

MANUREWA INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL



MANUREWA MONTHLY JUNE • PIPIRI • PANUI TUARIMA 2025

*Our school newsletter - communicating with our school
community every month*

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THIS IS THE NEWSLETTER OF:

NAME: ROOM:

Greetings, Kia ora, Fakaalofa Lahi Atu, Bula Vinaka, Malo e lelei, Talofa Lava, Taloha, Kia Orana, Ni Hao, Buenos Dias, Chao, Malo Ni, Habari Dobar Dan, Namaste, Salam, Mauri ora!

TERM THREE VALUES:

Pride, Fairness, Effort + Commitment, Excellence

MANUREWA MONTHLY:

Our Newsletter, "Manurewa Monthly" is published every month, coming home each term, approximately in Week 5 and 10. Listed below are the publication dates with the current issue highlighted. Our intention with this newsletter is to ensure the communication between home and school is frequent, effective and relevant by keeping you fully informed about all that is going on in our school, and also, to share with you some student work.

Our newsletters are a very in depth summary of the past month, and take much time to put together. We do this because we want you to know what is going on, and whilst I realise perhaps, a very small minority of you read the newsletter it is still important we do this for that small minority because you deserve to know and we want this formal outlet for students to showcase their learning.

PUBLICATION DATES:

TERM	WEEK	ISSUE	DATE OF ISSUE
TERM 1	1	01	Monday 3 February
	5	02	Wednesday 5 March
	10	03	Wednesday 9 April
TERM 2	5	04	Wednesday 28 May
	9	05	Wednesday 25 June
TERM 3	5	06	Wednesday 13 August
	10	07	Wednesday 17 September
TERM 4	5	08	Wednesday 5 November
	10	09	Friday 12 December

FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Tēnā koutou katoa

Wow, can you believe we're already at the midpoint of the year? It feels like just yesterday we were in the school hall, reading out class lists, and yet, our incredible students have already packed in so many 'happy childhood memories', as Mr Taylor says. This edition of our newsletter is bursting with highlights, from the thrills of our MI Science Competition to the grit and determination shown at Cross Country. We'll also be looking back at the fun and entertainment of Boys' and Girls' Night Out and so much more!

It's hard to imagine finding another school in New Zealand that offers the breadth of opportunities that define "MI Life." Our students truly get to pursue their passions and interests, even extending into our popular Period 6 sessions. With these fantastic events behind us, there's even more excitement on the horizon! We're eagerly anticipating our upcoming Social, the brain-bending challenges of Mathex, more thrilling Sports Zones and the AIMS Games. To kick start Term Three we have an event not to be missed: our highly anticipated UN Food Festival and UN Show!

This term, I've also had the privilege of leading some school assemblies. Recently, we celebrated Samoan Language Week, guided by the powerful theme, 'la malu lou sã. Folau i lagimã – A well-grounded self, is a successful self.' The Komiti o le Vaiaso o le Gagana Samoa – Samoa Language Week Committee beautifully explained this year's theme: "A well-crafted ocean sailing vessel, built with care and precision, ensures a safe and steady journey. When all its parts are thoughtfully constructed, the vessel remains balanced, strong and ready to face the open seas. Similarly, people who prepare thoroughly and with intention become grounded and resilient and well-equipped to navigate life's challenges and succeed in their endeavours. No matter the challenges and hardships of life, a well-grounded person will not be easily shaken or defeated because they are firmly rooted and well-prepared."

As we reflect on where we are in our school journey this year, this theme truly resonates. Much like preparation is the most important part for a successful voyage, education is the most crucial thing for your future. When you bring a positive attitude and a willingness to learn, when you show the keys to success by looking after yourself and others, everything falls into place. This sets you up to face challenges head-on and emerge successful, a better person for the experience. This wisdom also directly links to our SMART target that we had this term: Own Your Learning: Risk, Explore, Discover.

So, to all our amazing students reading this, here's one last STATCHAT for the term. This is what we have remaining:



Two Terms

95 Days

612.75 Hours

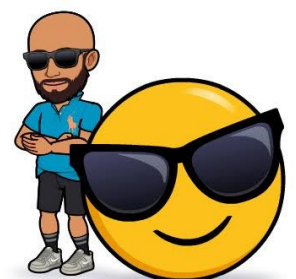
456 Periods

36,765 Minutes

With that much time ahead, what challenge are **YOU** going to take on to own your learning, be an adventurous risk-taker, and truly set up your educational voyage?

Ngā manaakitanga

Ben Nathan
Deputy Principal: Guidance and Support



WHO'S ON ASSEMBLY

TERM 3

Week 1 - Friday 18th July - Room 23

Week 2 - Friday 25th July - Room 29

Week 3 - Friday 1st August - No Class

Week 4 - Friday 8th August - Room 14

Our assemblies are every Friday in the Hall at 9.50am. Parents/Caregivers are more than welcome to join us and I ask if you could please sit at the back of the hall on the right.

Regular assemblies serve as a vehicle to further enhance our positive school tone and climate, to foster a corporate school spirit and to share information. But even more importantly assemblies are a means to share our collective experiences and to celebrate and acknowledge each other – acknowledging achievement and the effort exerted – regardless of the end result.

It is an opportunity to give “all our kids a pat on the back” for their efforts and also to reinforce to everyone our high behaviour expectations. Whānau MI Bucks are given out and individual student certificates awarded. If your child is receiving a certificate you will receive an invitation letter to attend the assembly where I will present the certificate to your child. Likewise, feel free to attend because you want to, regardless of whether your child is receiving a certificate or not. Come and join the frivolity and sense of our community!

M.I.S ATTENDANCE TARGET

This month our target is 96% of children here every day and only 5% late every day.

Let's meet it and beat it!



At Manurewa Intermediate School the only way we can work our magic with students is if they are here at school, on time, every day. This is the simplest most important thing you can do for your child. Skipping days here and there, leaving early or arriving late all stop your child from having the best chance of succeeding at school. So please don't be offended if we ask why your child was not at school, or why they are late - and this could be via a phone call or even an in person visit.

The only reason a child should be absent is if they are sick and if this is the case please let us know as soon as possible. Please see the guide over the page which puts absences into real perspective!

ATTENDANCE AT SCHOOL

We love having your children here at school! They bring life, energy and learning! Whilst we know that some days we have appointments, family events and celebrations, we feel sad when students miss out on school unnecessarily, so we wanted to share these facts with you:

If your child misses:	That equals:	Which is:	And over 13 years of schooling, that is:
1 day every 2 weeks	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1.5 years
1 day per week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2.5 years
2 days per week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years
3 days per week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years

“How about 10 minutes late a day? Surely that won’t affect my child...”

If your child misses:	That equals:	Which is:	And over 13 years of schooling, that is:
10 mins per day	50 mins per week	Nearly 1.5 weeks per year	Nearly half a year
20 mins per day	1 hr 40 mins per week	Over 2.5 weeks per year	Nearly 1 year
30 mins per day	Half a day per week	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1.5 years
1 hour per day	1 day per week	8 weeks per year	Over 2.5 years

Not only does lateness affect a child’s education, but it also has an impact on our office staff, who need to meet with these students and adjust the morning register. This takes them away from completing other important tasks that benefit our students.

Instruction starts at **8:30 am** each day.
All students must arrive at school before then to prepare for the day.

Please do your absolute best to ensure your child arrives at school on time. Get in touch with us if you have special circumstances, so we are aware of what is happening for your whānau.

