



MANUREWA INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

'Adventurous risk takers; persistent focussed achievement'

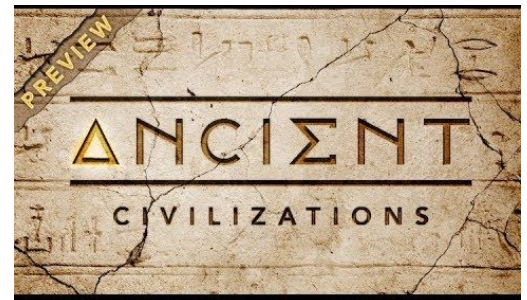
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Kia ora, Talofa lava, Kia orana, Malo e leilei, Fakalofa lahi atu, Ni sa bula vinaka, Namaste, Ni hao, Chào bạn

Welcome back to what promises to be another incredible term of learning and opportunities! Today students have already begun to work towards the goals that were set at our last Student Involved Conferences. We need to keep these in the front of our minds as a learning community throughout the term. Let's also keep putting those MI Graduate Profile ideas at the forefront - Respectful, S.U.S.T, Curious, Adventurous, Optimistic, Risk Taker, Communicator, Compassionate.

MI Learner's Journey

After a successful Module Three, we continue on our MI learners journey with Module Four, 'Ancient Civilisations'. Through this inquiry topic students will be exploring how humanity has changed throughout history and the lessons we have learnt from the past. Students will be exploring ancient cultures and delving into what made them successful, thriving communities in times during history that did not have the technology and resources we have now.



Module 4

MI Expression

Our breakout module this term is Module Five - MI Cultural Focus Breakout: UN Show. This is a two week module where form classes will complete a mini-inquiry into a country randomly assigned to each form class. This is an exciting opportunity for students to explore their assigned countries traditions and cultures and choreograph a performance that reflects the learning they do over the two week module. These shows are on in the last week of this term from 7-9pm, Wednesday 3rd July for Kauri and Kowhai classes; and Thursday 4th July for Tawa and Rimu classes.

Hauora, Monday Magic, Friday Frenzy

Once again, our form class programmes will focus on essential health and life skills that all young adolescents need. In **Hauora**, students will be learning about our changing bodies. In addition to learning about the changes in our body at puberty, we will learn about relationships, communication, decision making, reproduction, and support systems available in our community. If you do not wish your child to take part in our puberty programme please alert Ben Hutchings, Deputy Principal: Teaching and Learning via the contact details at the bottom of this letter.

In **Monday Magic**, all classes will be looking at an aspect of service. They will identify and explore a service with needs within a community, whether that be school, Manurewa, Auckland or on a global scale. This will culminate in taking action and all students being actively involved.

During **Friday Frenzy** we will be focussing on *Foundation Basics* - a bit of extra time focussing on the basic literacy and math skills students may have gaps in and need some extra practice with. For example - times tables, email/letter writing, spelling and grammar rules, timetable reading etc.

SMART Target

Each term the students explore a SMART Target. Each class will develop several indicators to assist students to achieve the target. This term's SMART Target is: 'To move a mountain, start with small stones.'

Learning Opportunities

Manurewa Intermediate is an amazing place for your children. Talk to your child every night about what they are doing at school and what they are learning. Keep track of deadlines by checking their MI Planner and asking them for notices and newsletters. Ask them about how they are using their devices in Humanities and Mathematics and, for this term, what they have chosen for 'Options' on Thursday afternoons. And as always, if you have any questions or concerns about your child's learning, in the first instance, please contact your child's form teacher.

Yours sincerely

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Term Two Values
Responsibility, Honesty, Self-Management and Independence,
Challenge and Competition.