



# ROOM 27 NEWSLETTER

## Kia ora, Talofa Lava, Malo e lelei, Namaste and Bula Vinaka!

Welcome to Room 27. My name is Suman Sharan, and I am your child's Form Teacher. I will be teaching Math and form time subjects to your child this year. It is going to be a fantastic year ahead, and I am pleased to be a part of a team that works hard to provide the best education for our students.

A little bit about myself. This will be my 17th year teaching and my 15th year teaching Math at MI. I decided to become a teacher because I wanted to make a positive impact on children. I love the interactions, forming new relationships and teaching your children fundamental skills that they will use to progress in their future. I am married and have two children. I am originally from Fiji and have lived in New Zealand since 2004. I enjoy going on adventures, road trips, and chilling at home with my family and friends.

Weeks One to Four at MI are very important as this will be a time for the students to get to know me and their classroom peers. These first couple of weeks can be unnerving for our new students, however, Room 27 will be introduced to the routines and expectations of MI and get settled in quickly. For our Year 8's, it will be a lot of good reminders with some minor changes. During the four weeks we will be covering areas such as getting to know each other, classroom routines, MOU Magic, Kori Tinana, MI Planner, MiTV, D.E.A.R, the timetable, whānau competition and of course, Survival Camp. Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns.

Ngā mihi,

Suman Sharan



SUBJECTS & TEACHERS

- Module 1: MI School Life
- Module 2: MI Survival Camp
- Module 3: Risk Taker

### Teachers for the year

- Humanities: Matua Danny
- Math: Mrs Suman Sharan
- Science: Mr Ojay Solomona
- PE: Mr Cian Byrne-Hansen

### Module 3 Teachers

- Art: Miss Sharmayne Hardwidge
- Languages: Ms Char Tamaki

### Module 3 Form Time Subjects

- Hauora: Graduate Profile
- Monday Magic: Foundation Basics
- Life Skills: Service
- Friday Frenzy: Languages

## Starting off with a bang

### Swimming Sports

This Friday 9th Feb we will be kicking off our first whānau sports event of the year with Swimming Sports at the Papatoetoe Pools.

### Night Market

On Tuesday 13 Feb from 4 pm - 6.30 pm we will be fundraising for our Survival Camp in Week Four. It is very important that EVERYONE helps contribute towards our stall (more information about this to come). Also, please let all your whānau and friends know to come along and support us!

### Survival Camp

Kauri Survival Camp takes place Monday 26 - Wednesday 28 Feb (Week Four) at Motutapu Island. Students will be staying two nights where they will prepare their own food and participate in activities. Please start to source tents and sleeping bags for your tamariki. We also need at least three parent helpers, a gazebo, pots and hotplate. If you are able to be a parent helper or have items we can borrow please let me know ASAP!



Term One Values: Manaakitanga | Respect | Communication | Engagement & Teamwork

## WELCOME TO KAURI

It is great to have your tamariki as part of Kauri. Inspired by the history behind the number '24' worn by Basketball legend Kobe Bryant our symbol is the green mamba. This year our mantra is 'No one gets left behind' This is important for us as a whānau as we rise to the challenge, together as one to endure and conquer the whānau comp!

Mr Nathan - Kauri Whānau Leader



### Important Dates

Whānau - for important Term One dates please refer to the 2024 MI Whānau Calendar you received, and it is also in your child's MI Planner on page 6. If there are any special events unique to our class, I will let you know.

## THE KAURI CORE

### ATTENDANCE

I expect 100% attendance! Your child must be at school every day. If your child is not coming to school make sure to contact me in the morning preferably before 8:30 am. I will be contacting you or visiting your home if your child is away without a valid reason. Your child can not progress if they miss school and instead will be playing catch up on their learning. We want and need your child at school every day!

### LATES

School starts at 8:30 am but we encourage students to be here by 8:20 am. Students who are late and do not have a valid reason will be placed on lunchtime Community Service. If your child is running late please come into the school with them or a write a note to explain their lateness.

### UNIFORM

Your child needs to be in 100% correct school uniform, this includes their whānau band. Refer to the MI Planner for more info. If there are any problems and your child does not have the correct uniform please provide them with a letter they can give to Mr. Peilua to receive a uniform pass.