

Manurewa High School Newsletter

Principal Mr S V Gargiulo QSO, BSc, Dip.Tchg

July 2015

Dear Parents/Guardians

In July each year the government publishes the statistics of leavers from all schools in New Zealand. This is the most honest measure of the performance of a school.

Details can be found on the following website: <https://educationcounts.govt.nz-Manurewa High School>

Leavers Data Achievement from Education Counts							
	Item	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015 Target	National Average
All	Level 1 or better	80.5%	83.2%	81.8%	85.6%	87%	85.2%
	Level 2 or better	61.6%	70.1%	68.5%	74.2%	76%	74.2%
	Level 3 or better	32.5%	38.5%	38.7%	42.2%	49%	49.0%

The results for Manurewa High School make very good reading. They show:

- a continual improvement every year for the last 4 years
- Manurewa High School now achieving at national average at level 1 and 2

This is a result of the hard work by the school, from students, staff and parents.

Term 3 is the crucial term in achieving the results for this year. The foci for this year are improving:

- the writing skills of students through the Write That Essay resource
- achieving in externals by solid exam preparation including practice and homework

The role of parents is crucial in these areas. Senior reports are being issued in Week 3 of Term 3 this year; we realise students and staff need time to make adjustments and improvements. Also being held this term are the **STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT CONFERENCES** on **Wednesday 23 September** for all parents, Practice examinations commence for students Week 8.

Remember also that every student has been issued a student planner for this term. This should be used to plan and record homework and upcoming important dates.

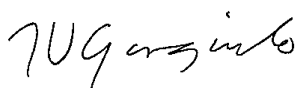
Please support your child during this important term. I am convinced that a crucial factor in our improved results has been the increasing support and guidance from parents.

While there has been improvement in all departments; one department which has led the way is the mathematics department lead by Mr Tony Carey. Mr Carey's contribution to mathematics education in a range of schools and especially at Manurewa High School for the last five years has been recognised by gaining the Jim Campbell Award. There are only 4 or 5 awarded every second year; so it is significant for Mr Carey to gain such prestigious recognition for his leadership in Maths. Congratulations to Mr Carey.

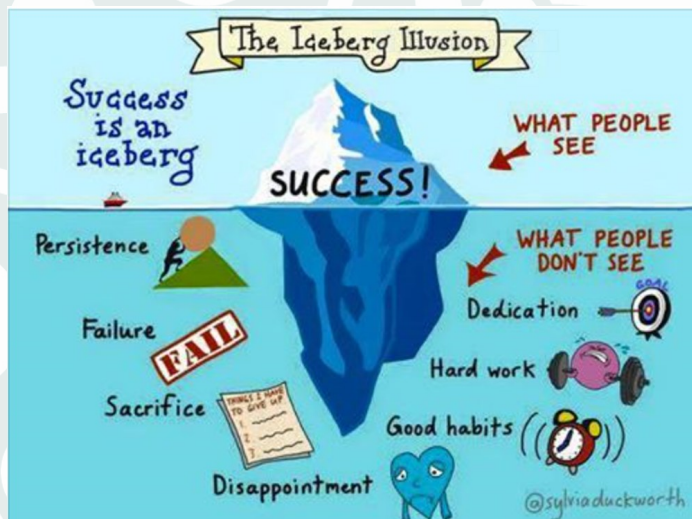
Jim Campbell Mathematics Teacher Awards

These awards are to recognise personal excellence in Primary or Secondary classroom teaching and support given to others in enhancing their classroom teaching. Nominations are called for these awards which recognise excellence in mathematics teaching. They are presented biennially at the NZAMT Conference in September/October.

Regards



S V Gargiulo—Principal



Sporting Achievements

Congratulations to the following students for their outstanding achievement:

- **Kenese Kenese, Potusa Fuilala and Josh Uta**

Selected for the NZ U16 Rugby League Trial Teams, all three boys were also members of the Counties Manukau Stingrays Teams

- **Douglas Manzo**

Won the gold medal in the Oceania Youth U17 85kg Weightlifting

- **Caroline Pickering, Pepe Toleafoa, Muamai Setefano, Ana Mauia, Grace Gago, Genevieve Fidow, Moala Kolo, Kalesita Aso, Gabrielle Tuhua Edwards, Gail Taumafai, Paris Tana Tepania and Aki Piliu**

