

MANUREWA CENTRAL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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17 August 2012 Name.....

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

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU

A special thank you to everyone who contributed to this year's General Knowledge-a-thon. The total raised has reached a very generous \$12,006.00.

This is a wonderful result and we are all appreciative of the support you have given us again this year. Thank you also to our helpers who gave up their time to collect money in the school library.

School Board of Trustee members join me in saying a personal thank you to everyone for your donation. These continue to be difficult times for everyone and this makes the amount raised even more amazing.

Our locally raised funds are used to improve equipment and resources for our students. Everyone who has seen our pupils perform, heard them sing, seen their amazing art and sporting skills will understand what is possible with skilled teaching and whanau support. Thank you very much indeed.

2013 TERM DATES

Dates for next year are:

Term 1 Wednesday 30 January – Friday 19

April. Easter break 29 March – 2 April.

Term 2 Monday 6 May – Friday 12 July

Term 3 Monday 29 July – Friday 27 September

Term 4 Monday 14 October –
Friday 13 December

JUNIOR READING RESULTS

I am again very pleased with the mid year reading assessment results for our junior school readers. Excellent progress is being made overall and children are receiving extra support where required.

Once again good teaching, good home support and lots of positive encouragement are

achieving, great results. As our motto says, "Effort brings Reward."

SCHOOLS' MUSIC FESTIVAL

Excitement is mounting among our choir members as the date for the Manurewa Schools' music festival draws close. This will be a wonderful evening. Tickets are now on sale at the school office. Adults \$10.00, children \$5.00. Family tickets (2 adults and 2 children) \$25.00. Parking at TelstraClear Events Centre is free. I know all our choir members will be excellent school representatives.

Thank you

Laurie Thew

Principal

IMPORTANT DATES

AUGUST

- 22 Manurewa Schools' choir performance at TelstraClear Pacific Events' Centre.
- 22 Reading Together Workshop #2 6pm
- 23 Junior School folk dancing display 11.15 to 12.30pm
- 28 Year 2 folk dancing, ASB Stadium St Heliers

SEPTEMBER

- 7 Next newsletter
- 10-14 School art exhibition
- 10 Board of Trustees' meeting 6pm
- 12 Greenmeadows Intermediate parents' evening
- 26 Next newsletter
- 28 School closes at 3 o'clock to end Term 3.

Welcome

To pupils who have joined us recently

Kuldeep Singh, Tavita Moses, Liam Miller,
Tarandeep Singh, Emily Tchikha.

Happy Birthday

To people who have a special day about now

AUGUST

17 Stanley Brabazon	17 Michael Holden Whiu
18 Fazil Khan	20 Evaine Falelogi
20 Hayong Jung	20 Tyrese Makoare
21 Hare Hemopo	R22 Ezra Taitoko
24 Kallani-Jayde Rogers	24 Nicholas Singh
25 Antony Chester	25 Jasleen Kaur
25 Kristika Lakshmi	26 Anisha Chand
26 Vanessa Chau	26 Zara Smith
29 Elyn Basilio	29 Shawneqwa Pemberton
30 Tanisha Kaokao	30 Taylor Maskell
31 Owen Bouttavong	

SEPTEMBER

1 Amneet Grewal	2 Prabjit Kaur
3 Clayton Kea	4 Joshua Sila
5 Shahana Ali	6 Joshua Mei
6 Phoenix Tobeck	



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

R1 Mannat Kumar	R2 Damien Graham
R3 Nehemiah Vavau	R4 Bailey Fountain
R5 Levi Gwynne	R6 Willow Motuliki
R7 Riya Bhan	R8 Ruben Bharot
R9 Shivam Tejpal	R10 Vika Koloto
R11 Sukhdev Sukh	R12 Patrick Aishow
R13 Taumatina Natini	R14 Stanley Brabazon

R15 Lily Husband

R17 April Samuelu

R19 Antony Chester

R21 Tangaroa-Jack
Marsh

R24 Casey Drake

R16 Summer Tamihere

R18 Astyn Smart

R20 Reason Cooper

R23 Lachlan Smith

ROOM NEWS

ROOM 1

Yesterday we threw the frisbee on the grass far away. I was jumping and running over the hurdles in the rain. We played with a soft stick and a ball. We went around and around. We went back and gave it to another person. The queen opened the Olympic Games. It was wonderful. *Mannat Kumar*

I got a medal from Mr Thew because we got lots of points. I bounced on the moon hopper. I jumped over the hurdles. I jumped with the skipping rope. I dressed up in clothes because it was a race. My parents came to watch me. It was fun!

ROOM 3

We have been doing lots of interesting things. Daewyn the juggler told us that 'Reading Rocks' if we use our imagination when we read our books. The most exciting memorable event was our Junior School Olympic Games. It was a great time of fun packed games.



ROOM 5

We had so much fun at the mini-Olympics last week. We waved our flags and moon hopped, hurdled and took part in many different athletic activities. The queen came to visit and declared the games open. We all thought she looked beautiful. Some of the Room 5 children received medals. Thank you Mrs McCreight for organising a fantastic day.

ROOM 7

We have been busy learning about summer and winter. We have even made art showing the difference between them. If you look at our pictures from one direction it shows summer and from the other side it looks like winter. We think they are magic pictures and we are very proud of them.



ROOM 9

The Junior Olympics have been one of our highlights this term.

The queen was opening the ceremony. My team was Italy. My team came first for the gold medal. I am a champion. The Olympic torch was there for the opening ceremony.

