

South Auckland Seventh-day Adventist School

February 23, 2012

Lest We Forget...

This week has been a week of sombre reminders. Yesterday we stopped for two minutes silence with the rest of our country to pay respect to our friends and families of Christchurch who lost loved ones in last year's earthquakes.

We flew our flag our half mast...it seemed like a very long, long two minutes. I couldn't help but think about all the sadness and how blessed we are to have a great big God who planned for the sadness to pass and who planned for a time where there will be no more crying and tears, no more pain and no more sadness.

What a wonderful hope we have.

I wondered about how many of our children really understood the immenseness of God's plan... **but then** God reminded me how amazing our kids are. It happened like this...

"Mrs Tau, this is God's place and it is a safe place. It is a really safe place and no robbers come here. It is a safe zone because it is God's school."

.... This from a young 8 year old was God's reminder that kids know how big God is and kids know that God is in control no matter what.

*"I am the Lord, your God who takes hold of your right hand and says to you, Do not fear; I will help you." Isaiah 41:13.
'Give your worries to the Lord, and he will take care of you. He will never let good people down.' Psalm 55:22*

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PRINCIPAL

Here at South Auckland Seventh-day Adventist School we grow committed, confident, connected Christians, making a positive difference for eternity'

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TERM ONE DATES

Week Four	
20 February	Board of Trustees Meeting
24 February	Middle School Swimming
Week Five	
27 Feb	Room 4 & 8 trip to Observatory
1 March	Room 3 & 5 Trip to Observatory
1 March	Spelling Testing
Week Six	
5 March	New Staff SDA Induction
6 March	Vision and Hearing Testing for Junior School
6 March	Vision Testing for Year 7
7 March	Junior School Zoo Trip
7-9 March	STAR testing Middle and Senior School
Week Seven	
12 March	Board of Trustees Meeting
15 March	Portfolios go home
Week Eight	
21-22 March	Parent Interviews
15 March	Portfolios go home
Week Nine	
28 March	Year 8 girls HPV vaccinations
29 March	Mufti Day
30 March	School Fun Day
Week Ten	
2-5 April	School Week of Prayer - Easter
5 April	School celebrates communion Last day of Term 1.
6 April	GOOD FRIDAY HOLIDAY

FRUIT IN SCHOOLS

The children have enjoyed oranges, pears, carrots this week. From time to time we have left over fruit which is given to the children after school.



WET DAYS AND PARKING

Thank you for being considerate and parking safely in the right areas after school. Please be careful when moving your vehicle as there are children and parents in the carparks after school.

On Wet days the school assembles in the hall for dismissal. You may collect your children from the hall.

SENIOR SCHOOL IMMUNISATION

On Monday our Year 7 students and Year 8 girls were given forms to be filled out for their immunisations this term. Please fill them out and return them to the office as soon as possible.

MIDDLE SCHOOL EXCURSION



The middle school classes and Room 8 are headed to the the Auckland Stardome Observatory next week. Students in these

classes would have brought home a letter outlining this excursion and a permission slip which needs to be returned to school

by **tomorrow**.



MIDDLE SCHOOL SWIMMING TOMORROW FRIDAY – FEBRUARY 24

Room 4 - 12:00pm Room 5 – 12:30 pm Room 6 – 12:00 pm

Don't forget togs, towels and plastic bag. 😊



SPORTS NOTICES

After School Basketball Results

Year 7 & 8 Mixed
Won – 28 to 16

Year 5 & 6
Loss – 6 to 14

Next games – Wednesday 29
February

PARENT COACHES

Our Year 4 to 8 students will be involved in interschool sports competitions this year. We welcome parent coaches to support our teams in their training sessions and their games. If you are able to help with coaching after school or during lunch times please contact Mr Hurlow by emailing

shaunh@sthaucksda.school.nz.

We will be entering teams in the following Sports in Terms 1 and 2:

- Softball
- Soccer
- Basketball
- Netball

YEAR 7 & 8 BOYS SOFTBALL TUESDAY 28 FEB

Permission slips for those boys participating will need to be returned by tomorrow.

THE JUNIOR SCHOOL ARE OFF TO THE ZOO!

On the 7th March the Junior School are off to the zoo. Permission letters will be in their homework bags on Monday.

Fill in the permission slip and return it to their teacher as soon as possible.



BIRTHDAYS AT SCHOOL

Birthdays are very special days which we love to share with each other. Because we would like for every child to enjoy their day the same way we would ask that cakes and treats are left for family time and after school birthday parties. Thank you for your understanding.

ASB SCHOOL BANKING DAY TOMORROW

If you are interesting in starting School Banking for your child, please pick up an application brochure from the office.

LEAVERS

We understand that on the odd occasion you may need to collect your children from school before 2:45. If you are needing to collect your children from school earlier than 2:45 please report to the office and sign them out. This enables us to ensure the safety of your children.

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Caretaker Position

South Auckland Seventh-day Adventist School

We are currently seeking an enthusiastic, energetic caretaker to work part time, 15 hours per week negotiable. We welcome applicants who are reliable and can communicate well. We are looking for someone who can share our vision in creating an attractive and clean learning environment to grow committed connected confident Christians making a positive difference for eternity. Some experience in grounds and building maintenance would be an advantage.

Interested?... please contact the school office on 09 2786 055 or email:

principal@sthaucksda.school.nz



COSY COMMUNITIES

Do you have a Community Service Card?

Is the house you live in insulated?

You could be eligible for free insulation for your home.

This is an offer for our community to support the well being of our children and their families.

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Closing date Mon 27 Feb.

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