

MANUREWA WEST PRIMARY

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SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 7th December 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

THANK YOU AND WELL DONE PARENTS/WHANAU

This is the last newsletter for our 2018 school year. We take this opportunity to thank all of our families/whanau who have invested their time and support in your child/children's attendance at school over this year. Your support to your child/ children's education is incredibly important as one thing remains constant: you are your children's learning models. Your attitudes about education can inspire theirs and show them how to take charge of their own educational journey. We would also like to say thank you to all those parents/whanau who so generously give your time to support during field trips, school events and on sports trips and in so many other ways to help make ours a successful school.

WELL DONE MANUREWA WEST PRIMARY SCHOOL STAFF

It is an absolute privilege to be part of our very professional, hardworking and supportive school staff that we have. Manurewa West Primary School staff are widely acknowledged for being very effective and well developed in their practice. Appreciation goes out to each of the school staff members who give their "all" throughout the school year: the support staff and Admin Team whom both students and teachers depend on for a huge variety of duties and who keep the wheels turning every day! Thank you.

A special "thank you" to teachers for the unseen work they do, these are the many hours that they do in addition to their actual classroom teaching time, which often are done outside of their teaching day and take time away from their own families. We salute your willingness to give so much of your personal time for the sake of our children and community. Enjoy the time off which you so richly deserve.

GRATITUDE TO OUR BOARD OF TRUSTEES

To the Board of Trustees for committing to a higher level of governance to our school through support and training this year, along with the many hours spent on the Principal's appointment. We thank them for giving so much of their time and energy to grow and develop as a Board, to make our school to be the place we are all so proud of. Thank you Board of Trustees.

Last Day of Term - Organisation

At 11.30am all students will assemble in the school hall for our final farewell for the year. We remind all families that school closes at **12:00 midday on Friday 14th December 2018.** All children will be released to go home at that time. There will be **no supervision** at all provided by staff upon school closing at that time.

NEW SCHOOL WEBSITE

Our school website App is available for parents to download onto a smartphone or tablet. This App takes you to the school website where you can have easy access to:

- Report absences
- Update personal information e.g. change of phone number/address.
- View Notifications from school e.g. trips/school closures/school events/school newsletter.

STAFF FAREWELLS

We farewell the following permanent staff who will be moving on to new locations and out of the Manurewa area at the end of our school year.

Mrs Raine Terry – who will be moving to live in Whenuapai and will take up a teaching position at Helensville School. Mr Matt Ingham – who will moving to a teaching position at Oteha Valley School.

Mr Scott Woodmass - whose fixed term tenure ends with us.

We thank them for their valuable time and contributions to our school and we wish them the very best in their experiences ahead.

In addition, Mrs Julia Brachi, Associate Principal of the Junior School and Miss Skye McCarthy-Bowen, Teacher Aide, both will be on maternity leave for a year. We wish them well; we hope they enjoy every moment of their baby break. There's no greater joy than being blessed with a baby. Best wishes.

END OF YEAR PRIZE GIVING

Our Junior School Prize Giving held on Wednesday was a huge success. It was wonderful to see so many parents/whanau and extended family attend to support and celebrate in their child/ren's achievements. Congratulations to all our Junior Students for their learning successes this year and well done to those students who received the All Rounder Awards:

Year 1 - Joyous Talitau and Rishi Kumar

Year 2 - Vienna Losia and Kairyn McGee

Junior Xmas Hamper Winners: Inegbenose Ajayi Room 5 and Reggan Budd-Adams Room 13.

<u>Middle/Senior School Prize Giving (Years 3, 4, 5 & 6)</u> will be from 6pm-8:00pm on Tuesday 11th December in the school hall. All students will be expected to be here at 5.30pm to meet in classes to prepare for this event. We would appreciate **ALL** families staying for the whole Prize Giving programme, rather than leave once your child has been presented with their certificate. Please note there will be a Xmas hamper raffle draw at the end (tickets can be purchased at the school office up till Tuesday morning). **ALL WELCOME.**

SCHOOL END OF YEAR REPORTS AND STATIONERY LISTS

We remind all families that school end of year reports and stationery lists will be given out to all students on the last day of school, Friday 14th December. Students must be at school to receive their reports. No reports will be posted out to families/ whanau who are absent on the last day of school. The stationery lists will provide an opportunity for every family to purchase these items before the start of the school year; all these stationery items are available at the Stationery Warehouse. If you should lose your stationery list, these will be available on the School website www.manurewawest.school.nz or collect another from the school office. Accounts for the school donation will be given to your child in term 1, 2019.

REMINDERS

- Lost property collection is considerable and will be disposed of over the school holidays.
- Send back all school readers, library books, sports equipment and other school items please.
- Could we please remind parents to encourage children to practice good Road Safety and insist they cross the road at the McKean Avenue pedestrian crossing. Thank you.
- No parking in the school car park at any time of day
- School starts for students in 2019 on Thursday 31st January. The School Office will be open for new enrolments and enquiries on Tuesday 29th and Wednesday 30th January from 9am to 2pm.

As we prepare ourselves for another Christmas and festive holiday period, please look after each other - be safe, sensible and use lots of common sense e.g. driveway safety; be sun smart; enjoy water safely.

Best wishes are extended to all of our Year 6 departing students, as you soon prepare for your Year 7 learning journey following the school holidays.

Kind regards and a very enjoyable festive season to all.



Kogie Naidoo Acting Principal