

MANUREWA CENTRAL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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12 June 2015 Name.....

Kia ora, Malo e le lei, Talofa, Ni hao, Namaste, Bula, Kia orana, Mauri, Greetings.

If your child is in Year 3, 4, 5 or 6 they should have brought home their file of work to show you. These samples of work will enable you to follow your child's progress in a number of areas and you should be able to see improvement throughout the year.

Please discuss the contents with your child, sign and return the file to school. If you have any questions about the work enclosed please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher.

READING TOGETHER

We have just completed our Term 2 workshops and I thank the parents involved for their commitment and interesting contributions. Once again the programme proved very enjoyable and successful in helping children with their home reading.

I also thank Michelle Appleton from the Manurewa Library for her assistance. We are fortunate to have excellent children's librarians at our local library. I encourage everyone to use this great facility for both personal enjoyment and to help your child learn.

We will be running our next Reading Together programme in Term 3. More information will come but please feel free to register your interest with Sandy Griffin straight away to confirm a place.

DEALING WITH BULLYING

The Ministry of Education has recently given schools an extra resource to assist with bullying of any sort. This guide has a helpful definition that I am pleased to share below.

Bullying has four characteristics.

1. Bullying is deliberate. There is a clear intention to cause harm or hurt to another person.

2. Bullying involves a power imbalance. There is an actual, or perceived unequal relationship between the people involved which makes it difficult for the targeted person to stop the action.

3. Bullying is repetitive. It is not usually a one-off. It is repeated over time with the threat of further incidents leading to fear and anxiety.

4. Bullying is harmful. There is physical or psychological harm and distress to the person being bullied.

Bullying is clearly unacceptable and should always be dealt with. If you have concerns that your child is being bullied at school, on line, or in any social setting please talk to us. We can always assist.

At Manurewa Central we endeavour to promote a positive, supportive and inclusive learning environment, however, do not hesitate to meet with us at any time.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES' REPORT

Our Board met on Monday, 8 June. At that meeting the report from our school auditors was received which completed a successful end to the 2014 financial year.

The Board also confirmed the 2016 school dates (see below) and committed extra funds above budget for musical resources. This means that \$2,500.00 will be used to purchase quality keyboards for student use.

SPORTING SUCCESS

This week our junior school cross country races were completed much to the enjoyment of many enthusiastic spectators and supporters. Our congratulations go to the following runners.

Year 1 Girls 1st Sin'ead Norman
2nd equal: Chloey Time
Taylor Baker

Year 1 Boys 1st Joshua Engu
2nd Jackson Wordsworth
3rd Donny Kako

Year 2 Girls 1st Gursimar Kaur
2nd Anshika Kaur
3rd Kabilaya Prabakaran

Year 2 Boys 1st Gordon Nash
2nd Kenneth Zhu
3rd Gurashish Singh

New Entrants 1st Elyama Tchikha
2nd Isabella Messine
3rd Addison Scorringe

Thank you
L. Thew
Principal

IMPORTANT DATES

JUNE

18 Matariki celebration
23 Science Road Show (Year 5/6)
23 Interschool volleyball

JULY

2 Auckland Libraries Roadshow
3 Next newsletter
3 School closes to end term 2 at 3pm.

Term 3 begins on Monday, 20 July.

2016 TERM DATES

Term 1 Wednesday 3 February to
Friday 15 April
Term 2 Monday 2 May to Friday 8 July
Term 3 Monday 25 July to
Friday 23 September
Term 4 Monday 10 October to Friday 16
December

Welcome

To pupils who have joined us recently

Trey Jack, Danny Yin, Harkdeep Kaur, Ayah Lawe, Gurekam Sandhu, Andres Rakoia-Brown, Darius Va, Te Aroha Marsh, Mathew Tai-Rakena, Ayush Kumar.

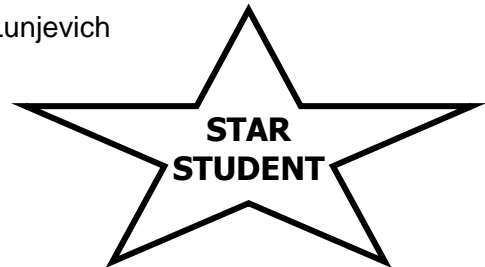
Happy Birthday



To people who have a special day about now.

