

MANUREWA CENTRAL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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7 March 2014 Name.....

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

Our smooth start to 2014 has continued and all our school programmes, with the exception of swimming, are progressing very well. The non-availability of the school swimming pool has been disappointing for us all, however, once our construction concludes in the next two weeks we'll have some wonderful additions to the school property which we shall all enjoy. We are hopeful that one week of school swimming will be possible provided the weather remains favourable.

Please note that a modified swimming sports for Years 5 and 6 will take place at the Manurewa Pools in Sykes Road on 25 March. Details for those children will be provided closer to the event.

OUTBREAK OF MEASLES

The Ministry of Health has asked that the following information be made available regarding the recent outbreak of measles. There have been 47 confirmed cases of measles reported recently in New Zealand, of which 29 have occurred in Auckland. Eight children have required hospitalisation.

Ongoing outbreaks have occurred in places such as the Philippines, Australia, Europe, the United Kingdom, Asia, India and North America. Families travelling to these areas or with visitors from these countries should be aware of the symptoms.

Measles is a highly infectious disease with symptoms such as fever, cough, red eyes and a runny nose which is followed by a rash that generally starts on the face and moves progressively down the body.

Students and teachers with measles are infectious from 5 days before to 5 days after the onset of the rash. Non-attendance at

school is essential and in such cases, the school must follow the advice of the local medical officer of health. ALL children who are not fully immunised must stay away from school for 14 days. The Ministry of Health recommends that the best protection against measles is to be immunised. This is free for all children. For further information visit <http://www.moh.govt.nz/measles> which is the Ministry of Health's website or phone 0800 IMMUNE (0800466 863) for advice.

PUPIL LEADERS

At this time of year we name our Year 6 pupils who have been selected in leadership roles. We congratulate the following children who will provide this leadership in 2014.

School Councillors

Kamenieli Aria, Tomilea Bourke, Larizza Melendrez, Sean Menke, Sinead Miller, Xanthe Paku, Manmeet Singh and Trizon Uatisone.

House Captains

Lloyd Baladad, Rhea Deo, Evaine Falelogi, Srishti Kumar, Josaia Lesimaikimatuku, Sofia-Moana Tauelanghi, Penieli Vaisagote and Steffi Webb-Butler.

Computer Monitors

Helen Asiata, Jackson Beaven, Gabrielle Davies, Madison Denton-Priest, Jasmine Kaur, Jaswin Kaur, Zoraver Malhotra, Jasmine Rota-Leggan, Laichen Samupo and Emeline Vete.

Librarians

Mataalofa Amituanai, Tanveer Bhatti, Priyanka Chand, Rhea Deo, Evaine Falelogi, Makayla Gurnick, Alex Kett, Kristy Kumar, Srishti Kumar, Kevan Lew, Tiya Momoemausu, Chloe Morrison, Cassie Murray-Lynch, Emma Polglase, Max Richards, Tynesha Scott, Gurleen Singh, Chelsea Tang, Sofia-Moana Tauelanghi, Elijah Tavita-Jackson, Kaea Totorewa-Tauranga, Amanda Tchikha, Remini Vitale, Steffi Webb-Butler.

STAFF RETIREMENT

The Board of Trustees has recently accepted the resignation of our longstanding and highly regarded Deputy Principal, Miss Janice Lindsay. Miss Lindsay leaves Manurewa Central School at the end of Term 1 to begin a well-deserved retirement.

Miss Lindsay's contribution to our school has been remarkable for the quality and the length of time she has committed to the children of Manurewa.

More will be said in due course but for now we trust that Miss Lindsay enjoys her last 6 weeks at the school she has given so much to.

PARENT INTERVIEWS

Please note the following date in your family diary as the first opportunity for 2014 to meet with your child's teacher to discuss the data gathered regarding your child's current learning levels. Teachers will share this data, discuss learning needs and goals and together set the programme for the home/school learning partnership. Wednesday, 26 March.

Further communication will come home shortly including the form for you to request an individual time for your meeting with your child's teacher.