MI WHĀNAU CALENDAR - DIARY DATES

WEEK	MONTH	WEEK BEGINNING	MODULE	TERM THREE First day: Monday 14th July Last day: Friday 19th September LANGUAGE FOCUS: Cook Island TERM 3 VALUES: Pride, Fairness, Effort+ Commitment, Excellence	ASSEMBLY HOSTS	MI MATES + GRATEFUL BOARD	HOLIDAYS + OTHER DATES
1	Jul	14	6	Mon 14: MODULE 6 STARTS - MI CULTURAL FOCUS BREAKOUT (UN Show) - Day 1, Term 3 - 8:45am: Powhiri and Get, Set, Go Assembly Tue 15: Wed 16: Thu 17: Fri 18:	R23	R26	
2		21		Mon 21: - MODULE 7 MOTIVATOR (M7M): Periods 1 - 4: Kauri/Tawa @ MI Papakāinga Tue 22: - MODULE 7 MOTIVATOR (M7M): Periods 1 - 4: Rimu/Kowhai @ MI Papakāinga Wed 23: - All day: UN Food Festival Rotations Thu 24: Fri 25:	R29	R27	
3	Aug	28	7	Mon 28: - Off-Timetable Tue 29: - Off-Timetable - 6pm to 9pm: UN Show Performances (Rimu + Kowhai) Wed 30: MODULE 7 STARTS - ADVENTUROUS (Timetable begins) - 8:45am: Get, Set, Go Assembly - 6pm to 9pm: UN Show Performances (Kauri + Tawa) Thu 31: - All day: Year 7 Boostrix Vaccinations (Hall out) Fri 1:	NIL	R28	
4		4		Mon 4: - All week: Uniform Check - All week: Rewa's Got Talent Sign Ups - All week: Mathex Class Competitions (in Math classes) Tue 5: Wed 6: Thu 7: - 8am to 8pm: Student Involved Conferences Fri 8:	R14	R29	
5		11		Mon 11: - Period 1 + 2: Whānau Mathex Competition Tue 12: Wed 13: - Newsletter 6 out today - All day: Mathex Competition in Hall (external) Thu 14: - Year 6 Open Day Fri 15: - MID TERM BREAK	NIL	R30	Fri 15 MID TERM BREAK
6		18		Mon 18: - STAFF ONLY DAY Tue 19: - REWA'S GOT TALENT AUDITIONS BEGIN Wed 20: - Period 5: Whole School Mathex Finals - 5pm: Board Meeting Thu 21: - All day: Auckland Mathex Competition (TBC) Fri 22:	R3	R32	Mon 18 STAFF ONLY DAY
7		25		Mon 25: - All week: Breakout Buzz 3 Tue 26: Wed 27: Thu 28: Fri 29:	R26	R33	
8	Sept	1		Mon 1: - All week: AIMS Games Tue 2: Wed 3: Thu 4: Fri 5:	R19 + R25	R34	
9		8		Mon 8: - All week: Breakout Buzz 4 Tue 9: Wed 10: Thu 11: Fri 12:	R62	R67	
10		15		Mon 15: Tue 16: Wed 17: - Newsletter 7 out today - 5pm: Board Meeting: Board Elections - 6:30pm to 8:30pm: Spring Social - 7:30pm to 8:30pm: Parent Fono/Hui Thu 18: Fri 19: - Last day of Term 3 - Period 5: Rewa's Got Talent Finals	R30	R69	

AFFIRMATIONS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

The following students are having their birthday, up to the next newsletter on Wednesday 13th August 2025.

We wish you an early Happy Birthday and trust you have a wonderful day!

NB: There may be times when we inadvertently 'miss' a birthday – please let us know if we do, so we can acknowledge it in the next newsletter. It is important that we do this so please do not feel bad telling us.



June Birthdays

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO...



Ben	Atunaisa	Sapphire	Aryan	James	Taofi
Dilon	Alenna	Paige	David	Riya	Miracle



July Birthdays

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO...



Jazeniah	Emerald	Lakaia	Jack	Xarrah
Lucas	Hanshal	Davidah	Limi	Damien
PJ	Manav	Nathaniel	Katelyn	Alizei
Hannah	Jesse	Pauline	Ben	Reidyn
Aayaan	Nazareth	Lupepe	Lorenzo	Tomi
Pearly	Immanuel	Payton	Chaquilla	Krishav
Zailen	Muneef	Chin	Joseph	Odyn
Cash	Tyler	Devontae	Dayton	Ellayna
Fale	Aaliyah	Mahibah	Kaylee	Liahn
Vladameir	Lytic	Sonny	Pirinihi	Vuk
Kirat	Serenity	Taliya-Canique	Carter	Jahzay



July Birthdays (continued)

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO...



Iria-Marie

Keira

Tama

Samuel

Telesia

Sapphire

Ian

Shyla

Keilah

Melanie

RJ

Richie

Meliame

Lepapa

Treycen

Te'e

Shemuel-Lockyer

Yasmin

Araisa

Noah

Dillan

Selena

Jehad

Legacy

Letava

Paige

Buddy

Legend

Matangisinga

Salvation

Krystal

Shaan

Kyla

Sina

Margaret



August Birthdays

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO...



Blaine

Tsidkenu

Payson

Otepa-Lily

Pearl

Dora

Krishi

Aniston-Blu

Teie

Zephyr

Aron

Lulu

Jeary

Jovahni

Jeshika

Nora

Epeli

Nikos

Nevaeh-Rose

Rishi

Olivia

Anush

Judah

Vika

Hen

Declan

Luca

Levayus

Shazim

Yahnis

Knixon

Nina

Lu'isa

Mason

CLASS REPORTS

ROOM 69

Room 69 has been busy at work creating and using form time to up their reading and writing skills through the use of their A-Z books. Inspired by Mr Rodriguez's own book from when he was Year 6 the students research and write about a different topic each week starting with a new letter each week. Here is some of the work we have come up with! Along with some of the comments about the books themselves!

Krystal - I enjoy doing the A-Z book because I find out interesting facts about things I might not know, and also learn more about how to show my creativity in different ways to produce my work.

Promise - In my opinion I think that the A-Z book activity is KINDA fun to do. It also pushes our comfort zone out and encourages us to be creative! My favourite letter to do was C because I like talking about coconuts. As Cook Islanders we are often referred to as "coconuts".

Zius - I enjoy the A-Z book because you can get very creative and do whatever you want. My favourite letter to do was the letter B because I did Bart and I like the info and facts that I put in.

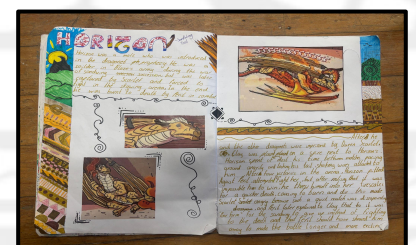
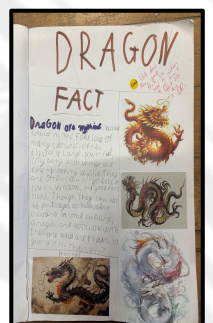
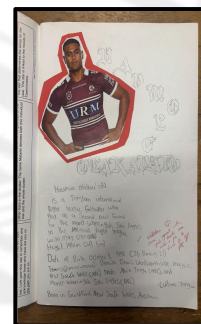
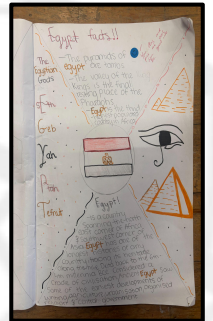
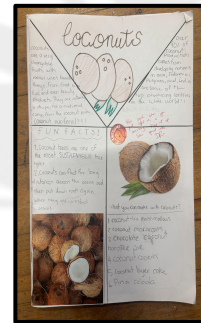
Raisha - I have been really enjoying the A-Z book as it gives us an opportunity to learn, discover and research about different things each week and being creative with it. My favourite letter so far I've done is F for Fiji because that is my culture!

SJ - I love the A-Z book because every week we get a new letter and I find out anything that starts with the letter and I will find some information and some fun facts about what starts with the letter. For example D for Dan Carter, and we search for some facts about him. It's really good for my knowledge in general and I am enjoying it.

Max - I enjoy the A-Z book because it's fun and I get to know a lot of things like facts about dragons and facts about foxes and my favourite letter is D and F because I get to know a lot more about dragons and foxes. It has also helped me with my English.

Immanuel - I enjoy doing the A-Z book because you can get very creative with it and write almost anything that starts with that letter. My favourite letter that I've done so far is letter G, and for letter G I did Germany.

Akaili - I thought it was fun to do the A-Z books because each week we do a new letter giving us the chance to learn something new about our chosen topic. My favourite letter was probably H for horizon. It's fun because you have to be creative. If you continuously do the same layout with lame and uninformative information it just gets boring which is why it's important to change up how we do it.



GIFT 1

Room 13 were gifted three headsets from three different good samaritans, We wrote to **thank them** for their generosity and for caring about our learning.
- Te Aorere



THE R13 'THANK YOU' PROJECT

GIFT 2

We visited Southmall in Week Eight and were able to gift handmade positivity cards to the store workers, **thanking them** for their service to our community.
- Mrudhun



GIFT 3

During our Marae stay, Mr P ran a MI version of an AVA ceremony with our class. We all shared something we are grateful for in our lives. We were able to give **thanks to all** the important people we love.

- Khloe



Dear Fengzi Zhao

I would like to thank you for donating Room 13 new headphones. With your lovely kindness, Room 13 is focussing way more than before. Everytime we do computer work it's very silent so our teacher can focus when testing other students. I appreciate you and your kindness and I hope you do the best in life.

From: Epeli

Room 26

Marae stay

In Week Six we had our Marae stay which is an incredible experience where we get to bond as a class. We hung out (no phones), swam at the pool, played games and put our taste buds to the test with a blind food taste test.



Hanging out with our class was fun and not having phones brought us closer.

