

MANUREWA CENTRAL SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

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24 September 2010 Name.....

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

Term 3 has been a very exciting term with many wonderful activities and class visits for our students.

There are simply too many to mention but I thank our staff and all our parents and caregivers for your hard work. These experiences help our pupils have success with their learning and very importantly make school a fun place to come.

Thank you also to parents who assisted children with wearing national dress this last week. We are proud of our multi-cultural school and enjoy this aspect of our various cultures.

INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS AND ASSESSMENTS (ICAS)

Our pupils who competed in the English assessments have recently received their results for 2010. We congratulate all pupils who participated in this vigorous competition. Special congratulations go to the following pupils ...

High Distinction (Top 1% of NZ students)

Year 5 Lauryn Conlogue
Luke Stainthorpe

Credit Pass (Top 30% of NZ students)

Year 5 Deken Gillard
Monisha Narayan
Benjamin Tse
Year 6 Eucharist Ieremia

SENIOR SCHOOL SPEECH FINALS

Once again the standard of speech presentation was extremely high and very even across Years 5 and 6. Special congratulations go to the following pupils for their success.

Year 6 Winner: Alexis Kaing
Runner Up: Eucharist Ieremia

Year 5 Winner: Gracie Bruce
Runner Up: Sonatane Kaufusi

Alexis will receive the Cooper Cup at the senior prize-giving ceremony in mid December. We also thank Jasmeet Singh who was an excellent 'Master of Ceremonies' for the Year 6 competition.

2011 ENROLMENTS

This is a reminder to all families that the ballot for out of zone enrolment at our school for 2011 closes on Friday, 15 October 2010. The ballot will be held on 20 October and letters will be sent home immediately after this date.

Children who are currently enrolled do not need to reapply. However, siblings of current pupils must make application. If this applies to your family please come to the school office early next term and complete an application form. This is very important as every year we have families who do not meet the Ministry of Education deadlines and then enrolment at our school becomes extremely difficult.

Thank you.
L Thew – PRINCIPAL

IMPORTANT DATES

OCTOBER

- 11 School opens for Term 4
 - 15 'Wild Hair Day'
 - 15 Ballot closes for 2011 enrolments
 - 15 Next newsletter
 - 18 Board of Trustees' meeting 6pm
 - 19 & 21 Pasefika evenings
 - 22 Student files of work home
 - 25 Labour Day. School closed
 - 29 World Teachers' Day
- School closes for 2010 on Thursday, 16 December 2010.

Welcome

To pupils who have joined us recently
Phoenix Tobeck

Happy Birthday

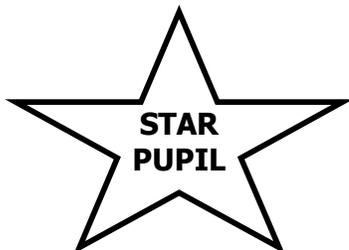
To people who have a special day about now.

SEPTEMBER

- 28 Zoventry Uatisono
- 30 Kelly-Jo Meha
- 30 Jack Scott

OCTOBER

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| 2 Emma Billings | 2 Hadassah Wharawhara |
| 4 Anjali Mistry | 4 Jessica Taufua |
| 4 Lavinia Taufua | 5 Thomas Wingfield |
| 6 Katalaina Manu Saute | 7 Radhika Kumar |
| 7 Fifita Langi | 7 Josaia Lesimaikimatuku |
| 7 Tisha Naicker | 7 Levi Rota-Leggan |
| 8 Nyla Verma | 10 Shawn Mitchell |
| 11 Hayley Sephton | 12 Corilee Boylan-Small |



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

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| R1 Karandeep Singh | R2 Cole Readings |
| R3 Samuel Honey | R4 Josiah Faasavalu |
| R5 Gurleen Kaur | R6 N'Kastro Mortensen |
| R7 Helen Asiata | R8 Sanjay Wanoa |
| R9 Abby de Bruin | R10 Ashley Prasad |
| R11 Zovrenty Uatisono | R12 Sharon Luteru |
| R13 Kiani Marshall | R14 Keenan Motuliki |
| R15 Jasmeet Singh | R16 Radhika Kumar |

- R17 Ilaisaane Tuiaki
- R18 Bradley Wingfield
- R19 Ursula Te Wharau
- R20 Zoe Nelson
- R21 Phillip Mano Le-Mamea
- R23 Fusi Vaioleti
- R24 Quilaryn Breach

ROOM NEWS

ROOM 1

Last Friday our class had a wonderful time when we crossed the harbour bridge to attend a theatre production of Badjelly the Witch.