Selected for the Counties Manukau U18 Women's Rugby team wider training squad

- **Vaimaila Pulotu, Samipeni Finau, Cameron Alanotama, Tavita Kofe-
loa, Kulu Bloomfield, Tua'a Slade, David Slade, Tala Potifara and
Junior Utumapu**

Selected for the Counties Manukau U16 Men's Rugby team wider training squad

- **Tala Potifara, Wanyae Suafo'a and Henry Ape**

Selected for the NZ U17 Youth Volleyball Team

- **Dayna Lowry and Katie Lowry**

Both students competed at the NZ Secondary Schools Orienteering Championships in Nelson. Katie placed 19th in the sprint course and 4th in the long course. Dayna placed 10th in the sprint course and 16th in the long course.

- **Girls 1st XV Rugby**

Won Counties Manukau Regional title for the third consecutive year beating the Wesley College team 31—17.

- **Rugby League 2nd XIII Boys**

Playing in the College Rugby League Bowl Final Wednesday 5 August at Mt Smart Stadium.

- **Rugby**

The following teams in the Counties Manukau Semi Finals—1st XV Boys, 2nd XV Boys, 3rd XV Boys, U15A, U14 Boys Black, with the U15 Green Boys and U14 Red Boys narrowly missing out on the semi finals.

- **Josh Uta**

Selection NZ U16 Maori League

- **Carlos Scanlan and Folomalo Toelupe (pictured right)**

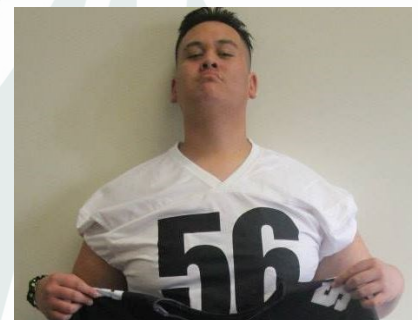
Selected for the NZAAF American Football Team that competed against Australia



Douglas Manzo (pictured right)



Volleyball (pictured left to right) Wanyae Suafo'a, Henry Ape, Tala Potifara



Carlos Scanlan



Folomalo Toelupe

NZQA FEES must be paid *before* 1 September 2015

Students must pay their fees to have the results recorded on their Record of Achievement and to receive certificates.

There are separate *fee structures* for domestic students and international students. *Financial assistance* is available for domestic students to help with the payment of fees.

Basic Fees for 2015 (incl GST):

- Domestic student entry for all NCEA standards and 3 scholarship subjects—\$76.70.
- International student entry to NCEA standards—\$383.30.

The school has no control over fees, we only collect them for NZQA. If you miss this date you will have to pay a late fee of \$50 on top of the standard fee—please do not delay.

If you have a Community Services Card bring it when making the payment to the school Business Centre—this automatically qualifies for a discounted rate.

For information about NZQA fees see: <http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/about-us/our-role/legislation/fees/> or contact Mrs Andrea Bossenger at Manurewa High School on 2690690.



Time is Ticking for the Tool Blacks!

Jacklin Pillay, an ex student from Manurewa High School, will depart on 6 August for Sao Paulo, Brazil with the Tool Blacks where they will meet with over 1200 competitors from around the world. To follow go to [WorldSkills](#)

[International Website](#) and click on the Media Menu.

10 days out from departure, here are Jacklin's thoughts:



Jacklin Pillay—COOKING

I am feeling really nervous but I have a lot of confidence from all the training I have had. I've already got two marks for submitting my order list on time!

My goals are very clear. I just have to do what I have been training for and keep consistent for three days and also not look at what the other competitors are doing.

