

# MANUREWA CENTRAL SCHOOL

# NEWSLETTER

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27 April 2012 Name.....

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

Term two is now underway and on behalf of our school community I welcome all new students and their whanau to our school. This week we have enrolled 22 new students which brings our current roll to 540.

## **EDUCATION REVIEW OFFICE REPORT**

The purpose of Education Review Office school reviews is to give parents and the wider community assurance about the quality of education that a school provides.

Last term we received a final report on our school resulting from a review carried out in 2011. A selection of comments from the five page report is produced below.

### **1. Context**

*"The school has a positive learning environment and a culture of high expectations for student achievement."*

*"The school provides students with extensive learning opportunities in an attractive and well maintained learning environment. The curriculum is well resourced."*

*"Students' individuality, expression and creativity are promoted through involvement in the performing and visual arts and a range of challenging sporting activities."*

### **2. Learning**

*"Students are engaged in their learning. They are confident, articulate learners who are keen to participate in their learning and are encouraged to express their ideas and opinions."*

*"Achievement data indicate that students are making good progress in reading, writing and mathematics."*

*"The majority of Maori students are achieving at levels that are at and above National Standards in reading, writing and mathematics."*

### **3. Curriculum**

*"The school's values of respect, integrity, diversity, excellence are promoted throughout the curriculum."*

*"Teachers collaboratively plan a holistic curriculum that develops students' social, physical and emotional well-being. Parents are well informed about how to support their children's learning."*

### **4. Sustainable Performance**

*"Manurewa Central School is well placed to sustain and improve its performance."*

*The Board of Trustees is justifiably proud of the school. Trustees support the school's strategic goal of developing an environment in which all children will learn. They generously support equitable outcomes of students and ensure that the school reflects The New Zealand Curriculum's key principle of inclusion."*

*"ERO is likely to carry out the next review in four to five years."*

Please note that this report can be read in full online on [www.ero.govt.nz](http://www.ero.govt.nz)

A hard copy of the report is available from the school if you wish. On behalf of the parents I thank our Board of Trustees and school staff for the hard work that went into our school achieving such a positive report.

## **SCHOOL BANKING**

We offer banking facilities with the ASB Bank. Our banking day is Tuesday. If you would like to sign your child up for this opportunity please pick up a form from the school office.

## **PARENTS' MEETINGS**

In a few weeks we will be running two meetings for parents. The first meeting will discuss our very successful early reading programme. This will be of special interest for parents of new entrants. Meeting date: Friday, 1 June.

The second meeting will discuss school engagement and how you can work with your child to get the most from their time at school. This is suitable for all year levels. Meeting date Friday, 15 June.

Both meetings will be held from 2 to 3pm to enable parents to come early and pick up your children when the meeting finishes.

## **READING TOGETHER**

Thank you to parents who are involved in the next series of meetings beginning on Wednesday, 23 May. If you would like to join this group please contact Mrs Griffin as soon as possible as places are filling up.

## **THANK YOU**

To our student leaders and school staff who represented our school on ANZAC Day. Our students did us all proud marching in the parade and laying a wreath on the cenotaph outside our school gates.

Thank you.

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**PRINCIPAL**

# **IMPORTANT DATES**

## **MAY**

- 1 & 2 Middle school class trips to Botanic Gardens
- 1 & 2 Senior school class visits to the Visy Recycling Centre
- 7 Board of Trustees' meeting 6.15pm
- 8 Interschool cross country
- 11 Student files of work home (Years 3-6)
- 18 Next newsletter

## **JUNE**

- 4 Queen's Birthday. School closed.
- 29 Term 2 finishes

# **Welcome**

***To pupils who have joined us recently***

Leandro Sawa, Vanessa Chau, Kalepo Faafeu, Teleise Faafeu, Norman Faafeu, Casey Drake, Hector-Jack Saute, Danny Ge, Isaac Botuyan, Lucas Honey, Zak Reid, Rangi Waenga, Afa Vau, Emma Polglase, Olivia Polglase, Gurpartee Benipal, Angelo Matangi, Ra'ees Hammond, Esheeta Kumar, Heath Smart, Komal Bavaji, Daniel Zhang, Abbey Husband, Taranvir Singh.

