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# KŌWHAI WHĀNAU

PRIDE, PURPOSE, ROAR



TERM ONE VALUES: MANAAKITANGA | RESPECT | COMMUNICATION | ENGAGEMENT & TEAMWORK

## ROOM FOUR CLASS LETTER

Kia ora, Talofa Lava, Malo e lelei, Kia orana, and Welcome!

My name is RaeAnn Gielink, and I have the privilege of being the Form Teacher for the awesome Room Four bunch once again this year. Welcome to all new students, and welcome back to our wonderful Year 8s - I hope you're all ready to smash out 2026!

Term One has so much to be excited about and all of it comes around very quickly! Next week on Wednesday 11 February, we have our first **Night Market**. This is a proud Manurewa Intermediate (MI) tradition, and one in which our class did well with last year. We will be selling food and drinks made and brought in by students and whānau. As always, the most important factor for success at Night Markets is you. If you have any special dishes that you know will fly off the stand, please let me know!

In the first couple of weeks we have Swimming Sports, Mini Athletics, and MI Survival module - this will be the opportunity for students to meet their other teachers in our whānau. After that we will get stuck into Module Three: Risk Taker - Humanities, Math and Science, as well as experiencing their very first two module subjects which will be Performing Arts and X-PLO Tech.

Just a little bit about me - I am from South Africa and moved to New Zealand in 2023. This is my ninth year teaching and my second year at Manurewa Intermediate, I'm really looking forward to the learning, growth, and the connections we'll build together this year. Together we can make this an amazing year for all.

In saying that, I value honesty, integrity and transparency but most of all **RESPECT**. Please ensure students are at school everyday, on time and with the correct attitude ready for learning and fun.

As your child's Form Teacher, I am well placed to support them in all subjects or to ensure you have all the information you need. All of my contact details are at the bottom of this letter - do not hesitate to text, email, or call; the only problems I can't help with are the ones I do not know about.

Ngā mihi



RaeAnn Gielink

Wednesday 4th February  
Term One



**Module 1:**  
MI School Life

**Module 2:**  
MI Survival

**Module 3:**  
Risk Taker - MI Way

**Subject Teachers:**

**Humanities:** Miss Gielink

**Math:** Miss Huang

**Science:** Matua Danny

**PE:** Mr Elazegui

**Performing Arts:** Mr Tanaki

**X-PLO Tech:** Mr Rodriguez

**Form Time Subjects:**

**Hauora:** Graduate Profile

**Monday Magic:** Foundation Basics

**Life Skills:** Civics

**Friday Frenzy:** Languages

**Important Dates:**

6th Feb: Waitangi Day

11th Feb: Night Markets

17th Feb: Swimming Sports

26th Feb: Kowhai Overnight Camp

10th-12th Feb: Leadership Camp

24th-26th Feb: Whānau Leaders Camp

2nd - 5th Mar: Exhibition of Learning

16th Mar (All Week): Uniform Check

31st Mar: Student Involved Conferences

2nd Apr: MI Haka Competition

2nd Apr: Last Day of Term One

**CONTACT ME ON:** [raeanng@manurewaint.school.nz](mailto:raeanng@manurewaint.school.nz); (09) 266 8268 ext: 3004; or 0212252102

### ATTENDANCE:

I expect 100% attendance! Your child must be at school every day. If your child is not able to come to school, make sure to contact me in the morning, preferably before 8:30am. I will be contacting you if your child is away without a valid reason as they can not progress with their learning if they miss school. We want and need your child at school everyday!

### LATES:

School starts at 8:30 am but we encourage students to be here by 8:20 am. Students who are late twice in a week will be placed on lunch time Community Service. If your child is running late please come into the school with them or 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 information. If there are any problems and your child does not have the correct uniform, please send them to school with a note. They can take this to Mr Peilua to receive a uniform pass.