- Pritisha

Swimming was awesome. The blind fold test was a cool mystery.

- Fred

We had fun. When we were eating dessert we talked about what we have enjoyed this year and what we are looking forward to.

- Emilyrose

It is important because it connects us together. I enjoyed swimming because it is fun.

- Sione



Measurement

Name	Height
Izzah	163cm
Raisha	145cm
Emilyrose	156cm
Evolym	157cm
Nicole	153cm
Ina	162cm
Ritisha	162cm
Shamara	149cm
Devontay	151cm
Edward	158cm
Abu	152cm
Saofai	174cm
Timothy	157cm
Cash	155cm
Fale	171cm
Mansi	153cm
Lilly	170cm
Pritisha	160cm
Stahria	162cm
Katalina	163cm
Crystal	169cm
Shailoh	157cm
Justyce	166cm
Kai	154cm
Aqil	145cm
Fred	156cm
Sione	163cm
Lincoln	145cm
Mark	165cm
Miss Chilcott	165cm

One of the topics we looked at in math this term was measurement. We focussed on measuring accurately and converting between different metric units.

I am the same height as Izzah and Sione at 163cm.
- Katalina

We measured everyone's height in the class. We worked together as a team.
- Mansi



We used a measuring tape. We took our shoes off because shoes can make you taller.
- Cash

I noticed that Saofai is the tallest. Raisha and Lincoln are the shortest.
- Mark

Keeping up with ...

This term, Room 15 have been extremely busy! Over the last nine weeks, we have been engineers in STEAM, speech writers in Humanities and Anti-bullying warriors during Pink Shirt Day. Here's a little bit about what we have been up to...

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HUMANITIES

In Humanities, we have been working hard to prepare and perfect our speeches, which have focussed on whenua. We have explored what whenua means to us and how we can preserve and protect our land for the future. We've even been spending some form time working on what makes an effective communicator, which has been very important in our speech prep!

MATH

In Math this term, we've focussed on multiplication and division, as well as measurement. During our Math lessons, we have worked hard to use a range of different strategies, like long division and dividing using place value to help us apply our learning in a range of contexts.



WATCH US IN ACTION...

In swimming, we've learnt lots of skills like learning how to breathe while swimming. I'm looking forward to improving my swimming skills even more.

- Hedaznee



This term, I've really enjoyed learning about my Samoan culture and the history of the land.

- Deyziak



In Cooking, we've improved our chopping and frying skills. We also learned how to use an oven!

- Shayan

I loved being involved in STEAM at the start of the term. It helped us learn how to work in a team.

- Kean



Editing my speech in Humanities, has really helped my reading and writing skills.

- Denzel



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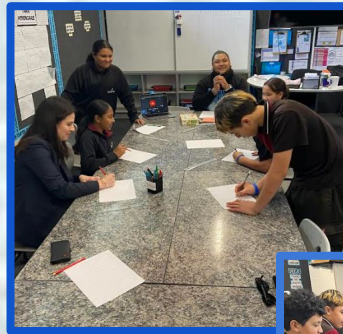
Minister of Education Erica Stanford and Sir Nick Gibb Experience Manurewa Intermediate in Action!

We were absolutely thrilled to host a very special visit on Wednesday 11th June from the Minister of Education, Erica Stanford, accompanied by Sir Nick Gibb, the former UK Minister of Schools. It was an exciting day for everyone, particularly for Minister Stanford, who had expressed a keen interest in bringing Sir Nick to our school to see our unique learning environment, having previously only experienced school singing performances.

The guests were keen to witness our school's vibrant atmosphere and "hum" firsthand. They enjoyed visiting various areas, including our MI Zoo, our pool, and even caught the delicious aroma of baking cookies wafting from the cooking room.

Following the tour, the focus shifted to observing learning in progress. Visiting Math, Humanities, Science and Sustainable Design lessons. They also spent time at our dedicated intervention programmes: iDeaL and Numicon, where they enthusiastically joined in a game of "Greedy Pig" during a Math addition session.

Their comments following the visit were overwhelmingly positive. Both guests were incredibly impressed by the learning and focus of our students, the quality of teaching, and, in Sir Nick Gibb's words, our "immaculate environment."



BOYS NIGHT OUT

On Wednesday 28th May, we held our annual Boys Night Out, an event aimed at fostering strong relationships between our male students and their significant male role models. The turnout was great, with over 300 students and adults showing their support for this event. The MI students relished the opportunity to spend quality time with their loved ones and the male staff members at MI.

The event unfolded seamlessly, as students and parents were organised into their respective groups, with each group rotating through three engaging activities lasting approximately 35 minutes each. The diverse range of activities offered something for everyone, including thrilling games like Nerf Wars, Dodgeball, and Fun Challenges. Thank you to all those who came out and supported this event.
WE APPRECIATE YOU!!!!!!



GIRLS NIGHT IN

“There is no limit to what we, as women can accomplish.”

- Michelle Obama

On Thursday 29th May, we hosted our annual Girls Night In, and what an evening it turned out to be! The event commenced in the Hall, where it was heartening to see so many students accompanied by their female role models. The turnout was impressive across all four whānau, especially considering the weather forecast, which had initially raised concerns.

After gathering in the Hall, participants moved on to the following activity rotations, each designed to offer a fun and engaging experience: The Music Auditorium - The atmosphere was electric as students showcased their vocal talents during a spirited karaoke session. Some hidden Mariah Carey's emerged, much to everyone's delight. To add to the enjoyment, freshly made popcorn was available, ensuring everyone had a tasty treat to enjoy while singing their hearts out.

The GOAT - This area was buzzing with energy as students engaged in a variety of sports. From basketball and netball to touch rugby and skipping ropes, there was something for everyone to enjoy, promoting both fun and fitness.

The Gymnasium - The gym was transformed into a volleyball arena, offering students the chance to play and hone their skills in a friendly and supportive environment.

The Hall Activities: Inside the Hall, a carnival-themed setup awaited. Students tested their precision and luck at ring toss, cup stacking, Nerf gun bowling, tic-tac-toe, and a hole-in-one challenge, adding a playful and competitive spirit to the evening.

The event was a wonderful opportunity for students to bond with their female role models, creating lasting memories and strengthening connections within our school community. The success of the evening was a testament to the collective effort of everyone involved in organising and participating.





Nature Club News

Moth Plant Competition 1st Place!

Nature Club were competing in the Pest Free South Auckland Moth Plant Competition.

Moth Plant is among the most invasive plants on the planet and without control it would strangle and smother our trees.

Over the last couple of months 15,459 moth pods were collected by our staff, students and their families.

On Thursday 5th June, the Eco Council, Afleeto, DJ along with two deserving Year 7s travelled to Nga Iwi School in Mangere and were awarded 1st place. This came with a prize of \$1000 for our school.





Native Garden Plantings



On Wednesday 11th June, Nature Club planted 40 native trees along the zoo path and outside the greenhouse.

These plantings will provide habitat that will attract native lizards into our school. Because they are located by our two composting areas there will be plenty of invertebrates to eat and because there are rocks they will be safe to warm themselves in the sun and hide from predators such as rats and chickens.

Next we are going to plant up the back driveway more harakeke and other natives.



Storylines Author Visit

On Friday 13th June, we were lucky to have a visit from the author Rachel Clare as part of the Storylines tour. She is the author of *Play Wild*, which is full of nature craft projects for tamariki. Approximately 30 children across the school were chosen to be part of this opportunity.

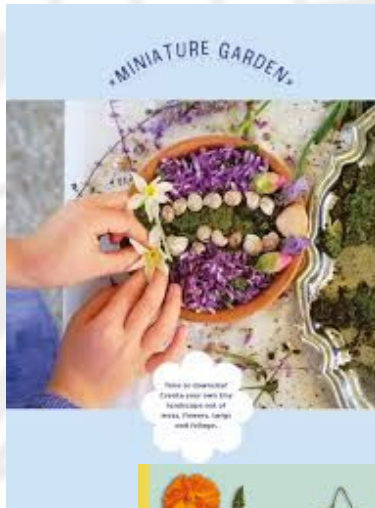


We started off the talk by completing a project where we made nature wristbands. These were strips of tape decorated with items that Rachel had picked up on her evening walks around her hotel in the city. The students were encouraged to create their own design using the materials. Some got very creative.

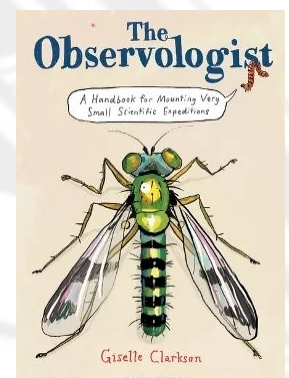


Rachel shared with us how her interest in writing stories started and that she was previously an editor for Scholastic. So she saw the other side of writing a book and the size of the team involved. She began to write this book in 2022, and it was published in 2024. She also writes articles for magazines like "How to stop snails from eating your vegetables?".

