

MANUREWA CENTRAL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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3 July 2015 Name.....

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

By the time you read this newsletter Term 2 will have finished and our students will be beginning a well-deserved break.

Term 2 was a time for hard work, good fun and lots of success. On your behalf I thank our staff for their continued efforts to ensure our students receive the best we can offer them. I also congratulate our children who have worked hard and contributed to their school in many ways.

INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS AND ASSESSMENT (known as ICAS)

Each year selected Year 5 and 6 students are given the opportunity to participate in five academic competitions run by the University of New South Wales. We congratulate all our learners who work hard to prepare for these difficult tests that are run under strict examination conditions.

The first results for 2015 have been received. Well done to the following students who achieved particularly successful pass marks.

Digital Technologies

Distinction Pass (Top 10% of NZ students)

Year 6 Robin Dhaliwal
Year 5 Thea-Rose Willcocks

Credit Pass (Top 35% of NZ students)

Year 6 Harkirit Dhaliwal, Jasmin Holden-Whiu, Phranklyn Mano, Victoria Touli.
Year 5 Bhawish Nand, Boston Smith.

Effort does bring Reward!!

FRUIT AND MILK IN SCHOOLS

Every day we offer all children milk to drink and fresh fruit to eat. We believe this is very worthwhile to help our children grow and learn. Please take time to discuss this with your child

and encourage their participation in these very worthwhile initiatives.

STUDENT REPORTS

Mid-year reports will be completed by teachers over the school break and will come home on Friday 24 July.

Class teachers have put a great deal of thought and work into these reports which will give you your child's achievement or progress and comments on effort. There is also an outline of the next learning steps for reading, writing and maths as well as suggestions as to what can be done at home to aid progress.

We will be offering the opportunity for meetings with teachers to discuss progress. In some cases teachers will request interviews.

Parent interviews will be held on Wednesday 5 August between 3.30pm and 8pm. Interview request forms will come home in the report envelope. Please return the form at that time and we will allocate times on a first come first served basis.

FAREWELL TO A VALUED STAFF MEMBER

It is with mixed feelings I have to tell you that Mrs Gail Matich will finish her work at our school in term 3.

On one hand I am sad that I will lose a special administration officer who has supported our school, and me in particular, for a very long time. On the other hand I am pleased that Gail is able to spend more time with family and grandchildren and also take more long weekend visits to Glinks Gully in the north.

No date has been finalised for Gail to finish but when that day comes our school will have lost one of our most committed and loyal staff members.

Thank you
L. Thew
Principal

IMPORTANT DATES

JULY

- 20 School opens for Term 3
- 24 Student reports home
- 27 Te Wiki o te Reo Maori
- 31 WILD HAIR DAY
- 31 Next newsletter

AUGUST

- 3 Photolife individuals and family portraits
- 4 School cross country races
- 5 Parent/teacher interview evening
- 7 General Knowledge-a-thon underway
- 10 Board of Trustees' meeting 6pm

Welcome

To pupils who have joined us recently

Caitlin Tamati, Horeen Horeen, Samuel Solo, Ethan Head, Lucian Maynard, Stephanie Solomona, Rajveer Cheema.

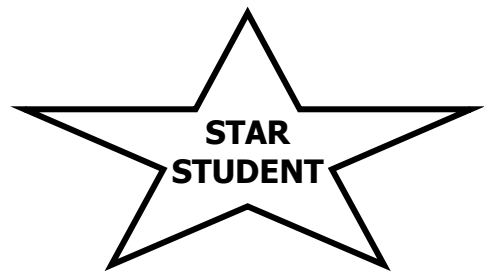
Happy Birthday



To people who have a special day about now.