JUNE

13 Alyssa Uluheua	13 Sahil Sandhu
13 Kiefer Wallen	13 Slade McKay
14 Rushikesh Naicker	14 Ashleigh Bowden
16 Jagbir Singh	17 Erishvir Singh
17 Bhavandeep Kaur	19 Daman Kumar
20 Anahita Verma	20 Fariha Mubarak
21 Mohammad Al-Kashoosh	21 Cameron Healey
23 Preceyis Samupo	24 Aporosa Viria
24 Lanita Toomata	26 Logan Cook
26 Wiremu Connelly	26 Kenneth Zhu
27 Rohan Klair	29 Jonti-Armani Graham
30 Rico Lunjevich	



The following students have been recognised by their class teachers for showing diligence and achievement in all aspects of their school and classwork.

R1 Elyama Tchikha	R2 Rocquel Jennings
R3 Lanita Toomata	R4 Leighton Leeward
R5 Sin'ead Norman	R6 Donny Kako
R7 Amber Lal	R8 Nicholas Duggan
R9 Gursimar Kaur	R10 Elijah Miller
R11 Samuel Honey	R12 Sumsijah Prabakaran
R13 Aidan Hunt	R14 Siobhan Paku
R15 Phoenix Afakasi	R16 Netani Lesimaikimatuku
R17 Benaiah Casey	R18 Sahil Sandhu
R19 Joshua Diack	R20 Anaru Thomson
R21 Trinity Dephoff	R22 Sarah Bryant
R23 Aislin Jorgensen	

ROOM NEWS

ROOM 1

Every day we have been practising running for the Junior School cross country. Coach Manu taught us to pump our arms and bend our legs so we can run fast to the finish line.

We are also learning to organise ourselves before school by finding our name tag for our bag and putting our book bag into the right group basket.

ROOM 3

We had a surprise visit by Ronald McDonald. He told us to "Keep Safe" on the road when coming to school and going home. When we are in the car we must click our seat belt. When we are on the footpath we must stop, look and listen for the traffic.

We also had our cross country race. All of us did our very best to run our race.

ROOM 5

Each week, two lucky people are chosen to be reporters. They can bring something special from home to share and discuss. The audience listen carefully and ask questions to find out more information. It is a fun and exciting time as we never know what amazing surprises await us. In our class we know a boy who likes to dress up as a crocodile when he goes to bed, a girl who has a soft toy named after her friend at school, a boy who has a new baby sister and a girl who loves doing craft activities with her nanny. Talking and listening are such important skills. Please help us to practise these skills as often as possible.

ROOM 7

On Fridays we have a special day. We see the coaches from Counties Manukau Sports and we have a ukulele lesson. We are lucky to see coach Manu and coach Tisha. At the moment they are teaching us about the two-handed strike.

Miss Kendall is teaching us how to hold and strum the ukulele and we are learning to play C and G7.

ROOM 9

We have been drawing Yuckadoos and writing about what they do because we are making a book to send to Duffy. Did you know that Duffy is 21? Yuckadoos bite on birthday cakes, they laugh in the library, they juggle on the jumpalane and they dance on the deck.

On Wednesday we had our cross country. Families came to watch and cheer us on. It was great fun.

ROOM 11

Last Friday we started our plastic bottle art. First Miss Cameron cut the middle out of the plastic bottles and then taped the top and bottom together to create miniature bottles.

Then we decided what we were going to make. Some of us are making sumo men and minions. After we decided we did our first coat of paint and waited for it to dry. After a while we did our second coat of paint. We've still got a lot to do but we can't wait until they are completed.

ROOM 13

For the past week, Room 13 has started a new piece of work. Everybody was inspired by the stain glass windows in churches and other places. Everybody thought carefully about what we were going to draw. We started with a draft, we drew an animal or plant on a piece of paper and linked them to the side. We can't wait to see the masterpiece finished.

