



Manurewa High Business Academy celebrates

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The inspiration to establish the Manurewa High Business Academy followed the success of the Young Enterprise group, Caring and Co, and their dedicated Business teacher, Emma O’Riordan, in the 2012 Young Enterprise national competition. A group of businesspeople, led by Manurewa High School alumni John and Leonie Hynds, began collaborative discussions with the school leadership and Board of Trustees. It led to the establishment of the Manurewa High Business Academy Foundation Trust in 2015.

2012 Young Enterprise Company of the Year, Maaori Business of the Year, CEO of the Year.





From left: Hillary Sumpter, Caroline Casey, Frank Solomon, Mark Bentley, David Irving, Terry Shubkin. Front: Salvatore Gargiulo & John Hynds.

In the early years, John Hynds and a founding group of trustees were inspired to support the development of an iconic building. This would be a place to support the mission of the Business Academy - which is to transform the lives of MHS students, and through them their families and community, by connecting students, alumni, business and tertiary educators through partnerships.

Milestones and successes

2012

Young Enterprise Company of the Year, Maaori Business of the Year, CEO of the Year.

Vision for the MHBA articulated to awaken the courage, creativity and perseverance that will drive the businesses of the future by John Hynds, Barry Spicer, former Dean of the University of Auckland Business School, and Mark Bentley, Director of Development for the University of Auckland

2013

Focus on "PLACE" - Design and capital campaign proposal for an iconic building that would inspire continuing programme performance in Young Enterprise and Commerce studies.

Ohu Honey wins two national awards in Young Enterprise.

2014

Black Bulb Co wins the Business and Enterprise Award in the Prime Minister's Pacific Youth Awards, and is selected for the Young Enterprise "Venture Up" (business accelerator) programme.

2015

Manurewa High Business Academy Foundation Trust established by founding trustees:

- John Hynds (founding chair)
- Mark Bentley
- Caroline Casey
- Salvatore Gargiulo (Principal)
- David Irving
- Terry Shubkin
- Stephen Smith (BOT Chair)
- Frank Solomon
- Hilary Sumpter

Partnership agreements formalised with the University of Auckland Business School and EY.

Ryan King, a member of the 2012 Young Enterprise winning team, first in family to attend university and the first Hynds scholarship recipient from Manurewa High School, graduates with the distinction of being selected for Stanford University's ASUS programme and the First Foundation Trustees Award.

2016

Broadening of strategic focus for the Business Academy under a new principal, Pete Jones. We focus on:

- Professional Teaching Leadership for Business Learning
- Pathways to Employment, Tertiary Education and Business Ownership,
- Alumni and Family Connection.

2017

Our Future Problem Solving team are supported financially to travel to the Internationals for a second time, rising from 13th in the world to 4th.

Emma O’Riordan wins the Sir James Fletcher Award for the Most Inspiring YES Teacher at the national Young Enterprise awards.

2018

Funding from Ministry for Youth Development and Perpetual Guardian supports the establishment of the Makerspace to support creative technology skills and entrepreneurship.

2019

Ice Foundation partners with the Business Academy to grow teacher and student learning related to the Future of Work.

Year 12 student Yashna Kumar and Business Academy Executive Director Leanne Gibson were invited to present at the Fablearn (maker) conference at Columbia University, New York.

2020

Foundation North partners with Makerspace

to engage more students in creative technology and entrepreneurial pathways.

Strategic focus on employment pathways led to creation of a paid work experience course for Level 3 with Mainfreight and Hynds.

Business Academy takes on management of the school maara kai project, to ensure food resilience during the first year of the pandemic. Our social enterprise, Maara Fresh, is a finalist in the University of Auckland Velocity programme.

2021

Business Academy supported by the Westpac NZ Govt Innovation Fund - Future of Work focus.

Naylor Love completes construction of the Business and Learning Hub (Te Pae Tata).
Brendan Lambert wins the Sir James Fletcher Award for the Most Inspiring YES

Teacher at the national Young Enterprise awards.

Launch of Manu Toi - popup shop and online platform for creative technology entrepreneurs. This mahi has the continuing support of Foundation North.

Launch of Future of Work Inspirational Talks livestreamed series. We bring the voices of inspiring role models and prototype a format for engaging young people in their Future in Work.

OECD invites the Business Academy to present at its Career Readiness global conference, to showcase best practice.

2022

Scaling of the Passport to Employment to a cohort of 25 students with six employers.

Lottery Community and Tindall Foundation join our Business Academy funder whaanau.

Young Enterprise successes since 2012

// Caring and Co // Ohu Honey // Black Bulb Co // Kulture Splash // Kumanu // Artists Inspired // Spicify //





Durresameen Khan, Tyler Ball, Jeremie Babayan, Robyn Hynds, John Hynds, Leonie Hynds, Lina Crichton, John Chen

Hynds Foundation's incredible support of the Manurewa community

\$1m funding of university scholarships, the Business Academy, Young Enterprise Seed Capital, Future Problem Solving Internationals

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“Thank you so much for getting me involved with everything you have. They have all honestly been such life-changing experiences.”

Serenity Temu, 2017 graduate of Young Enterprise, EY Mentee, and recipient of a three-year scholarship to the University of Auckland Business School, 2018 ASB Mentee





“The Social Innovation NZ Workshop was an amazing way to interact with new people who share the same interests as us. It allowed us to put our business skills to the test. We all agree that it was a fun event that has prepared us for the future. We managed to place third out of seven schools, and are all very proud of each other and ourselves for our effort and commitment.”

