

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

Term two is well underway and on behalf of our school community I welcome new students and whanau to our school. So far this term we have enrolled 8 new students which brings our roll to 563.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES NEWS

At our last board meeting Waru Clark was re-elected as Chairperson unopposed. On your behalf I congratulate Waru and thank him and fellow board members David Fransham, Aaron Scoringe, Rajvinder Singh, Ross Burr and our staff elected representative Sandy Griffin for their continuing and relentless support for our school and all the children and adults who work here. The positive reputation and student success our school enjoys is largely due to our board's on going commitment and governance skills.

You will be interested to know that our board has been in discussion s with the Ministry of Education over a replacement classroom programme. Just this week the Ministry of Education has confirmed we are on a priority list for nine replacement rooms. Planning will happen this year and in 2019 the first of three classroom blocks will be started.

Next Wednesday is International School Support Staff Day. We have around 20 people who work hard as support staff to ensure our school operates smoothly and who help our students as needed. I am delighted that our board is acknowledging our team in an appropriate fashion. On your behalf I also pass on your thanks for their good work at our school.

WHANAU SUPPORT PROGRAMMES

We all know that when families and schools work closely together student achievement is greatly enhanced.

To help this happen our staff are offering further opportunities for family members to share and discuss children's learning in the important areas of reading and maths.

1. Making Maths Count

These three workshops run on Wednesdays 16, 23 and 30 May. We will explain how maths is taught, and why and also give suggestions as to home support. Places are limited so please contact Donna (269 0250) or email secretary@mancent.school.nz to ensure your place. As usual a crèche will be available.

2. Reading Together

When families undertake this programme children's reading ability increases Dramatically. Term 2 workshops will be run on Wednesdays 13, 20 27 June and 4 July. More information to come.

EFFORT BRINGS REWARD

Congratulations to our school Rippa Rugby team who won their division of the Manurewa interschool competition this week. Our team played with skill and sportsmanship and I thank their coach and manager Mrs Stephanie Hooker and Mrs Zinnia Lowe.

Well done also to 16 of our school student leaders who attended Young Leaders' Day at Vodafone Events Centre on Wednesday. They were excellent school representatives.

Laurie Thew
Principal

IMPORTANT DATES

MAY

16, 23 and 30 Maths workshops for parents 6—7.30pm

JUNE

- 1 School newsletter
- 4 Queen's birthday holiday—school closed
- 11 Board of Trustees' meeting 6pm
- 13 Reading Together workshops begin 6pm to 7.30pm

Term 2 ends on Friday, 6 July.

Welcome

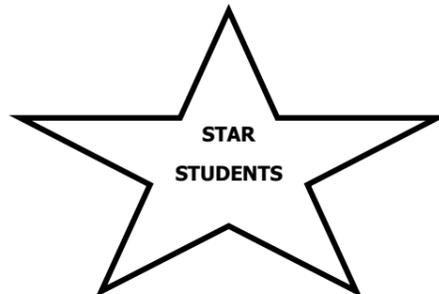
To pupils who have joined us recently

Iyaad Khan, Maddison Mulley-Wilson, Sukhman Kaur Gill, Kendrick Butler, Keerat Singh, Crystal Wairepo, Evelyn Kaur, Heba Addoais

Happy Birthday

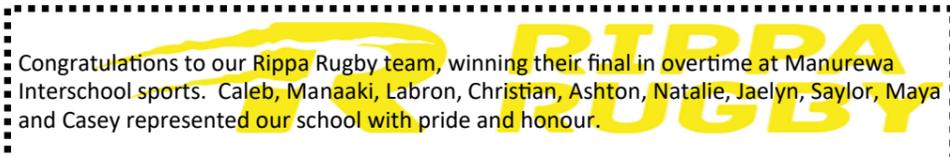
To people who have a special day about now.

MAY		
11 Jashandeep Jaura	12 Terry Teulilo	12 Yashan Naidu
12 Diya Krishna	12 Sahibjot Singh	13 Avisia Isanejad
13 Manmeet Sidhu	13 Trey Jack	13 Khushmeet Sidhu
13 Hargun Kaur	13 Arosha Isanejad	14 Ayden Harris
14 Alena Lui	14 Brayden Tuhakaraina– Hemopo	
14 Charlotte Millett	14 Maya Rameka	16 Sarah Winstone
16 Ryan Chand	16 Cameron Kiriona	16 Louie Blair
18 Sarah Bryant	18 Eknor Singh	21 Abhideep Sarao
21 Isabella Tith	23 Ayaan Farugue	23 Kasey Tamati
24 Grace Gao	24 Sienna Swepson	24 Danny Yin
24 Anjandeep Kaur	25 Chanelle Tuhakaraina-Hemopo	
25 Natalie Folomu	26 Elle Funaki-Sterling	26 Carley Graham
27 Jacy Saavedra	28 Gurekam Sandhu	28 Isabelle Stowers
29 Alesana Alesana	29 Eliezer Hukiavave	31 Leilani Irwin



