



## 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! You will be getting a lot of information and communication from your child's form teacher over the next week or so regarding Student Involved Conferences happening in Week 3 this term. Make the most of this opportunity and book your time in quick - first in, first served!

### **MI Learner's Journey**

Term 2 was a roaring success! Ancient Civilisations was hugely popular. The students absolutely loved immersing themselves in cultures that date back thousands of years. Make sure you ask your child to show you evidence of what they learnt at their SIC coming up in Week 3. I was really impressed with what I saw - I'm sure you will be too.

This term we are investigating the area of 'Forensics' - the art of solving mysteries through science, mathematics and humanities as well as all the other subjects we cover. There will be lots of narrative writing, clue solving and suspect profiling. Students are already getting excited about this and we only started today!



### **MI Expression**

Our breakout module this term is Module Seven - MI Expression: STEAM Fair. This is a module where students explore aspects of Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Mathematics, which culminates with our Exhibition of Learning in Week 10. This will be an awesome opportunity to come and have a look at the amazing investigations and learning your child will take part in over the two week module. Some really exciting things have been planned - be sure to make the most of this.

### **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 looking at how we maintain a healthy diet in *Nutrition*. They will also look at the consequences of food choices we make and how, if they become habits, can have lifelong effects - both positive and negative.

In **Monday Magic**, all classes will be learning about the influence of media. In *Media Studies* students will be considering the thoughts and feelings that contribute to our self-perceptions – particularly the way media affects these thoughts and feelings. Students will investigate the influence of advertising, music videos, games, print media (magazines, etc.) and some social media.

During **Friday Frenzy** all classes will be working on *Financial Capabilities*. Your child will learn about money management and entrepreneurial skills, good basic money handling habits and budgeting practice. Teachers will work to develop financial competencies for our students – to participate in lifelong learning to support life and career goals.

### **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: 'Values are like fingerprints. Nobody's are the same, but you leave 'em all over everything you do.'



### **Learning Opportunities**

Manurewa Intermediate is rich in opportunities for your child to become involved in lots of things outside of the normal, day-to-day schooling experience. During the winter terms there is lots to take part in; cross country, other winter sports, MI Musical, cultural group performances and practices and many more. Encourage your child to get involved and focus on the Graduate Profile goals they have set for themselves.

Yours sincerely

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**Term Three Values**  
**Pride, Fairness, Effort and Commitment, Excellence.**