



# Manurewa High School

*Piki atu ki te rangi*

May 2017

Kia ora parents and caregivers

Thank you to everyone who attended the recent Student Achievement Conferences. We know how important the feedback and feedforward between student, whanau and kaitiaki is to the achievement of our students. If you were not able to make it for any reason please arrange a suitable time as soon as possible. The school reports and conversations you had will assist you in knowing what needs to be done by your child for the rest of the term ahead.

To offer further support to students the school has established a homework club which is open every weekday before and after school in the school library. Please encourage your child to attend if they want an alternative place to study.

Assessment week commences Thursday 25 May for Year 11, 12 and 13 students. Timetables come out next week and full attendance is crucial as many students have the opportunity to gain 15-30 credits over the 6 days of assessments. Year 9 and 10 students remain on their usual timetable.

There are many great articles in the newsletter but I just want to draw your attention to a few; Namisha Chand, successful in her application to attend the London International Youth Science Forum in July 2017, the story on Seven Sharp profiling our school band, The Melodies as part of May Music Month and our Future Problem Solving Team off to compete at International level in the United States in June – acknowledgment and a special thank you to John Hynds and EY who’s more than generous sponsorship has made this trip possible.

Our student leadership community council has recently profiled our student leadership team in a series of posts on their facebook page. Click the link below to read about these impressive students.

[https://www.facebook.com/ManurewaHighCommunityCouncil/?hc\\_ref=PAGES\\_TIMELINE&fref=nf](https://www.facebook.com/ManurewaHighCommunityCouncil/?hc_ref=PAGES_TIMELINE&fref=nf)

Good luck to all the students and staff involved in the many winter sports starting in the weeks ahead. I look forward to welcoming our many parent supporters into the school over the course of the term.

Nga mihi nui

**Pete Jones**  
PRINCIPAL

Value	Characteristics
<b>RESPECT</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Yourself</li> <li>● Others</li> <li>● Environment</li> </ul>
<b>EXCELLENCE</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Be the best you can be (aim high)</li> <li>● Be a positive leader</li> <li>● Set yourself SMART goals</li> </ul>
<b>WHANAUNGATANGA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Be proud of your culture</li> <li>● Work with each other</li> <li>● Look after each other</li> </ul>
<b>AKORANGA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Manage my own learning</li> <li>● Manage my own behaviour</li> <li>● Learn to be independent</li> </ul>

**Respect | Excellence | Whanaungatanga | Akoranga**

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## Student Achievements & Activities

### Namisha Chand (13 KJH) to attend London International Youth Science Forum



Namisha has broken a 20 year drought! We have tried for 20 years to get a student into this event the standard is extremely high and only 6 students from New Zealand are invited.

The trip runs from July 26<sup>th</sup> to August 9<sup>th</sup> and is held at the Imperial College in London. Namisha has been awarded funding to attend and represent both New Zealand and our school. After the event she will fly to Geneva to continue the trip with a visit to CERN.

Namisha will be exposed to world leaders in the Sciences, and investigate cutting edge technologies. She will visit industrial sites, attend lectures, go into research centres and scientific institutes as well as take part in workshops on Science ethics and communication, not to mention debates. Time has also been set aside for formal dinners, museum trips, opening and closing parties, fashion and cultural evenings as well as traditional London tourist outings, including the London Eye, Tower of London and Stonehenge.

We are very proud of Namisha and we know she will do us proud. This trip is the start of big things to come for this young lady of boundless potential!

### Street Dance New Zealand

It was another successful year at the Street Dance New Zealand Mega School competition in the holidays. Our team of 37 dancers, the 'Rewa All Stars', led by Matthew Pule'anga and Gloria Papali'i spent hours and hours choreographing, rehearsing and piecing together a routine for the competition. This year's theme was 'Stars In Their Eyes', highlighting some of their favourite



Pop Icons who have passed like Whitney Houston, Bob Marley and Michael Jackson.

Our team represented our school to the very best and demonstrated the REWA way both on stage on and off. They came away with 2<sup>nd</sup> place out of 14 schools and were awarded the Most Original Performance. We must also acknowledge our students who competed in the Varsity, Adults and Mega Crew divisions with their respective crews – Gloria Papali'i and Houston Maaka in Brady XL, Keith Fata and Arvic Gonzales in Projekt Team. And lastly, a huge congratulations to Marquise Rogers from Identity Dance Company, placing 3<sup>rd</sup> in both the Varsity and Mega Crew divisions and Sage Minarapa and Matthew Pule'anga from Prestige Dance Crew who placed 1<sup>st</sup> in the Adults divisions. These 3 students will be representing New Zealand in Phoenix, Arizona for the World Hip Hop Championships. Thank you to everyone who supported and helped our team, we appreciate it!

