

Manurewa High School Newsletter Principal Mr S V Gargiulo QSO, BSc, Dip Tobg

November 2015

Dear Parents/Guardians

As the 2015 school year is reaching a conclusion I reflect on how it has been a very special year in many ways with so many tremendous performances. Over the last few weeks we have held Prizegivings for Arts, Sports, Maori, Year 11 and Year 12. Congratulations to all the students who were recognised in these events. I am in no doubt that 2015 has been one of the best years at Manurewa High School.

It was also great to have past students making contact. An example of this was the recent 90's Alumni reunion initiated by Marcus Winter and Kareem Brown. Alumni were very complementary of the students they met on their visit and of the pizzas produced from the ovens on site. Additional story page 4 of this newsletter.

As a Mathematics teacher, it was great to see four students gaining Distinction and one High Distinction in the Australian Mathematics Competition. This competition is sat by the top Mathematics students throughout New Zealand and Australia. A student must be ranked in the top 2% to gain a High Distinction. Well done Aaron Lew—a great achievement and to do that in the same term as winning the right to represent New Zealand at the World Future Problem Solving competition—shows a lot of talent. Have a go at one of the questions:

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This month involves a combination of:

- Completing work for 2015 including final assessments for NCEA and assessments for Year 9 and Year 10. It is important that junior students take these end of year tests seriously. Staff are writing final reports which will be issued on Tuesday 8 December.
- Preparing for 2016—there is a lot of work being done at present in writing a timetable to best fit in the options that students have selected.

Next year there will be a change to how student leadership will be managed. There has been a prefect system in the school which selected thirty Year 13 students who were given the responsibility of student leadership. The observations are that there are many more students who are keen to and capable of providing student leadership. An example of this has been the large number of students who have become successful mentors.

We have appointed a Head Boy and Head Girl for next year. There will be a range of Councils developed that students can register for. These Councils will provide the opportunity for student leadership. It is an exciting initiative and I look forward to working with Sulani Helg and Niko Moala to spread the opportunities for the many student leaders in the school to contribute.

Wishing you a Merry Christmas and some good times together with friends and family during the break.

Regards

S V Gargiulo **Principal**

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EXCELLENCE



Future Problem Solvers into the world finals



Okesene Fatu, Aimee Lew, Aaron Lew and John Chen (pictured above) came 2nd in the national final (middle school section) ensuring them an invitation to the Future Problem Solvers world finals in the United States to be held at the Michigan State University in June 2016.

The problem they faced was related to Human Enhancement, focusing on therapeutic enhancements such as artificial limbs. The challenge required them to research the topic, communicate their understanding in a formal submission, and then do a dramatic presentation of what they had learned.

They were the only group to be named a finalist for both their submission and their presentation.

Proud principal Salvatore Gargiulo says the students were completely self-directed and distinguished themselves from other schools in their approach. "A lot focused on how to ensure individual access to human enhancements. Our students focused on ensuring shared access for everyone."

Aimee says they enjoyed learning about the topic and the ethics of artificial limbs. "We thought about how enhancements blur the lines between human and inhuman. Some people say that technically, you become a cyborg. We also considered - do you actually need the enhancement, or do you want it?"

Participating in a number of challenges this year, Aimee says the programme has developed her knowledge of the world and current events, and her skills in working under time pressure. It's also helped all of the students to learn to be self-critical and work together as a team. "At the start we were a bit too sensitive towards each other, but once we learned each other's strengths and weaknesses, we really began to work well as a team."

The Future Problem Solving Programme develops critical and creative thinking skills, encourages students to have a vision for the future and prepares them for leadership roles. Manurewa High School has become involved for the first time this year and its success is unique for a school without any experience of the programme. Mr Gargiulo credits both the students and their coach, Glenis Martin, for their achievement.