Rachel is very into recycling and looked at nature for her inspiration for this book and trying to use as many things as possible that can be reused. She also talked about what is nature - it is something that engages the senses.



Rachel talked about her life and how she included and used her friends and family to help out with the book and the projects. She then answered some questions from the students. Some of the advice that she gave them was to write about what excites you and inspires you. Rachel shared some of the books that inspired her as a child and what she wanted to achieve with this one. She reads a lot and uses Pinterest to collect all her ideas together. The book that she wished she had written is *The Observologist*. The last piece of advice she left us with is to just keep going and writing all the time as practice makes us better constantly.





MI Wearable Arts Shines at TOI Showcase 2025!

Thursday 19 June, Aotea Centre – Hunua Rooms

What an incredible day it was for Manurewa Intermediate at the TOI Showcase - wearable Arts Runway! This year marked our third year entering the prestigious event - and wow, did we make our mark! Held at the Aotea Centre Hunua Room, the event featured over 200 spectacular garments from schools across Tāmaki Makaurau, competing across five unique categories: *Stories of the South Pacific, Rewind Time, Imaginary Friends, Crafted Couture and Open.*

Our students confidently represented MI with 11 original garments, each one telling its own powerful story through creativity, innovation, and culture. Every entry was photographed in a professional shoot and strutted proudly down the stunning 25-metre runway. The energy was electric from the moment we arrived on Level 2 - the entire space buzzing with creativity, colour, and excitement. Students from primary, intermediate, and secondary schools were there, all sharing a common passion for wearable art.

The MI green room was alive with nerves and joy, and it's hard to say who was more excited - our trusted supporter Mrs Hudson, who was buzzing the entire day, or our students, who poured months of work into designing, building, and modelling their creations. From the fitting room to the runway, the MI vibes were strong all day and all night- right through until we returned home just after 9pm.

What made this year truly special was not just the experience, but the outstanding results. Manurewa Intermediate proudly took home five awards across several categories.

Award: Stories of the South Pacific – Samoan Coral

Sasha-Rose Losia & Shanaya Chand (Model)



My Samoan Coral costume is inspired by the ocean and the way tectonic plates move under the sea. I used hula hoops to build a cool tiered dress shape, kind of like layers of the earth. Hanging from the hoops are different pieces made from papier-mâché, spray-painted coral, planets, and fish. These show how the earth moves and shifts deep underwater. The tectonic plates in the Samoan area can cause earthquakes, so I wanted to show that connection between nature and movement. It was fun to create and I learnt a lot about how powerful the earth can be!

Award: Imaginary Friends – Mystery Butterfly

Amanda Yash & Yazmin Enamullah (Model & Designer)



Our outfit is all about butterflies! We picked this theme because butterflies are super pretty and magical, just like imaginary friends. We made our costume using recycled fabric, cardboard, and paint. The wings are big and colourful, and we painted them with bright patterns. It was so fun to create, and we love how it turned out!

Award: Open Category – Plastic is Trastic

Kiani Henry-Lavea

My dress is more than just a costume - it's a statement about plastic pollution and the impact of our throwaway culture. Made from recycled paper plates, it challenges fast fashion and shows how waste can be turned into something meaningful. The round, sculptural textures catch the eye, but the real message is about change. I want people to think twice about what they throw away and see the creative possibilities in everyday items. This dress promotes sustainability, reuse, and awareness. It's proof that fashion can be bold, affordable, and eco-friendly - all while inspiring action to protect our planet and future.



Award: Open Category – Eyes of the Ocean

Milan Majid & Kate McKinnel (Model)

This garment impressed judges so much it was awarded **two honours** ! Inspired by the ocean's depths, it featured vibrant colours and textures that reflected environmental consciousness and artistic excellence.



My costume is a simple dark blue shiny dress that shows what I imagine under the sea. I used raffia and ethernet cables to look like seaweed and waves in the ocean. The dress is simple but cool, and it moves like water when I walk. The best part is the giant 3D eye in the middle—it's the main focus! I move it around when I walk to make it look like it's watching everything under the sea. This dress shows my idea of the magical, mysterious underwater world, where anything could be hiding in the deep blue sea.

Other amazing MI entries included:

Imaginary Friends:
Jethmi Arachchige

Rewind Time:
Avleen Prasad

Crafted Couture:
Anaya Ram

Open:
Kyra Henry-Lavea , Mikayla Coffey ,

Stories of the South Pacific:
Semalama Toafa , Susana Luamanu

The garments were a true showcase of innovation and sustainability. Each garment told its own unique story, using repurposed materials and creative thinking to challenge norms and celebrate identity, culture, and sustainability; students turning the everyday into the extraordinary. Every design sparked curiosity and conversations, with students confidently explaining their concepts and inspirations.

We are beyond proud of all our students for their creativity, courage, and commitment. TOI Quest continues to be a space where MI shines, and this year was no exception. A huge mihi to all the whānau who supported our artists, and an extra shoutout to Mrs Hudson for keeping the team energy high all day long.

Bring on 2026 - MI will be back and better than ever!



MI-SCI 2025

In Week Five, the Science Department hosted the first ever MI-SCI Competition. With music, lights and visuals, the atmosphere was buzzing with excitement and pressure.

Each whānau was represented by a team of four: three on stage and one strategic 'phone-a-friend'. In true *Who Wants to Be a Millionaire?* style, teams battled their way up the money ladder, aiming to conquer the ultimate million-dollar question.

Our student competitors had put in the hard mahi, and it showed, confidently showcasing their science smarts in front of a packed audience.

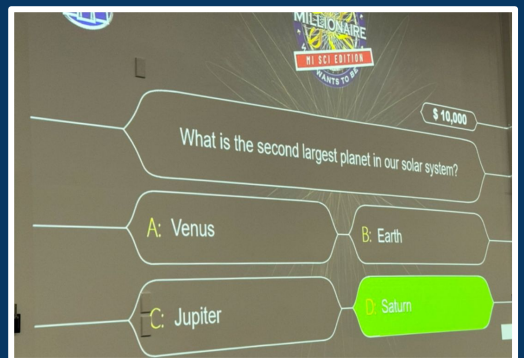
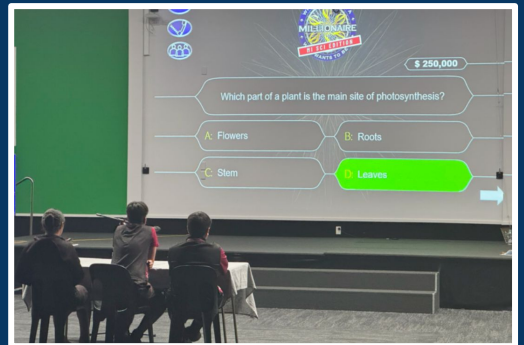
Congratulations to all involved! We can't wait to see what next year's MI-SCI Competition brings!

Final Placings:

1st: Tawa

2nd: Kauri

3rd equal; Rimu and Kōwhai



SOUTH AUCKLAND INTERSCHOOLS CHESS TOURNAMENT 22 MAY 2025



On Thursday 22nd May, the chess club represented our school at the South Auckland Interschools Chess Tournament, held here at Manurewa Intermediate. This year's event was the largest ever, with 29 teams and 118 students from eight different schools competing. We entered two teams, each playing six intense rounds across four boards. Altogether, our players won 29 games - a fantastic achievement! While we didn't place in the top three, we are proud of the teamwork, focus, and positive attitude our students showed throughout the day. A special congratulations to **Ziven** from Room 62, who earned an individual award for being the best-performing player on Board Three in the tournament!



JAIRUS

ADAM

DIYAN

SHARMUA

JOSH

ARISHA

FAIZUL

SHANAYA

ZIVEN

YASH



CROSS COUNTRY



On Wednesday 11th June, we held our annual Cross Country competition. With great weather for the day the competition was fierce and everyone was in high spirits.

We started the day with our Year 7 Girl's followed by Year 7 Boy's, Year 8 Girl's and finishing with our Year 8 Boy's, with lots of MI Money up for grabs for participation and placing. It was a great day and the students performed tremendously, thanks to the students who took part and all the staff that made it happen.



ZONE BOYS RUGBY

What a Day of Rugby!

Our U55kg and Open Boys Rugby teams had an incredible day at Bruce Pulman Park, filled with high-energy, competitive rugby and plenty to celebrate!

U55kg Boys Rugby – Undefeated and unstoppable! They dominated every game to finish the day as champions, going unbeaten and not conceding a single point!