JULY

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| 4 Ariana Tewhiu | 4 Jess Deng |
| 5 Charlotte 'Ake | 8 Chetna Singh |
| 8 Rajveer Kaur | 8 Giselle Toilolo |
| 11 Neeneb Youkhana | 11 Paige Pratt |
| 13 Ashton Woodhouse | 14 Andrew Tali |
| 15 Ormy Kolazar | 15 Nicole Mahongchai |
| 16 Darcey Lauano | 17 Ella Lupan |
| 17 Trinity-Reine Spence | 19 Arnov Verma |
| 19 Raymond Ma | 20 Lealofi Alesana |
| 20 Armanpreet Singh | 20 Connah Pihama |
| 21 Anaru Thomson | 22 Raycheal Va |
| 22 Phoenix Afakasi | 23 Zyrus Uatisone |
| 23 Arush Garg | 23 Awhina Kingi |
| 25 Anshika Chand | 26 Dylan Ross |
| 26 Susana Malewa | 26 Sarah Pham |
| 26 Navam Sharma | 27 Usaia Aria |
| 28 Naphnn Deng | 28 Donny Kako |
| 29 Phoenix Key | 31 Olivia Polglase |



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 Amanpreet Singh | R2 Finlay Cooper |
| R3 Dontey Ingram-Waite | R4 Kathleen Duggan |
| R5 Kohner Olsen | R6 Davejamin Asiata |
| R7 Otene McKay | R8 Andrew Nuamaan |
| R9 Ninorta Chiba | R10 Mia Puru |
| R11 Steven Halofaki | R12 Jason Martin |
| R13 Kalepo Solomona | R14 Aviu Aviu |
| R15 Fabian Soloman | R16 Lachlan Smith |
| R17 Louise Ponifasio | R18 Keren Prasad |
| R19 Brendon Tse | R20 Leaia Faalafi |
| R21 Esheetta Kumar | R22 Lealofi Alesana |
| R23 Tanishka Sharma | |

ROOM NEWS

ROOM 2

Last week we said goodbye to Mr Sheaff. Mr Sheaf was a student teacher in Room 2 for 5 weeks. He taught us about fractions. We got to cut up a jelly snake into halves and quarters. He also taught us a fun game to play outside called Stuck in the Mud. We will miss him and we hope that he comes back to visit us one day.

ROOM 4

We have been learning about Space! A very exciting topic!

I can see the stars at night. The blue stars are the hottest and the red stars are the coolest.
Mila

I went to Space in a rocket ship and I saw fire rocks. I saw moon aliens jumping on the moon.
Torin

The moon is bright and it lights up the night sky. I can see the stars and the moon at night.

Addison

I like the sun because it gives us heat and it gives us light. The Earth goes around the sun.

Armaan

ROOM 6

We are being astronauts and we have been learning about Planet Earth and beyond. We know that when the earth faces the sun it is day time and when it is facing away from the sun it is night time. We are looking forward to finding more fascinating facts about the planets in our system such as Jupiter and Saturn.

ROOM 8 – Dream Holidays

Be a hero and save the world. *Bahra*
Go with my family to Chipmunks. *Jese*
Ride a horse. *Shamah*
Fly to the moon in a rocket ship. *Kdeniya*
Fly a hot air balloon over Egypt. *Delores*
Go to the end of the rainbow to find gold.
Vijayata
Hunt for dinosaurs at Jurassic World.
Raymond
Ride a bus to India. *Arush*
Be an Avenger with the team. *Darius*

ROOM 10

At Highwire we learn about respect and confidence and to take these into the real life so we can be brave and trustworthy. *Sartaaj*

Our weekly quizzes are teaching us a lot about New Zealand both now and in the past.
Damian

Listening is a very important skill and we are getting much better at it because we do dictation every day and we have to listen very carefully to write the sentences down correctly.
Nikhil

Every Friday I feel very excited because I am in the Tama Toa group. I am learning how to watch and listen, work together and respect the protocols.
Juliani

We have learnt cubism art using shapes and lines to make creative pictures of places, animals and buildings. *Jagrith*

ROOM 12

Do you know how people lived in the 1960's? The museum which we visited has models of people and all the things they used, even a toilet! Fossils of dinosaurs were everywhere stuck inside rocks and boy were some of them tall!

