

MANUREWA CENTRAL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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8 July 2016 Name.....

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

By the time this newsletter reaches you Term 2 will have finished and our students will have begun 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.

Highlights of term 2 for me include: the progress students have made in maths and reading; the valuable parent meetings we have conducted about reading and maths learning; the leadership shown by our senior students; and the growth of extracurricular opportunities including music, sport, cultural activities and community services.

These programmes ensure that your children are developing into successful, well rounded young people.

LOOKING AHEAD TO TERM 3

During the holidays teachers will be undertaking professional development in the teaching of writing. Both writing and maths will continue to be a focus in classrooms next term.

Early in the term we will be conducting our annual fundraiser in the form of a General Knowledge-a-thon. I am also looking forward to our senior school production "A Pile of Tales" written by our very own Sue McHaffie-Green from room ten. I think this will be a term highlight for us all.

STUDENT REPORTS

Mid-year reports will be completed by teachers over the school break and will come home on Friday, 29 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 about home support.

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

Interviews will be held on Thursday, 11 August between 3.30pm and 8pm. Interview request forms will come home in the report envelopes. Please return the form at that time and we will allocate times on a first come first served basis.

Thank you
L. Thew
Principal

IMPORTANT DATES



JULY

- 25 Term 3 begins at 9am
- 29 Student individual reports home

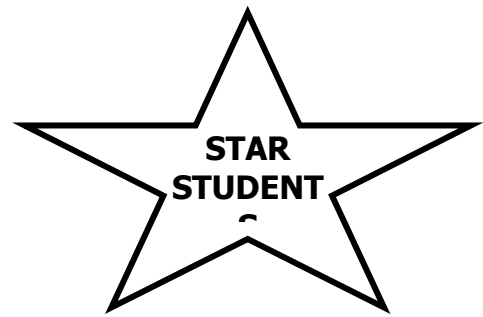
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- 5 General Knowledge-a-thon information home
- 5 Next school newsletter
- 11 Parent interview evening
- 23 Manurewa Schools' Harmony Festival

Term 3 ends on Friday, 23 September.

Welcome

To pupils who have joined us recently
Navroop Sangha, Angelina Sheemar,
Saluhi Al Sheikh, Faofua Faalafi, Jade Tewhiu.



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

Happy Birthday



To people who have a special day about now.

JULY

8 Daniel Martin	8 Rajveer Kaur
8 Giselle Toilolo	9 Kiahni Tuipelehake
11 Paige Pratt	12 Jay-Lynn Whatarangi-Shelford
13 Ashton Woodhouse	13 Azalea Tangitamaiti
14 Andrew Tali	15 Nicole Mahongchai
16 Darcey Lauano	17 Trinity-Reine Spence
18 Seth Dutton	19 Raymond Ma
19 Arnov Verma	19 Maea Linaker
20 Armanpreet Singh	20 Lealofi Alesana
21 Anaru Thomson	22 Raycheal Va
22 Phoenix Afakasi	23 Zyrus Uatisone
23 Arush Garg	23 Awhina Kingi
24 Kayden Hoverd	25 Anshika Chand
26 Susana Malewa	26 Sarah Pham
26 Navam Sharma	27 Usaia Aria
28 Donny Kako	28 Naphnn Deng
29 Phoenix Key	

AUGUST

2 Helen Leota	3 Tarandeep Sing
4 Lovedeep Karda	

R1 Izabella Shaw	R2 Arosha Isanejad
R3 Santana Soalii-Taulu	R4 Myles Saavedra
R5 Te Aroha Marsh	R6 Liam Leslie
R7 Addison Scorringe	R8 Sarah Pham
R9 James Drake	R10 Tiana Thomson
R11 Daniel Dixon Heka	R12 Jagrith Narayan
R13 Casey Drake	R14 Anaru Thomson
R15 Joshua Diack	R16 Zayden Scott
R17 Izaeliah Tuaato	R18 Chardonae Cvitanovich-Winiata
R19 Cameron Healey	R20 Harleen Malhi
R21 Darius Bell	R22 Darcey Lauano
R23 Viva Friend	R24 Eliezer Hukiavave

ROOM NEWS

ROOM 1

We have been busy this term learning about sound. We loved experimenting with “cup phones” and making our own musical instruments.

We were very lucky to have a second teacher Miss Yu for 5 weeks this term but she has now returned to her studies. We miss her already. Don't forget to check out our class blog if you would like to keep up with our learning.
<http://mancentroom1.blogspot.co.nz>

ROOM 3

We have had a very busy exciting and interesting term. We have been learning about famous New Zealanders and can share interesting facts about Sir Edmund Hillary, Joy Cowley and Jill Eggleton.

We had some special people visit us including Duffy Theatre, Chris from Asthma Foundation and Jill Eggleton our famous New Zealand author.

ROOM 5

We have been learning about electricity. As scientists, we have to do a lot of thinking, questioning, discovering and noticing. When we used the blender to whip cream, we noticed that electricity makes things move. When we made toast, we discovered the electricity makes things hot. When we switch on the smartboard, we noticed that electricity makes light and sound. Our favourite discovery was when we turned on the plasma ball.

RJ wrote about his discovery. "The colourful lights were moving in the light bulb. When I touched the bulb, the thunderbolt kissed my finger." Room 5 agree that being scientists is fun and exciting!