Open Boys Rugby – Topped their pool, powered through the semis, and came out victorious in the grand final! Another clean sweep with zero points scored against them all day!

Both teams will now go on to proudly represent Counties Manukau at the Auckland Interzone Championships on Monday 23 June. We couldn't be prouder of their efforts, teamwork, and sportsmanship.



Results - Open	
vs Waimahia	W 49 - 0
vs Randwick Park	W 49 - 0
vs Greenmeadows	W 35 - 0
vs Randwick Park	W 42 - 0



Results - U55kg	
vs Finlayson Park	W 45 - 0
vs East Counties	W 49 - 0
vs Rosehill	W 56 - 0
vs Pukekohe	W 54 - 0

**MI Open & U55kg Boys Rugby
2025 Counties Champions**

GIRLS ZONE

RUGBY

On Thursday 12th June, the Restricted and Open Girls Rugby Teams attended our Zone Competition held at Bruce Pulman Park in Takanini.

The recent weather had been atrocious but these young athletes were ready and willing to go the extra mile to ensure they did not break with tradition and dared not return without securing the Zone championship.

Over's first games was against Pukekohe and ran in three quick runaway tries. The final score was 25-0. Our second game was played against Wiri Central and with the speed of Ryna and the power of Lepapa the score soon hit 34-0.

Game three was Randwick Park and Legacy soon showed why she is Captain. With great shape and communication the girls finished with a score of 46-0.

The semi-final was impressive with our girls playing Waimahia who put up a good fight but could not match Nora, Sia or Ryna.

The Final was against the winner of Pool B and the girls made short work of them. No points against them all day. Massive thanks to all the whānau who came to support. Special thanks to coach Mr G. Bring on Auckland Champs!

Results - Open	
Vs Pukekohe Int	W 54 - 0
Vs Wiri Central	W 14 - 0
Vs Randwick Park	W 45 - 0
Vs Clendon Park	W 40 - 0
Vs Finlayson Park	W 50 - 0



GIRLS ZONE

RESTRICTED RUGBY

On Thursday 12th June our Restricted Girls Rugby Team joined the Open Girls Team at our Zone Competition at Bruce Pulman Park.

Our girls were very thankful and lucky that Randwick Park School had a team in the competition and showed up ready to go!

Our girls had three games over the day and with the strong leadership of Madisyn and speed of Hinerangi, the girls continued to improve.

These young ladies had great communication on and off the field and should be very proud of their effort and commitment to trainings and each other throughout this campaign.

The girls would like to thank all the parents and friends who risked their health coming out on such a grotty day.

Lastly, a massive thanks to our coaches who have supported us into reaching Auckland Champs.

Results - Restricted	
Vs Randwick Park	W 12 - 0
Vs Randwick Park	W 24 - 12
Vs Randwick Park	W 27- 17



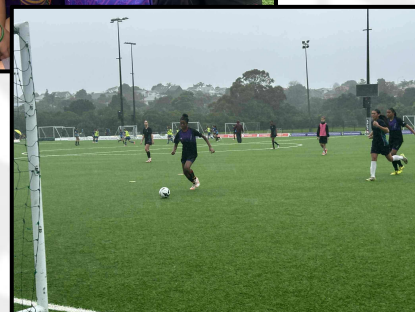
Auckland Champs Football Girls

Year 7s

On a very wet and cold day. MI's girls football teams travelled across to Seddon Fields to compete in the Auckland Championships for Football for the 4th consecutive year.

The Year 7 team, a team full of potential, and based purely on having a good time put up a great fight against all their opposition. Results didn't quite go their way but they made it tough for any side to put them away. Highlights included Suli and her contagious positivity all day, the girls improvement as the day went on, and Izzy's goal from what seemed a mile away.

This team have a good base to work with next year. Thanks to the girls for their dedication to training and trying a new sport.



Year 8s

Hard work pays off! The Year 8 girls went to Auckland Champs with a crazy idea they could win it. While they didn't quite achieve that goal, they finished a credible 3rd! The highest an MI team has come ever in the sport. This result wasn't a fluke and while on the day tears were shed and it felt like we had underachieved, on reflection we smashed it. These girls had been coming to football academy last year and none had played before either. I could not be prouder of the time and effort these girls put in to the sport I love and the improvement and enjoyment they had playing it.

However back to the day itself. We started strongly with a win, then a draw against pre tournament favourites St Kents. The girls then went on to win vs Blockhouse Bay and finished with a draw to end the pool play. This saw them top their pool and head into the semi-finals vs Kowhai Intermediate. While our girls play an expansive and beautiful style of football the weather gods failed us and gave us a unplayable pitch and in the worst conditions I've seen football played in, they succumbed to a 2-1 defeat. With the option of taking third equal the girls quickly rejected it and said we want to play. So a rematch of the St Kents game was our playoff for third. Our girls gave it everything dominating the game from start to finish. It ended 0-0. The girls eventually winning it in a penalty shootout to secure third. No mentions here, this was a complete team effort. However I will thank you all for the time and effort you have spent learning the game and I hope to see some of you kicking a ball in the future! - Mr Rodriguez.

Results - Year 7

Vs St Kents	L 0-2
Vs Northcross	L 0-1
Vs Mt Roskill Intermediate	L 0-2
Vs St Kents	L 1-2

Results - Year 8

Vs St Kents	D 1-1
Vs Blockhouse Bay Intermediate	W 2-0
Vs St Ignatius	D 1-1
Vs Huapai District School	W 4-1
Vs Kowhai Intermediate (Semi-Final)	L 1-2
Vs St Kents (3rd / 4th Playoff)	D 1-1 W (9-8)

AUCKLAND CHAMPS FOOTBALL - YEAR 7 BOYS

Our Year 7 Boys' Football team turned heads and changed the narrative on Tuesday 10th June, at the Auckland Championships, punching well above their weight in a field stacked with footballing heavyweights.

The boys got off to a strong start, including an impressive 5–1 victory, and fought their way through to the semi-finals, where they came up against Northcross. Despite a brave performance, they went down in the semi and, after a solid outing against Remuera in the 3rd/4th playoff, were narrowly denied a podium finish by the cruel lottery of penalties.

4th place in all of Auckland is an incredible achievement - especially when you consider **MI was the only “non-footballing school”** at the tournament! This result caps off an exceptional year for MI Footy, with three of our four teams qualifying for the Auckland Champs - and two of them finishing in the top four across the entire city.

Inspired by the grit and grind of Stoke City's Premier League heyday - all heart, no frills, and nothing left in the tank - these boys proved that MI football is no longer just making up the numbers. They were also recognised for their conduct off the field, showing respect, sportsmanship, and pride in our school colours. They wore the badge with Mana.

STOKE CITY ON 3... 1... 2... 3... STOOOOKE CITYYYYYY!!!

– Mr Innes



Results	
Vs St. Kents	L 0-1
Vs Kedgley	W 5-1
Vs Bucklands Beach	D 0-0
Vs Northcross (Semi-Final)	L 0-4
Vs Remuera (3rd / 4th)	D 0-0 L 1-3 (pen)

Friday Night Counties Hockey

Friday Night has been a hit this term, excuse the pun! Manurewa Intermediate for the first time ever entered into a club hockey competition. From what started as an idea quickly came into reality as the team hit the ground running showing keen interest and a willingness to play and train. The team was made up of students who played a little zone day hockey last year and wanted to have some fun playing in a club competition.

The team is made up of Kingston (14), Harlynn (67) Navera (33) Nora (33), Kevin (33), Darius (33), Noah (33), Legend (34), Legacy (34), Madisyn (34), and Jahiliyah (34). With Fill ins Tatiana (33), Alopa (33), Keilah (33).

Over the term I have seen some great improvement in their skills and development. They have played some great hockey and have disrupted the flow of these strong club teams getting three wins and having just the one loss along the way. Each week they have smiles on their faces. It has shown me that when we give students an opportunity they will take up any challenge.

What seemed to be an early challenge for the team was the boys and girls working together. However, this quickly disappeared as soon as the MI uniform came on and it became us against you! This team has created a strong backbone for our zone days which are fast approaching where we have the aim to get some positive results in both the Boys and Girls zone tournaments.

Again thank you to the parents for supporting your kids in sport and to the students in the team for taking on another challenge.

Mr Rodriguez



Boys Zone Hockey

On a beautiful winter day the MI boys hockey team shot down the highway to Pukekohe to play in the Counties Zone day.

The boys had a busy day with six games to play in a round robin format. With an injury to Darius other boys had to step up and without question they did.

