

MANUREWA CENTRAL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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24 June 2011 Name.....

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

Thank you to parents who voted in our recent Board of Trustees' by-election. We were indeed fortunate to have a very strong list of candidates.

Congratulations to Rajvinder Singh who was successfully elected. He joins Chris Ward (Chairperson), Jane Beattie and Ross Burr as our fourth parent representative on the Board. Raj will take his place on the Board at our next meeting on 12 July.

LITERACY MEETINGS

Thank you to parents who attended our meeting on Learning to Read last Friday. We had a very good turnout and an interesting discussion.

Thank you also to our parents who recently completed a series of Reading Together workshops. This programme very successfully assists parents and children to enhance home reading. We will be running another programme early in term 3 for parents of children in Years 1 and 2. If you would like to be involved please contact Mrs Sandy Griffin at school (Phone 269 0250).

CAN YOU HELP?

I have become concerned at the number of students arriving at school late. While accidents sometimes happen a number of children seem to be regularly late.

I must stress that lateness does not allow a child to be ready to start learning in a settled and confident manner. The start of the day is a very important time and students need to be present before nine o'clock.

We will continue to monitor latecomers until the end of June and follow up with families where

lateness has become common. Thank you for your help with this.

SCHOOL BANKING

Every Tuesday is school banking day and we have a regular group of students who deposit their money at our school office.

Getting children involved in saving on a regular basis is very worthwhile. If you would like your child to be enrolled for school banking please collect a form from the school office.

Saving a small amount on a regular basis is the way to teach our children good saving habits.

STUDENT REPORTS

Mid-year reports have gone home today. I trust you find these informative. You are also encouraged to request an interview time to discuss your child's progress with their teacher.

Please simply send the request form back to school. Mrs Matich will send home interview times in due course.

EARLY ENROLMENT NOTICE

Manurewa Central School has an enrolment scheme which has been put in place by the Ministry of Education. This means that all children who live outside the school zone are required to enter a ballot process in order to gain a place.

Once children are enrolled they do not need to re-enrol. However, preschool brothers and sisters of current students do have to enter the ballot process.

The ballot for 2012 closes on Tuesday, 27 September 2011. If you have a 4 year old who will require a place during 2012 please fill out an application form as soon as possible.

CONGRATULATIONS

One of our ex-pupils Lorelle McNaughton, who started keyboard lessons at Manurewa central, has been awarded a prestigious music scholarship to Sydney's Conservatory of Music. This award will enable Lorelle to study towards a Piano Performance Honours' degree and includes time learning with piano masters in Spain later this year. Well done. Effort does indeed bring reward.

Thank you.

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IMPORTANT DATES

JULY

- 8 Student Files of Work home (Yrs 3-6)
- 12 Board of Trustees' meeting 6.30pm
- 14 Parent interviews 3.30 to 8pm
- 15 Next newsletter
- 15 School closes to end Term 2 at 3pm

School re-opens on Monday, 1 August.

Welcome

To pupils who have joined us recently

Yun Hui Du, Alistair Stowers, Alyssa Uluheua, Zaysharn Snowden, Zyprus Snowden, Ashleigh Bowden, Daman Kumar.

Happy Birthday

To people who have a special day about now.



JUNE

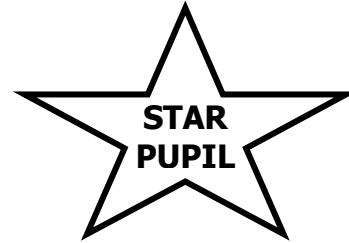
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| 25 Logan Cook | 25 Elijah Friend |
| 25 Aaron Lew | 25 Aimee Lew |
| 25 Deja Tolo | 25 Anna Tran |
| 25 Peter Willis | 26 Caelan Kerr |
| 26 Bailey Nom Noo | 26 Summer Urquhart |
| 27 Ashour Chiba | 29 Ryan Garrick |
| 29 Jonti-Armani Graham | 29 Georgia Manu |

JULY

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| 1 Jade Maaka | 2 Seanna Lesimaikimatuku |
| 3 Jeremie Bayaban | 4 Ariana Tewhiu |
| 4 Chloe Wijohn | 7 Apoiniva Asiata |
| 7 Matthew Dennis | 7 Leilani Loloa |

- 7 Tara Wanoa
- 13 Denise Falelogi
- 14 Kevin Tran

- 8 Chetna Singh
- 13 Angelina Fua



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 M'Kenah-Roze Dalton | R2 Benjamin Bain |
| R3 Rosa McQuoid | R4 Demetri Carson |
| R5 Tangaroa-Jack Marsh | R6 Jason Martin |
| R7 Kaya Graham | R8 Siobahn Paku |
| R9 Dedrick Sione | R10 Raghav Narula |
| R11 Karen Phung | R12 Aayah Al-Abri |
| R13 Summer Urquhart | R14 Keziah Vete |
| R15 Wayne Guttenbeil | R16 Ezekiel Ah-Ching
Lava |
| R17 Drew Bishop | R18 Alex Kett |
| R19 Gabrielle Salazar | R20 Jeremie Bayaban |
| R21 Gurleen Singh | R23 Shivam Tejpal |

ROOM NEWS

ROOM 2

We have been reading "The Kuia and the Spider" and learning Maori words from the story. Miss Sorensen has been teaching us to weave kete using paper and to plait the handles with wool. We will be filling our kete with healthy food to feed our brain and help us think.