# **Happy Birthday**



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

## **APRIL**

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|---------------------------|--------------------|
| 24 Tomilea Bourke         | 24 Nathan Nuku     |
| 25 Sophie Fraser          | 25 Taitusi Hafoka  |
| 26 Raven Bourke           | 26 Linda Du        |
| 26 Tangaroa-Jack Marsh    | 27 Taylor Paul     |
| 27 Katie Readings         | 27 Sanuj Sharma    |
| 27 Irehanna Taaato        | 28 Vinity Quayle   |
| 28 Deprey Rimunui-Fasitoo | 29 Amritpal Bhatti |
| 29 Charnny Bun            | 29 Jonathan Kumar  |
| 30 Joana Malewa           | 30 Gurtek Singh    |
| 30 Jack Yarrall           |                    |

## **MAY**

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|---------------------|--------------------------|
| 2 Alesha Kant       | 2 Preeti Mala            |
| 5 Keira Miller      | 6 Quilaryn Breach        |
| 6 Jaydah Croft      | 6 Shemaiah Foti          |
| 6 Brendon Tse       | 8 Vika Koloto            |
| 8 Amanda Nair       | 9 Steffi Webb-Butler     |
| 11 Joshua Bun       | 13 DTroyt Cowley         |
| 13 Levi Gwynne      | 13 Grace Park            |
| 14 Gurleen Kaur     | 15 Revanda Peniamin      |
| 15 Fabian Solomon   | 16 Alyse Allan           |
| 17 Kaya Graham      | 17 Aidan Hunt            |
| 17 Roko Rabici      | 17 Elijah Tavita-Jackson |
| 17 Ilaisaane Tuiaki |                          |



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

R1 Kalys Ropati	R2 Mohit Gulati
R3 Gurparteek Singh	R4 Michael Holden-Whiu
R5 Erishvir Singh	R6 Irerhanna Tuaato
R7 Fariha Mubarak	R8 Chloe Chong
R9 Phoenix Afakasi	R10 Kallani-Jayde Rogers
R11 Hosea Vaisagote	R12 Bailee Afakasi
R13 Aaron Lew	R14 Luke Liu
R15 Lloyd Baladad	R16 Xanthe Paku
R17 Larizza Melendrez	R18 Jess Deng
R19 Genesis Momoemausu	R20 Nha Nguyen
R21 Jasmine Rota-Leggan	R23 Netani
R24 Zara Smith	Lesimaikimatuku

I didn't burn down the mayor's house. I didn't slide down a rainbow with a leprechaun. I didn't scare Santa in the North Pole. I didn't turn into a cookie jar. But... I did go to Tauranga. *Eva Perese-Wood*

I didn't slide down a giraffe's neck. I didn't swallow a person. I didn't soar to Mars and make new friends. But ... I did drive to Cobb and Co! It was fun. I felt excited.

*Alistair Stowers*

### **ROOM 8**

We watched a National Geographic film about a shark and an octopus.

The ferocious shark was looking for his prey. The giant octopus was camouflaged by a pink rock. The shark was prowling around. Suddenly the octopus used his tentacles to catch the ferocious shark. The shark was struggling to get free. He was trying to use his rows of sharp teeth. But he couldn't. The octopus won and he destroyed the shark.

*Arahia Cookson*



In an aquarium lived a big shark and a giant octopus. The big shark was swimming in the coral and the predator was doing loopy-loo around the coral. Suddenly the octopus attacked the shark with his tentacles and caught the shark. The shark was scared of the octopus and the octopus won the fight. The shark was eliminated. *Cody Puru*

### **ROOM 10**

Wednesday, 25 April is a very special day for New Zealand and Australia and also for our school. It is ANZAC Day. Some people may think that it is a public holiday but actually it is a day when we all remember the people who have fought in the wars and have lost their lives as well.

ANZAC means Australia and New Zealand Army Corps. Outside our school is a cenotaph which is not just a tall building, but a statue that has the names of those from the war who died.

We wear poppies to remember all the soldiers who died at ANZAC Cove in Gallipoli. *Savanah Konia*

# **ROOM NEWS**

## **ROOM 2**

We are excited to be back at school with our friends and hearing about the fun things we did in the holidays. Our topic we are learning about this term is called "Reduce, Reuse, Recycle." We are talking about things we can do to look after our environment. We can't wait to share our ideas with our family and friends.