Manurewa High School invites Parents of 2016 Year 9 students to an

OPENING EVENING—TUESDAY 18 AUGUST 2015

from 6.30pm in the School Hall

to meet with the Principal, Deputy Principals, Staff and Students

Refreshments in the Staffroom at the conclusion
(approximately 8.30pm)

Otago University Innovation Challenge

Mrs Colyer recently took four teams of senior Physics students to represent our school in the Otago University Innovation Challenge competition. In this event different schools compete to firstly grasp a selection of new technologies, and then apply/innovate a few to solve a real world problem in an entrepreneurial manner. Their solution had to be presented to a panel of judges by PowerPoint and had to show true understanding, good feasibility, clear and concise delivery, point of difference as well as a well identified market need. Our teams were:

Affro Affec

Sean Davidson, Rama Martin and Grayson Nicholson

Broton

Arden Infante, Amish Singh and Ryanel Reynon

The Raging Hadron

Lukey Zhou, Ranish Chand and Jessie Chen

Bright Spark

Adam Scott, Hayley Ngo and Kajal Raju

All of our teams had great ideas, and we came away with the Award for the team with the "Best understanding of the Technology" (Affro Affect) and also the award for "Audience choice" (Raging Hadron). Mrs Colyer said she was extremely proud of all the students, for their promptness in meeting for the 7.20am train, their excellent behaviour, neat appearance, enthusiasm and work ethic, overcoming extreme nerves to get up and talk and finally for their creative thinking and solution focused ideas.

It was a pleasure to accompany them, to me they were the best kids in that whole event!

Concert Band trip to Queensland



In July this year we took a touring party of 40 to Brisbane and the Gold Coast. We had 8 days packed full of performances, rehearsals, and fun! We were lucky enough to workshop music with top conductors and played and performed concerts with two of Brisbane's best music schools, this included playing in St Peter's Lutheran Colleges' new multi-million dollar Auditorium. Students also visited Australia Zoo, Dreamworld and the Lone Pine koala Sanctuary. The trip was rounded off with a performance at the Brisbane City Band Festival where the students did themselves and the school proud receiving great feedback and a score of 90%. Congratulations Mr Stanbridge! Special thanks to Mr Muir and Mrs Telford for all the hours of preparation.

Mr Randle—HOLA Music

MANUREWA HIGH SCHOOL CAREERS EXPO 2—4pm Tuesday 4 August 2015

This year we are hosting our Careers Expo during school time in the school hall. Over 50 work and study providers will be in attendance. Senior students – years 11, 12 and 13 – will spend period 5 visiting the expo and gathering information about future opportunities of interest. Year 9 and 10 students will attend normal classes but are invited to visit after school. All parents and caregivers are cordially invited - if you are able to attend we look forward to seeing you there.

Learner Licence—Term 3 classes

Students over 16 years are invited to register for tuition with classes beginning Wednesday 5 August at 8am. Students need to pay \$50 to the Business Centre before this date. They will then be eligible for school sponsorship which pays the remaining cost of a licence. Students must attend a minimum of 4 classes (each Wednesday morning only) and pass a practice test before sitting the real test.

Free Pacific Dance Tuition—Wednesday and Thursdays 3.30—5.30pm

MIT's Faculty of Creative Arts (Davies Ave, Manukau CBD) is hosting four Pacific Dance Artists in Residence – and will be holding free public classes every week for the next two months. High school students, teachers, family and friends of all ages are welcome to take part in these classes. Four artists will be teaching four different dance styles – including Samoan dance with Tupe Lualua, Hawaiian kumu hula with Aruna Po-Ching, Tongan choreography with Sesilia Pusiaki and Pan Pacific drum dancing with Leki Jackson Bourke. To register for this programme or for further information, please contact Annabel Gane in Creative Arts – annabel.gane@manukau.ac.nz or 09 968 8431.

University of Auckland Maori and Pacific Evening—Thursday 30 July 6—8.30pm

The University of Auckland's Equity Office – Te Ara Tautika invites Year 13 Māori and Pacific students and their whānau and families to join us for our Finance Evening on Thursday 30 July at Owen G Glenn Building – OGGB3, level 0, 12 Grafton Road, Auckland City Campus. RSVP <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1MrWaexSNMjYcDunCROIDutHIWXqm6C2WLDqcfFIOxjk/viewform>

University of Auckland Science Future Evening—Thursday 6 August 5.30—7.30pm

This is a *free* evening for students considering studying science at university. Parents are welcome to attend (the Fisher and Paykel Auditorium, Auckland University Business School, 12 Grafton Road, Auckland). Please register at: www.sciencefutures2015.eventbrite.co.nz

University of Otago Information Evening—Monday 24 August 6.30—8.30pm

Parents and potential students are welcome to come and hear what the University of Otago can offer at the Ellerslie Event Centre, Auckland. Find out about life in a residential college – admission, fees, study options, scholarships and costs. All enquiries – Auckland Liaison 3799704 or aucklandliaison@otago.ac.nz

