

# KŌWHAI

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

## ROOM 62 CLASS LETTER

Monday 3rd February  
Term 1

Kia ora Whānau and a very warm welcome to another school year! Hopefully everyone has had a very safe and awesome break and is just as excited as I am for the year ahead.

My name is Jayvorn Simmonds (aka "Mr. Simz") and I am very excited to be your child's Form Teacher and Music Teacher for 2025. I am thrilled to be able to work alongside your child and help mould them into the great human beings they are destined to be.

I am of Māori and Cook Island descent. I have spent all my life here in Manurewa, including attending this very Intermediate! I come from a very musical family. I enjoy hanging out with my whānau, playing instruments, and having fun. I have been working in education for five years now, and it is absolutely fabulous to work with such awesome students. I have been at Manurewa Intermediate for four years and it has been an amazing experience so far. I am glad to be continuing my journey this year with you and your child. We have some awesome events and trips to start the term, with the first big event being our Night Market. This will help us raise funds for the following trip, MI Survival Camp. Following camp, all students will be starting Module Three where they will rotate between all their different subject classes, ready for more awesome learning.

I have very high expectations of all of my students and I expect to see full-class participation and respect in all that we do! In Room 62 we are one family and therefore will treat others as we would like to be treated. I have no doubts that you will expect the same for your child and I look forward to working alongside you to achieve this and much more. I will do my absolute best to ensure this remains a positive environment where everyone can vibe and succeed. I am looking forward to meeting all of you formally and can't wait to get to know you all throughout the year!

Jayvorn Simmonds



**Module 1:**  
MI School Life

**Module 2:**  
MI Survival Camp

**Module 3:**  
Respectful

**Subject Teachers:**

**Humanities:** Miss Gielink

**Math:** Miss Misa

**Science:** Mr Talbot

**PE:** Mr Byrne-Hansen

**Sustainable Design:** Miss Henare

**Music:** Mr Simmonds

**Form Time Subjects:**

**Hauora:** Graduate Profile

**Monday Magic:** Foundation Basics

**Life Skills:** Service

**Friday Frenzy:** Languages

**Important Dates:**

**6th Feb:** Waitangi Day

**7th Feb:** Staff Only Day

**11th Feb:** Swimming Sports

**12th Feb:** Night Markets

**24th - 26th Feb:** Survival Camp

**8th April:** Student Involved  
Conferences

**11th April:** Last Day of Term One

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### ATTENDANCE:

I expect 100% attendance! Your child must be at school everyday. 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:

If your child arrives to school after the 8:30am bell, they will be on Community Service at Lunchtime the following day. To avoid this happening, please ensure your child is getting to bed at a decent hour each night so they wake up early and get to school on time.

### 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.

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