

# MANUREWA CENTRAL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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**13 May 2016** Name.....

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 current roll to 531.

## **BOARD OF TRUSTEES' ELECTIONS**

By now you should have received Board of Trustees nomination forms in the mail. If you have not received a form please call in at school.

Nominations close at noon on Friday, 20 May. If you would like to put someone forward for election to our Board please ensure the completed form is returned to school by that date.

Once nominations have closed voting papers will be distributed by mail to all eligible voters on Wednesday, 25 May.

The school's Board of Trustees plays a very important school governance role. Consequently I ask that you consider a nomination and urge you to vote in this important process. Thank you.

## **READING TOGETHER**

We will be running another series of workshops on home reading this term beginning on Wednesday, 25 May. There are four meetings on consecutive Wednesdays beginning at 6pm and finishing at 7.30pm. A children's crèche is available to assist parents with child minding.

These workshops are both helpful and enjoyable and always result in improved student reading for the families involved. If you are a parent of a child in Years 1 to 4 (junior or middle school) I recommend you attend if at all possible. Please phone Mrs Sandy Griffin 269 0250 to ensure a place.

## **ANZAC DAY**

Thank you to our student leaders and school staff who represented our school on ANZAC Day. We can be proud of our students who marched in the parade and laid a wreath on the cenotaph outside our memorial gates.

The ceremony was very well attended and our school looked stunning which added to the occasion. I was reminded how fortunate we are to be associated with Manurewa's oldest school on an important site in the middle of our township.

## **AT SCHOOL ALL DAY EVERYDAY**

Thank you to everyone who ensures their children attend regularly and who are always on time. Children do need to establish good habits both in attendance and being at school before 9am. Lateness is a concern and disadvantages your child as does leaving early.

Please ensure you give your child every chance to be at school and ready to learn by 9am. Please do not pick up your child early except in emergencies. Thank you.

## **TECHNOLOGY UPDATE**

I am delighted to inform you that we are continuing to improve the technology opportunities available to your children. This term we have introduced 90 Chromebooks for student use. This brings the numbers of iPads and Chromebooks to around 350. Over the next few weeks we will purchase 250 headphones and a 3D printer for the IT room.

Our students are extremely well served and on your behalf I thank our Board of Trustees for the foresight and commitment in giving our students the very best.

Thank you  
**L. Thew**  
**Principal**

# IMPORTANT DATES



## MAY

- 17 Interschool soccer
- 20 Nominations close for Board elections
- 20 Cup Cake fundraising day
- 25 Reading Together begins 6pm
- 25 Voting papers distributed for Board elections.

## JUNE

- 2 Reading Together 6pm
- 3 Next newsletter
- 3 Voting closes for Board of Trustees' election
- 6 Queen's Birthday. School closed
- 8 Reading Together 6pm
- 9 Results announced for Board elections
- 13 Board of Trustees' meeting 6pm
- 15 Reading Together 6pm final session

Term 2 ends on Friday, 8 July. School closed for two weeks.



***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 Bhavesh Singh                  | R2 Daniel Martin        |
| R3 Izrael Finau                   | R4 Jorawar Singh        |
| R5 Trey Jack                      | R6 Paige Dixon-Williams |
| R7 Jay-Lynn Whatarangi-Shelford   | R8 Davejamin Asiata     |
| R9 Prabhdeep Kaur                 | R10 Brooke Maiava       |
| R11 Leilani Maka                  | R12 Jaydis Lambert      |
| R13 Benaiah Casey                 | R14 Sahil Sandhu        |
| R15 Okusitino Tuipulotu           | R16 Racheal Va          |
| R17 Vyaansh Permal                | R18 Christian Solo      |
| R19 Masin Ormsby-White            | R20 Harleen Malhi       |
| R21 Israel Wilson                 | R22 Ryley Gifkins       |
| R23<br>Brayden Tuhakaraina-Hemopo |                         |

# Welcome

***To pupils who have joined us recently***  
Charlotte Prasad, Ezekiel Hoang, Nikolai Sime McQuoid, Miah Ball, Ekamanreet Kaur, Alex Shabah, Peyson Mataroa, Myles Saavedra.

## Happy Birthday



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

### **MAY**

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| 13 Arosha Isanejad     | 13 Avisia Isanejad            |
| 13 Dtroyt Cowley       | 13 Levi Gwynne                |
| 13 Grace Park          | 13 Trey Jack                  |
| 14 Maya Rameka         | 14 Brayden Tuhakaraina-Hemopo |
| 14 Ayden Harris        | 14 Gurleen Kaur Grewal        |
| 16 Cameron Kiriona     | 16 Ezekiel Hoang              |
| 17 Kaya Graham         | 18 Kawther Al-Kashoosh        |
| 18 Sarah Bryant        | 19 Trinity Dephoff            |
| 19 Simran Singh        | 20 Daniel Dixon Heka          |
| 22 M'Kenah-Roze Dalton | 24 Sarina West                |
| 24 Danny Yin           | 24 Anjandeep Kaur             |
| 25 Natalie Folomu      | 26 Elle Funaki-Sterling       |
| 26 Izaeliyah Tuaato    | 27 Jacy Saavedra              |
| 28 Gurekam Sandhu      | 29 Alesana Alesana            |
| 30 Lucy Bryant         | 31 Ramin Zaya                 |