Careers Update



SCHOLARSHIPS STILL AVAILABLE TO APPLY FOR

AUT South Campus www.aut.ac.nz

AUT South Bachelor of Law (LLB) Scholarship 4 x \$6000; AUT South Bachelor Computer Information Sciences (Women in STEM) 5 x \$6000 for fees; AUT South Certificate of Science & Technology Scholarships (Women in STEM) 5 x \$6000 for fees; Art & Design Undergraduate Excellence Scholarship (AUT South) 5 x \$6000 for tuition fees—all these

scholarships close 1 December.

CROWN Institute of Studies <u>www.crown.ac.nz</u>—Offering 3 potential students \$1000 towards fees— 1 x Business, Hospitality and Travel and Tourism—closes 4 December.

International Travel College google itc scholarships 1 *free* full time course in NZ Certificate Tourism with a strand Aviation Level 3 or strand in Tourism and Travel Level 3 or the first 6 months of Dip Tourism & Travel Management Level 5— closes 7 December.

Queens Academic Group <u>www.queens.ac.nz</u> NZ Diploma Engineering (Electrical) Level 6 a 2 year course covers scholarship and tuition fees—closes 15 January 2016.

Manurewa Rangatahi Youth Scholarships up to max \$2000 for Education, Training or Youth Leadership. Contact Jacqueline Pryor 2625403 Manurewa Local Board Office 7 Hill Road, Manurewa or Jacqueline.pryor@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz - closes 11 December.

STUDY LINK

Year 13 students who plan on tertiary study next year are strongly encouraged to apply for their Student Allowance or Loan by 16 December. Students don't need to have NCEA results or firm plans to apply. More information/apply www.studylink.govt.nz

LEARNERS LICENCES 2015/16

Of the 137 students who sat their learners licence this year, 87% have passed on their first attempt. This subsidized opportunity will be offered next year for students over 16 years—register next February at Careers (classes are held out of school time and limited to 30 students per intake).

2016 SENIOR STUDENTS

NCEA Results

Senior students who require a printed Record of Learning from NZQA must order by logging in to—secure.nzqa.govt.nz/for-learners/records/login.do

Studylink

If you turn 18 during the holidays and are returning to school or have enrolled in a tertiary course for 2016 and are a NZ citizen or resident, you may be eligible to apply for a student allowance, check out www.studylink.govt.nz

GATEWAY

- Chorus Telecommunications—Apprenticeship
- Monarch Sheetmetals Ltd—2 Apprenticeships
- Conslab Concrete—Apprenticeship
- Hauraki Panel & Paint—Apprenticeship (interviewing now)
- Kiwi Roofing —2 Apprenticeships
- Metro Performance Glass—full time/apprenticeship
- Alert Anodising—full time

Manurewa High School Trades Academy Level 2 Construction

During their course at MIT our Trades Academy boys designed, built and installed a children's playground at MIT. The designs were cultural and brightly finished. Miriam Anderson, Manager of the MIT Children's Education Centre was thrilled with the students' work and wishes to pass on everyone's thanks and extreme gratitude for all the work the students have done for the children.



Australian Mathematics Results

High Distinction Aaron Lew

Distinction Kelecia Ma'aSefo-Clark, John Chen, Angel

Aubrey Wihongi and Aimee Lew

Credit Matthew Lay, Rommel Tangonan, Aaron

Mudaliar, Joel Kuklinski, Luke Stainthorpe, Benjamin Tse, Fa'atonu Fa'afili, Abdulrahman Khalaf-Adil Jehad, Alan Khun, Katie Lowry,

Samantha Oh, Dodgson Tan, Amandeep Kaur,

Artist Lisa Reihana visit to MHS

Manurewa High School was very privileged to have multi-media, photography and sculpture artist Lisa Reihana (Nga Puhi) come and talk to the year 12 and 13 art students during Art week 2015.

She discussed with our students her times in art school (1980s), the industry in the past and how it was particularly challenging for Maori and Pasifika people to break through into the field. The likes of *Maori Television, Tangata Pasifika* and several great masters helped to pave the way for Maori and Pasifika people today. Lisa discussed the opportunities that are out there for youth if they want to seize it. She shared with the students how she began and where she is at present.