ATT – Discover Plumbing, Gasfitting, Drainlaying and Roofing—Wednesday 26 August 5.30, 6.00 and 6.30pm

at ATT Support Office, Level 2, LG House, 60 Highbrook Drive. Students and parents are invited to find out more about apprenticeships in these trades. Opportunities are available to apply on the night. Please register by Friday 17 August: holly@att.org.nz

TTCF Scholarship

Manurewa High School is making an application to The Trusts Community Foundation for the following Scholarships:



- 2 x Academic Scholarships valued at \$6000 each towards course fees, textbooks and stationery for the first year of university.
- 1 x Non-Degree Scholarship valued at \$5000 towards course fees, textbooks and stationery for the first year of a diploma or registered technical institute course.
- 2 x Youth Development Scholarships for places on the Spirit of Adventure for Year 12 students.

Interested students to apply through the Careers Department.

Leaving School Magazine #4

Y13 students can download the latest Leaving School magazine onto their PC, iPad and other devices by going to: www.leavingschool.co.nz

RECENT STUDENT EXPERIENCES:

FYD Halls Transport visit

After visiting Halls Transport, four of these nine students will be applying for a job opportunity as a store trainee. This job involves gaining a fork-hoist licence, learning about picking orders, working in the chilled and frozen stores, inwards goods and some administration. Apart from these core stores roles they will also be trained in customer service, documentation and health and safety.

Pictured right, front to back: Agnes Ekevati, Caroline Kishore, Julia Mapusua, Siaosi Siafa, William Filo, Mathew Simanu, Lavinia Latu, Christine Leavu.



DCE Experience

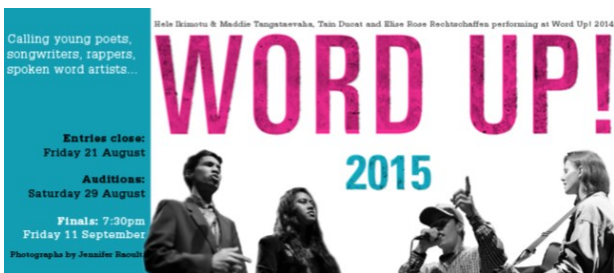
When asked for her impressions of the 4 day Defence Careers Experience she attended last holidays, Khara Weatherall 13TC wrote:

'Some of the activities included—5.30am wake-up, 3.5km run then 6.30am breakfast/Army confidence course in the mud/ Navy ship tour, fire- fighting / Airforce flight simulator. The course was physically demanding, with constant pressure to achieve, but it was very rewarding and satisfying to have accomplished something I never thought I could do.'



GATEWAY:

Past students Kajol Datt and Lesieli Langi (pictured right) are now reaping the rewards from successful completion of their Gateway Programme in 2014 in Office Administration and Customer Service at MIT. They are now both studying the Level 3 Certificate in Contact Centre at MIT and are looking forward to future employment opportunities on completion.



This is a shout out to **YOUNG POETS, RAPPERS, SPOKEN WORD ARTISTS, SONGWRITERS . . .**

If you are aged between 13 and 20 and write your own material in any word-based genre, it's time to show us what you can do.

Word UP! Offers you a platform to perform your work in front of a live, supportive audience, with some great prizes up for grabs.

Winners of Word Up! 2015 will receive:

- A free recording session at Crescendo Studio with David Atai of Nesian Mystik.
- An interview and performance spot live on radio.
- The opportunity to perform at the Going West Poetry Slam.

For more information or to enter go to www.ceac.org.nz



Congratulations to Manurewa High School teacher Jing Hou who married David Chang on Saturday 11 July 2015

Featuring works from Manurewa High School students
SOUTHSIDE YOUTH SHOW @ Papakura Art Gallery

