



## MANUREWA INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

*'Adventurous risk takers; persistent focussed achievement'*

17th July 2023

### **Kia ora!**

Welcome back to what promises to be another incredible term of learning opportunities! What an action packed Term 2 we had! Thank you for your continued support during the winter months!

A reminder - our Student Involved Conferences for Term Three are on Tuesday, 8th August - be sure to book your time in with your child's teacher! The letter outlining this has also gone home today. Make sure you ask your child for this!

Let's also keep putting the MI Graduate Profile ideas at the forefront - Respectful, S.U.S.T, Curious, Adventurous, Optimistic, Risk Taker, Communicator, Compassionate.

### **MI Expression**

Our breakout module this term is Module Six - MI Cultural Focus Breakout: UN Show. This is a two week module where form classes will complete a mini-inquiry into a country the teacher and students have chosen. This is an exciting opportunity for students to explore their chosen countries' traditions and cultures and choreograph a performance that reflects the learning they do over the two week module. These shows are on in the third week of this term from 6.30pm - 9pm, Tuesday 1st August for Kowhai and Rimu classes, and Wednesday 2nd August for Kauri and Tawa classes.

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

After what will be an exciting Module 6, we will continue on our MI learners journey with Module 7 - 'Adventurous', starting on Wednesday 2nd August. Through this concept students will be exploring topics around how a good grounding in the academic basics and experiences across a broad curriculum can support them in their life.

### **Hauora, Monday Magic, Life Skills and Friday Frenzy**

Our form class programmes will focus on essential health and life skills that all young people need. In **Hauora**, students will be looking at how we maintain a healthy diet in *Nutrition*. They will also look at the consequences of the food choices we make and how, if they become habits, can have lifelong effects - both positive and negative.

In **Monday Magic**, we will be focussing on *Money Mojo*. Throughout this unit students will compare different ways of paying and receiving payment for goods and services. They will also discuss external factors that can affect peoples' financial choices, for example, advertising, peer pressure. They will learn about concepts such as how to calculate simple interest. And, possibly most importantly, compare differences in saving choices and outcomes between individuals/whānau/groups.

In **Life Skills** this term the focus will be on *First Aid* which means supporting students knowing and understanding how to respond to health crises when no one else is around. This is an important key life skill.

During **Friday Frenzy** we will be focussing on *Media Studies*. For this the focus will specifically be on *Cyber Safety*. We have seen the absolute need for students to be upskilled in this area. Students will be engaged through an online programme called "Our Kids Online - The Informed and Empowered".

### **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: **"Remember how far you've come, not just how far you have to go."**— **Rick Warren**. This quote fits in beautifully with the Graduate Profile theme of Adventurous. We often forget that it's possible to look at our past with love, not ruminating on it but *appreciating* it. We're often so focused on living in the present that we forget to be mindful of where we've been and how far we've come.

### **Learning Opportunities**

Manurewa Intermediate is an amazing place for your child(ren). Talk to your child every night about what they are doing at school and what they are learning. Keep track of deadlines by checking their MI Planner and asking them for notices and newsletters. Ask them about how they are using their devices in Humanities and Mathematics and, for this term, what they have chosen for 'Options' on Thursday afternoons. And as always, if you have any questions or concerns about your child's learning, in the first instance, please contact your child's form teacher.

Yours sincerely

## MODULE 7 - ADVENTUROUS