The students were captivated by her work and discourse. They asked questions that they thought related to their current work, cross-disciplines and future potentiality. Some senior art students had been fortunate to have made a trip to the Auckland Art gallery prior to her visit, in which they saw her work in its full glory. It has been reviewed as a cultural phenomenon – 49,000 visitors— making it the gallery's most popular show by a NZ artist, live or dead, since 1997.



Lisa was impressed with her attentive audience and the questions they asked. Some students were very inspired by this artist talk. Here's hoping that in the future, Lisa Reihana will be able to return to Manurewa High School and discuss this latter art experience with our students.

Showdown

Our 2015 production of High School Musical was entered in the Showdown Awards—an Auckland secondary school production competition. We received the following nominations:

- Lyndal Sekene—nominated Best Female in a Supporting Role for her role as Mrs Darbus
- Allister Salaivao and Mele Ta'e'iloa—nominated for Best Choreographer
- The Cast—nominated for Best Performance by a Chorus
- The Cast—nominated for Best Performed Choreography
- Paul Richardson—nominated for Best Lighting Design

MHS Symphonic Band

A message from Major Graham Medland, Salvation Army National Youth Band Executive Officer...

My wife and I are the Executive Officers of The Salvation Army's National Youth Band. I am writing to express my appreciation and congratulations to your school for the outstanding performance of your Symphonic Band last Saturday evening at The Salvation Army in Mt Wellington. A special thanks also to Blair Stanbridge for helping co-ordinate the concert and to Tim Randle for his amazing support. The combined concert was a huge success and your students were wonderful ambassadors for your school. Please ensure that our appreciation and congratulations is passed on to the relevant people. Thank you again and may God bless you.

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

90s era reunion

A passionate group of around 75 students and staff from the 90s era came together over Labour Weekend for a reunion event organised by alumni Kareem Brown and Marcus Winter.

The pair have become involved in the school in recent years, working with teachers and students. They share not only their experiences as a musician and an artist respectively, they also take the time to develop students' sense of opportunity for the future, and respect for the past. Speaking at the opening night "roll call", Principal Salvatore Gargiulo says this type of connection is important for our students. "We have really capable kids, who often have no idea what they want to do when they leave school."



Salvatore Gargiulo greets the guests at roll call.

He extended an open invitation to alumni to visit, have a coffee in the on-site cafe, and learn more about ways to get involved. "The school may look different, but I'm sure the culture has not changed - people who enjoy life and make the best of what they have."

The first event, on Friday night, included alumni and their families and featured a tribute by Marcus to alumni who have died. It was sad to see so many names. We also showcased the skills of our Hospitality and Catering students, who prepared and served a supper of wood-fired pizzas from our on-site ovens.

On Saturday afternoon, many of the crew gathered in the gymnasium for badminton, basketball and volleyball. It was also a chance to tour the school, and stimulate memories.

On Saturday evening, we partied in the hall, with 90s music by Djwoody and a band of stars, including alumni Waipounamu Silbery, Daniel Te'o and Kareem.

After the event, Kareem told his school-mates: "What an intimate time we had. It was a joy to sit back and watch your kids runamuck on the sports field, seeing how impressed you were with how MHS has evolved as a school to make sure that our youth have every opportunity to make a success of themselves.

"Everyone left with a lot of love and pride, old friendships were rekindled and new friendships were made."



Marcus Winter (Organiser), David Voisey and Kareen Brown (Organiser)

Proceeds from the reunion will go towards the Manurewa High School Business Academy, including an inspirational new building to be constructed in an area near the pool and gymnasium. Alumni <u>John and Leonie Hynds</u>, from the 1960s era, are the driving force behind the development of the academy. "They have been the catalyst for alumni connection to grow," Mr Gargiulo says.

