



# Manurewa West Primary School

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Dear Parents/Caregivers  
Tena koutou katoa  
Nga mihi arohanui ki a koe me to whanau

A huge thank you to all the families and whanau who attended their child(rens) Student-Parent-Teacher Learning conferences last week. These are valuable opportunities to connect with the teachers and talk about your child(ren)'s progress. It was also a great way to share our new student learning goal book with you and collect whanau voice on how we report to parents/whanau on student achievement. Thank you for taking the time to complete the survey and returning it to school on time. Our school is always keen to capture any feedback and thoughts from our community which allows us to reflect on how best to work alongside our students, whanau and families. At our school assembly this morning as promised, we drew 3 names, one student from each syndicate. The winners of the \$50 meat pack are:

Juniors: Vihaan Kumar Room 5 Middle School: Kraiwish Pradab Room 25 Senior school: Fionamaree Takie Room 22  
Congratulations.

## Diversity Festival

On Tuesday 13th August, the 29 members of MWPS School Choir joined 400 other children at the Vodafone Events Centre for the annual Diversity Festival. As well as the massed choir, there were spectacular cultural performances. We sang a total of 16 songs ranging from all time classics like Do-Re-Mi from The Sound of Music right through to George Ezra's Shotgun. Our wonderful children performed magnificently throughout the months of preparation for this event and the final performance was simply AMAZING! It was a very late night and we would like to thank both the choir and their families for your support and dedication. Thank you to Mr Dilling (Choir Master), Ms Val Fasavalu, Ms Tepuka Joseph and Ms Borabora Joseph for their contribution and hard work with the students.

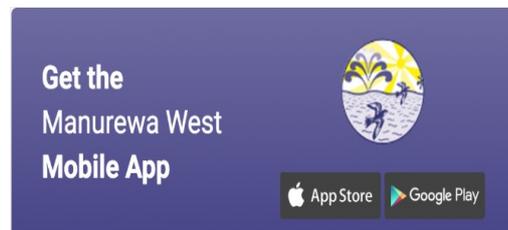


## Reminder

Whanau/Fono craft morning Friday 30<sup>th</sup> August straight after School Assembly in the Literacy Centre. All parents/caregivers welcome.

### **Manurewa West Primary School App**

Our new school app is ready to be downloaded. The app is an easy way to report student absences, order lunches and keep up to date with school events and newsletters. To find the app, go to the bottom of the School website (<https://manurewawest.school.nz/>) and click the download button. If you have the old school app you will need to delete this and download the new one. Remember to allow notifications!



### **Regular School Attendance**

At MWPS there is an ongoing focus on regular school attendance and punctuality. Regular attendance is needed for children to continue learning and improving their literacy, numeracy and other skills they need. It also means they are likely to experience educational success. Therefore regular attendance should be a priority. As always, children learn by example and will take your lead. If you show a relaxed attitude to their going to school, then they will too. Good attendance is rewarded in the following ways:

- ◆ Weekly syndicate class winners for classes with the best attendance for the week.
- ◆ Principal's morning tea for all students with a 100% attendance for the term.

Let's all work together to get our tamariki to school every day - because It's "Cool 2B @ School!"

### **Maths Week**

This week MWPS celebrated Maths Week! To help foster a love for Maths, students participated in a range of games, activities and competitions across the week and had a lot of fun doing it! Check out our competition winners below:

**Lolly Jar Winner:** Grace Wi Neera Rm 6 .

**Dinosaur Hunt Class winners (Juniors):**  
Rooms 13 & Rm 6.

**Number Hunt (Middle/Senior):**

Sally Lamusitele Rm 23, Angelina Panapa Lote Rm12, Destiny Te Retimana Rm 4 and Demetrias King Rm 1.

**Design your class number competition:**

Junior: Madison Reid Rm 9, Zahra Rezai Rm 14 and Nadia McLean Rm 3.

**Daily Riddle winners:**

Junior school Rm 5, Middle school Kauri Takerei Rm 23, Senior school Christopher Ruhi Rm 22.

**Teacher Riddle winner:** Mrs Taylor (Rm 4)

A big congratulations to all our winners and students who gave everything a go this week, no matter how tricky it might have been!



### **Inter-school Netball tournament**

On Tuesday a group of 24 students participated in the MPSSA Netball Tournament held at the Manurewa Netball Centre. 3 teams took part (Year 5 Girls, Year 6 Girls, Year 5/6 Boys) with over 20 other teams competing in a tough competition! The students played hard and achieved some excellent results. All teams placed 4<sup>th</sup> in their respective competitions. Congratulations to all those involved! A big thank you to Mr Rosewarne, Mr Simanu and Mrs Nanai for accompanying the students on the day, and our wonderful parent/whanau volunteers who helped with umpiring on the day. Well done!



"We are what we repeatedly do. Excellence therefore is not an act, but a habit".

- Aristotle

Nga Mihi Nui

Kogie Naidoo  
Principal



On Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> August we celebrated SPCA cupcake day, with our Student Health team baking and decorating 300 cupcakes for sale! All proceeds go to the SPCA to support them in caring for injured and abandoned animals. A big thank you to the Health team for all your hard work in making this event a success, and our families who supported an important school charity by purchasing a cupcake. The School fundraised \$468 for this amazing charity.