But what we really went to see was the volcanoes exhibit. There were footprints of a

dog, adults and little kids taken from the ash layer when Motutapu Island erupted 600 years ago. Shaking, rattling and jolting was a part of our experience in the earthquake room. This simulates what it would be like if Rangitoto Island erupted. The scariest part is that it could happen.

Keep an eye out for any puffing volcanoes around Auckland. *Zellas and April*

ROOM 14

Wasn't this term so interesting, super fun and tiring, well finally the day has come. No more homework, schoolwork, or anything to do with school. Now that the term has come to an end let's go back to the highlights of this term. Our senior school went to the fascinating museum. There were so many galleries and exhibits that really changed many perspectives on many topics. Two classes joined us on this amazing adventure. We experienced how it felt to be in an earthquake/volcanic eruption. We have had such an awesome term.

Ayianna and Ariana



ROOM 16

We have been exploring different types of rock. We have learnt there are three types – sedimentary, metamorphic and igneous. In groups we chose a rock to research and wrote a cinquain about it.

Granite

Light, coarse

Melting, cooling, solidifying

Cooled slowly beneath the earth's crust

Igneous

Diamond

Hard, expensive

Shining, burning, squashing

It can be used for jewellery

Mineral

ROOM 18

We have been learning about space. We have all been asking some really good questions to help us do some new learning. Some of the things we have found out are: You can fit 50 moons inside the size of our Earth. Scientists stopped calling Pluto a planet in 2006. The moon orbits Earth while Earth orbits the sun. A crescent moon is when you can see a banana shape and a gibbous moon is when the banana shape is dark. Scientists have found a planet like Earth but it is more than 400 light years away. *Bailey and Tane*

ROOM 20

Holidays are a time to relax and have fun.

Our parents often take us to the movies.

Lots of people go away and some go overseas

I like to go ice skating.

Days can be spent at the beach.

A lot of children go to Rainbows End.

You can go skiing if there's plenty of snow.

Some of us bake cup cakes with our parents.

ROOM 22

We have been inspired by the cool, crisp early wintery morning. We have produced some lovely imagery in our descriptive writing.

Another area of study we are proud of is our art programme and the stunning use of patterning. You can come and see both of these displayed next term in Room 22.

INTERSCHOOL VOLLEYBALL

The volleyball trip was extremely exciting. We had to try our hardest to get the ball over the net which was very nerve wracking for both of the teams. At the start both teams had instructors to cheer us on and practise with us.

When we first walked in it was very noisy because of the people talking and the music the high school students played. We felt nervous and excited at the same time.

We were up against some hard and some easy teams. The hardest team we played was St Anne's. Some of the other teams were Weymouth, Roscommon, Finlayson and Hill Park.

I think we played very well and gave it our hardest especially the year 5s. We were

shocked on how far we made it. It was because all the effort into it. We all worked as a team and never gave up and did our best.

We had pride in ourselves and we're happy about our results and had so much fun with Ms McHugh representing the school.

Levi, Ormy, Fusi and Jaydis



DUFFY NEWS

Did you know that Duffy turned 21 years old in June? Some of our classes had a birthday party for Duffy with games, songs, balloons and birthday cake. Yum! This term we also acknowledged and celebrated 3 mums or aunties who were 'Caught being Good' and presented them with a Duffy book.

Congratulations to Danielle – Tyson-Luca (R8) and Addison's (R5) auntie, Noeline Reid – Zak's (R19) mum and Lana Perese, Eva's (R11) mum.

Duffy books for Book Offer 2, sponsored by the government, were given to children on Monday afternoon at buddy-class reading. School holidays will be the perfect time to curl up with a book and read, read, read.

B. Brodien
Duffy Co-ordinator

COMMUNITY NEWS

AN INVITATION

Manurewa Scout Group invites years 1 to 3 school children to come along to see what Kea Scouts can offer your family. Kea's is for boys and girls.

Date and Time: Tuesday from 6.30 to 7.30pm

Place: Manurewa Scout Hall, Alfriston Rd in Gallaher Park complex

Cost: No fees for first four weeks

For more information email czskealeader@gmail.com or phone 2663902.