Tim and Rose went into the sack because they were cold. Badjelly the Witch took them to the castle. "When the sun comes up I will eat you for breakfast!" cackled Badjelly. The mouse went nibble, nibble, nibble. Tim and Rose got out of the sack. Jim the Eagle rescued Tim and Rose. He went in the clouds so he could hide from Badjelly. Then Badjelly popped! Jim the Eagle flew Rose and Tim back to their home.

Slade McKay

Lucy the Cow was lost. Tim and Rose went into the forest to look for Lucy. Badjelly put the children into the sack to keep them warm. The big guy took the children up the stairs. Badjelly popped. The mouse nibbled the big guy's pants and they fell down.

Evan Ihaka

ROOM 3

We have had a very busy and exciting term with lots of activities inspite of bad weather conditions.

We went to the Pumphouse to watch a live performance of Badjelly the Witch. We are pleased the wicked witch got bombed and we were not turned into a sausage or into boy or girl soup.

ROOM 5

Our Year one children recently took a trip to Takapuna to see "Badjelly the Witch". After reading the story, the actors at the Pumphouse brought it to life for us. It was fantastic and we laughed and laughed. Jim the Eagle was magnificent as he soared through the sky carrying Tim and Rose, Dinglemouse and Lucy the Cow. Badjelly disappeared in a cloud of smoke and sparkles. The Year two children made happy hens at school and had fun too.

We can't believe the term has finished – we are still so, so busy. We hope it is fine for our holidays so we can get outside and have fun in the fresh air.

ROOM 7

We have been learning about 'firewise'. We have learnt to "get down, get low and get out fast" if there is a fire. We enjoyed reading about Tamati and his dog Sam and singing our firewise song. We were really proud to all get our firewise certificates.

ROOM 9

We had a visit from Fireman Matt. He reinforced the firewise lessons we had been learning in class about keeping ourselves safe. We practised getting out of our classroom and homes quickly if there was smoke. We have to get down, get low and get out fast!

We are looking forward to our zoo trip early next term to find out all of the ways the zoo uses water. Enjoy your holidays.

ROOM 11

We have been learning about water. Do you know what evaporation is? It is when the sun heats up water then turns it into vapour and it rises to the sky. Did you know that 70% of Earth is water? Fresh water is not as plentiful as we think. Only 3% of the Earth's water is fresh! This is found in lakes, rivers and rain. We also learnt that water naturally has three states – liquid, solid and gas.

Jacob Kett Marshall & Ben Paku

ROOM 13

When I Went to Duffy's Fifteenth Birthday

On 24 August I had to wear a uniform representing our school so I could go to Duffy's fifteenth birthday. Mum and I went with Mrs Brown in her car.

When we got to Viscount School we all walked into the hall. It was huge. We got clip tags with our names on. A little TV was on. It was about Duffy's birthday and children were holding up books and guys were talking about it. There was a big Duffy birthday cake on a stand up the front. A man said come and sit up the front with the other winners. There were four other

winners, two boys and two girls.

Then it started. First there was break dancing which was awesome. The second song they danced like girls and it was funny. The children had to call "Duffy" out loud three times. He had a big head. A lot of famous people came up to talk even Alan Duff.

When the speakers finished talking the winners of the Duffy poem competition were called up to get their prizes. I was called up first. It was very exciting. I had to carry two heavy bags of books that I won. I had my photo taken by the Duffy poster that said, "It's cool to read and it's cool to achieve" and with my mum too. It was the best day of my life.