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

R1 Ekaaksh Wahi	R3 Khusmeet Sidhu	R4 Sarah Winstone
R5 Aryan Deo	R6 Mason Solo	R7 Tanya Gakhal
R8 Ayaan Faruque	R9 Ashlynn Mulley-Wilson	R10 Zyrus Uatisone
R11 Ayman Meriouli	R12 Maya Rameka	R13 Cruz Wiki
R14 Nicole Mahongchai	R15 Jasmeen Lal	R16 Jaimie-Rose Palmer
R17 Dilveer Cheema	R18 Keyara Rhoda	R19 Leighton Leeward
R20 Addison Scoringe	R21 Sienna Swepson	R23 Christian Thomas
R24 Olivia Carter		



BUILDING AWESOME WHANAU
Fun, free, interactive parenting programme starting at school. Starts 16 May. Six weeks every Wednesday 1—3pm. Email Kristen.hodgkinson@fwn.orgt.nz or call Kristen on 021 244 3835 . Check out the link below. We would love to have you!
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bADkxyf4piM>

Room News

ROOM 4

This week is NZ Sign Language Week. Sign language helps deaf people talk to their friends and family. We have been learning some simple signs to let others know what we need and how we feel. We know how to let people know if we are cold or need a drink. We also learned to sign the rainbow song using sign language. Please ask us to show you.

ROOM 6

We have made a great start to Term 2. Thank you parents for your continuing support. In class we have been reflecting on 'What ANZAC Day means to us' and learning to speak and write in full sentences. We also enjoyed the Duffy Show last week. We learnt a lot about what a bully says, does and acts like. It was a funny show that had a very powerful message.

ROOM 8

We all had an amazing time across the school holidays and as sad as it was to end, we were equally excited to be back at school with Mrs Bruce and our Room 8 family. So far we've had a marvellous first two weeks settling back into our daily routines, where last week saw us blessed with a Duffy theatre show called 'Duffy and the Cloak Bay Bully'. From the show, we learnt what to do if we ever saw bullying occurring and that "it's cool to read, it's cool to succeed!"

ROOM 10

In room 10 I like reading books. My favourite place is the Library and I like being a Librarian. I put books away. I also like doing the worm farm. In the afternoon I take the trolley around the classrooms and tip their food scraps into the worm bucket. I take it to the worm farm and feed the worms. I go to the ICT room on a Monday and Friday. *Christopher Martin*

ROOM 12

We have been learning about *Integrity* and showing kindness to others, not just your friends but everyone. Be kind to each other and chose the right thing to do. *Mathew*
We have 3 rules in Maths. Share ideas, listen to each other and don't be a passenger. We enjoy working in groups. *Maya*

ROOM 14

We have started to explore the idea of "PIONEERS ARE MOTIVATED BY A NEED OR CURIOSITY TO EXPLORE UNFAMILIAR REGIONS AND NEW IDEAS". We have focused on explorers and pioneers and their effect on the wider community. We have also been trying to improve our juggling skills!

ROOM 16

We have already done so much learning this term! We were all very interested to learn the meaning behind ANZAC Day. Lots of new vocabulary popped up like 'commemorate' which means to remember and show respect. We have been busy using the internet to research famous inventors and have even begun writing biographies about them. Did you know that electricity was actually a discovery not an invention? Our self portraits from last term are now on display and they sure look fabulous! Come on in to check them out.

ROOM 18

This term we have been learning about Space and inventors. We have learnt that NASA has invented lots of things that we use every day, like the infrared thermometer, cordless power tools, glasses lenses, memory foam, and many others. We have added the word 'engineer' to our vocabulary. It means a person that makes things. Come and check out our "I Wonder" wall to see our great inquiry questions. We are trying to practice our school value INTEGRITY. This means doing the right thing even when no one is watching.

ROOM 20

On Monday, we went for a walk in the school bush. We observed the flor and fauna and discussed what we saw, heard, smelt, thought and felt. We went back to class and wrote descriptive statements about our experience.
"I saw a circular leaf with water droplets scattered across it and they looked like glitter" *Harlem*.
"I heard tuis singing sweetly as they flew from branch to branch in the totara tree." *Bayley*
"I saw the sunlight struggling to shine through the canopy of the bush." *Darcey*
"I think the bush is a magical place for everyone to learn about nature." *Addison*

ROOM 24

This week is Sign Language Week and we have been practising communicating with each other by signing and working in a quiet environment without talking. As we have learned more signs this has become easier. Last Thursday we enjoyed a fabulous Duffy assembly performance in the auditorium. The actors were very professional and conveyed their message of "bullying" in a way that the children could understand. It was a lively show and the children all participated with laughter and enthusiasm.