Out of their six games the boys managed two wins (over Rosehill and The Gardens) and two draws (against Strathallan and Greenmeadows) combined with two narrow losses (against Pukekohe 1-0 and Reremoana 2-0).

The tournament was a great one with the boys improving every game and showing that the days of MI not being competitive in hockey are behind us.

A great day out for all and a special thanks to Mr Shephard for driving the van and supporting us. To the boys, well done you did yourselves proud and I'm glad you guys are enjoying the game of hockey now.

- Mr Rodriguez



Results	
vs Rosehill	W 2-0
Vs The Gardens	W 2-1
Vs Reremoana	L 0-2
Vs Pukekohe	L 0-1
Vs Strathallan	D 1-1
Vs Greenmeadows	D 1-1



GENERAL SCHOOL NOTICES & REMINDERS

PLEASE NAME IT

We make every effort to see students' personal items are secure. It would make our task considerably easier and would drastically reduce levels of stress for students if ALL ITEMS – INCLUDING ALL UNIFORM ITEMS, PE UNIFORMS, SHOES, SPORTS EQUIPMENT, JACKETS, JERSEYS, LUNCHBOXES, WATER BOTTLES, BAGS etc. WERE ALL CLEARLY NAMED!!

SMOKE AND VAPE FREE ENVIRONMENT

In accordance with legislation I remind parents/caregivers and students that our entire school and boundary is Smoke and Vape Free. Also refer to the NO VAPE flier further in this newsletter.

OPEN DOOR POLICY

As mentioned in my initial letter in Week 1 our school has an "Open Door Policy". This means that should you have any questions or concerns about anything please do not hesitate to contact us. Don't be a stranger, but pop in anytime you can. We'd love to see you! If at any time you wish to see any of your child's teachers about something specific please telephone the school to organise an appointment. At times there are bound to be issues that crop up and we encourage you to air your concerns but ask that you speak to the person involved first. If you have done this and feel there has been no success, you are more than welcome to see the form teacher, the relevant senior staff member or myself.

If you are wanting information on your child's progress, it is advisable to book a time to see the relevant subject teacher. This will enable the teacher to give you the time you deserve to have the proper conversation. Classrooms are busy places in the mornings before school and immediately after, and it is not always possible for the teacher to give full attention to your queries if you do not book in advance.

UNIFORM

In Terms 2 and 3, students are able to wear the following as school uniform: For boys, this is the school shorts or plain black trousers, t-shirt, jacket, plain black leather shoes and long black maroon topped socks. Girls have the same option, or instead of the shorts/trousers, they can wear a black school skirt. They wear plain black socks with their black shoes. Students are also allowed to wear a plain black beanie, plain black scarf and plain black long sleeve skivvy under their school skirt.

MESSAGES FOR/FROM STUDENTS

We accept there will be occasions when students need to contact members of their family during the school day. With the approval of their classroom teacher, students are able to use a school telephone to do this. Because of the demands of school management and school activities, these calls will be restricted to important matters – not to have forgotten homework, lunch etc. dropped off or to arrange an after school social occasion! If things are forgotten then children will need to learn to accept the consequences for their actions. Likewise, the school accepts with today's busy schedules there will be occasions when parents need to get important messages to their children.

The school will make every effort to forward these messages, if received before 2.45pm. However, the administration staff cannot accept responsibility if a student does not receive a message.

STUDENT MI PLANNER

Your child has been given a diary that is loaded with information. Each student is encouraged to use this on a daily basis to help them become more organised with life at school. Please check with your child and have a look at it! Do it regularly!

UPDATE OF INFORMATION

If there have been any changes to the custodial arrangements, change of address, change of telephone number, change of emergency contact numbers, or any other changes we would be very grateful if you would inform us as soon as possible, so our records can be corrected.

MONEY

Money is not to be left in bags, desks or clothing when not being worn. Hand to the office or form teacher for safe keeping. If the procedure is not followed and money is 'lost' or 'stolen' we will not waste any time following up. Owner beware - follow the procedure!

ABSENCE

If your child is absent from school please call the office on 2668268, before 8.30am to advise us.

If you do not do this we contact you immediately through our system. After the second day of no notification, the administration staff will contact the home directly as well. After three days of no contact, a Deputy Principal will be in touch with you about your child's absence.

LATENESS

All students who are late (i.e. arriving at school after the 8.30am bell) report to the office before heading to class.

This is to ensure we keep a track of attendance and student safety. No valid note or parent means a consequence - which is an after school detention to make up for the time that is lost due to lateness! We appreciate your support with this, but to avoid any consequences, please encourage your child to get to school on time.

NO!!

iPod, game, fizzy drinks, lollies, chocolate or chewing gum are to be brought to school. If a student has any of these, they will be confiscated and returned at the end of the day! We look forward to your support with this. AND lunches are provided free to every child so no need to do drop offs or bring in food for a whole class

SHARED LUNCH.

MOBILE PHONES

If students bring cellphones to school they are left at the office before school and collected after school. If students keep them on them or in bags during the day and they are 'lost' or 'stolen' we will not waste any time in following up. Owner beware - follow the procedures!

MEDICATION IN SCHOOL

No medication should be kept in your child's school bag. If your child has antibiotic/medication that needs to be administered during the school day please ensure you have filled out a permission slip at the office. No medication can be administered to your child without approval.

VISITORS

Whenever you visit the school please do so via the office so you can be checked in, instead of going directly to the classroom. Thank you for your cooperation.

SCHOOL PROPERTY

The school has a policy of “abuser pays”. Students who carelessly or wilfully damage school property or equipment will be asked to meet the cost of the repairs, or at the very least pay a fair share of the replacement. We hope this will become a rare occasion at Manurewa Intermediate, however when this does occur, parents/caregivers will receive an explanatory letter and a tax invoice to cover costs. In addition to the fact that schools operate on very tight budgets, we see the development of personal responsibility as an important outcome of our school programmes.

INTERNET SAFETY

We are well aware that the internet is a wonderful educational resource, but we all know there are dangers. As you know, to use the information and communications technologies resources, including accessing the internet at school, students and their parents are required to sign an **ACCEPTABLE USE OF INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGIES AGREEMENT**. This agreement spells out very clearly what is acceptable and what is not acceptable both in terms of use and internet site access. This is done at enrolment. Students use individual logons and our system records for audit all logons, the date and time of the logon, the location of the computer and a list of all searches attempted and sites accessed. Please discuss with your child the appropriate use of the internet. Teachers also do this on a regular basis.

TUESDAY EARLY FINISH (1.45PM)

The early finish for students every Tuesday afternoon is so that staff can participate in professional learning, aimed at extending and increasing expertise. However any student requiring supervision until 3.15pm will go to the Library where supervision will be provided. This early finish each week does not interfere with in-class learning time as our lunch breaks are only 30 minutes instead of the normal hour most schools have and we start each day at 8.30am.

SCHOOL HOURS

Students are expected to be in school before 8.20am, ready for an 8.30am start. The school day ends at 3.15pm. We have no wet early finishes, although finish at 1.45pm every Tuesday. Please note a fuller explanation following this and also of the breakdown of the timetable on the front page of your child’s MI Planner.

DRINK BOTTLES

A reminder with the summer term and to help that all children are encouraged to carry water bottles with them in class. A common sense approach and one we will remind all children throughout the term! Your support with this is much appreciated in the form of naming drink bottles and providing them! We encourage all children to drink water regularly throughout the school day.

PARK SAFELY AND KEEP OUR KIDS SAFE

This term our school is participating in Auckland Transport’s ‘Safety at the School Gate’ programme. Drivers who stop in the wrong place to drop off passengers put the safety of children at risk. Parking officers will be on patrol outside the school this term and will be issuing tickets to drivers who park illegally.

The agreed approach is ‘zero tolerance’ - there will be no warnings issued, you will receive a ticket if you are double parked, parked on yellow lines, or over someone’s driveway - or for any other vehicle safety offence. This includes driving into the school car parks or Dental Clinic and neighbours driveways. Please note – park on the street if coming into school, not inside the school drive or car parks at all. Thank you!

Please park legally to keep our children safe and to avoid being ticketed. Before and after school is a busy time for everyone. Parking rules help protect our children and keep them safe. Drivers who park illegally put our kids at risk.

Please **do not** call your child to cross the road before or after school to where you are parked. There are pedestrian crossings at either end of the school. Encourage your child to use them!

PERIOD 6/PASSION PURSUITS

Our Extra-Curricular Activities, offered by staff, operate during Period 6 (from 3.15-4.15pm) on a Monday, Wednesday or Thursday. In the past staff have offered various clubs such as Chess, Cooking, Art, Sewing and Crafts, Maker Spaces, E4S, Homework Club, Khan Academy, Digital Club, Gardening, and Horticulture for students to take part in.