ROOM 7

We have been learning about the sun – we were scientists finding out clues. We found information on the iPads, on the computers, in books and on fact cards. Our fact posters that we made look amazing.

We also have learnt about big cats and have written information reports on big cats and the sun. We know that information reports need a title, a general statement, a description and an evaluation. Aren't we clever!

ROOM 9

In Room 9 we have been learning about light... Transparent light is some things that you can see through. Where light comes from is the sun, but some light comes from the moon. Light that needs electricity is artificial. Opaque means that you can't see through it. Stars and the moon and the sun give us a lot of light. I know that some light is fake. *James Drake*

ROOM 11

We have been learning all about Matariki (The Seven Sisters). We have done two pieces of art showing the star cluster of Matariki and Seven Koru, representing new beginnings for the New Year.

We have also been presenting our slide show presentations on our famous people to the class. We've learnt about everyone from William Shakespeare, Leonardo da Vinci and Ricky Martin to Pink and Stephen Hawking. We've been working so hard we're all looking forward to a holiday!

ROOM 13

It has been a busy and exhausting term in Room 13. We have worked hard to produce research on famous world leaders. Good leaders are people who lead by example and both set and display high expectations. Good leaders are people such as Nelson Mandela and Rosa Parks.

We have also been discovering what sound is and how it is produced. There are many exciting and interesting facts we have found about sound! Did you know that dogs can hear at frequencies higher than humans, so they hear more things than we do?

ROOM 15

We have started a new piece of art inspired by Romero Britto. He uses bright and bold colours that contrast each other. Romero Britto also uses different patterns including parts of his signature in his art.

We have recently learned a new game from Mr Healey called Hoop La. We are enjoying using different strategies to beat the other team. Since we have been playing the game we have found out we have some talented runners and steppers in our class.

Jemimah, Eva and Nerisa

ROOM 17

We have been learning about electricity. We tried with a light bulb and asked ourselves if it will work or not? We connected a battery with a red and black wire, those wires are called cathode and anode, to a light bulb and it lit up. Room 9 came over to Room 17 to learn about electricity too.

A nice lady called Sally told us about her job and she worked at Watercare. She showed us all about the water cycle and we did an experiment to make a filter to clean the water. We used many things as a filter, for example, paper, cotton wool, sand and bark. We found out that paper and cotton wool are the best filters. *Komal and Izaeliah*

ROOM 19

We have been keeping a daily diary of special things which happen to us. We have also been learning about electricity and learned how to make a circuit.

Maria and Hakirangi

ROOM 21

Tena Koutou. We have just arrived back from a bafulous Te Reo lesson at Manurewa Library. We learned more about Matariki, sung a waiata and wove a pattern representing the Stars of Matariki. We had a great time.

Last week Chris came to explain how we can help people who have asthma. He was entertaining and taught us a lot. We now know what to do if someone is having an asthma attack.

Two weeks ago Sally from Water Care Auckland taught us about our water and how long it takes to get it clean enough to drink. We did some of our own experiments and learnt a great deal.

ROOM 23

Robot mania hit Rooms 22 and 23 last week! We learned the many ways that robots can help us. They can even do the vacuum cleaning for us. On Friday we created our own robots with a huge collection of objects that children brought to school. There were tall ones, silver ones, square ones and even a round one. We learned to speak robot too.

VOLLEYBALL REPORT



Kapow! The ball went whizzing over the net. Manurewa Central School was at Manurewa High School for a volleyball tournament. We had two teams called Dodgers and Chargers.

After the round robin stage the Chargers played off against Reremoana and managed to get 6th place.

HOCKEY FINALS

It was a miserable wet Thursday afternoon and we thought that hockey would be cancelled but it wasn't. It was finals day!

The Mighty Ducks were facing off against the Hurricanes. These teams have played once before and it was a draw. Both teams wanted to win this game. Mrs McHaffie-Green's whistle blew and the match was underway. Hurricanes started with the ball and the exciting game was back and forth. The Ducks scored, then the Hurricanes scored. At halftime it was 4 - 3 to the Mighty Ducks. Tiana scored to make it 5 - 3. But then the Hurricanes came back and scored another goal to make it 5 - 4. The last few

MATHEX COMPETITION

Recently four year sixes went to the Mathex Competition at Manurewa Intermediate. It was cool and we had a good time. We were in a large hall with about 15 schools. You can have 5 attempts at each question. We worked well as a group and managed to come fourth.

Community Notices

WHAT'S ON @CENTRAL HUB NEXT TERM

Central Hub runs 9am-12pm each Wednesday of term in the Speech Therapy Room (behind Room 12). Come and meet other parents/caregivers for some good company and lots of laughs. Tea and coffee is provided and everybody is welcome. Look out for the Hub flag – or ask your child's teacher where to find us.

Paint a Terracotta Pot – Wed 27th Jul

Come and join us for a fun morning painting Terracotta Pots for you to make and take home. A selection of yummy herbs for the garden will be there for you to plant. Stay for as long or little as you like. The session is free and everything is provided. All welcome.

"Bring a Plate" ideas - Wed 3rd Aug

Are you stuck for ideas for what to take when your child has a shared lunch? Come along, bring your ideas and swap recipes! Light morning tea is provided. All welcome

Numeracy @ Home - Wed 10th Aug

We have a selection of fun and engaging maths games for all different ages for you to take home for your child. Tea and coffee is available and everyone is welcome.