COMMUNITY EXPO

Manurewa Central School together with the Manurewa Parenting Hub invite families to come into the school next Wednesday (12 March) to have lunch with your child from 12.30pm, engage in playground activities (12.45 – 1.27pm) and then to view all the community agencies, support groups etc which are available to assist parents, caregivers and families in day to day family life, organisation and support. There is no charge for this expo including all the resources being made available on the day. Complimentary refreshments are also available.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS

Does your child receive extra tuition at our school for English language learning? If so, you will soon receive an invitation to come along to one of the classes your child attends with Mrs Holmes, Mrs Mosen or Mrs Scott.

You will be invited to join in with your child and to see the additional programme in action that our school provides in oral and written language for all our English language learners from Year 2 to Year 5 or 6. Details of specific times will be sent home within the next fortnight, however, please mark 1- 4 April in your family diary.

L. Thew
Principal

IMPORTANT DATES

MARCH

- 12 Bible in School lessons begin
- 12 Community expo (12.30 – 2.45pm)
- 12 Play Truck at school (0 – 5 years of age)
- 18 Manurewa Schools' cricket field day
- 20 Saving day for cricket
- 25 Senior swimming sports (to be confirmed)
- 26 Parent/teacher interviews
- 26 Chai and Chat parent support group
- 26 Play Truck at school (10am – 12pm)
- 28 Next newsletter

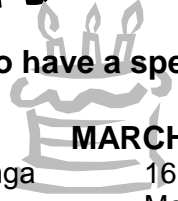
Term 1 finishes on Thursday, 17 April.

Welcome

To pupils who have joined us recently
Demani Te Pou, Chaine Te Pou, Lezane Te Pou, Mathew Kiriona, Naite Spyve-Shea, Guneet Jassi, Te Ponui Andrews, Arav Verma, Amber Lal, KJ Pritchard, Lupe Pritchard, Delores Siriwardana.

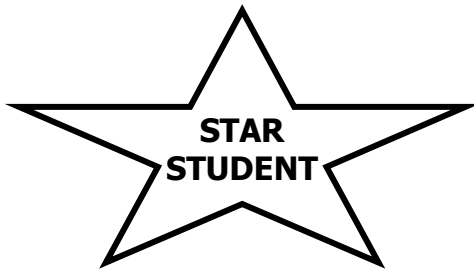
Happy Birthday

To people who have a special day about now.



MARCH

11 Pure' Jae Punga	16 Jaylen Levave-Meleisea
17 Isaac Uluheua	18 Juzmin Taanuu
19 Prabjhot Bhatti	19 Amanda Tchikha
22 Makayla Gurnick	22 Mya Petursson
22 Lupe Pritchard	23 Max Richards
24 Lucian Green-Cuming	25 Summer Tamihere
26 Priyanka Chand	26 Sam Logo
28 Emeline Vete	28 Dylan Taufua
28 Divyesh Chand	



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

R1 Sophie Smith	R3 Paige Pratt
R4 Israel Wilson	R5 Benaiah Casey
R6 Kaitlyn Tanoa'i	R7 Sam Logo
R8 Komal Bavaji	R9 Izaeliyah Tuaato
R10 Cassie Murray-Lynch	R11 Tomilea Bourke
R12 Bhavandeep Kaur	R13 Helen Asiata
R14 Mia Puru	R15 Skye Collins
R16 Sumsijah Prabakaran	R17 Anishna Chand
R18 Corrina Rota-Leggan	R19 Kamryn-Ginny Rogers
R20 Cody Puru	R21 Kaya Graham
R23 David Emmanuel	R24 Aporosa Viria

ROOM NEWS

ROOM 4

Welcome to Room 4. We have been spending the last few weeks learning about each other and how we are all different. That is okay as it makes us special. We come from all around the world. Some of us are from India, some from Iraq, some from Fiji, some from Cambodia, some from the Philippines and some from New Zealand too!

