those moments and I suspect they are learning a lot about me from my responses.

By engaging in these conversations, we are developing our ability to be responsive in forming relationships that are foundational to all aspects of learning. Over the past term we have been reviewing and reflecting on how we are 'culturally responsive' as a staff and as a school. We have looked at what this means for our Maori and Pasifika children (who make up close to 90% of our school) as well as what this means for our Special Character. From our learning about 'culturally responsive practices' we understand that it starts with making connections, accepting and being inclusive. However, true responsive practice means that we know more than just a name. It means that we celebrate our differences and uniqueness; it means we are known and are fully loved; it means that we treat everyone fairly.

Accepting >>

We accept everyone
Everyone is welcome
We acknowledge difference.

Inclusive >>>

We make sure that everyone
is included
We know your race and
beliefs and accommodate
them all
We treat everyone the same
here

Responsive

We celebrate your differences
and uniqueness
We know all about you
because you are valued
Our relationships are reciprocal
We treat everyone fairly not the
same

Jesus demonstrated the ultimate cultural responsiveness when He called His disciples, He knew them by name and He knew their learning needs and their learning styles and treated them fairly. He showed this numerous time throughout his ministry through stories like Zacchaeus in the Tree, The Woman at the Well.

We want to share more about this with you next Thursday at our Family Fono where we can Talanoa about what success looks like for your children at our school. We want to connect with you to learn more about you and your children so that we can be more responsive in our decisions for your children's learning.

We do this because...

EVERY CHILD THRIVING IN THE KINGDOM

...and that is what matters most.

M Tau, Principal

TERM FOUR CALENDAR

Week One	
18 Oct	Shake out day – Earthquake drill.
19 Oct	Yr 7 & 8 Technology.
Week Two	
22 Oct	Labour day holiday
23 Oct	SDA Schools Basketball.
24 Oct	Swimming for Yr 3 to 6.
25 Oct	Parent online curriculum survey completed. Family Fono in evening.
26 Oct	Yr 7 & 8 Technology.
Week Three	
29 Oct	Full School Chapel – SASDA Baptism.
29 Oct	BOT meeting.
31 Oct	Girls Basketball – Auckland Champs.
31 Oct	Swimming for Yr 3 to 6.
1 Nov	Yr 7 & 8 Boostrix.
2 Nov	Yr 7 & 8 Technology.
Week Four	
6 Nov	Yr 7 & 8 Mixed Touch.
7 Nov	Swimming for Yr 3 to 6.
8 Nov	SASDA Athletics.
9 Nov	Yr 7 & 8 Technology.
Week Five	
12 Nov	Full School Chapel.
12 – 14 Nov	ERO visit.
14 Nov	Swimming for Yr 3 to 6.
15 Nov	Class and full school photos.
Week Six	
20 Nov	Papatoetoe Schools Athletics.
21 Nov	Swimming for Yr 3 to 6.
22 Nov	Yr 7 & 8 Athletics.
23 Nov	Yr 7 & 8 Technology.
Week Seven	
26 Nov	Full School Chapel.
26 Nov	BOT Meeting.
28 Nov	Swimming for Yr 3 to 6.
29 Nov	Carols evening.
30 Nov	Yr 7 & 8 Technology
Week Eight	
4 Dec	Yr 8 Banquet.
5 Dec	Kiwi Kids Tryathlon.
5 Dec	Swimming for Yr 3 to 6.
6 Dec	Yr 7 & 8 Technology
Week Nine	
10 Dec	Full school farewell Chapel.
10 Dec	Graduation and reports go home.
12 Dec	School Picnic
13 Dec	Last day of school.

PROPRIETORS FEES FOR 2019.

The NZSDASA have notified us that there will be a small increase in attendance dues for 2019 to \$570 a year. This is \$142.50 per child per term – a small increase of \$5.00 per term.

SASDA BAPTISM – OUR FIRST EVER.

In a first for SASDA there will be an on-campus Baptism during our full school chapel at PAPSDA church on Monday 29th October.

Our senior baptismal students have officially finished their Bible studies and we have a number of students being baptised at this Chapel service.

All school families are welcome to this Chapel service. Please join us as we celebrate this and praise the Lord.



ERO VISIT

The Education review office will be visiting our school this term in the week commencing 12th November. We look forward to welcoming them and showing them our improvements and changes since their last visit.

