

MANUREWA CENTRAL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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27 June 2014 Name.....

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

Term 2 is drawing to a close and once again we have had a busy and exciting term with many highlights.

Once again I have been delighted with the positiveness and enthusiasm our students bring to school which makes their learning both enjoyable and successful.

As well as classroom learning we have had a wide variety of successful sporting and cultural activities. The high level of achievement we have come to expect reflects the good work done by both home and school to ensure students are engaged and persistent in their learning. Effort does bring reward!

STUDENT FILES OF WORK

All students in Years 3 to 6 will bring home their "Files of Work" today. These folders contain samples of work that your child has produced at school.

As always I ask that you discuss the file with your child, comment on the front page and return the file to school. Next term the folder will come home again with more work samples. This will enable you to check progress throughout the year.

STUDENT REPORTS

Midyear reports are being completed and will come home early in Term 3 on Wednesday, 23 July.

Class teachers have put a great deal of thought and work into these reports which will give you your child's achievement levels and comments on effort. There is also an outline of the next learning steps in reading, writing and numeracy as well as suggestions as to what can be done at home to aid progress.

We will be offering the opportunity for meetings with teachers to discuss the contents of the reports. In some cases teachers will request interviews.

Parent interviews will be held on Wednesday, 6 August between 3.30pm and 8pm. Please send back the interview form in the report envelope to request a time. Mrs Matich will allocate times on a first come first served basis.

READING TOGETHER

Thank you to the latest group of parents who attended four Reading Together workshops. This programme is extremely successful in enhancing home reading as this latest programme again showed.

We will be running another series of four workshops in term three. If you would like to make your child's home reading more successful and enjoyable please contact Mrs Sandy Griffin for information about the next group. I can guarantee you will find it worthwhile.

2015 TERM DATES

Our Board of Trustees has approved the following dates for 2015.

Term 1 Tuesday 3 February to Thursday 2 April
Term 2 Monday 20 April to Friday 3 July
Term 3 Monday 20 July to Friday 25 September
Term 4 Monday 12 October to Wednesday 16
December

2014 GENERAL KNOWLEDGE-A-THON

Our big fundraising activity for the year begins early in Term 3. Information will come home on Friday, 1 August. We ask that you assist your child with sponsorship and learning the answers to a wide range of interesting and challenging questions.

The big testing day will be Wednesday, 13 August.

I will keep you informed as to progress with fundraising once the sponsorship money begins to come in. It will be a challenge to see if we get close to our 2013 total of \$14,453.00 which was an amazing all time record!

L. Thew
Principal

IMPORTANT DATES

JUNE

30 Matariki celebrations begin

JULY

4 School closes to end Term 2 **at 3pm.**
21 Term 3 begins at 9am.
21 – 27 Maori Language Week
23 Student reports home

AUGUST

1 Next newsletter
6 Parent Interviews
11 Board of Trustees' meeting 6pm

Welcome

To pupils who have joined us recently

Jaelyn Maletino, Carmon Tatolu, Ellison Tatolu, Cullen Tatolu, Preston Cooper, Rupinder Kaur, Jagbir Singh, Brock Rapana-Enosa, Vaughn Rapapa-Enosa, Viva Friend, Giselle Toilolo, Harleen Malhi, Jasleen Malhi, Ryan Pillay, Joely Raphael.

Happy Birthday



To people who have a special day about now.

JUNE

27 Rohan Klair
29 Jonti-Armani Graham
30 Rico Lunjevich

JULY

4 Jess Deng
5 Komalpreet Kaur
8 Rajveer Kaur
8 Chetna Singh
11 Paige Pratt

28 Mikayla Haare
29 Ryan Garrick

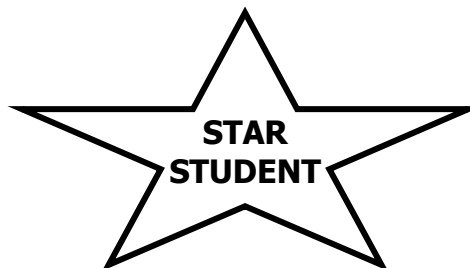
4 Ariana Tewhiu
5 Charlotte 'Ake
8 Giselle Toilolo
11 Neeneb Youkhana
13 Yvonne-Rose Menke