### **JUNE**

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| 1 Siobhan Paku | 1 Christine Uludole |
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# ROOM NEWS

## ROOM 2

The wind blows the leaves off the tree and the leaves get cross! I like autumn. I play in the autumn leaves. It is fun! *Melissa Nepe*

The leaves fall off the tree, so do the acorns. The animals collect their food. I like playing in the leaves. *Felicia Goile*

The leaves fall down in autumn. I like to crunch leaves. I like autumn. *Aston Burrell*

## ROOM 4

We have been talking about autumn and the changing seasons. Here are some of our stories:

The leaves are on the tree. I picked up the yellow leaf. *Daniel*

The leaves are on the concrete and they are brown. *Dayna*

I saw a green leaf on the concrete. *Evaan*

The leaves are on the tree. *Jorawar*



## ROOM 6

We have been learning about autumn. In the autumn, the leaves change colour – from green to red, yellow, orange and brown – after that they fall off the trees and float to the ground. Acorns fall off the oak tree and we have been collecting them – we have more than 100!

## ROOM 8

We have been playing in the autumn leaves. In autumn the leaves turn different colours. They float down to the ground. *Armaan*

We all threw the leaves, it was raining leaves. *Addison-Dupree*

The leaves are falling down. We all played with the leaves. *Davejamin*

The leaves are flying down to the green grass. I throw the leaves up into the blue sky. *Mikayla*

The leaves turn orange. The trees fall asleep. *Sacha*

## ROOM 10

It is interesting learning about famous people and leaders. Famous people can be contemporary which means they are still alive. Or they can be historical which means in the past and these famous people are dead.

We are learning about how they get to be famous and the good things they have done. To be a good leader you need to have special values like our school values of respect, integrity, diversity and excellence. Good leaders also need to be truthful, make good decisions, encourage others and believe in themselves.

Our group's leadership quote was that "great leaders don't tell you what to do, they show you what to do." *Amneet Grewal*

## ROOM 12

Prodigious problem solving is happening in Room 12! We are learning to create thinking space in maths. What does this mean? We have to work well together, making sure everyone understands and they are participating in our discussions.

So if there are 102 packets of gingernuts with two rows of biscuits and 40 in each row how many would we have bought for our class? Good to know just in case!

We are trying to challenge others to find different ways to solve such problems and then we share them as part of our connection time. We have even taken a video of ourselves.

*Abigail and Thea-Rose*

## ROOM 14

We have been busy this week. We have been focusing on leaders like Anne Frank and Nelson Mandela; they both are great leaders of the world.

Another exciting thing that has happened recently is that digital homework has come. If you don't know what digital homework is, it is online homework on a website called classroom. It is really fun and homework is never fun. Our class is really lucky to have the chrome books, they're like the iPads except they're a laptop. Our class is awesome!

## **ROOM 16**

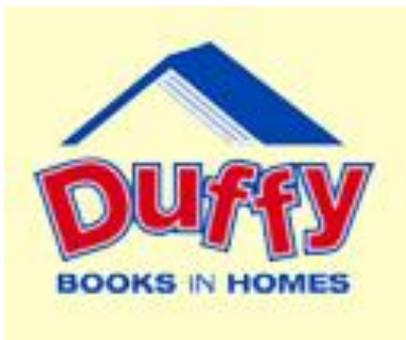
On our first day back, after the holidays, we had a big surprise waiting for us in our classroom. It was a class set of Chromebooks!

A Chromebook is a small laptop. It doesn't have software on it but accesses Google Chrome programmes in the cloud.

We have been learning how to look after our Chromebook and to use them for learning. We are able to log in to our Google Drive account and create new documents to do our writing and reading activities in. We are also learning to work on a shared document with a buddy. We are looking forward to using our Chromebooks in all subject areas.

## **ROOM 18**

We can't believe it's term 2 already. We have such a busy term planned and we are excited to be doing new and amazing things. We have hockey coaching every Tuesday for the next few weeks. We are finishing up our water topic and we are all water cycle experts now. We have been giving inquiry maths a good go and showing how we can work as part of a team. We have poems to present in week 4 and we are practising, practising, and practising them off by heart.



## **ROOM 20**

Welcome back to school everyone. Last week the Duffy Theatre performed for our school. The play was mainly about Duffy and Ruby. Ruby was an old lady who was a friend of Duffy's. Unfortunately, she couldn't read. This made Duffy very sad so he decided to help her.

This meant Ruby could go to school and learn to read, instead of doing so much work on the farm. We thought that Duffy was a hero because he saved Ruby's father and helped Ruby to become a reader. We are so happy that we can read and love getting our Duffy books.

## **ROOM 22**

What makes someone FAMOUS? We had an interesting discussion about what makes someone famous, how they become famous and who is famous. We decided that it doesn't take much for anyone to become famous these days. But it does take a lot to be special – and in our eyes those people are famous. A few names we discussed – John Key, Brodie Kane, Mrs Yeoman, Eminem, Richie McCaw and Mr Thew!

# Community Notices

**MANUREWA** Town Centre

The school has received a message from the Town Ambassadors that a small number of children are waiting by the shops across from the school for some time before being picked up after school. Parents need to be aware of the dangers of having children wait for a long time unattended in the middle of town.