In addition to Kareem and Marcus, we'd like to thank:

- James Djwoody Woods—alumni and awesome supporter of the event.
- Petra Cuming—and all the alumni who bought the sports T's she had created, which raised money for the school.
- The Band!
- Matangaro Paerau—alumni and volunteer photographer.
- Our staff and students in the Hospitality and Catering unit for presenting wood-fired pizzas, professional waiter service, chocolate brownie and watermelon to finish—superb!
- Our caretaker team—for smooth running and a clean finish.
- All the 90s era teachers who were able to attend—it meant so much to the alumni students.
- The 90s alumni—your passion for life is inspiring.





Art into sport

Helping beautify the community, Year 10 students Sonatane Kaufusi, Jasmine Faust, Crystal Laphoukhio and Roanna Ponifasiohave just put the finishing touches on a mural for Gallaher Park.

The giant 8m x 2.5m mural was designed by teachers Krichelle Lord and Adele Whittaker. They also appreciated the support of recent alumni Alexandra Newman and Ebony Komene on the project.

The mural is one of three that will be created on facilities within Gallaher Park, as part of a competition run by the Manukau Beautification Trust. The winning mural will be announced on 5 December.

Junior Exam Timetable—Year 9

Check with your option subject teachers if you have an exam for those subjects—add them to this planner.

Thu-19-Nov	Fri-20-Nov	Mon-23-Nov	Tue-24-Nov
09MAT - A Block			
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Junior Exam Timetable—Year 10

Check with your option subject teachers if you have an exam for those subjects—add them to this planner.

Thu-19-Nov	Fri-20-Nov	Mon-23-Nov	Tue-24-Nov
10SOS - Hall and E Block			
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Head Girl and Head Boy 2016

Congratulations to Sulani Helg and Niko Moala on being named Head Boy and Head Girl for 2016. We anticipate they will be outstanding ambassadors of the school and support to fellow students next year.



Sulani Helg—Head Girl



Niko Moala—Head Boy

Manurewa High School—Award Recipients 2015

Arts Prizegiving

Congratulations to the following award recipients:

Outstanding Contribution to Music Christmas Ale and Moses Taala

Best Senior Maori Artist Jade Bourke

Instep Dance Award Samantha Dearlove

Concert Band Player of the Year Aaron Dormer

Loyalty & Commitment to Concert Band Tessa Dreadon and Dayna Lowry

Contemporary Musician of the Year Finau Fulivai

Excellence in Singing Pera-Maui Jackson
Loyalty and Commitment to the Art Exhibition Amandeep Kaur

Photographyer of the Year Lavinia Latu

Contemporary Artist of the Year Uluaki Lavaka

Musician of the Year Thongchai Manawangphiphat
Outstanding Contribution to Choral Singing Thongchai Manawangphiphat

Outstanding Contribution to Art Aeluna Nissan

Best Choreographer Matthew Pule'anga

Outstanding Work for the Arts Council

Outstanding Dance Performer—all genres

Outstanding Contribution to the Digital Arts

Outstanding Contribution to Drama

Leadership in Dance

Carol Sao

Christian Segi

A J Shirley

Fidel Simanu

Mele Tapueluelu

Musician of the Year

Mele Tapueluelu

Outstanding Contribution to the Performing Arts

Mele Tapueluelu

Entertainer of the Year

Phillip Tele'a

Tommy Tran

Outstanding Contribution to the Creative Arts Cassandra Wilkinson

Outstanding Achievement in Arrangement or Composition Benjimen Yelda

Maori Celebration and Prizegiving

The following students received awards at the Maori Celebration and Prizegiving.

Te Puawaitanga Award Leo Watene

Year 9 Wahine Gemma Herewini Pedersen

Year 9 Tane

Year 10 Wahine
Year 10 Tane

Year 11 Wahine
Year 11 Tane

Kruiz Katene
Paris Daley
Rewi Herewini
Tequilla Moses
Year 11 Tane

Caleb Forster

Year 12 Wahine Ashlin Iehu Moetara

Year 12 Tane Steve Tahere

Year 13 Wahine Savanna Blackburn-Rangitaawa

Year 13 Tane Tamehana Subritzky and Haupeke Brown

Overall Top Maori Wahine Savanna Blackburn-Rangitaawa

Overall Top Maori Tane Caleb Forster

Sports Prizegiving

Individual Gold Medallions

Individual athletes receive these medallions for outstanding achievement and excellence at either a regional, national or international level.