### Poetry that is finger-clicking good

*(A Spoken Word audience shows its respect for a line of poetry not by clapping, but by clicking fingers)*

Liam Jacobsen, a Manurewa local who is one of Auckland's top Spoken Word performers, shared his talent and tactics at school recently. He spoke to a group of like-minded students, encouraging them to harness the truth of themselves and express it through

their poetry performance. The Spoken Word poetry group is being nurtured by teacher Mrs Penny Bradford. Opportunities include guest poet events in school and slam competitions.

Three students recently performed in the Frontline poetry slam, sharing their skills with poets from South Auckland schools. They were first up at the event – not the easiest place to be - and got great crowd support for their performances. In turn, they stayed for the entire event to support the performers from other schools, and were treated to some very impressive Spoken Word.



John Chen, Joshua Simpson and Fateh Singh At the Frontline poetry slam

### Music News

We are very proud to share that one of our school bands, The Melodies, was profiled by Mike Chun as part of NZ Music Month and their song aired on Seven Sharp last week. The Melodies comprises Jayden Harper 10 ALR Devoe 10ALR, Jeffery Siliva 11TRD and Jessie Siliva 11PFE who are aged just 14 and 15. The budding musicians have written a very personal song about a family tragedy. You can view the Seven Sharp video here [https://www.facebook.com/playitstrangeposts/1565065160203765?hc\\_location=ufi](https://www.facebook.com/playitstrangeposts/1565065160203765?hc_location=ufi)

We received very positive feedback from Carolyn Robinson of TVNZ about how staff in the edit suite were impressed with the song and commented "those boys should be very proud". We as a school are very proud – well done Jayden, Jeffery and Jessie!

TVNZ have also received so much feedback from the public after the song screened that they shared this stand out comment;

*My family and I simply love those 3 young men, The Melodies. One of my (3) daughters rang me yesterday, she'd just lost a close friend who could no longer face life. Your program has provided a small amount of solace from these humble and talented young men, by the strength of their words and love. As a Dad of 3 lovely daughters, 2 of whom face a daily battle with Depression and anxiety, this song is like a ray of sunlight. The humble cadence of these young men is a powerful thing and I wish them every success. May their hearts grow stronger, and in doing so, provide some warmth and hope with their talent.*



From left to right Jeffery Siliva, Jayden Harper Devoe, Jessie Siliva, centre front Mike Chun

## Mission accomplished!

### Future Problem Solving team fundraising target reached

We are very proud and excited for the upcoming Future Problem Solving International event in the United States in June.

Our team of Year 11 students - John Chen, Okesene Fatu, Aaron Lew and Aimee Lew - are competing at the Internationals for the second year in a row. They came 14<sup>th</sup> last year, solving problems related to Energy of the Future. This year the problem set is on Biosecurity.



The team will travel to the University of Wisconsin at La Crosse with the significant support of the Hynds family, and business consultancy EY. The students have given back to their sponsors by attending their workplaces and giving presentations to their staff. This has helped staff understand how their employers have helped to support success in our school.

The students have also raised money themselves for the journey through the donation of Royal Society prize money received after winning the national competition. They also ran raffles, including a food basket donated by Nestle.



John, Okesene, Aaron, and Aimee at EY with Tori Sullivan from EY and Aaron Hynds from Hynds Pipe Systems

## Supporters gather round our 1<sup>st</sup> XV

Our 1<sup>st</sup> XV rugby team has set out this season to contribute to leadership for the school, on and off the field.

Coach Bruno Watkins says team members came up with their own goals for the season. These are:

- Earn the respect of others (peers, school, and community) by living our school values
- Win the Rainbows End Cup 2017
- To qualify for Co-Ed Nationals 2017

The team created its own 1<sup>st</sup> XV rugby version of the REWA values identified as being important to achieving their goals for the season. As part of Whanaungatanga value, the team has decided to help out in the community throughout the year where possible.

The first project is to help out each day at Breakfast Club, supporting the staff as needed, and being available to students who come to the club for food and friendship.

For the team's first game against Hamilton Boys, we hosted alumni and businesses at an event with the Manurewa High School Business Academy. Pictured in the photo are alumni guests John Hynds (school board trustee and chair of the Business Academy board), Wayne Kevey and Joy Richardson (Calway).

The team welcomes the support of sponsor Rapid Rentals (the McCall family), and Ward Demolition (Nicky and Tony Johnson).