13 Ashton Woodhouse
15 Ormy Kolazar
17 Trinity-Reine Spence
19 Arnov Verma
20 Lealofi Alesana
20 Connah Pihama
21 Anaru Thomson

23 Zyrus Uatison
25 Anishika Chand
25 Tiya Momoemausu
26 Susana Malewa
27 Usaia Aria
29 Phoenix Key
31 Polglase Olivia

14 Andrew Tali
15 Nicole Mahongchai
17 Ella Lupan
19 Raymond Ma
20 Armanpreet Singh
21 K J Pritchard
23 Glazcious Phares
Vaega

23 Arush Garg
25 Chris Momoemausu
25 Rhys Stanley
26 Dylan Ross
28 Naphnn Deng
31 Manmeet Singh



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

R1 Risha Kumar
R3 Lealofi Alesana
R5 Isaac Botuyan
R7 Akash Singh
R9 Abby Cooper
R11 Jason Martin
R13 Jasmin Holden-Whiu
R15 Jasmine Rota Leggan
R17 Keira Miller
R19 Ryan Pillay
R21 Rico Lunjevich
R24 Nirmmit Singh

R2 Otene McKay
R4 Anshika Chand
R6 Jayda Dalton
R8 Saneh Kaur
R10 Peter Willis
R12 Joana Malewa
R14 Jasmit Gosal
R16 Kiran Gill
R18 Siobhan Paku
R20 Mamia Marsh
R23 Raymond Ma

ROOM NEWS

ROOM 1

We have had a very exciting construction week in Room 1. Out of an enormous box we made a house that we can go inside. The house is decorated with bricks, lollipops and sweets. The robot we made is taller than all the children.

ROOM 3

We are learning to identify and sort healthy and unhealthy food. We are finding facts for the following questions. What is food? Why is food important? How does food help us? What is our favourite food? What foods do we eat at special celebrations? Why is it important to have a healthy big breakfast?

ROOM 5

We have made cute teddy bears with needles and colourful wool. We filled them with hobby fill and dressed them with ribbons and buttons. Everyone managed to successfully sew their teddy bear.

ROOM 7

We have been lucky enough to have two teachers for the last five weeks! Miss Hallis has been our student teacher and we have loved having her in the class. She has so many fun ideas for what we can learn about. We have made leaf animals, egg carton garden creatures and a collage crocodile. We are going to miss her a lot. Goodbye Miss Hallis.

ROOM 9

In Room 9 we have just finished our study on Cheetahs and found out some amazing facts.

They live in Africa and parts of Asia. Did you know that cheetahs can run up to 95 km/h? But after they run that fast they have to rest for 20 minutes to get their breath back! They don't hunt at night like other cats because their eyesight isn't very good. You can tell it's a cheetah because it has two black 'tears' going from each eye down the side of its nose. Cheetahs tackle their prey and then they eat it. They eat gazelles and other small furry animals.

Here's a joke for you:

Q: Why can't you play cards in the African Savannah?

A: Because of all the CHEETAHS!



ROOM 11

During construction week we made our names in wire and we wrapped it in wool. It was a little difficult because we had to twist it this way and that way and link the letters together. The finished product looks colourful. We also made faces out of wire that look 3D. Room 11 has also been writing creative stories about endangered animals that are like Rudyard Kipling's stories. *Laichen and Elij*

ROOM 13

We have been working on our masks. Our carnival masks are now finished so we are focusing on our paper mache. Some people have finished the paper mache part and are decorating.