Jermaine Malaga 8th Javelin NZSS Athetics, 3rd NISS Athletics
Kemara Kemara 1st 100m, 3rd 200 Junior Boys NISS Athletics
Xycan Marurai 3rd Hammer Throw Junior Boys NISS Athletics

Isaac Tuala 3rd 100m Junior Boys NISS Athletics

Edward Travers 1st High Jump, 1st Long Jump Junior Boys NISS Athletics

Savanna Blackburn-Rangitaawa 1st All Girl Team New Zealand

Katherine Wijohn and Sarah Wijohn 3rd My All Star Games

Ally Toailoa NZ Football Talent Centre, NZ American Football Federation

Folomalo Toelupe and Carlos Scanlan NZ American Football Federation

Ngata-Korua Kamana-Pou, Rosemary Pokoati, Mathew Tuisovivi NZ Traditional Shotokan Karate Warriors U20s

D J Phillips

NZ U18s and NZSS Rugby League Team

Kenese Kenese

NZ U18s and NZSS Rugby League Team

Michael Saili-Motu NZSS Rugby League Team

Joshua Uta NZ Maoris, NZ Warriors Development, NZSS Rugby League Team

Haupeke Brown, Nanga Iloa, Mua Tuumaialu, Viliami Taulani Chiefs U18s

Dan Maireroa 1st Malaysian Open Taekwondo

Semisi Fanguna Tongan Tennis Team

Henry A'pe, Tala Potifara, Wanyae Suafo'a NZ Volleyball U17 Mens Team

Douglas Manzo Tonga Weightlifting

Team Gold Medallions

Sports teams receive these medallions for outstanding achievement and excellence at either a regional, national or international level.

Football 1st XI Girls 1st Greater Auckland Counties Manukau Senior A Grade

Namisha Chand, Faith Colcord, Tessa Dreadon, Grace Gago, Jewel Harvey, Josie Kingsford, Dayna Lowry, Mikayla Pinn, Alisha Sivan, Ally Toailoa, Leeza Travers, Caitlin Turner, Agnes Wong See, Rita Youab.

Rugby League 1st XIII Boys 5th NZSS Nationals

Uati Aso, Edward Fonoia, Ualesi Fuilala, Potusa Fuilala, Nanga Iloa, Giano Katipa, Kenese Kenese, Junior L Tutagalevao, Kiani Marshall, Niko Moala, Reuben Peaufi, D J Philips, Sitaleki Pohahau, Tahyler Paora, Michael S Motu, Amalani Selu, Pati Tuilagi, Polevia Tuilagi, Denzel Tutakitoa, John Tusiane, Josh Uta, Waitangi Vimahi

Rugby 7s Girls 1st Counties Manukau

Kalesita Aso, Grace Gago, Jade Hoera, Anasetasia Mauia, Drew Ofanoa, Caroline Pickering, Feofa'aki Piliu, Tiana Quedley, Natasha Lata, Pearl Rhind, Pepe Toleafoa

Rugby 7s Boys 1st Counties Manukau

Haupeke Brown, Alamoti Funaki, Nanga Iloa, Kaybe Kaufusi, Taufa Latu, Dan Maireroa, Niko Moala, Tala Potifara, Braydon Ryland Birch, Miracle Savea, Viliami Taulani, Fatai Tuitavuki

Rugby 1st Xv Girls 1st Counties Manukau

Kalesita Aso, Genevieve Fidow, Lusia Fon

Sports Blues Awards

Haupeke Brown—Rugby Union, Dayna Lowry—Orienteering, Dan Maireroa—Waekwondo, Sione Mateialona—Waka Ama, Mua Tuumaialu—Rugby Union and Volleyball.