Nigel Spyve

ROOM 15

Speeches! Speeches! Speeches! Yes another year of speeches is over and we are relieved at that. For many weeks we had to prepare ourselves by writing a speech about a chosen topic. Then we had to research information on our topic and put our speech together so that it had an introduction, a body and a conclusion. Once we'd collected our information it was time to sit down and write it. I took a long time to write my speech on 'Good Manners.'

I got some help from my Dad and I looked up some information about the other countries and what good manners are. It was time to present it in front of my classmates. I was very nervous and I know I read it too fast. By the end of all the Year 6 speeches Mrs Le-Mamea chose the best three speeches. I was so happy when I was one of them. The other two were Connor and Victoria. I think all our speeches were good and in the end Connor and Victoria made it into the finals. I didn't get chosen to be a finalist but I was very happy when Miss Lindsay said that I was going to be the MC on the day. Guess what my new job was for that? Write another speech!!

Jasmeet Singh

ROOM 17

What an amazing time Room 17 has had this term. We have been learning about the earthquake in Christchurch and what to do in an earthquake. A girl from Christchurch

sent us a letter about what she experienced.

We love playing soccer and are getting good at dribbling and juggling the ball. We have learnt to persevere and encourage each other. Last week we did our speeches. There were wonderful.

ROOM 19

This is Prabjit's account of Mayor Len Brown's visit to Room 19.

When Mr Len Brown arrived we welcomed him with the song, "Haere Mai". We then sang our school song, "Effort brings reward" and Leilani sang "Sisters Heart to Heart".

We asked Mr Brown questions about being the mayor of Manukau City. We then asked him to sing to us and you know what? He sang "Manukau Matau" really enthusiastically. Ezra showed Mr Brown all our art and I think he was impressed. It was then time for him to go and Clayton escorted him to Room one. We really enjoyed meeting Mr Brown.

ROOM 21

The middle school speech finals were excellent. We practised very hard and did well as a result. Seanna (Year 3) was first overall with her speech about Daisy the roller skates. Siulolo (Year 4) was third with a terrific speech about her brother, Maile. Ganeev was our English language learners' finalist and came third. We were very proud of them.

Our other recent exciting event was having Tracy from Vector teach us some more facts about safety around electricity. Did you know that your body is 70% water and electricity just loves to travel through water? Water and electricity don't mix!!

ROOM 23

This term we have been learning about keeping ourselves safe from fire. We have looked at photos and a DVD. Last week we had a visit from the local firemen. Read this story by Lily Husband to find out more.

"On Tuesday we saw the firemen. They were telling us to get down, get low, get out fast. They need to wear a mask over their

mouths. They were pretending that the black blanket was smoke. At your house you need to use a smoke alarm."



We are so lucky to be a Duffy School. A past pupil, Lorelle McNaughton was our very special role model at an assembly held on 8 September. Lorelle is a gifted pianist who is studying music at university and one day hopes to be a concert pianist. It was a special treat when Lorelle and Samantha Oh played for us. Lorelle and two of our councillors, Vishay and Alexis, gave out boxes of Duffy Books decorated in a music theme to each class. Thank you Mrs Sowden for once again being a fabulous MC.

For Father's Day, 3 dads were "Caught Being Good." Cole Readings' dad, Tara Wanoa's dad and Colis Magatogia's dad received a book to recognise the valued part they play in supporting their children and our school.

Check out the Duffy website, www.booksinhomes.org.nz if you would like to know more about the Duffy books' programme and the great things they do to support reading and literacy in homes and in schools. *Barbara Brodien – Co-ordinator*

Community Notices

MANUREWA CENTRAL SCHOOL DENTAL CLINIC

The clinic will be open during the school holidays for pre-school enrolments, routine and emergency care. Hours are 8am – 4.30pm. Phone 268 8020 for an appointment.

MANUREWA TENNIS CLUB OPEN DAY

Enrolment days for juniors are on Thursday 23 September and 14 October from 4 – 6pm. All juniors receive 16 hours of free coaching in small groups from qualified tennis coaches as part of their membership. For more information please phone Turu Daniel on 268 9171.