

ROOM 33 TERM ONE CLASS NEWSLETTER

Monday 3rd February 2025



Kia ora, Talofa, Kia orana, Malo e lelei, Nǐ hǎo, and Welcome to Team #33.

My name is Craig Innes, your form teacher in Room 33 and also your new PE teacher at Manurewa Intermediate! Before arriving in Aotearoa just a couple of weeks ago I spent three and a half years teaching PE in North East England as well as a stint of coaching Football in Southern California. I am so excited to be starting out in a new school in a new country and I am especially hyped to be leading Team #33 as we look to contribute to a third consecutive win for the Kauri Whānau (it's never been done before!).

I am a huge believer in developing a strong and positive rapport with my class, encouraging every student to build and develop these relationships with their classmates and between everybody in the group. In my previous experiences of running a Form Class I have always viewed my role in a similar light to coaching a sports team, and that will be the same here at Manurewa Intermediate. This means everybody in our class, including myself, pulling in the same direction and achieving greatness and success together! As a PE teacher I have an incredibly competitive streak and this will also shape my philosophy as your child's form teacher with incredibly high expectations that our team will be competitive on all fronts, from sports to Spelling Bee, Night Markets to School Singing. I want to push Team #33 to be amongst the very best in every single department!

For me, 2025 is going to be an adventure, I cannot wait to meet everyone on the first day as we start to prepare for our Night Market and of course MI Survival Camp 2025! I have left my new phone number at the bottom of this letter, please feel free to drop me a message with any questions or even if you just want to say hello!

Thanks,

Craig Innes



SUBJECTS & TEACHERS

Module 1
MI School Life

Module 2
MI Survival Camp

Module 3: Respectful
MI Way

Teachers for the year
Humanities: Ms Brooking
Math: Ms Ikenasio
Science: Matua Kalen
PE: Mr Innes

Module 3 Teachers
Cooking: Mrs Rowney
Music: Mr Simms

Module 3 Form Time Subjects
Hauora: Graduate Profile
Monday Magic: Foundation Basics
Life Skills: Service
Friday Frenzy: Languages

COMING IN HOT 🔥🔥🔥

Night Market

On Wednesday 12 Feb from 4 pm - 6.30 pm we will be fundraising for our Survival Camp in Week Three. 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

Our school-wide Survival Camp takes place from Wednesday 19 - Friday 21 Feb (Week Three) at Motutapu Island. Students will be staying two nights where they will prepare their own food and participate in various activities. Please start to source tents and sleeping bags for your tamariki. We also need at least three parent helpers and two gazebos. If you are able to be a parent helper or have equipment we can borrow please let me know ASAP!

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

WELCOME TO KAURI

Welcome to you all. My name is Rita Brooking and I am your Kauri Whānau Leader for 2025. My goal is to support everyone in our whānau in becoming the very best version of themselves. It takes a village and I am proud to be part of yours.

Ms Brooking - Kauri Whānau Leader

Important Dates

Whānau - for important Term One dates please refer to the 2025 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.

KAURI BIG THREE!

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 twice in a week will be placed on 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 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.