A week ago, some of the senior school set off to Greenmeadows Intermediate School for the Science Roadshow. We had a lot of fun walking around and looking at the different displays. The shows also helped us understand more about science. *Kevin Lew*

ROOM 15

For the past 4 weeks we have been working on our art for construction week. We put six layers of newsprint and newspaper over a balloon. After they had dried we popped the balloon and then we painted inside and outside our bowl shape. Then we glazed the outside with PVA glue to keep it strong and shiny. Our student teacher, Miss Quinlan, has been here for the past 5 weeks and tomorrow is her last day. We have enjoyed having her here in the classroom as she has been really helpful. We wish her good luck for the future.

ROOM 17

We have been learning about food because it is our new topic. We have studied food groups. They are protein, carbohydrate, dairy, fats and fruit and vegetables. We now know that you should eat just a little bit of fat.

Last week we made banana milkshake. When we were making it everybody was so excited and happy. Lots of children put chocolate in their milkshakes. The flavour was chocolate, it was so delicious. You must try it, it's so yum! We also made chocolate chip cookies!

You've got to say Room 17 love food for their topic! *Jason, Olivia and Susana*

ROOM 19

We are all feeling sad because today is Miss Emery's last day. She has been our wonderful student teacher for the past five weeks. We have loved learning some new Maori songs, Maori patterns and Maori words.

We have been busy learning about food that changes once it is whipped, frozen, cooked, or risen. Last week we made meringues where the egg whites had to be whipped and whipped until they frothed up. This week we made bread and watched the mixture rise after we had added yeast.

We are enjoying using the trampoline and all the wonderful sports equipment we can use at playtimes and lunchtimes. It is fun learning at our school. *Kamryn- Ginny Rogers.*

ROOM 21

Our class has been finishing our Animalia topic and have been learning some fascinating facts about life-cycles. Did you know that by the time a butterfly turns into a chrysalis, it is one hundred times bigger than when it hatched from the egg? We did a comparison with human babies and decided it was best that humans didn't grow that quickly!



Room 21 children have also been constructing dioramas, made of all sorts of bits and pieces, and they look great. We chose our favourite animal and made their habitat with all the important things it needs to survive

ROOM 23

We have been learning about making good choices.

- I will walk in the classroom and I will clean up my mess. I will make good choices. *Temaleti*
- I will clean the classroom and wash my hands. I will put my hand up. *Jayda*
- I get on with my work and I am kind to my friends. *Phoenix*
- I will listen to my teacher. I will be kind. *Raymond*

YEAR 4 ESOL TRIP

Have you ever been under the Harbour Bridge? That was a highlight for 24 lucky Year 4 ESOL students on their recent trip. Actually everything about the trip was special because many children had never been on a train, a ferry, or even into Auckland city before. Although the weather wasn't smiling, we were.

The train rumbled quickly along to Britomart, our sparkly colourful underground railway station. There were so many tall buildings and people. We scrambled onto our ferry and away we went on a harbour tour. Did you know that much of the city used to be underwater before it was reclaimed?

The ports are very busy, with massive cranes, huge boats, and thousands of containers to shift. Auckland is called the City of Sails because there are thousands of yachts and boats everywhere, even jet boats and superyachts. We saw the Navy boats too. They are grey for camouflage against the sea and sky. We had an exciting day of new experiences. Auckland is very different when you are not in a car!

RUGBY FIELD DAY

The interschool year 5 and 6 rugby team had a great day on the 18th June. 16 boys left in the morning and came back in the afternoon as All Blacks! Well, almost... the school's open division team won their pool but unfortunately came unstuck in the final against Randwick Park. All of the team played their hearts out and many players had fantastic games. The team was well directed by the two co-captains Max Richards and Owen Bouttavong. Nathan Nuku had a blinder as first five and ran the backline superbly. All of the team can be very satisfied with their efforts. Personally, I was very proud of what the team achieved and had a fantastic day. *Mr Baird*

Community News

Manukau Institute of Technology

Literacy and Numeracy Skills for Everyday Life. A free programme for people wanting to improve English language, writing and maths skills at Randwick Park Community House, 137 Shifnal Drive, Randwick Park. Phone Sonia on 968 8796 for more information.