



# Manurewa West Primary School

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Dear Parents/Caregivers

Tena koutou katoa

Nga mihi arohanui ki a koe me to whanau

At Manurewa West Primary School there is a culture of high expectations, for all staff, students, whanau/parents and other stakeholders, it is the norm of how “we do things”. We have an expectation of excellence in all aspects of schooling, from recruitment and retention of high quality staff, high standards for achievement, curriculum delivery, behaviour expectations for students, staff and parents and classroom and overall school environment. Students develop self-confidence in their ability to accomplish things as the result of an expectation that we settle for nothing less than the best at all times. High performing school cultures know their responsibilities in maintaining high standards, there is a certain quality associated with the school brand and reputation and as a school we are extremely proud to be such a school. A huge thank you to our students, staff, Board and parents/whanau who collectively make this possible.

## **Book Week**

Thanks to Mr Lee Stewart and his Reading Team’s brilliant organisation, Book Week proved to be a huge success. The week long celebration of reading was filled with interesting activities ranging from a visit by the Kiwi Author Peter Miller, decorating classroom doors based on favourite story books, to shared stories and culminating in the Book Week Parade at last Friday’s assembly. Well done to everyone for getting involved and having a great week celebrating the pleasure of reading books.

Congratulations to our Raffle winners - Nayson Christopher of Room 13 (Juniors); Estria Heta of Room 24 (Middle); and Faye Samupo (Owen Ngaia-Hall) of Room 3 (Seniors).



### **Matariki Celebrations**

There has been lots of wonderful activities timetabled throughout this week to Celebrate Matariki, from art and craft, dancing, cultural games and in class learning about Matariki and sharing of delicious kai with our staff. All of these activities was made possible by our amazing Bi-Cultural Team under the able leadership of Mrs Kohu Tongaawhikau. Nga mihi nui kaiako.



### **Elected Board of Trustees**

The newly elected parent representatives on the Board of Trustees were announced last week. We were extremely fortunate to have 11 had nominations who put their names forward to represent the parent/whanau community of MWPS. This is a reflection of the truly supportive and engaged community we have at our school. Thank you to each of you for your support.

Congratulations to the successful 2019-2022 candidates: Carla Hayes (Chairperson); Aneta Rangirangi; Raewyn Winter; Tumama Tautu; Chad Evans and to the new staff Representative Kohu Tongaawhikau.

### **From the Returning Officer**

637 voting papers were sent out and 49 were received back. We had 7 invalid votes returned - 2 today which is two weeks after the cut-off date of 7<sup>th</sup> June. It would have been nice to have had more voting papers returned and hopefully next time parents and caregivers will try to have a vote. Congratulations to our successful candidates.

Thanking you

Milly Blank – Returning Officer

### **MWPS Construction Learning Journey**

Date : Thursday 4th July 2019

Time: Anytime between 2:00pm-6:00pm

You are invited to come along with your child/children and visit our classrooms to share with your child/children their learning activities; classroom environment; work books and classwork; participate in the construction activities set up in the classroom.

Please note that the Mid Year School Reports will be available for collection from the class teacher during the Learning Journey classroom visit.

### **School Closing Early on Thursday 4th July 2019**

School will finish for all students at 1:00pm on this day for the Learning Journey. Please pick up your child/children from school on time or make arrangements for their care should you not be at home. The Wizard Child Out of School Care will continue as usual. If you need to use this programme, please contact Mary on 2145427 or 02102344428.

“Make your life a masterpiece; imagine no limitations on what you can be, have or do”.

- Brian Tracy

Nga Mihi Nui

Kogie Naidoo  
Principal