

# MANUREWA WEST PRIMARY

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# SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 26th October 2018

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Tena koutou katoa Nga mihi arohanui ki a koe me to whanau Fond greetings to you and your family Kia ora Kia Orana Fakalofa Lahi Atu Shalama Alokhan Talofa Lava Malo e lelei Namaste Talofa ni Annyonghaseyo, Bula

Dear Parents/Caregivers



## **WELCOME TO TERM 4**

A special welcome to new families who have joined us this term.

Term 4 is always a busy term in any school year, where the curriculum strands continue to be delivered through an innovative and integrated approach, and where Student Achievement levels are tested to highlight progress and achievements as well as on-going learning needs. To our 512 students, the Christmas school holidays are still a long 2 months away and there are important learning goals still to be achieved and much still to work hard at. School is a wonderful place to be, especially such a great school as Manurewa West Primary School. However school is really about 'work and play' and we need to remind ourselves that when we work, we work hard and do our best; when we play, we enjoy the opportunities to have fun with our friends and to respect each other in a happy way.

This term's focus is about showcasing the performing Arts! Classes are focussing on myths and legends from around the world and re-enacting them in different ways, such as; mime, acting, drama, instrumental and singing. All classes will perform in our Performing Arts showcase at the end of the term on the 28th November, starting at 6:00pm.

# MARAE VISIT AND BLESSING OF REFRUBISHED CLASSROOMS

Our staff visited the Manurewa Marae during the school holidays. This wonderful professional learning opportunity in enhancing our understanding of te Reo Maori and Tikanga Maori has given us a deeper understanding of the importance of connecting and sustaining the relationship with Mana Whenua through the Manurewa Marae. We are also very grateful to Kaumatua Rangi McLean for spending the morning with us and blessing Block 2 (Rooms 1-4) which has been refurbished as well as the new astro turf and upgraded Fale area. Tena Koe Matua Rangi.

#### **SCHOOL SUN HATS**

Once again we remind parents that Term 4 is a compulsory school hat term. Students not wearing a school hat will be restricted to playing in the designated shaded areas only. School hats can be purchased from the school office for \$15.00.



#### **CONSTRUCTION AT SCHOOL**

We are all extremely excited about the building project of the new 12 classroom block which has begun. The old Junior Block as been demolished, with much excitement, gasps and interest from our students and staff. A huge section of the school is now designated as a construction zone, therefore picking up and dropping off children must be done outside of the school gates. Parents and students must use the footpath at all times as there is a constant flow of construction vehicles through the school carpark.

### **IMPORTANT DATES THIS TERM**

Wednesday 31st October - Bi-Cultural Hui for Room 1&24 parents

Thursday 1st November - New Entrant Parent afternoon tea
Thursday 15th November - School Athletics day/Sausage Sizzle

Friday 23rd November - Year 6 End of Year trip Wednesday 28th November - Performing Arts evening

Tuesday 4th December - Junior School End of Year Prize Giving

Tuesday 11th December - Middle and Senior School End of Year Prize Giving

Friday 14th December - Last day of term 4 at 12:00pm midday

# **OUR SWIS AND HEALTH NURSES TEAM**

As a school, we are very supportive of our families having the opportunity to live and grow as happy, caring and responsible families. Similarly, we encourage health care, hygiene and nutrition practices. We are very fortunate to have some wonderful professionals who work in our school providing Social Services support and Health care (particularly strep throat/Rheumatic fever/skin infections monitoring). Thank you for doing a great job and being a valued part of the Manurewa West Primary School team to:

Arina Unuka (Social Worker in Schools).

Rebecca Nalder (ManaKidz Health Registered Nurse) and Karen Taranaki (ManaKidz Health Whanau Support).



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You may not know what is going to happen when you try, but if you do not try, nothing will happen. Keep trying!!!!!

Nga Mihi Nui

Kogie Naidoo **Acting Principal** 

#### **COMMUNITY NOTICES**

Park Play at Kirton Crescent Reserve. Come and play a different sport or game each Tuesday for the next 3 weeks with the Out and About Team from 3:30pm-4:30pm - lots of fun for everyone!!

Reremoana School Twilight Festival - Friday 30th November. Gold coin entry. Cultural performances, craft stall and food. 5:00pm to 7:30pm.

Free Family Event at Elim Christian Centre, Mahia Rd Manurewa. Bouncy castles, dance party room, games, entertainment, loads of lollies, paid food stalls and much more. Fire work display. Dress Code: Bright and fun clothing. Prizes for best dressed kids and adults. Wednesday 31st October, 5:00-8:00pm.