8 August—29 August 2015

Opening Saturday 8 August 10:30am—12:30pm

'CONFLICT' Cassandra Wilkinson



'SNOW WHITE' Lavinia Latu



Upcoming Events

July

30 July—6 August Takasaki/Utsunomiya—
Japanese Exchange Visit
02OED Kokako Lodge

31 July

August

3—5 August Dance Workshop—Seniors
3—8 August Jingmen High School Visit
4 August MHS Careers Expo, 2pm —4pm
5—7 August 02 History—Waiouru
6 August Victoria University Course Planning
7 August Reports issued
8 August Dave Upfold Hypnotist 7pm Hall
10—14 August **Technology Week**
13 August Product Launch, Hall
Y9 BYOD Parents Evening

14 August Maori Language month concludes
02OED Camp
Revolution Tour Presentation, Hall

17—21 August

18 August 2016 Year 9 Open Evening
KBB Music Festival

19—21 August Art Exhibition, Hall
03 Geography—Rotorua
KBB Music Festival

20 August

24 August **BOARD OF TRUSTEE MEETING**
26—27 August Health Expo, Hall
28 August Christian Fellowship Students Rally
31 August Disruption Free Zone

31 August—4 Sept Winter Tournament Week

September

1—10 September Disruption Free Zone
2 September Out of Zone Enrolments close
7—10 September **EXAMS**

9 September Enrolment Ballot drawn
11 September **TEACHER ONLY DAY**
14—18 September Social Sciences Week
17 September Y10 Trade Fair, 11am—4pm
21 September **BOARD OF TRUSTEE MEETING**
23 September **Student Achievement**
Conferences / Options including
Careers Expo

23 Sept—5 October Y12/13 Samoan Language trip

24 Sept—5 October HALP Trip

25 September End of Term 3



Rail Safety Week 2015

10—16 August

EXPECT A TRAIN

KiwiRail and TrackSAFE are asking whanau and caregivers to talk to their children about staying safe around the railway.

Children need to know:

- the new electric trains in Auckland are faster and quieter
- trains can come from both directions at any time, and in quick succession
- to stay alert, remove headphones, look both ways for trains and always wait for the bells and lights to stop before crossing the tracks
- the only safe and legal place to cross tracks is at a designated level crossing
- Check out tracksafe.co.nz for practical tips on how to stay safe around the railway – **there's even a free downloadable simulator – experience being a train driver!**

Organisations supporting Rail Safety Week include KiwiRail, TrackSAFE, Auckland Transport, Transdev Auckland, NZ Transport Agency and the New Zealand Police.

School Health Centre

The Health Centre is staffed by three full time registered nurses—Tracey, Leanne and Paula and is open **8.30am—3.30pm Monday—Friday**. The nurses are an integral part of the Student Support Services and provide a confidential and culturally safe service to all students. Year 9 students have been invited to have a health assessment during the year.

Rheumatic Fever Prevention

In an effort to fight rheumatic fever, a free sore throat clinic is being offered at our school's health clinic. If you have a sore throat, or have had a sore throat, please do not hesitate to call in. The clinic is open **9am—12pm**, thereafter please see the nurses in the Health Centre.

Manurewa High School Guidance

Being a teenager can be pretty tough. Being a parent to one can also be difficult. We are here to support students and their families when the going gets tough. If you are concerned about your young person or they show a sudden change in mood, eating or sleeping, please give us a call on 2690690 ext 295 and speak with Hiltrud Egle. For help in a crisis:

- In an emergency, call 111
- Contact a doctor or your local District Health Board Mental Health Crisis Team, Whirinaki 09 265 4000
- Call Lifeline, 0800 543 354
- Call Youthline, 0800 376 633
- Call Depression Helpline, 0800 111 757
- Call Tautoko, 0508 828 865
- Call Netsafe (text/cyber bullying), 0508 638 723
- www.thelowdown.co.nz or via text 5626

Manurewa High School Our Values		New Zealand Curriculum Values
RESPECT	Be proud of who you are and our school Be responsible for your own behaviour Be sure to look after each other/ourselves/our environment	Respect—for themselves and others Integrity—accountability, acting ethically Care for the environment
EXCELLENCE	Be the best you can be Be aware of what you can be Be proactive and ask for help	Excellence—aiming high, persevering
WHANAUNGATANGA	Be proud of your whakapapa and share with others Be willing to get to know and celebrate others Be willing to work with others	Diversity—culture, language, heritage Equity—fairness and social justice Community and participation for the common good
AKORANGA	Be positive when learning Be adventurous and take risks in your learning Be sure to work at school and at home	Innovation, enquiry and curiosity