

MANUREWA CENTRAL SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

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24 June 2016 Name.....

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

Thank you to everyone who participated in our recent Board of Trustees' elections. Our new Board met on 13 June and elected office holders and also resolved to co-opt an extra parent representative.

I am pleased to report that our Board of Trustees consists of five parent representatives including:

Waru Clark – Chairperson, Ross Burr – Treasurer, David Fransham, Aaron Scorrige and Rajvinder Singh. Our staff Board member is Sandy Griffin.

Our congratulations go to all these members and I look forward to working with them to continue the long and proud history of our school.

INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS AND ASSESSMENT (known as ICAS)

Each year selected Year 5 and 6 students are given the opportunity to participate in five academic examinations run by the University of New South Wales. We congratulate all our pupils who work hard to prepare for these difficult tests that are run under strict examination conditions.

The first results for 2016 have been received. Well done to the following students who received very successful pass marks.

Digital Technologies

Distinction Pass (Top 10% of NZ students)

Year 6 Thea-Rose Willcocks
Year 5 Brendon Tse

Credit Pass (Top 35% of NZ students)

Year 6 Erishvir Singh, Tiana Thompson
Year 5 Grace Park, Gurtek Singh,
Alistair Stowers

Effort does bring reward!

FRUIT AND MILK IN SCHOOLS

Every day we offer all children milk to drink and fresh fruit to eat. We believe this is very worthwhile to help our students grow and learn.

Involvement is optional so please take time to talk with your child and encourage their participation.

READING TOGETHER

We have just completed our Term 2 workshops and all parents enjoyed this valuable learning experience.

The key message is that home reading should be an enjoyable and fun activity. We also find that every child of parents involved in the programme makes immediate accelerated reading progress. Consequently I ask that you contact Sandy Griffin to confirm a place in our Term 3 programme if you would like to be involved.

EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

I am very impressed with the following student programmes available to our older students.

1. Our after school hockey programme continues to develop skilful players with commitment and sportsmanship.
2. Our Tama Toa boys are developing good leadership and a growing awareness of their whakapapa. Their increasing skill and commitment is impressive.
3. Our new school orchestra is making very good progress thanks to sound teaching and student commitment to practice. Already this group is performing with others for audiences beyond our school.

These groups are fine examples of the many opportunities available to our talented students.

TERM DATES 2017

Our Board has set term times for next year.

These are:

<u>Term 1</u>	Wednesday 1 February to Thursday 13 April
<u>Term 2</u>	Monday 1 May to Friday 7 July
<u>Term 3</u>	Monday 24 July to Friday 29 September
<u>Term 4</u>	Monday 16 October to Friday 15 December

MATHS MEETING FOR PARENTS

If you would like to learn more about maths teaching, particularly Inquiry Maths, you are invited to a meeting on

**Monday 27 June at 6pm in our
staffroom**

A crèche will operate. We will discuss the modern approach to teaching maths including what it is, how we do it and what it means for your child.

All welcome. I look forward to seeing you.

Thank you

L. Thew
Principal

IMPORTANT DATES



JUNE

27 Parents' maths meeting 6pm

JULY

- 1 Student files of work home (Years 3 – 6).
- 5 Interschool volleyball
- 8 Next school newsletter
- 8 School closes at 3pm to end term 2.
- 25 Term 3 begins at 9am
- 29 Student individual reports home

AUGUST

- 11 Parent interview evening
- 23 Manurewa schools' music festival

Term 3 ends on Friday, 23 September.

Welcome

To pupils who have joined us recently

Lexy Coe, Brylee Coe, Te Ariki Cvitanovich-Winiata, Peyton Cvitanovich-Winiata, Chardonae Cvitanovich-Winiata, Ryan Chand, Angel Pillay, Oscar Miles, Latara Ailao, Mele Ailao, Zachariah Hobson, Prabhjot Singh, Aleesha Nowley, Izaiah McCown, Rasman Khatgar

Happy Birthday



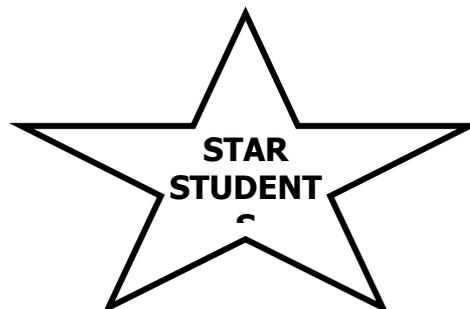
To people who have a special day about now.

JUNE

26 Kenneth Zhu	26 Wiremu Connelly
27 Rohan Klair	27 Dilveer Cheema
29 Lucian Maynard	30 Navneet Kour
30 Rico Lunjevich	30 Stephanie Solomona
30 Anshleen Kaur	

JULY

3 Arham Sandhu	5 Stibra Karimo
8 Rajveer Kaur	8 Giselle Toilolo
8 Daniel Martin	



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

R1 Kenzie-Jay Rogers	R2 Felicia Goile
R3 Arham Sandhu	R4 Rory Willcocks
R5 Navya Sharma	R6 Stephanie Solomona
R7 Rilee Clark	R8 Yousif Shaba
R9 Lexy Coe	R10 Seth Dutton
R11 Riya Bhan	R12 Serena-Kate Toft
R13 Rico Lunjevich	R14 Athina Shaba
R15 Ryan Bhan	R16 Ashton Woodhouse
R17 Ninorta Chiba	R18 Reuben Lava
R19 Wiremu Connelly	R20 Ashley Chand
R21 Danny Ge	R22 Baylee Trego
R23 Stacey Ashby	

ROOM NEWS

ROOM 2

We have been learning about sound. We have made musical hangers and balloon trumpets. It has been lots of fun making music.