ROOM 4

Books, books, books. Room 4 loves books! We had a book character parade. Little Red Riding Hood, Alice in Wonderland, Peter Pan, Captain Hook and his pirate gang, Tinkerbell and even Wendy came in her pyjamas. It was a really fun day which was made better because we received our Duffy books. In class we read "The Giant's Ice-Cream." We got to make ice-cream, chocolate chip and marshmallow flavour – watch out Tip Top!

ROOM 6

We have had lots of exciting things happening this term. A highlight was the book character parade last week.

“Last week there was a musical book parade. I wore a wrestling costume. It was green and white. It had a lace to stop the mask falling off. I felt happy. I liked Batman and Superman.”

Lucca Smith

“On Monday it was a book parade. It was fantastic and it was very, very loud. I heard a lot of clapping and cheering. I saw a lot of children all dressed up in costumes. I felt very nervous when we went around the whole school. I was so happy because my mum came.”

Gurleen Kaur

ROOM 8

We have been learning about snails this week.

First we made a terrarium, then we learned some facts about snails, then we moved the snails into their new home (where they've now eaten all the new plants!).

- Snails do not like being soggy.
- Snails like to eat leaves and cabbage.
- Snails use their tongues like a grater to grate the leaves off to eat.
- Snails squash up their feet and stretch out to move.
- Snails are nocturnal.
- Snails use their feelers to touch and taste.
- There are lots of kinds of snails in the world.

Katalaina Manu Saute

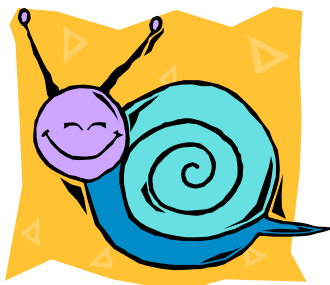
A snail has a shell like a lollipop. A snail's foot is hidden. It is sticky. Snails live in the grass.

Aidan Hunt

Snails have swaying feelers that touch and taste. Snails can slither very slowly. Snails have round shells with spiral patterns. Snails are slimy and squishy. Snails have hard shells.

Snails make a whispering sound when they slide along the leaves. Snails smell like damp soil.

Riya Kumar



ROOM 10

We've been doing lots of exciting things! Indoor soccer for instance. Our teams played against each other. During the game, there were three substitutes ready to take over if somebody got tired.

The goalies were trying really hard to keep the opposition's goal shots out but sometimes were unlucky and the ball rapidly shot past them. The opponents were jumping up and down when that happened.

Everyone thoroughly enjoyed their time at indoor soccer.



ROOM 12

Last Friday was a super soccer day! We were part of a large group of senior school children who went to an indoor sports' venue to play soccer.

We met the coaches from Counties Manukau Sports. One was known as Coach T! All morning we played games against other teams with the last five rounds being teams that were boys and girls all mixed up.

We played at a frantic pace. Once the whistle blew we would charge into action. Shoes flew off feet like birds. We tripped over, we knocked into other players and even at times missed the ball altogether! However, we had great fun and we appreciated the support that the coaches gave us.

Zryus and Nirvana

ROOM 14

Wonderful! Room 14 has been making dioramas with Room 9 and we also had a book character parade recently. I thought making dioramas was the most fun.

In the book character parade we dressed up as our favourite book character. I dressed up as a fairy. We had pirates, wizards, princesses, soldiers and angels. We also got our Duffy books.

When making the dioramas we chose a partner from Room 9. I was with Alexis and Anna. We chose Little Red Riding Hood. Book week was a lot of fun. *Yogita*



ROOM 16

On Monday we had a wonderful morning reading picture books to Room 1 children. We shared our 'lift the flap' story cubes and storyboards we made that were based on the books we had read. Room 1 then read their reading books to us.

Last week we had a very interesting visit to the Sikh temple where we learnt about the Sikh culture and listened to beautiful music. We were also so lucky to be given a delicious lunch afterwards.

ROOM 18

Since our topic is food, we have started a catering company. We have decided to name our company 'Food Factory'. The Food Factory has been asked to choose food that will be going on to a school menu. We are looking forward to finding out what foods people would like to eat.



ROOM 20

Last week we went to the Sikh temple in Manurewa. We went there because we are learning about food. At the temple they only prepare and eat vegetarian food because Sikhs believe we shouldn't kill animals to eat. We ate roti, rice, a chickpea and lentil curry and had rice pudding for dessert. The food was absolutely delicious. We think we'll have to get the recipes. Have you tried Indian vegetarian food?

Community Notices

ROAD SAFETY

Parents, caregivers and family members.

When picking up children from school do you model road safety?

Do you use pedestrian crossings and crossing lights or do you take your child through traffic doing things you would not allow your child to do alone?

Children do copy adult behaviour.

Remember child safety is everyone's responsibility.

