

# MANUREWA CENTRAL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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4 March 2016 Name.....

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

Our smooth start to the year has continued and I continue to be delighted with overall opportunities being provided for your children.

Classroom programmes are underway, class trips and sporting events are being organised and our assessment programmes in full swing.

Among the many events planned (see dates below) we are arranging an evening for individual parent interview(s) with class teachers.

At these meetings teachers will discuss early year assessment results and talk about individual students needs with you. This will ensure we have a productive home and school partnership arranged for 2016.

Further information will come home in due course including a form for you to request a time to meet with the teacher. In the meantime please put **Tuesday, 22 March** in your diary.

## **BOARD OF TRUSTEES' NEWS**

At our first meeting of the year our Board committed the major sum of \$61,500 towards technology equipment for your school. This will be spent on three class sets of chrome books, a 3D printer and 250 headphones plus setting up costs and training.

This expenditure is over and above the \$80,000 committed for 2016 from our school's operating budget and will ensure that our school continues to be at the fore front of IT provision for Year 1 to 6 students.

In week three our Board hosted three reviewers from the Education Review Office. This review of school organisation, curriculum delivery and student achievement was very comprehensive.

I expect a report on our school in April and will share their findings with you.

Earlier this week the Ministry of Education met Board members to plan for the replacement of eight of our oldest classrooms. This significant building exercise will be the biggest property development for many years.

Finally I draw your attention to the Board of Trustees' elections to be held in June of this year. Every three years parents, caregivers and community members are able to stand for election. More information will be available but now is the time to think about your possible involvement.

## **STUDENT LEADERS**

At this time of year we name our Year 6 students who have been selected for a range of leadership roles around our school.

We congratulate the following pupils who will provide this leadership in 2016. I know they will be excellent role models for our younger students.

## **Councillors**

Tiana Thomson	Chloe Chong
Mehar Kaur	Kash Martin-Singh
Usaia Aria	Levi Gwynne
Jemimah Miller	Jennifer Zeng

## **House Captains**

Jaydis Lambert	Sophia Baker
Raleigh Campbell	Eva Perese-Wood
Nerisa Vavau	Demetri Carson
Kiera Miller	Erishvir Singh

## **Librarians**

Skye Pratt	Vitorah Toafa
Rosa McQuoid	Gurleen Kaur Grewal
Simranjot Singh	Mehar Kaur
Irerhanna Mana	Hare Hemopo
Thea-Rose Willcocks	Chloe Chong
Abigail Mirko	Sister Tonga Ngatai
Shivani Sharma	Raleigh Campbell
Kash Martin-Singh	Riya Bhan
Chance Tavita Jackson	Jennifer Zeng
Zivana Hafoka	Bhawish Nand

Sanuj Sharma  
Anishna Chand  
Shemaiah Foti

Phoenix Tobeck  
Dakota Muir

### **Computer Monitors**

Erishvir Singh  
Siobhan Paku  
Eve Perese-Wood  
Kulneet Grover  
Ryan Guo

Levi Gwynne  
Jemimah Miller  
Kaya Graham  
Dylan Prasad

### **SCHOOL ORCHESTRA**

I am delighted that Joseph Allen from the Manukau Youth Orchestra is partnering with parents and working with a number of our students. In time we will have another group of musicians to add to our long list of talented students.

From time to time Mr Allen will organise extra practises and performances outside school hours. Parents please note that school staff are not responsible for these and that parents need to ensure that children are transported to and from safely.

### **CAN YOU HELP**

Last week we had a near miss with a child crossing Hill Road by the administration carpark. I know that many adults do cross Hill Road with children at 3 o'clock but our students are not allowed to cross on their own. They must use the pedestrian crossing at the lights.

If you are meeting your child at the library or across Hill Road please ensure they know they must use the lights to get across this very busy and dangerous road.

Teachers and Town Ambassadors are always around but we cannot guarantee to watch for every child every minute. Thank you for your help.

