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South Auckland SDA School NEWSLETTER



16th November 2023

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Tickets are selling fast, hurry up and get your ticket before it is too late. Two sessions Daytime and Evening on Tuesday 28th November - \$10 per ticket.
So come along and watch your child "Shine" as SASDA takes you through the Christmas story.
We look forward to seeing you there.

EVERY CHILD THRIVING IN THE KINGDOM will SHINE.

TERM FOUR DATES TO NOTE	
17 Nov	Teacher only Day – School is closed.
Week 7	
21 Nov	Board of Trustees Meeting
22 Nov	Rotorua SDA School visit
23 Nov	SWZ Athletics
24 Nov	Friday Chapel
Week 8	
27 Nov	Full school production rehearsal.
28 Nov	SASDA Production - Shine
30 Nov	Prefect Interviews. Newsletter
Week 9	
5 Dec	Yr 8 Banquet
6 Dec	Voting for 2024 Prefects
8 Dec	Farewell Chapel Reports go home
Week 10	
11 Dec	Graduation Yr 0-4 Morning 11.00am Yr 6-8 Evening 6.30pm
12 Dec	Class Parties
13 Dec	Fun Day
14 Dec	Picnic Day – Long Bay Last day of School.

PLEASE USE THE PARENT DRIVEWAY

During the busy periods in the morning and afternoon we close the Main driveway to keep the traffic flow manageable.

Please help us by using the Parent driveway in the busy periods.

COVID 19

It appears the country is experiencing a fifth wave of Covid-19 with more than 5800 confirmed cases this week, and more than 200 hospitalisations. SASDA has been experiencing this too. People are more vulnerable so that's driving the wave, and it looks like this is the way the virus is going to behave for the foreseeable future - with peaks and troughs. We're very much in a peak at the moment. **The best protection for our students and families remains, to stay home if sick, wear a mask in poorly ventilated areas, and get a vaccination booster.** Please let the school office know if your child is unwell.

PAPATOETOE SCHOOLS ATHLETICS

Were held on Tuesday when we sent two buses off to Omana Park full of over 80 people for a day of running jumping and other field events.

We are told that as a school we came 3rd overall missing out on second by a point. We also have some of the fastest students in Papatoetoe.

A fun day was held by all – they certainly looked worn out and tired after a day in the fresh air when they arrived back at school. Thanks to Mr Richard Wolfgramm for organising this and working with our team of teachers and Learning assistants to ensure that all participated and had a great time.



TEACHER ONLY DAY TOMORROW.

FRIDAY 17th NOVEMBER – NO SCHOOL.

The school will be closed for instruction on this day as we take the time for curriculum development and staff training.



SASDA ATHLETICS DAY.

Went ahead in brilliant weather on Monday 6th of November after our first attempt on Friday was nullified by the weather.

The Gazebos were up, the Administration and First aid areas ready, all the equipment was out and then the children came ready to give it their utmost.

At the end of the day, it was all over and we await the results to tell us which house triumphed over the others.



VOLLEYBALL AND TOUCH

Our SASDA girls' team after beating 14 other teams to take out the Southwest Zone advanced to the Auckland Champs last Wednesday.

They played so well to come third across the Auckland region. This is quite a feat as we are playing many other large intermediates.

Thank you again to Manna Park Church for allowing our girls to use their gym for training and to PAPSDA for the use of their van. Also, yet again a big thanks to our parent helpers.

We sent three teams to the touch tournament – a boys, girls, and a mixed team. These teams were a blend of experience and youth as we look towards the future and train our students. The boys and girls' teams participated and had a good day while our mixed team came 3rd – a fantastic result given that touch is not one of our stronger sports. We look forward to next year in these sports.



HEALTH NURSE

Remember that we have a Health Nurse in the school every Wednesday to check on the health of any of our children that may require it – in the first instance please contact your child's teacher if you wish to take this opportunity to have your child referred to the Nurse.



- Our student entry gate opens at 8:00am in the mornings.
- Please do not park in the school parent entry drive while waiting for the gate to open.
- Please do not park at Footsteps while waiting for your SASDA children.

END OF YEAR EVENTS

Keep a close eye on the calendar as we approach the end of the year – the two graduations on the 11th December – morning and evening.

Our picnic day at Long bay on the 14th December and the Class parties held on the day before the Fun day on 13th December

HATS

We have been so blessed with some great weather lately which has reminded us that **HATS** are vital to keep our kids sun-safe! **All children** must wear their hat every day to play – no hat, no play. Children without their hat will be asked to stay under the Pikorua canopy during break times.

Hats are \$12.00 each at the school office.



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 or send a text to 0212786055 please. **The office phones are only manually answered from 8.30am to 4.00pm Monday to Friday.** email office@sasda.school.nz.

ATTENDANCE DUES

Attendance dues for 2024 have increased to **\$610.00** per annum per student.

These are –

A legal requirement.

A condition of enrolment.

Charged per year with payment in advance at the start of each term.

They are not a Donation and therefore, not Tax deductible.

If opting for a payment plan (these will need to be discussed and approved by the Attendance Dues officer) options could be:

- \$152.50 per term per student or
- \$51.25 per month per student or
- \$30.50 per fortnight per student or
- \$15.25 per week per student.

These must be paid at the start of each term, or a payment plan must be in place.

If you have any queries regarding your Attendance dues, you can make contact with our Attendance Dues officer:

Phone: 09 2502749 Email:

AttendanceDues@adventist.org.nz

All other enquiries, please contact our school office.

SPORTS UNIFORM

MONDAYS – Hub 1 (Koru).

WEDNESDAYS – Hub 5 (Whai Repo) and Hub 2 (Wera)

FRIDAYS Hub 3 (Toki), Hub 4 (Pikorua).

Please note that leggings and tights are not part of our sports uniform

make sure your child has our school Sports Polo shirt and plain black coloured shorts or track pants.



We continue to notice the wearing of Slippers and Crocs – these are not Sportswear and are unsafe for sports activities – Can you please ensure that your children are in the correct Sports shoes.

As part of our Sports Uniform children must wear sports shoes and socks. All other days of the week children will be expected to be in full school uniform.