Abigail Mirko

On Olympic day when I went to hockey, I won 10 times, but some of the bouncy balls flew away. I caught them with a stick.

Shivam Tejpal

Yipee! Olympic Games. I did the dress-up relay. It was fun. You have to quickly run and get the clothes and put them on any way. You have to get a scarf and the hat and get the bat and go around 3 times. I won a medal.

Sumsijah Prabaharan



ROOM 11

WOW! It has been an awesome term. For the last two weeks, we have been focusing on the Olympic Games. Before the Olympic Games

started we were learning about 'New Zealand Adrift' and how New Zealand was formed.

For 'New Zealand Adrift' we have been doing research about volcanoes, earthquakes, layers of the Earth and how mountains and volcanoes are formed. For part of our topic we went to the Auckland War Memorial Museum and there we learnt that only 10% of New Zealand today was above water sixty million years ago.

When the Olympic Games started we were very excited. For our art we have traced shapes of athletes doing sports with patterns either inside or outside the figure. Once we have finished tracing them we went over them with a Vivid marker and then coloured them in with crayons. The art was really fun.

De'ja and Preeti

ROOM 13

What an exciting time Room 13 has had. The other week we all received our iPads. We had some time to explore and play with them. Mrs France has set them up and added some apps for us to use. She put Chicktionary on and that is Mrs Hall's and Mrs Brown's favourite app. Now the fun time is over and we are using them for our work. We have used the iPads in our reading, spelling and written language. We have researched the Olympics and our unit study topic NZ Adrift. The iPads are amazing technology which really helps us with our learning.

ROOM 15

We go swimming every Tuesday. Once we put life jackets on to learn how to swim if you are further than the flags. They said to stay between the flags or wave your arm if you are not. We are looking forward to learning more things when we go swimming next time.

Ebonie Lambert

Every Tuesday the middle school has been going to the Sykes Road pool. We did an activity where we wore life jackets and formed a circle. It will be only three more lessons until it is finished. We have been having so much fun and can't wait to learn more.

Lloyd Baladad

ROOM 17

What is your favourite sport? Who is your favourite athlete? Room 17 has been doing lots of things about the Olympics. We wrote outstanding stories, brought in super articles, did wonderful worksheets and lots more!

For art we made a picture of space and Earth together. First we made a silhouette. Then we painted our planets and stuck them on. After that we drew sparkly stars that twinkle in the dark background.

Room 17 has had a busy Term 3. What about you?
Larizza Melendrez

ROOM 19

What an exciting time we have been having. We are loving the weekly swimming lessons. Last week we learned how to use a life jacket and how to survive in the sea.

The Olympics have been amazing and we felt so proud of our medal winners. For our class maths we compared our medal total with other countries. We did really well in comparison with the countries with a big population. Russia got over 80 medals.

This week we made 'M and M' cookies. It was fun adding the sweets to the basic biscuit mixture.

Sasha, a new boy in our class who has just arrived from Russia, is teaching us some Russian phrases. However, some of the words are exactly the same like football and computer!

Dosvedania (goodbye) from Room 19.

ROOM 21

We have been learning about seasons and how the tilt of the Earth's axis causes the seasons. We have been making predictions about what life on Earth would be like if we didn't have that tilt. We think that some places would have endless winter, while others had endless spring or autumn conditions, but we don't really know. Our art has been based on the seasons and we have followed the cycle of a deciduous tree. In case you are unsure, a deciduous tree is one that loses all its leaves in the autumn.

ROOM 23

We have loved watching the Olympics over the last two weeks. We especially enjoyed seeing clips of Usain Bolt running his races. We think he's amazing. We are learning how to write a description and wrote one on Usain Bolt. We know that a description needs a title, an introduction, characteristics and an evaluation.

CONGRATULATIONS TO

Helen Asiata, Nathan Kumar, Jasmit Gosal, Jasmin Kaur and Josia Lesimaikimatuku who had their story below published in "Education Beyond the Classroom" magazine.

BEST SCHOOL TRIP EVER

Oh my gosh! We are so excited. It's a windy, grey day and we are at Omana Beach. Some of us have never ever been to a beach before! It's high tide. The rock pools have been taken over by the sea. The waves are bumping into each other, making foam and salty spray. We want to jump into the water. The seagulls yell, "Go away!" as we zoom down the sand and start paddling. It's squishy, like clouds under our feet.

We dig like busy builders, making protecting shields, decorated sandcastles and deep watery holes. We run away, screaming from the tsunami. It smashes our sand cities into gooey pyramids.

We carry heaps of buckets of water to fill up the holes. They are fun to stand in. The waves whoosh in. They feel like dolphins' noses tickling our toes.

We move the rocks and find scared crabs hiding and waving their nippers, and starfish wiggling their arms. We taste crunchy, sandy, salty water when the waves come crashing in. We listen to the sea through our walkie-talkie shells.

We find special shells to keep as souvenirs. They will remind us about our super, fantastic, excellent beach trip.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Nathan Homestead Out of School Care Programme

Nathan Homestead has positions available in their Child, Youth and Family approved After-School Care programme. Offering afternoon tea and lots of art, craft, cooking and recreational activities in a friendly, fun and supportive environment. All children are transported from school by taxi to Nathan Homestead.

Be a weekly winner!

Don't miss the chance to win a \$20 savings boost with ASB School Banking. There are 50 prizes to be won every week throughout term three. So remember to make a deposit with School Banking for your chance to win.