### **AT SCHOOL EVERY DAY**

One of the most successful things a parent can do to ensure their child learns successfully is to have them attend school all day every day. No matter what their age a day missed is a day lost forever. Please ensure your child attends from 9am until 3pm every day except in time of illness or serious family emergencies.

Thank you  
**L. Thew - Principal**

# IMPORTANT DATES



## **MARCH**

- 7-11 Senior School Outdoor Education Week
- 9 Reading Together #2 at 6pm
- 11 Middle School swimming sports 11.00pm
- 16 Bible in School begins for Years 3 – 6. Please notify your child's teacher if you do not want your child to take part.
- 16 Reading Together #3
- 18 New Entrant enrolment meeting 9am
- 18 Students' Funtime Lunchtime
- 22 Parent/Teacher interviews
- 23 Senior School swimming sports
- 24 Junior School swimming sports
- 24 Next newsletter
- 25-29 Easter break. School closed on Friday, back on Wednesday.

## **APRIL**

- 15 School closes at 3pm to end term 1.

# Welcome

### ***To pupils who have joined us recently***

Jason Abdul, Santana Soalii-Taulu, Kahlia Sauni, Navneet Kaur, Dayna Puru, Anishka Prasad, Sreyneang Sok, Jett Woodhouse, Mohi Maaka, Dilan Ali, Mena Paul, O'Liviah-Rose Hohepa-Bromwich, Nga Tapora.

# Happy Birthday



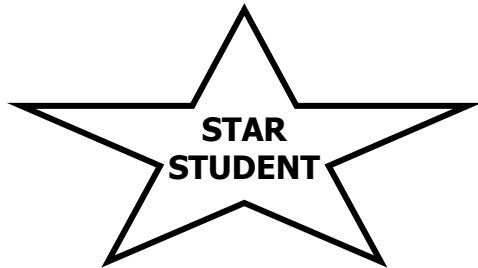
**To people who have a special day about now.**

## **MARCH**

- |                   |                            |
|-------------------|----------------------------|
| 4 Torin Coldicutt | 4 Roystan Hoyes-Stubington |
| 5 Jesse Grass     | 5 Mohammed Sahib           |
| 5 Bahra Kolazar   | 6 Stacey Reid              |
| 6 Mereani Uludole | 7 Mharsal Kaokao           |
| 7 Damian Conolly  | 7 Karla Mahongchai         |
| 7 Malachi Tagi    | 8 Harpreet Kaur            |
| 8 Nirari Chiba    | 9 Zak Reid                 |

11 Jayda Scanlan  
11 Anaya Palanni  
16 Sarrah Hassan  
19 Tanishka Sharma  
20 Renee Scofield  
21 Armaan Sandhu

11 Pure' Jae Punga  
16 Khloe Scott  
17 Shama Goundar  
19 Gurman Grewal  
20 Tanurit Kaur  
21 Ninorta Chiba



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

R1 Orginia Nuamaan  
R3 Izrael Finau  
R5 Deshan Siriwardana  
R7 Dontey Ingram-Waite  
R10 Gurleen Kaur Grewal  
R12 Levi Gwynne  
R14 Sheneah Bayaban  
R16 Maya Seymour  
R18 Summer Honey  
R20 Renee Scofield  
R22 Sulueti Rabici

R2 Robbie Ge  
R4 Liam Leslie  
R6 Azalea Tangitamaiti  
R8 Lennox Nathan-Edmonds  
R11 Riya Bhan  
R13 Lachlan Gifkins  
R15 Nerisa Vavau  
R17 Sarah Bryant  
R19 David Emmanuel  
R21 Tavita Moses  
R23 Navam Sharma

# ROOM NEWS

## ROOM 1

Room 1 is a lovely group of new entrants at our school who are learning to be learners. We have enjoyed blowing bubbles, making fruit kebabs, making playdough and lots of swimming. Room 1 enjoys lots of laughs and giggles especially when Mrs Rees makes a mistake.

## ROOM 3

We have been writing lots of interesting facts about ourselves. We also love jumping into the swimming pool every afternoon to cool off in this hot humid weather.

