



## Social Workers in Schools Consent Form

**Social Workers in Schools is a free community service that will support your child and family to learn, grow and thrive. We are here to work with you and find ways to support your child. Manurewa Intermediate School provides one Social Worker and Family Works also provide a Social Worker via the Ministry of Social Development, who work directly in partnership with our school.**

This service is for all children and families at Manurewa Intermediate. We focus on working with you to address any issues at an early stage and build on your families/whānau strengths. The earlier we can work with you, the better the outcomes for your child and whānau. So whatever you need help with, please come and talk to us.

**Social Workers in schools have three main roles:**

1. One-to-one work with children and their families/whānau.
2. Provide group programmes which help children and families to succeed.
3. Help families to access community support and networks.

Your teachers, leadership team or community members can all refer you to the Social Worker, but this is a voluntary service. Please ask us how we can help.

**Here are some of the things our Social Workers can support our students with:**

- Social skills, self-esteem and confidence
- Making friends and positive relationships
- Family/whānau relationships • Behavioural concerns
- Advocacy
- Participation in schools
- Transition to new schools
- Referrals to other services

**The contact details for our social worker are:**

Shalene Hudson and Family Works Social Worker

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[shaleneh@manurewaint.school.nz](mailto:shaleneh@manurewaint.school.nz)

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Caregiver's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

I give permission for SWiS Social Worker to work with my child if a need arises while they are enrolled at Manurewa Intermediate:

☐ Yes ☐ No

I consent to my child attending a programme as part of the intervention for my child to support any needs that they may have while they are enrolled at Manurewa Intermediate:

☐ Yes ☐ No

The social worker in schools shall not share or gather information from any other person or group without getting agreement with you first. If there is a need to provide support to your child they will communicate this with you to ensure that you still give your consent for them to do this. The only exception shall be if they consider you or your child to be in danger.

Caregivers Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_