



# Sunnyhills School



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## WALKING TO SCHOOL WEEK

To launch our Walking Time Zone Map (see the bottom of this newsletter) that the Travelwise monitors worked on with Auckland Transport, we are having a Walk To School Week (13-16th November). We are hoping that as many students as possible will walk, bike or scoot to school. If you live outside the zone, it would be great if you could park further away from school next week and walk to school with your children. If you are unable to do this, students can be dropped to walk independently, if older, or you might be able to arrange that your child could be dropped at a friend's place within walking distance to school. Students will be issued with an 'active card' (similar to a coffee card) which they get marked each day they walk, scoot or bike to school. At the end of the week – all the cards will be put into a draw to receive a prize from MOT. This will be done at our next Friday Whole School Assembly on the 7/12. Each day students who walk can wear clothing matching the theme of the day. On Thursday - the students are to either wear their super outfit over top of their uniform or change back into their school uniform before the 8.50 am bell. Staff will join in on some of the activities.

Tuesday	Funky Feet	Bright or unusual shoes or 2 different shoes <a href="#">ideas blog 2017</a>
Wednesday	Wacky Wednesday	Crazy hair (which can stay in all day) <a href="#">Ideas blog</a>
Thursday	Twins or Triplets 'Be Bright, Be Seen'	Come dressed in matching outfits as twins or triples or wear colourful clothing (you may stay in these clothes)
Friday	Super Walker	Come dressed as a superhero (change back into school uniform) (Wanda will be at the front gate)

There will also be an opportunity to join a Walking School Bus on Tuesday 16/11. Claudia Moreira, our Community Transport Co-ordinator, will be available to talk to parents interested in their children joining up. She will be in the area outside the Performing Arts Room at 8.45 am.

The following Monday (19th November) the school is holding a '[Giant Walk](#)' during the middle block (11am - 12.30). All students will be involved. We will leave the school grounds via the back entrance, walk along Fordyce Ave towards the Estuary, cross Fisher Parade then follow the walkway to the reserve by the Pakuranga Sailing Club. After a short rest, the students will return to school via the same route. We would love you to join us. This event is of course weather dependent. The students will take their drink bottles.

Wednesday the 21st will be '[Scoot To School Day](#)'. All students are encouraged to scoot to school that day. During lunchtime, we will close off the main court area and the students will be allowed to scooter in this area. As part of the Safer Street Initiative scooter parking is being installed next year (hopefully during the Christmas holidays). A scooter might be a great Christmas present to invest in.

As you can see we have an action packed two weeks planned – so please get in behind these events and support us.

Keep an eye on Facebook and the Enviro and Class Blogs as we keep you up to date with our progress.

## Walking School Bus Current Routes:

**Meadway:** [jeanine@creativewebdesigns.co.nz](mailto:jeanine@creativewebdesigns.co.nz)

**Sanctuary Point:** [stranys@vodafone.co.nz](mailto:stranys@vodafone.co.nz)

**Roadley Ave:** [annaandmatt@xtra.co.nz](mailto:annaandmatt@xtra.co.nz) (at the moment insufficient numbers - hoping to start it up again)

## What is a Walking School Bus?

A Walking School Bus is a group of adults and children walking together to and/or from school.

Benefits include:

- Improved fitness
- Making new friends
- Decreasing traffic around the school gates -
- Improves safety and so much more....

If you would like to start a Walking School Bus, or find out more, please contact Claudia  
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# Walking Time Zone Map