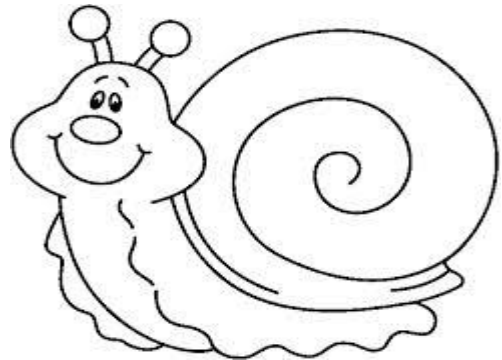


## ROOM 5

Every day is a special day because we go swimming. We have been learning to float and kick using flutterboards and noodles. Lots of practice helps us to become confident in the water. We are all looking forward to showing our mums and dads what we can do when it is our swimming carnival.

## ROOM 7

We are in Room 7 this year and we love to learn! This class is full of kind and helpful children. This week we have learnt about animals that don't need legs to walk – they slither and slide. Our blend has been sl. We did some special work with our buddy class about snakes, worms, snails and slugs.



## ROOM 9

We have had a busy start to the year. We have been learning all about ME. We created beautiful mihi and made cloaks to present these.

Room 9 has been working hard with their swimming, and two children have been selected for swim club. We are in for an exciting year.

## ROOM 11

We have been creating our Pepeha posters. These show what are important to us like family, land and gifts. We have also been learning a whakatauki each week which is a Maori proverb. It is tricky pronouncing some of the words.

We have had some specific days for swimming and have built up our skills. We are looking forward to swimming sports.

Last but not least we have been doing a recount about how the Maori people came to Aotearoa. We were writing from the perspective of a boy. They will be great when they are completed. *Sophie and Kash*

### ROOM 13

We have been writing our Pepeha which is all about our family and where we come from. We all coloured in paper feathers with our name and patterns that mean something to us. Then Mrs Zandbergen glued them to a piece of material and made them into a korowai.

*Ethan Luong*

### ROOM 15

We have been learning about the difference between immigration, migration and refugees. We have looked at hot and cold colours in art and made a crayon and dye resist piece of work showing our name.

In swimming we are building our stamina by practising swimming as far as we can down the length of the pool without stopping.

Room 15 is all looking forward to EOTC next week and the challenges and fun we will have.

*Nerisa and Jemimah*

### ROOM 17

We have been working on our korowai by painting and making hands to look like feathers. We have made hands instead of looking for feathers around the school because we do not want our feathers to fall off, that would be terrible.

We have also been working on a mihi. We are talking about ourselves using Maori and a little bit of English. The last thing on Room 17's class news is our portraits. We have taken pictures of ourselves and coloured them in with pastels.

*Sarah Bryant*

### ROOM 19

Our walls are looking fabulous with self-portraits, graphs, ice-cream stories, our Maori clocks and tweets. We have also cooked and learned how to sew on a sewing machine.

We love our class treaty and have enjoyed learning about diversity. We can't wait to discover lots more throughout the year.

### ROOM 21

Tena Koutou. We have survived the sizzling hot day by refreshing ourselves in the cool, school pool. However, we haven't just been relaxing in the pool. We have worked hard to improve our swimming techniques. Most of us are really confident in the water and have all learnt something new.

We have been using our imagination and have written terrific adventure stories. It will be great to share these with you on our class blog and whanau please remember to make a positive comment about our work. *Te Aroha*

### ROOM 23

We have been celebrating our family members and ourselves lately. Our parents and grandparents are really important to us and we have written lovely stories in our writing books.

Swimming is going so well and the class is learning how to be safe in water. Progress has been amazing and we can't wait to get to the pool every afternoon to practise new skills.

## Community Notices

### SOCCER MUSTER - CLENDON UNITED AFC

Manurewa Sports Centre, Mountfort Park, Weymouth Road. All junior, youth and senior players. Enquiries to Kathryn—phone 0223804086 or Karlene – phone 267 9932.

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