I made a trumpet. I can make a loud noise. I like to blow my trumpet. My trumpet is the best in Room 2. *Dilveer*

My balloon trumpet sounds like a fog horn. We cut the top off the balloon. We stretched the balloon over the tube. Miss Searle taped the balloon to the tube. *Daniel*

I made a balloon trumpet. I used a balloon and a tube. It was loud when I blew it, a very big sound. *Kahlia*

ROOM 4

We are very clever story writers! The oceans are rising because of global warming. Any ice that appears melts straight away. *Rory*

I got ice cream from the ice cream tub and it was yummy. *Lele*

I am going surfing with my mum. *Myles*

When I went downstairs I saw a monster in the hallway. *Louie*

My dad is chasing me and my mum. I had fun. *Miah*

ROOM 6

Room 6 are amazing artists. We have been using paint and dye to create pukekos. They have long red legs with big feet which makes them look funny when they walk.

We have also been learning about Matariki, the Maori New Year. We have done some art to show the 7 Sisters. Both lots of art are on display in Room 6 so please stop by to have a look.

ROOM 8

We have had some difficulty getting to school this week ...

I was walking to school when the wild wet wind blew me to ... the zoo! I called a taxi driver to pick me up and drive me back to school. *Karla*

I was walking to school when the wild wet wind blew me to ... a pirate ship! I saw One-Eyed Willie. He sailed me back to school. *Karel*

I was walking to school when the wild wet wind blew me to ... Samoa! I had to ride a dog back to school. It was an awesome ride but it got boring too because the dog was slow. And tired. *Filisi*

I was walking to school when the wild wind blew me to...Africa! I had to ride a leopard back to school. Before I went to class I gave a ball to him. *Zion*

Luckily we all made it back to class by 9am.

ROOM 10

Our artist of the month is a painter called Franz Marc. He uses cubism techniques to create his masterpieces. Cubism is where you use different geometrical shapes and lines to break up the outlines and shapes in a picture. You can still see what it represents but in a cubist style. Franz Marc uses circles, squares, rectangles and triangles and intersecting lines. He then uses unrealistic colours to make his paintings very interesting. So far we have created our own animal cubist pictures using coloured pencils and are now looking forward to using pastels to make cubist famous landmarks, buildings and bridges pictures using this technique. We can call our art maths as we are also studying geometry in maths lessons. *Madison Franklin*

ROOM 12

Ear ear! Your ears are magical. They can use vibrations in the air called sound waves to help us hear. We have an eardrum which moves when the sound waves hit and some little bones move to send signals to our brain! So we have to look after our ears. Loud noises, diseases and some chemicals can hurt our ears. You could end up deaf from these causes or because of a family history of deafness.

We have so much to learn about sound. Meanings of words such as amplitude, echolocation, frequency, and ultrasound are just a few for us to hear about!!

Chloe & Irehanna

ROOM 14

These last few weeks we've been learning about world famous leaders. We listened to Martin Luther King Jr's famous 'I have a dream' speech about equality, diversity and freedom and started writing our own.

Last week we went to Greenmeadows Intermediate School for the Science and Technology Roadshow. There were little stations of science experiments which we could check out and learn. There was a science competition to see who could figure out the science behind four experiments. Then we learnt about sound and did you know that kids can hear from 20 to 20,000 hertz? It was a great trip. *Anaru and Louise*

ROOM 16

We have been looking at static electricity. We learnt that lightning is static electricity.

Room 16 did an experiment with a balloon and hair. If we rub the balloon on our hair, our hair follows the balloon when we lift it up. The hair goes up because some of the positive particles rub off onto the balloon. That means there are more negative particles in the hair. The positive and negative particles want to join back together so the hair is attracted to the balloon. *Maya and Kiefer*

ROOM 18

We had a special visit from Sally at Watercare. We were water droplets in the water cycle and we went on an adventure all through the classroom. We had to crawl under desks and swim around on the mat. We had to dodge a nasty oil spill in the ocean but we all ended up getting dirty. Sally explained what happens at Watercare and how they clean the water. We got to experiment with filters to clean some dirty water. We used cotton wool, paper towels, bark and sand as filters. We found that the paper towel and cotton wool cleaned up the yucky water the best.

ROOM 20

Last week Sally from Watercare came to our school, to teach us about water. The first thing we did was act out the water cycle. We had to be water, water vapour, condense into clouds and finally precipitation. It was lots of fun. We found out that water gets contaminated by pesticides, fertiliser, rubbish and run off from farms and factories. Fortunately, it is collected in reservoirs and filtered to make it clean for us to use.

We are so lucky to have clean water to drink and use in many ways. Enjoy the rain everyone. We want our reservoirs to be full.

ROOM 22

Hedgehogs have sent both Rooms 22 and 23 into a craze! This week we have looked at these wonderful creatures and learned about some interesting things that make them unique from other animals. So at the end of this week we should have 40 students that are experts that know a thing or two about hibernation, nocturnal creatures and all things Hedgehogs!

Community Notices

St Andrews Playgroup commencing 25 July 2016. Meets Monday's during term time at 150 Great South Road, Manurewa. 9am to 11.30am. All toddlers and parents welcome. Email preschool@sapc.org.nz or phone 267 3149 for more information.

FREE CONCERT FOR FAMILIES

The New Zealand Symphony Orchestra is performing a free concert for families at the Vodafone Events Centre at 4pm on June 27. Go to nzso.co.nz/family to register for free tickets.