

# MANUREWA CENTRAL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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**26 August 2016** Name.....

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

A special thank you to everyone who has contributed to our 2016 General Knowledge-a-thon. Sponsorship money is coming in daily and as of today we have collected \$5,200.00. Money will still be collected next week and I will update you on progress and the final outcome in our next newsletter.

As always I appreciate the generosity and support of our community.

## MANUREWA SCHOOLS' HARMONY FESTIVAL

This was a spectacular event enjoyed by everyone who was able to attend. Our choir and performers were excellent and we are all very proud of the way they represented our school. Well Done.

## EFFORT BRINGS REWARD

We have received results of the spelling examinations run by the University of New South Wales. Well done to everyone who participated and special congratulations to the following students.

### SPELLING

High Distinction (Top 1% of NZ students)

Year 6 Thea-Rose Willcocks

Distinction (Top 10% of NZ students)

Year 5 Brendon Tse

Credit Pass (Top 35% of NZ students)

Year 6 Jagrith Narayan, Eva Perese-Wood, Tiana Thompson, Jennifer Zeng.

Year 5 Braithan Forster, Sophie Glover-Makata, Mary-Anne Leslie-Nua, Louise Ponifasio.

## WONDERFUL GIFT FOR MANUREWA CENTRAL SCHOOL

Mrs Arline Schutz was an outstanding teacher and Associate Principal who taught at our school for 44 years until her retirement in 2004. Sadly Arline passed away in 2005. However, Arline and her husband Hans decided to continue to support the school Arline loved. Consequently Hans, in accordance with Arline's wishes has established a Trust that will support reading and literacy into the future.

The first project has been approved by the Trustees and involves students experiencing live theatre performances plus book resources to ensure quality classroom follow up.

The generosity of the Arline and Hans Schutz Reading Trust means that all of our children receive these experiences at no cost to parents. More information will be available in due course.

## IMPORTANT ENROLMENT INFORMATION 2017 ENROLMENTS

Manurewa Central School has an enrolment scheme that has been put in place by the Ministry of Education in order to reduce overcrowding in classrooms.

The enrolment scheme is administered by our Board of Trustees according to strict government regulations. Part of this process involves a ballot for places when there is a shortage for everyone wishing to enrol.

The Ministry of Education has set the first ballot date for 2017 as Wednesday, 19 October 2016. The application closing day for this ballot is Wednesday, 12 October 2016.

Children who are currently enrolled do not have to reapply. However, younger brothers and sisters of current students who live out of our zone must make an application.

If this applies to your family please call in at the school office and complete a form as soon as possible.

This is very important as young siblings who are not in the ballot are unlikely to be enrolled when they turn five.

The Ministry of Education is very strict on this matter. Once your four year old sibling is in the ballot, he/she will have a priority placement.

### **STOP WORK MEETING**

The New Zealand Educational Institute (NZEI) has asked their teacher members to attend a special meeting to discuss concerning aspects of new Government policy around how schools are funded.

NZEI members at our school will attend their meeting on Friday, 16 September at 1.30pm.

This means that normal classes will not take place that afternoon, although the school will remain open.

Parents and caregivers are asked to collect children between 12 o'clock and 12.30pm on Friday, 16 September. Children must be collected from classrooms at that time.

Any children who are not picked up will remain at school. The school will stay open and remaining children cared for on site.

**Please note that no children will be sent home before our usual finish time of 3pm.**

I regret any inconvenience this may cause but this meeting is very important for teachers to be informed and express their views.

Thank you  
**L. Thew**  
**Principal**

# **Welcome**

***To pupils who have joined us recently***  
Gurman Kaur, Bahra Kolazar, Hohepa Irwin, J'Dahn Rolleston, Jurnee Rolleston, Anahera Langdon, Eliano Emmanuel, Kimaanne Tuipelehake.

# **IMPORTANT DATES**



## **AUGUST**

- 30 Interschool Cross Country
- 31 Reading Together. Session 2 6pm.

## **SEPTEMBER**

- 1 Junior School Cross Country 11am
- 5 Tongan language week
- 5 Board of Trustees' meeting 6pm
- 7 Reading Together session 3 6pm
- 12 Chinese language week.
- 13/14/15 Senior school production evenings
- 16 Next newsletter
- 16 Teachers' meeting. Children able to be picked up between 12 and 12.30pm.
- 16 Student files of work home (Years 3-6)
- 21 Reading Together session 4 6pm
- 23 School closes at 3pm to end Term 3.