We would love to see our team continue to be well supported, especially at home games. The schedule is available on our website: <http://bit.ly/2r5MeOp>



## eManurewa

### Mauri Ora Whaanau

With the integration of devices in to the Year 9 classrooms here at Manurewa High School, I would just like to take the time to thank all of our whanau for making this possible. Without your support, something like this would not have been able to happen. Later on in Term 3, we will be hosting 'Parent ICT' nights aimed at upskilling parents with technology and parent courses on how to manage this new environment.

Just a reminder about checking your child's device regularly and reporting any damage or issues to the school quickly so that the right process can happen quickly.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

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## University Overview visits for interested YR 13 students

Last week we hosted liaison speakers representing AUT, Auckland and Waikato Universities to give our Year 13 students an insight on what each university has to offer any applicants for 2018. Ninety students attended AUT, 112 Auckland and 38 Waikato. The presentations included information on entry requirements, courses, student life, scholarships, accommodation and applicable closing dates. Pending overviews to be given next week are by MIT, Unitec, Massey, Victoria and Otago Universities. Following these visits, students can register now at Careers for course planning and help with their applications occurring 26 June until 8 August when all these providers will return to assist our students.

We encourage all students and caregivers/parents to join our MHCareers facebook page where the latest updates advertising student opportunities are posted each day. Follow this link: <https://www.facebook.comMHCareers/>

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**MANUREWA HIGH SCHOOL**  
**HOMEWORK CENTRE**  
**RESPECT EXCELLENCE**  
**YOU FOR ALL STUDENTS:** *To provide an alternative learning environment for our students to do school work*  
**IN THE LIBRARY WITH MR WILSON**  
 Mon-Thu 3:15-5:15  
 Fri 2:30-4:30  
 Mornings 7:30-8:30  
**WHANAUNGATANGA AKORANGA**

**MANUREWA HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT LEADERSHIP**  
**LIST OF COUNCILS:**  
 ARTS, CATERING, COMMUNITY, DIVERSITY, EVENTS, ENVIRONMENTAL, FUTURE PATWAYS, MEDIA, MULTICULTURAL, PACIFIKA, SPORTS, WELL-BEING, WHANAU.  
 If you would like to be a leader of a council for 2018 you must submit an application at the end of Term 3 2017. This will be advertised closer to the date.  
 If you would like to be involved this year, you can become a member of a council and support the initiatives that they are running.  
 For more information contact: Mr Watkins  
 Email: [wt@manurewa.school.nz](mailto:wt@manurewa.school.nz)

## Launch of Ignition at MHS.

Ignition MHS was founded in 2017 with the support of the Manurewa High School Business Academy and the University of Auckland Business School.

Ignition MHS unites all learning areas to unleash the creative, entrepreneurial potential of Manurewa High School students. Working in teams across Year levels and the curriculum, students learn and grow through the experience of creating enterprise.

The initiative draws on the methodology of the University's hugely successful Velocity programme. It allows all students - not just those studying Commerce and Business - to enjoy the

experience of creating an enterprise. Through this they can express their creativity, develop organisational skills, and connect with the business world outside of school. All of this will greatly assist them with their future pathways, whether that is employment, further education, or running their own business. The intention is that students from the 2017 programme will be the organisers of the programme in 2018.

The Business Academy and the Business School formed a partnership in 2016 that provides a wide range of opportunities. This includes access to learning experiences for both our students and our staff. There are also three full scholarships available to study at the Business School.

### Student Absentees

Parents/Caregivers should call 0800 102 132 as soon as possible on the day of absence .

They should leave student id number, students name, parent/caregivers name and contact number and the reason for absence.

**PINK SHIRT DAY '17**

**Friday 26 May**

Mental Health Foundation  
mauri tū, mauri ora OF NEW ZEALAND

**SPEAK UP**  
*Stand together*  
**STOP BULLYING**

The school is participating in the Mental Health Foundations Pink Shirt Day on Friday 26 May. The day is celebrated annually and is about working together to stop bullying by celebrating diversity and promoting positive social relationships.

Bullying is a significant problem for New Zealand's young people and can have serious and ongoing impacts on mental health and wellbeing. Some groups, such as LGBTI (lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex) young people, experience much higher rates of bullying.

By getting involved, you can help make our school a place where all young people feel safe, valued and respected regardless of age, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, ability or cultural background. Wear something Pink or the official promotional T-Shirt on the day and bring a gold coin donation.

Watch a Pink Shirt Day **video** to hear from just a few of the many champions who were involved last year, and see what they did and why.

### Assessment Week 25 May – 1 June

Assessment week commences Thursday 25 May for Year 11, 12 and 13 students only.

From Thursday 25 May till Thursday 1 June senior students have one full day in class for each subject they take. During this time they will be completing practicals, fieldtrips and internal assessments, so full attendance is crucial for their learning and NCEA credits.