HATS MUST BE WORN THIS TERM.

This term brings the sunny warm weather. Please ensure that your child has the correct **royal blue** hat at school every day as if they do not have a hat they will not be able to play at Interval or Lunchtime. We have hats available for purchase from the school office at \$10.00 each



CANCELLATION – if you have prepaid your lunch with Subway and your child is not attending school on the day can you please contact Subway **Ph 2783249** directly to cancel – do not expect the school to do this for you.



CONGRATULATIONS.

To Ms Tomokino on the birth of her little butterfly. Mother and daughter are both well and have already visited the school to say hello.

Ms Tomokino will take 4 weeks off to settle baby and then will be back to see the rest of the year out. Well done!

NO SCHOOL

Labour Day Holiday. Please remember that the school will be closed on Labour Day – Monday 22nd October.

FIRST DAY OF TERM in 2019 is Tuesday 29th January 2019. Registration will be on the 24th and 25th January.

INTENTION FOR REGISTRATION 2019.

Thank you to those who have let us know that their children will not be here next year. We have informed those families on the waiting list to whom we are able to offer their children a place in 2019.

However, we still have large numbers of disappointed children still waiting for a place in our school. If you are intending to withdraw your children at the end of this year, please let us know as it means that we can provide another place for those who are on the waiting list.

Class Placement 2019

As we begin to compile our class lists for 2019 we are mindful of what is best for your child for best learning to take place. Careful consideration is given to the decision making with experience and good practice from research to guide us. This is a prayerful process in which the Senior Management Team consider what teachers, parents and students have requested.

Parents who would like specific consideration to be given in placement of their child for 2019, please email the principal at principal@sthaucksda.school.nz.

Policies for Consultation.

Please note that the Board of Trustees is consulting on the following Policies which are up on the school website for viewing. <http://www.sasda.school.nz>
They are

102	Special Character.	301	Principal Appraisal.
307	Complaints.	501	Prevention and reporting of Child Abuse.

Puberty Talks Thursday 1st November.

Following on from the Health Survey. A letter will be sent home to all the parents of our Year 6 to 8 students regarding these talks and they will have an opportunity to respond to this letter or ask questions either by making an appointment to speak to Mrs Tau, phoning her or emailing her on principal@sasda.school.nz.

SDA SCHOOLS BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

Next Tuesday 23rd October at Bruce Pulman Recreation Centre in Papakura. We have 3 teams playing – parents welcome.



FAMILY FONO NEXT WEEK.

We will be having another get together next Thursday from 6.00pm to 7.30pm – a light tea will be provided. Come along, Talanoa and tell us what does success look like for your child at SASDA – what would you like them to achieve? This will help to form our decision making for our 2019 strategic plan.



9:30am, Thursday
18 October 2018

www.shakeout.govt.nz

TODAY WE HAD OUR EARTHQUAKE PRACTICE

Along with the rest of NZ. When the sirens were sounded the children stopped what they were doing **DROPPed** on their hands and **COVERed** their heads under desks or tables and **HELD** on to their shelters. All good preparation should we ever experience an earthquake.



NZ SDA SA SURVEY.

Schools teach children through a range of topics such as Space, Ecosystems, Government, Self-Care and Hygiene, Countries and Culture etc. There are many other topics too. We would like to know what things or topics you would like to see your child learning at school.

Help us by completing a short on-line survey so as to ascertain the topics which you think may interest your children and might be incorporated into the school curriculum.

The poll consists of only 3 short on-line questions and allows input from parents and/or pupils (Years 4-8 inclusive) to indicate preferred or suggested topics which interest them. The parent survey is accessed at: <https://kwiksurveys.com/s/IbE3PDps>.

Principal's award of
EXCELLENCE



Congratulations to *Penisimani Pahulu, Joy Afu, and Sateki Havili*. Excellent work

READERS MISSING...

We are a well-resourced school and have invested heavily in ensuring our children have the resources needed to be successful learners.

Lately we have noticed a large number of missing Readers which makes it difficult for our teachers to organise their groups.

PLEASE could you check to see if you have any unreturned READERS at home and send them to school with your child. WE NEED OUR READERS...



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HEALTH CURRICULUM SURVEY.