Term 4 begins 10 October.

# **Happy Birthday**



**To people who have a special day about now.**

## **AUGUST**

- |                           |                       |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|
| 26 Anishna Chand          | 28 Masin Ormsby-White |
| 29 Monty Singe            | 29 Saurav Davendran   |
| 29 Shawneqwa<br>Pemberton | 30 Kaitlyn Tanoa'i    |
| 30 Losalini Quna          |                       |

## **SEPTEMBER**

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|------------------------------|-------------------|
| 1 Jasmandeep Kaur            | 1 Ashley Chand    |
| 1 Aydhen Hohepa-<br>Bromwich | 1 Caydn Rupapera  |
| 1 Amneet Grewal              | 3 Arian Hyett     |
| 4 Peter Tatola               | 4 Kingston Jack   |
| 4 RJ McDermott               | 5 Shahana Ali     |
| 5 Danielle Tara              | 6 Phoenix Tobeck  |
| 7 Reeve Rameka               | 7 Bronson Brown   |
| 7 Emeth Casey                | 7 Libby Toft      |
| 9 Ekamjot Singh              | 9 Temaleti Tatola |
| 9 Tyson-Luca<br>Gardiner     | 10 Kaiila Stanley |



winning times and distances. Our country has won 4 gold, 9 silver and 5 bronze medals. Well done us!!

We have also been doing some Olympic sports for our PE time, for example shotput, relays and long jump.

We have also been learning about bones and muscles. One thing we learnt was that there are 640 muscles in your body. That is amazing!!

*Felix and Losalini*

### **ROOM 15**

This week we have been doing our calendar art. Our inspiration comes from an amazing Brazilian artist called Romero Britto who uses bright colours and patterns. In our art we are using ripped up magazines. Some of us are doing animals, shoes and food. They're looking really stunning so far. We have also been practising for our production. We have some talented actors and dancers in our school.

*Jemimah and Eva*

### **ROOM 17**

We have been learning about plants. We started a science experiment to learn how plants grow. We grew different types of seeds in a zip lock bag and put in some cotton buds and water to see how it would germinate. We used a zip lock bag to be able to see the seeds changing. Some seeds started growing but some have not. We grew three different types of seeds. We used peas, beans and pumpkin seeds. We found the peas grew first, followed by the beans. Unfortunately, so far, our pumpkin seeds have not germinated yet. We hope after the seeds have germinated we will plant them in the ground and observe their further growth.

### **ROOM 19**

Last week we were very lucky to have a special visit in our classroom. His name was Lindsay Wilson and he won a gold medal at the Munich Olympics in 1972 and a bronze medal at the 1976 Montreal Olympics. Mr Lindsay was in the rowing eight team, he is also Mena's grandfather. We were lucky enough to see both his medals. They were very heavy and shiny.

On Tuesday we picked lemons from the school orchard and made Lemon Syrup loaf. Mr Thew loved it.

*Venya and Maria*

### **ROOM 21**

We saw a humorous show this week teaching us about staying safe around water and protecting our sea and bird life. A really important message was that we must keep our planet free from plastic rubbish because it kills our wildlife. So please adults can you use reusable shopping bags and make sure rubbish ends up in the right place.

Our swimming lessons are going really well. This week we have learnt how to use lifejackets and what we should do in case of a boating accident. It is important to stay calm and trust the lifejacket will hold you afloat. We had lots of fun learning the lifesaving skills.

### **ROOM 23**

The 2016 Olympic Games have been spectacular. We have been keeping medal tallies for our favourite countries and celebrating each medal as it has been earned. The Ancient and Modern Olympics have created important stages for all athletes to perform. To be a top athlete it is important to get fit, train lots and eat well. We have been training energetically for the Junior Cross Country races next week and are getting fitter as the days go by. Maybe we will get medals too!

# Community Notices

### **JELlicoe PARK TENNIS CLUB**

Junior tennis coaching registrations are being held at Jellicoe Park Tennis Club, Marr Road, Manurewa on Friday 2nd and 9th September 4-6pm. We are also having an open day Saturday 3rd September 1pm-4pm. All queries please phone Noreen on 266 7399 or email us on [jellicoeparktennis@hotmail.com](mailto:jellicoeparktennis@hotmail.com)