All students will have been given their assessment week timetable on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> May and should be having conversations with their subject teachers as to what assessments or activities they will be completing during this time.

Year 9 and Year 10 students will remain on their usual timetable.

### Transition Expo 2017

Hosted by Disability Connect & Ministry of Social Development (MSD)

**disability connect.**

Disability Connect are delighted to announce the Transition Expo (the progression from school to community life) will be held 8<sup>th</sup> August 2017 from 9am-2pm at Mt Eden War Memorial Road. This stallholder event is free to attend and showcases the various providers involved in post schooling options for a school leaver with a disability (including Transition Coordinators, Vocational Programmes, Tertiary Institutions and a raft of sport/leisure/recreation and information providers).

- **Free entry**
- **Plenty of street parking**
- **Fully accessible venue**
- **Information pack given to each family**

**Coffee van and bakery stall for purchase of refreshments – bring along plenty of \$1 and \$2 coins to make purchasing easy**

When: Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> August 2017

Where: Mt. Eden War Memorial Hall, 489 Dominion Road, Mt. Eden, Auckland

Time: 9.00am – 2.00pm

**Although this Expo is aimed at ORS funded students, all students with a disability and those involved in the disability sector would benefit from information available on the day.**

Please contact Disability Connect for further information on phone (09) 636-0351 or email [admin@disabilityconnect.org.nz](mailto:admin@disabilityconnect.org.nz)

### Thank You For Attending Student Achievement Conferences 2017



## UPCOMING EVENTS

### May

22 May	EOTC & Effective Safety Management
23 May	Dragons Den
24 May	APO– Vivaldi’s Four Seasons
<b>25– 31 May</b>	<b>ASSESSMENTS</b>

### June

<b>1 June</b>	<b>ASSESSMENTS</b>
<b>2 June</b>	<b>STAFF ONLY DAY</b>
3 June	First XV Premier Game-Rosehill vs MHS, Rosehill College
3– 14 June	Future Problem Solving International Conference, USA
5 June	<b>QUEENS BIRTHDAY – Holiday</b>
9 June	Teach First Clinic, Y9 Mentoring Session
10 June	First XV Premier—Te Awamutu College vs MHS, MHS Field
11 June	Rockquest Solo/ Duo
16 June	Y9 Mentoring Session
17 June	First XV Premier—James Cook High vs MHS
23 June	Student Leadership HUI, Y9 Mentoring Session
24 June	First XV Premier—Pukekohe HS vs MHS, MHS Field
30 June	Y9 Mentoring Session

## TERM DATES

<b>Term 1</b>	Wednesday 25 January—Thursday 13 April
<b>Term 2</b>	Monday 1 May—Friday 7 July
<b>Term 3</b>	Monday 24 July—Friday 29 September
<b>Term 4</b>	Monday 16 October—Friday 8 December

## Guidance—Student Services

### 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.

### Fight Rheumatic Fever

*Kia ora, Talofa lava, Kia orana, Malo e lelei, Fakaalofa lahi atu, Bula vinaka, Namaste, Malo ni, Fakatalofa atu*

Manurewa High School Health Centre runs a *free* sore throat Clinic. If a student has a sore throat, they are advised to come and be checked for ‘strep throat’, which untreated can lead to rheumatic fever and rheumatic heart disease. If your Tamariki have a sore throat, encourage them to see the School Nurse for a throat swab— all swabs and medication are *free*. Medication will only be given to your child if you have agreed to it. The nurse will also tell your Doctor if your child is given antibiotics to take.

If you DO NOT want your Tamariki to have a throat swab taken at school, please phone the School Nurse on 269 0690 Ext 205.

### 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 call on 09 2690690 extension 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](http://www.thelowdown.co.nz) or via text 5626

## Manurewa High School 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



### Excellence

Be the best you can be  
Be aware of what you can be  
Be proactive and ask for help



### 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



### Akoranga

Be positive when learning  
Be adventurous and take risks in your learning  
Be sure to work at school and at home

## We need your support

Students should be well presented and wear the correct uniform with pride. If you struggle to purchase warmer uniform items required during these cooler months, the school and/or other services may be able to assist. Please contact your Whanau Leader or Student Support Services.

Regular attendance at school is a key factor supporting student achievement. Please assist us to ensure, whenever possible, your children attend school every day.

Spectator/Side Line Behaviour—Please support all our teams, individuals, opponents, referees and officials in a positive manner. Abuse and negative connotations will not be tolerated. Demonstrate your support in the true spirit of sport and competition whilst upholding our School Values.

Encourage and support your child to study/research during the term break. The two weeks presents an ideal opportunity to catch up on uncompleted work and prepare for next term.