This was sent home on Monday with all children. We are reviewing our Health Curriculum and welcome you feedback via this survey to help us formulate this going forward into 2019. Please return this survey by Friday 26th October. Every child who brings a completed form will receive an ice block that Friday.

Absences – Our phone line can take messages 24/7. Phone 092786055 and press 1 to leave a message and report your child's absence or any other important matters please. The office phones are only manually answered from 8.30am to 4.00pm Monday to Friday. Otherwise you can email to office@sasda.school.nz

Parent donations – These are \$20.00 per term and without them we would not be able to run some of the activities and excursions that we do for your children. Please help us to provide an exciting stimulating activity for your child once a term by keeping your Parent donations up to date – we really appreciate this as it shows that you care about what we are trying to do for your children.



TRYATHLON

Is being held this term on 5th December for those aged from 7 to 13. Start preparing and training now if you wish to enter. Miss C Tau and Mrs E Dantzig are organising this for 2018.

If you wish to have **Newsletters sent to your email - please register through www.sasda.school.nz (Newsletter Tab).**

ATTENDANCE DUES

Many thanks to those of you who regularly attend to the timely payment of your attendance dues – we appreciate it as it makes our jobs easier. Please remember that your full years fees should have been paid by now and **outstanding arears must be paid**. If you are finding it difficult to make payment and have any concerns or queries regarding your attendance dues, please contact the Attendance Dues Officer on 0800 4693837 as soon as possible as they will be able to assist. Please do not leave it as it only becomes harder to deal with if left.

Safe Kids in Daily Supervision
Skids - SDA
Technology Room
42A Puhinui Road, Papatoetoe, Auckland

Term 4 Activities

If you are working (full time, part time, shift work, studying, receiving CDA or sickness benefit) you may qualify for Work & Income NZ OSCAR Subsidy. (CONDITIONS APPLY)

Before School Care | 7:15am to 8:15am
After School Care | 2:45pm to 5:45pm

<p style="text-align: center; font-weight: bold; color: green;">Week 1 Board Games</p> <p style="font-size: x-small;">Let's get around the table and have a fun board game competition.</p>	<p style="text-align: center; font-weight: bold; color: green;">Week 2 Challenge Me</p> <p style="font-size: x-small;">Join in on some challenging activities like build it, rocket blast and nailed it.</p>	<p style="text-align: center; font-weight: bold; color: green;">Week 3 Bling It On</p> <p style="font-size: x-small;">Be creative with flashy jewelries and bling-out your old shoes with fancy gems.</p>	<p style="text-align: center; font-weight: bold; color: green;">Week 4 Hocus Pocus</p> <p style="font-size: x-small;">Get ready experimenting with fizzy bubbles and hocus pocus hats.</p>	<p style="text-align: center; font-weight: bold; color: green;">Week 5 Under The Sea</p> <p style="font-size: x-small;">Let your imagination flow in creating paper plate fish & clam, jelly cups and pizza.</p>
<p style="text-align: center; font-weight: bold; color: green;">Week 6 Japan Week</p> <p style="font-size: x-small;">Konnihiwa, immerse yourself with some Japanese arts & crafts and making delicious sushi.</p>	<p style="text-align: center; font-weight: bold; color: green;">Week 7 Minions Week</p> <p style="font-size: x-small;">Create your own Bob, Kevin or Stuart paper bag and finger puppets. Later have some minion marshmallows.</p>	<p style="text-align: center; font-weight: bold; color: green;">Week 8 SpongeBob Week</p> <p style="font-size: x-small;">Its spongebob week so get ready for some coloring fun and gummi worms fishing.</p>	<p style="text-align: center; font-weight: bold; color: green;">Week 9 Xmas Countdown</p> <p style="font-size: x-small;">It's the season to be jolly. Have fun creating a countdown timer while humming to some carols</p>	<p style="text-align: center; font-weight: bold; color: green;">Week 10 Sports Galore</p> <p style="font-size: x-small;">Let's bring out our sports gears and celebrate summer with exciting sports games.</p>

Roman Sandals

Are optional for this term. Please note that they must be black and, in the style, shown in this picture on the right below. Otherwise plain black school shoes must be worn as per the other picture.



CHEWING GUM Please ensure that your children are not bringing Chewing gum to school. We are noticing an increase in students being placed on detention for chewing gum. We work hard to keep this school clean and tidy.

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