The school wide activities of choir, bands, cultural groups (Te Manu Ka Rewa, Samoan, Tongan, Indian etc) and Zone sports teams training will also happen in a Period 6 in addition to any other practices that may be scheduled. Students will be given a permission slip for parents/caregivers to sign in order to attend any Period 6 they take part in. Without signed permission students will not be able to attend.

HOME STUDY/HOMEWORK

Our stand on home study is that it is useful and helps develop good work habits but can also be a contentious and emotional issue, that can cause much conflict in the home and at school. There is always a wide range of views on the subject with some parents wanting more and others wanting less.

We believe that home study at this level gives students practice at managing their time to do some self-directed learning and therefore, encourage the importance of reading. Reading is crucial in all areas of life. Our children need to learn to read for sustained periods (at least 15 minutes at a time) – so if your child says’ “I don’t have any homework”” hand him/her a good book!

We have an After School “Home Study Club” every afternoon from 3.15pm-4.15 pm except Friday, and 1.45-4.15pm Tuesdays, in the Library as well as the ICT Lab which is open for students to use the computers. The Library is also open before school, at all break times and until 4.15pm after school every afternoon. Any student is welcome to attend! Encourage your child to do so if they find doing work at home is difficult.

STUDENT AND WHĀNAU SUPPORT

We are very lucky to have the services of our very own full time SWiS. Their roles are fully funded by the school and are here to support students and whānau (to some degree). Please refer to the flier which follows for more information.



Board Elections



All schools throughout New Zealand will be holding board elections in September this year.

The election date is 10th September 2025.

For now we are looking for parent leaders with different skills and experiences to be nominated (or nominate yourself) to stand for election as a Parent Representative.

More details will come out soon, but for now consider whether you're interested and look out for the details next term. Feel free to contact me, or if you would like further information now contact Gary Rogers, our Presiding Member (Chairperson).

Iain Taylor

Principal

iain@manurewaint.school.nz

Gary Rogers

Presiding Member

thechair@manurewaint.school.nz

Key Dates

- 16 July - Board Electoral Roll Closes
- 18 July - Nominations Open
- 6 August - Nominations Close
- 13 August - Elections Open
- 10 September - Election Date - vote count

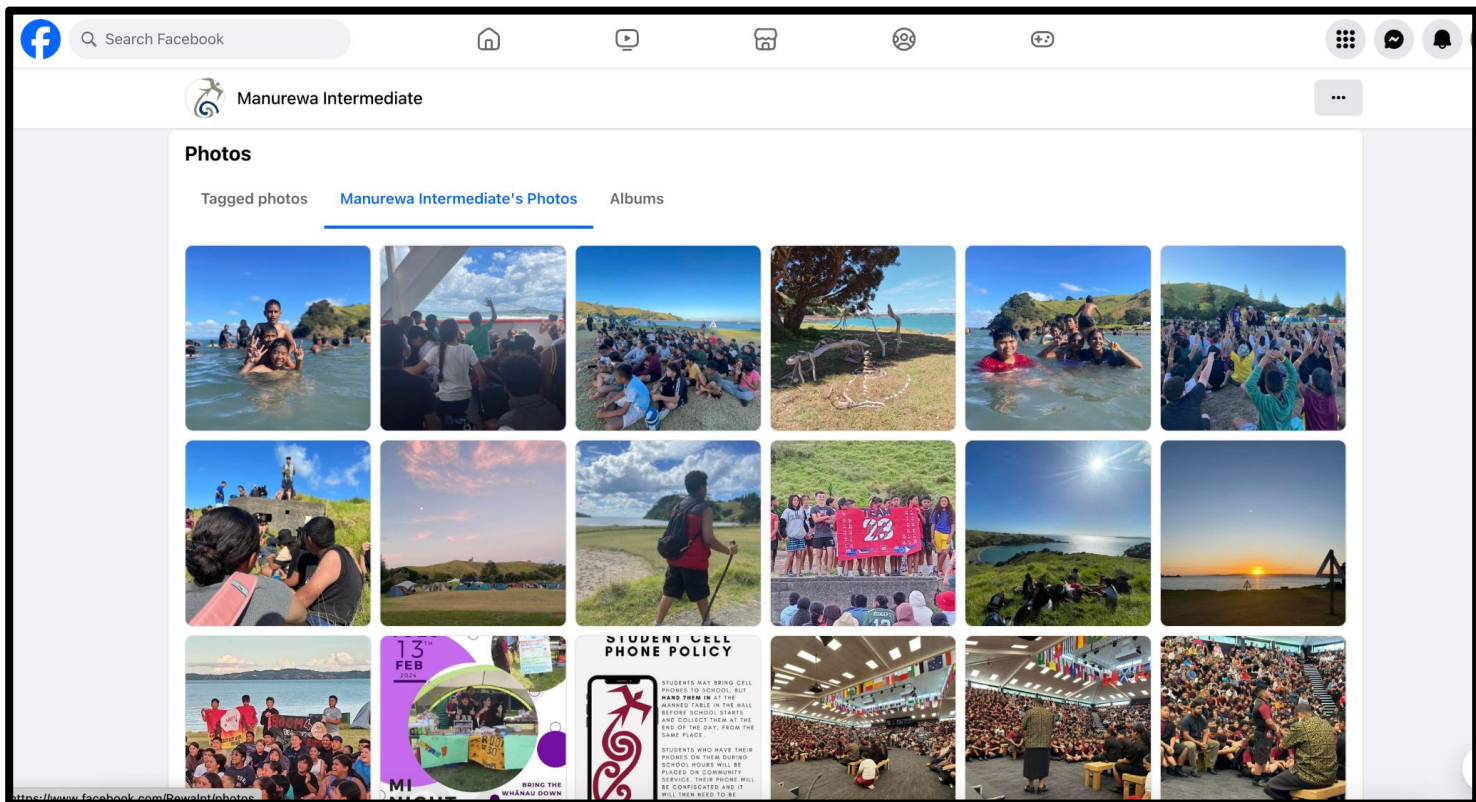




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THE MANUREWA INTERMEDIATE
FACEBOOK PAGE?
KEEP UP TO DATE WITH NOTICES,
LEARNING AND CELEBRATIONS
ON OUR FB PAGE!



ALSO, CHECK OUT OUR OFFICIAL
TIKTOK PAGE, TOO!
@MI.TIKTOK.OFFICIAL



MANUREWA INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL



9 Hot Tips for Maintaining a Successful Relationship With Your Device: *"Love it like you paid for it!"*

Tips for looking after your device in class...

- 1) Know your laptop number! If you grab a random device: how do you know yours is safe?
- 2) Why are you smashing those keys? Because you are playing games? Be nice to your keyboard and work on tasks that the teacher has set for you!
- 3) Two hands please! Hold your device properly and carry it like you own it!
- 4) Keep your device off the floor! Big feet can do big damage. Simple!
- 5) Finally, log out and plug it back in! The device needs electricity to work!



Tips for learning with a device in class...

- 1) Use the device for something that you couldn't do with a pen, paper and a library book: otherwise, what's the point?
- 2) If you are not finding the info you need on Google: change your search terms. A search engine is only as good as your questions!
- 3) Use reliable sources of information! Double check your facts across multiple websites!
- 4) Remember that domain names like .org or .govt are a good place to start your research, before branching out to other sources of information.

PARENT/CAREGIVER AWARENESS



SOCIAL MEDIA



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AS A PARENT, YOU SHOULD BE IN CONTROL OF HOW YOUR CHILD USES THEIR DEVICES

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IT IS NOT THE SCHOOLS RESPONSIBILITY TO SOLVE SOCIAL MEDIA PROBLEMS

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YOUR CHILD IS UNDERAGE AND SHOULD NOT BE ON SOCIAL MEDIA

SOCIAL MEDIA AGE RESTRICTIONS



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OR WITH PARENTAL AGREEMENT TO TERMS AND CONDITIONS, SOME CAN BE ACCESSED AT AN EARLIER AGE.

MI PASTORAL/HAUORA CONTACTS

SCHOOL PH: 09 2668268

NEED SOME SUPPORT AROUND:

- Your own child's wellbeing?
- Your own wellbeing?
- Your whānau wellbeing?
- A food parcel?
- Other domestic issues?