ROOM 6

We looked at descriptive writing this week. A shared writing example is about a picture of the sunset. "The clouds were like fluffy soft toys. They were on FIRE."

ROOM 8

I love my doll because I can play with her inside and I can dress her up. *Juzmin*

My favourite toy is my toy kitchen because I can cook my play-doh in it. *Saneh*

My favourite toy is a transformer. I love my transformer because it changes into a car.

Tavita

My favourite toy is Lego Star Wars because it can fly. *Tyrone*

ROOM 10

What a week. We've been busy in Room 10 doing lots of fun things but the main thing this week has been outdoor education week.

On Monday we had a trip to Snowplanet and it was a lot of fun. We could either do snowboarding or skiing. On Tuesday we had lots of fun. We were doing cooking, challenges, tents, orienteering and a waterslide. The thing people most enjoyed was the waterslide.

We have also been doing lots of art in our classroom. We were making our own kites. I hope the rest of the year is just as good.

Vinesh Kumar

ROOM 12

Some of us from Room 12 were joined by other members of the senior school to visit Ardmore Airport to fly in a DC3 plane. Our first group got on the plane and taxied off towards the runway. Suddenly they're back! The weather had closed in and they couldn't take off. However, we were allowed to all go on the plane and see the cockpit. Then suddenly the weather changed! The second group who were on the plane got to go first and so we all eventually got up into the air. What an experience. Part of the DC3 crew!

ROOM 14

We have had a great start to the year. The class has all got to know one another and at the start of the week we were very excited

Community Notices

COMPUTER CLASSES FOR PARENTS AND WHANAU

Do you have basic skills in Microsoft Word, Microsoft Publisher and emailing? Would you like to learn more about Microsoft Word features, Microsoft Publisher, file management, using external devices e.g. flash drives, sending attachments in gmail? We are offering a FREE computer class for parents at Manurewa Central School on TUESDAYS 9.30am – 11am for 5 weeks, commencing Tuesday, 18 March 2014.

Participants would need to attend all sessions. Unfortunately we will not be able to cater for preschool children.

Places limited. Please register at the office by 12 March 2014. If you have any questions please phone: Linda Biggs, Manurewa Parenting Hub on 0274 864 150.

The PLAY TRUCK comes to our school every second Wednesday for 0 – 5 year old pre-schoolers to have a FREE kindergarten experience. Come along and bring your pre-schoolers. 12 and 26 March. Remember it's free for all participants.



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about outdoor education. We have been learning facts about Sir Edmund Hillary. We made a before and after web and then published it.

For art the class has finished making self-portraits which are looking terrific. We have moved on to making city sunsets. The whole class is looking forward to the rest of the year.

ROOM 16

This term we have been making a kindness boomerang video. For the people who don't know what a kindness boomerang is, it's when someone is nice to someone and passes the kindness on so it's just like a cycle. We have been doing this in our buzz groups. First in our buzz groups we wrote down a few things we could think of and then we made a storyboard. After each group has finished filming theirs, we will put it together. When it's finished it'll be on our class blog. We had an amazing time making our kindness boomerang video.

Thea-Rose and Mehar

ROOM 18

We have been so excited to get our milk this week. First we read a book and waited for the milk to come. Suddenly we were at the end of our book and heard the door open. There was the milk. It got handed out to everyone. We had to push the top of the straw then pull it out the bottom. We could drink our cold milk. It tasted like cream. As soon as we drank it dry we folded it properly then put it in the special blue milk recycling bin.

Rosa McQuoid

ROOM 20

We have been very busy writing a description of ourselves. They are very detailed and have lots of adjectives. We know that if we got lost the police would be able to use these to find us.

We are really enjoying eating a variety of delicious fruit and drinking milk. Are you?

ROOM 24

Our topic is called "I'm Glad I'm Me." We have been talking about the things we like, the things we are good at and exploring our feelings. We have learnt that some things might be tricky for us but other things might be easy. This is the fun part when we are sharing with each other because we have learnt that we are all special for many different reasons.