After weeks of hard work Room 13 has finally completed our persuasive text about how children should or should not stay home instead of going to school. We wrote them on the iPad and printed them. Our class have written a wonderful debate for everyone to see.

Jennifer

ROOM 15

We have been doing some amazing art about volcanoes. We got to choose any type of mountain that we could draw and then we had to choose what colours we were going to use. We then sketched the shading on our volcano. We didn't use colouring pencils, we collaged our mountain by ripping pieces of paper in the colour we needed. We used magazines and PVA glue to glue the pieces. This art is fabulous and looks amazing. We really are enjoying doing it. *Aliyyah and Phoenix*

ROOM 17

We have started our topic on Planet Earth and beyond and the first celestial body we are investigating is our own moon. The students have enjoyed looking at Nasa TV as well and conducting an experiment on making our own craters.

We are also studying the German artist Kandinsky. He is an abstract art specialist. We are now working on creating our own Kandinsky inspired art. We just made a background using music as inspiration.

ROOM 19

As part of our study on the solar system we made some marble cakes. The layers of the marble cake represented the earth.

The chocolate icing was the crust of the earth, the pale butter mixture was the magma, the pink, raspberry flavour was the outer core and the chocolate was the inner core. Not only was the cake delicious but we learnt to measure and do science as well.

Our "Files of Work" are looking amazing. We are all very proud of all the great work we have done over the term. We have also added to our recipe booklets by including the things we have cooked this term.

Our sculpture week was also amazing. We enjoyed looking at everyone's work. We felt very proud of our hypha tufa pots. The plants inside them are growing really well. We might make some more later in the year.

Komal Deo and Serena-Kate Toft

ROOM 21

Tena koutou katoa. Room 21 students have been learning to write Haiku poems. We have found them quite a challenge, however, we have had lots of fun and now know how to write very descriptive poems.

We also made mini worm farms during the Reduce, Reuse and Recycle unit. They are doing really well. The worms have tripled in size and there are already, at least twice the number of worms.

ROOM 23

Our sculpture was a Koru made of concrete. We all had a turn mixing sand, builders mix and cement with water in the wheelbarrow. The cement powder puffed up like flour! After tipping it into our Koru mould we decorated it with glass marbles. The sculpture week brightened up the school grounds and it was wonderful to be surrounded by a wide range of beautiful artwork.

YOUNG LEADERS' DAY

On 21 May the school councillors went on an amazing trip to the National Young Leaders' Day 2015. We met 8 inspiring people. The first speaker was the one and only William Pike. William Pike has inspired a number of young people in his life by telling his story.

In September 2007 there was a volcanic eruption at Mt Ruapehu. He was badly injured and lost a leg. Even though he lost a leg he still continued his dream of climbing. He told us this catch phrase 'passion no limits'.

Our next speaker was Tukumoana she went through a tough life. Her main tip was stand out, don't be afraid to be different.

Another speaker was Darryl Sabin he faced a tragic head injury. He had to start life all over again. He had to learn how to drink, eat and walk again. It was tough but he told us to never give up.

It was a really inspiring day that helped us to consider how life and leadership can be challenging. We are up for the challenge!

COMMUNITY NEWS

"WARM UP COUNTIES MANUKAU"

Free home insulation programme. You may be eligible if you

- live in Counties Manukau, Papakura or Franklin
- live in a home built before 1 January 2000
- own your home or rent privately
- have a Community Service card.

Phone 262 9583 for more information.

GKR KARATE

Beginners groups starting now at Gallaher Park Scout Hall, Friday 6pm. Suitable for all ages. Phone Simon on 021 0600 380 for more information.

WINTER SCHOOL HOLIDAY CHILD'S ART AND CRAFT WORKSHOPS – PAPA KURA

At Papakura Anglican Church Hall. Suitable for ages 5+. For more information go to www.youngart.co.nz or phone Anna on 0297712923.

FLASH BANG SCIENCE CLUB

An investigative science holiday workshop for children aged 7 years plus in Papakura. We will also be running a 6 week after school course for term 3 at Nathan Homestead. Small class sizes, bookings essential. For more information please phone 0297712923 or see <http://flashbangscienceclub.co.nz>.