CONTACT ANYONE FROM THE PASTORAL CARE TEAM:

- Deputy Principal: Pastoral Care – Junior Peilua
Email: juniorp@manurewaint.school.nz | Ph Ext: 3095
- Deputy Principal: Rita Brooking– Rita Brooking
Email: rita@manurewaint.school.nz | Ph Ext: 3040
- Social Worker – Shalene Hudson
Email: shaleneh@manurewaint.school.nz | Ph Ext: 3043
- Community Engagement Coordinator/Poutoko Hapori –
Lois Hawley–Simmonds
Email: loishs@manurewaint.school.nz | Ph Ext: 3042

THE MANA CLINIC:

- Nurse – Paula Whyte
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PRINCIPAL

- Iain Taylor
Email: iain@manurewaint.school.nz | Ph Ext: 3086

STUDENT CELL PHONE POLICY



STUDENTS MAY BRING CELL PHONES TO SCHOOL, BUT **HAND THEM IN** AT THE MANNED TABLE IN THE HALL BEFORE SCHOOL STARTS AND COLLECT THEM AT THE END OF THE DAY, FROM THE SAME PLACE.

STUDENTS WHO HAVE THEIR PHONES ON THEM DURING SCHOOL HOURS WILL BE PLACED ON COMMUNITY SERVICE. THEIR PHONE WILL BE CONFISCATED AND IT WILL THEN NEED TO BE COLLECTED BY A PARENT/CAREGIVER.

WE TAKE NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR STOLEN OR LOST PHONES IF THEY DO NOT FOLLOW THIS SIMPLE ROUTINE.



MANUREWA INTERMEDIATE VAPING RULES

Vape devices are strictly prohibited on school grounds, and under no circumstances should they be brought onto the premises. It is illegal in New Zealand for any person(s) under the age of 18 to engage in vaping. Any student(s) found in possession of a vape and/or vaping on school grounds will be dealt with accordingly by the DP: Pastoral Care.

The school will arrange a meeting with the student's whānau to discuss the situation. Additionally, the student(s) will face an immediate 'stand down' period of two school days for the first offense during the term. In the event of a second offense within the same term, the student(s) will be subject to a three-day stand down period. If the same student(s) is caught with a vape and/or vaping for a third time during the term, they will be stood down pending a Board hearing.

We take this matter very seriously, as the health and well-being of our students are our top priority. It is crucial that we maintain a safe and healthy environment on school grounds and abide by the laws and regulations regarding vaping.

Please note that this policy is in effect to ensure the safety and welfare of all students, and we appreciate your cooperation in upholding these guidelines. Let us work together to promote a positive and responsible learning environment for everyone.

NO VAPING or BRINGING A VAPE AT MI!

On Whānau Day at the beginning of the school year Mr Taylor shared with the students and whānau Manurewa Intermediate's No Vaping policy. We have included it in this newsletter to act as a reminder that we take this VERY seriously.

Please read this flyer and understand the consequences that we have in place AND will enforce if students have bought a vape to school or are found vaping.

Thank you for your support with this!

FOR YOUR CHILD'S SAFETY

PLEASE DO NOT CALL YOUR CHILD ACROSS THE ROAD AT THE END OF THE DAY. WE EXPECT OUR STUDENTS TO USE THE PEDESTRIAN CROSSING FOR THEIR OWN SAFETY!

IF WE ARE OUT ON THE FRONT GATE AND WE REMIND YOUR CHILD TO USE THE PEDESTRIAN CROSSING INSTEAD OF RUNNING ACROSS THE ROAD TO GET TO YOU, PLEASE DON'T BE OFFENDED. WE ARE LOOKING AFTER YOUR CHILD'S SAFETY AND WELL-BEING!

YOUR CHILD NEEDS TO STAY AT SCHOOL ALL DAY!

PLEASE DO NOT EXPECT YOUR CHILD TO BE LET OUT OF SCHOOL EARLY. STUDENTS ARE EXPECTED TO STAY AT SCHOOL THE ENTIRE SCHOOL DAY.

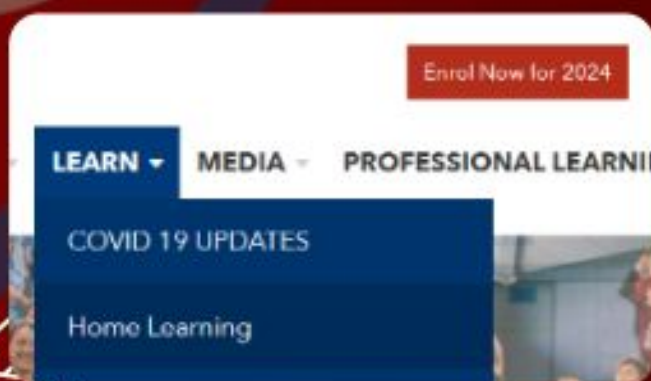
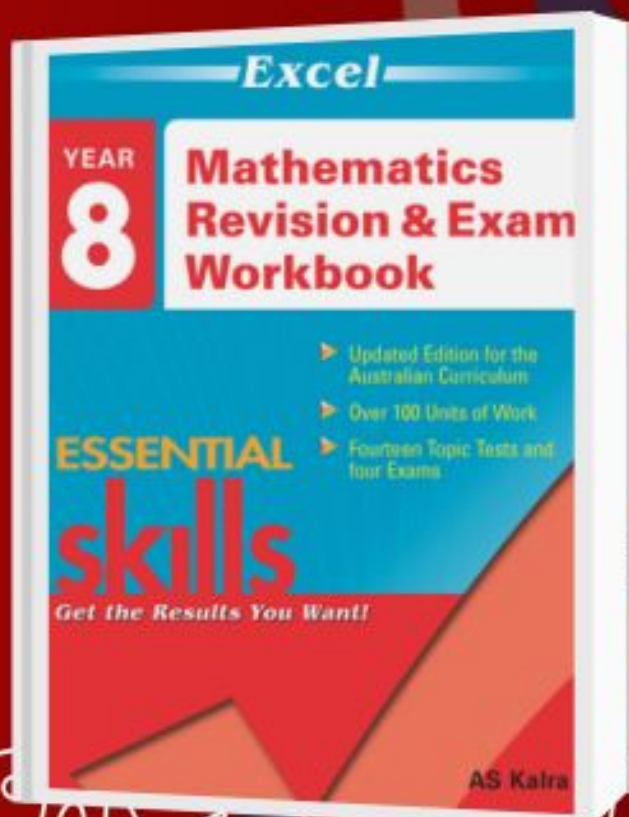
PLEASE DON'T BE OFFENDED IF WE ASK THE REASON WHY YOU WANT TO HAVE YOUR CHILD RELEASED EARLY. COMING TO GET THEM BEFORE THE END OF THE DAY IMPACTS NEGATIVELY ON YOUR CHILD'S LEARNING.

HOMework

We do not give new work to students as home study, however, should they wish to have more work we have some great options:

Purchase
Workbooks

Access our Home
Learning Tab on
our website



COMMUNITY NOTICES

Immunise against Meningococcal Disease

Don't wait – talk to your doctor or nurse

Meningococcal disease can affect anyone.

Babies, children under 5-years-old, teenagers and young adults are at greater risk.

Meningococcal disease is very serious. Get your child immunised.

Talk to your doctor or nurse – even if your child has previously been immunised for meningococcal disease.

For more information about meningococcal immunisation

Call **0800 IMMUNE (0800 466 863)** or check the following websites:

www.immune.org.nz or www.health.govt.nz/dontwait



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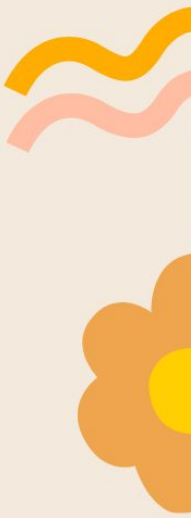
Be protected against Meningococcal disease

Meningococcal disease is a dangerous illness that can kill or cause serious disability. The best way to protect against the disease is to be vaccinated with both the MenB and the MenACWY vaccines.



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NEWS



ANOUNCEMENT !

MANA KIDS CLINIC @
MANUREWA
INTERMEDIATE

Nurse Paula is
here to help!

- ✓ Got a sore throat?
- ✓ Skin infection that won't go away?
- ✓ Need antibiotics but don't want to wait for the doctor?

Call or Text
Paula:

022 139 4769
0800 658 326
(Free)

Open during holidays too!.

You don't need to
see your GP —
Nurse Paula can
help right here
at school!



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The Great MI Word Search



Find the following words in the puzzle.
Words are hidden →, ↓, and ↘.

RESPONSIBILITY
SELF-MANAGEMENT
INDEPENDENCE
COMPETITION
ADVENTUROUS

ACHIEVEMENT
PERSISTENT
CHALLENGE
RISKTAKER
DISCOVER

FOCUSSED
HONESTY
EXPLORE
RISK

I have received and read Newsletter Issue 05/2025

SIGNED: _____ Parent of _____ Room: _____

Whānau, please circle which whānau your child is in and return this to your child’s teacher for your child to gain \$10 MI Money.