## **ROOM 4**

On Wednesday it was ANZAC Day and we have been learning all about it. It is important to remember all the people who lost their lives in order to keep us safe in New Zealand. We are doing poppy art to commemorate this important day. Please come and look at them when they are finished.

## **ROOM 6**

We had wonderful holidays. We have written fun stories about some of the things we did and didn't do!

## **ROOM 12**

The holidays gave us a chance to check if we were recycling all that we could at home. Many of us could do better! A number of us checked out the Dr. Seuss movie called "The Lorax" which supports our work on caring for the environment.

Recycling remains as our major focus for the next month. It is more challenging now as we are trying to investigate ways that our school can become a 'greener' school. We think we can achieve this with support from home and some brightly coloured bins! A visit to the Visy Recycling Centre next week will hopefully leave us bursting with ideas.

*Room 12's Radical Recyclers!*

## **ROOM 14**

We are all back at school after having had a relaxing holiday and are now looking forward to an exciting new term. As a class we are still looking at how to help with the recycling at our school and as part of our unit study we are visiting the Visy Recycling Centre on 1 May. We have also been learning about the significance of ANZAC Day and why we celebrate on 25 April. It has been interesting to learn about why we wear red poppies around ANZAC Day and to read poetry such as Flanders' Fields.

## **ROOM 16**

We are looking forward to an interesting and hardworking term. Our self-portraits are mounted and on the wall now. They look bright, bold and beautiful. You can have a look at them by visiting our classroom or by visiting our blog at [mcroom16.blogspot.com](http://mcroom16.blogspot.com)

While you are viewing our blog, it would be great if you could vote in our Reduce, Reuse, Recycle survey. We would also love you to leave a comment.

## **ROOM 18**

We have been learning to reduce, reuse and recycle. We learnt about why we shouldn't litter and we found out that litter can hurt animals. We learnt reasons why people litter and it's mostly because they are lazy. At school we have been picking up any rubbish we see to keep our environment clean.

*Zellas, Jess and Jasmine*

## **ROOM 20**

We had a fun filled holiday celebrating Easter eating delicious chocolate eggs, visiting friends, family and different places. Some of us went to the museum, beach, zoo, pools, movies and holiday programmes. What did you do?

We are excited to be back at school. Already we have learnt about the significance of ANZAC Day and why we commemorate it. We are looking forward to participating in the cross country. Next week we're going to the Botanical Gardens to learn about recycling garden waste. School is so interesting.

## **ROOM 24**

Holiday stories by Room 24.

I went to the movies with my brother and my dad. We watched the Lorax. We caught the bus. We ate popcorn and had a drink.

*Chance*

I went to Ben 10 in the holidays. It was fun going to Ben 10 and I got a wind blower. It was fun getting a wind blower.

*Braithan*

In the holidays I went to Parakai Springs. It was fun because it has a pool and a slide. My sister was scared. My big sister, my dad and I went down the slide.

*Susana*

In the holidays I went to Mangawa and my friend came too. We played.

*Zara*

In the holidays I went to watch "How to train your dragon" with my family. We saw a volcano dragon spraying lava.

*Sofia*

## **STOP PRESS**

***Congratulations to the following winners of the school cross country.***

	<b>Year 3 Girls</b>	<b>Year 4 Girls</b>
1 <sup>st</sup>	<i>Bhavandeep Kaur</i>	<i>Evaine Falelogi</i>
2 <sup>nd</sup>	<i>Chloe Alexander</i>	<i>Alex Kett</i>
3 <sup>rd</sup>	<i>Gurleen Kaur</i>	<i>Jane Pearse</i>
	<b>Year 3 Boys</b>	<b>Year 4 Boys</b>
1 <sup>st</sup>	<i>Mark Ball</i>	<i>Rangi Waenga</i>
2 <sup>nd</sup>	<i>Cole Readings</i>	<i>Jamal Todd</i>
3 <sup>rd</sup>	<i>Jonti-Armani Graham</i>	<i>Brooklyn Baker</i>
	<b>Year 5/6 Girls</b>	<b>Year 5/6 Boys</b>
1 <sup>st</sup>	<i>Kallani-Jayde Rogers</i>	<i>Gareth Mirko</i>
2 <sup>nd</sup>	<i>Moishna Moeen</i>	<i>Kanwar Lubana</i>
3 <sup>rd</sup>	<i>Vika Koloto</i>	<i>Eilbrra Shaba</i>