Special Sports Awards

Manager of the Year—Claire Hunter; Coach of the Year—Deon Wagner; Most Outstanding Performance in any Sport—Josh Uta; Outstanding Service and Contribution to Sport—Drew Ofanoa, Outstanding Sportsmanship, Consistency and Team Work—Ally Toailoa.

Sports Girls of the Year Sports Boy the the Year

Year 9	Keziah Sembrano	Year 9	Dominic George-Wallace
Year 10	Breeze Toia	Year 10	Osaiasi Langi
Year 11	Katie Lowry	Year 11	Junior Utumapu
Year 12	Grace Gago	Year 12	Uati Aso
Year 13	Dayna Lowry	Year 13	Dan Maireroa

UPCOMING EVENTS

November

9—26 November Disruption Free Zone 20 and 23 November Y8 Familiarisation Days

23 November BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
26 November Friends of the School—Thank You Event\

27 November TEACHER ONLY DAY

December

1—4 December
2—4 December
7 December
Y10 Camp—Tawharanui
REWAlise your passion
Y13 Prizegiving, 7pm

8 December Y13 Leaver's Dinner, 6.30—11pm

Junior Reports Issued Y10 Prizegiving, 9.45am

Y10 Dismissed approximately11am

Y9 Prizegiving, 12.00pm

Y9 Dismissed approximately 1.15pm

9 December TEACHER ONLY DAY

10 December Staff Farewells

TERMS AND HOLIDAYS 2016

Term 1 Tuesday 26 January—Friday 15 April

Monday 25 January Staff new to the school

Tuesday 26 January Staff Only Day

Foundation Youth Development Training

Wednesday 27 January Staff Only Day

Foundation Youth Development Training

Thursday 28 January Course Confirmation Day 1
Friday 29 January Course Confirmation Day 2
Monday 1 February Auckland Anniversary Day

Tuesday 2 February 2015 Start Dates:

Year 12 9.00am Year 9 11.00am Year 13 1.00pm Year 10 9.00am

Wednesday 3 February Year 10 9.00am Year 11 11.30am

Thursday 4 February Whanau Day (students must attend school)

Monday 8 February Waitangi Day
Friday 25 March Good Friday
Monday 28 March Easter Monday
Tuesday 29 March Easter Tuesday
Term 2 Monday 2 May—Friday 8 July
Monday 6 June Queen's Birthday

Term 3 Monday 25 July—Friday 23 September

Friday 9 September Staff Only Day

Term 4 Monday 10 October—Wednesday 7 December

Monday 24 October Labour Day

The CANTEEN will close Friday 4 December 2015 and re-open 2 February 2016



OLD mobile phones

It's that time again to rummage around and bring into school any unwanted mobile phones you may have at home. It is estimated that each year up to three million phones become obsolete in New Zealand, of those only 2% are recycled.

Phones collected help Manurewa High School gain valuable rewards and the

environment benefits as well keeping our landfills free these phones and their array of hazardous toxic substances. Please drop any unwanted mobile phones you may have in the collection box at the school Business Centre.

All Library books now on loan are due back by 1 December **SUMMER READING PROGRAMME**

Schools have an important role in keeping students reading over the summer holidays to help prevent the 'summer slide'.

The 'summer slide' or 'summer slump' is the decline in reading achievement some students experience, after being away from school over the long summer holiday.

Library will issue books for the Summer Reading Programme on 7 and 8 December 2015. These books will be expected back the first week of school 2016.

School Health Centre

The Health Centre is staffed by three full time registered nurses—Tracey, Leanne and Paula. 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.

Rheumatic Fever Prevention

In an effort to fight rheumatic fever, a free sore throat clinic is being offered at our school's health clinic. Students who have a sore throat, or have had a sore throat, can call in to the clinic. Hours are <code>9am—12pm</code>, thereafter please see the nurses @ Health Centre.

Manurewa High	h 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