Year 12 student Pranali Gounder, 2018



"I'm super excited that my daughter was a part of the Vodafone Code Like A Girl programme. She told me it was so amazing and she learned many things about technology. For me it's so important for every single student to understand about technology in life. It's not a game - it's important to use it wisely. This was also a very good way for students to see that people are working very hard like their parents to earn money."

Parent Tausaga Tanielu



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"The visit to Hynds was very beneficial as I was able to understand the different positions that I could potentially work in as an engineer. Meeting the graduate students was also a very cool experience as I was able to ask relevant questions concerning tertiary study and being an intern at the company. My favourite position is probably either in stormwater or the technical department."

Year 13 student Zaeem Mohammed



Yashna Kumar was a founding member of Makerspace and her experience there attracted the Fablearn conference convenors. They invited her to be part of the student panel at the 2019 conference held at New York's Columbia University.

She was also part of the Locker Project team that qualified for the Future Problem Solving Internationals (community problem solving). The Locker Project created a safe space for homeless people to store their belongings.

Yashna was the 2019 winner of the Girl Boss STEM award. She is now studying engineering at university.



"I believe students should be able to choose what they learn, because with that freedom they can develop their passion and do something they actually love."



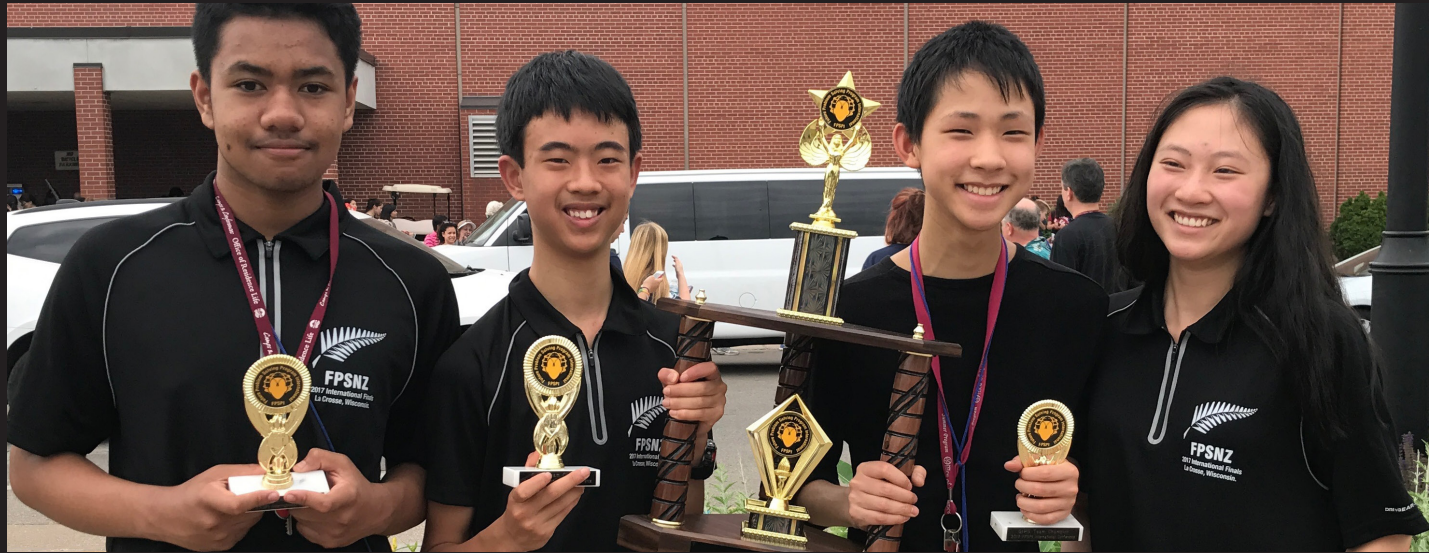
“Our UN Youth experiences have introduced us to the world of policy making and civics education. I’ve met like-minded youth and talked to them about policies and controversial topics that are present in today’s society.

We also engaged in workshops to better our leadership and debate skills as well as an ethics workshop which helped us realise how and why people make the decisions they do. I am grateful for the wonderful experience that I’ve had.”

*Health Sciences Academy student
Harleen Bhathal*

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Our phenomenal Future Problem Solving team was supported financially by our partners to travel to the FPS Internationals in the US for three consecutive years.

“The future is in need of creative and futuristic thinkers and that is exactly the mindset F.P.S. teaches us. In the future I hope to become a software developer. F.P.S is an opportunity I will cherish forever.”

JOHN CHEN - FPS INTERNATIONAL

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“Where would we be without our Maara Kai? We wouldn't have a community, where we can work with different people, as well as provide food for a lot of people. We wouldn't have the job experience, which can help with confidence and understanding of how to be a worker. There would also be a lot less knowledge about gardening in urban areas.”

Paige Dobbs, site manager of Te Maara Kai O Wirihihana, and MHS graduate of 2018.

The Maara Kai is the home of our social enterprise, Maara Fresh. The project was a finalist in the 2020 University of Auckland Velocity competition, and winner of the 2021 Zero Waste Award for Innovation



"It's been eye opening for me to have the hands-on experience through Passport to Employment. I now see myself in the future working for Mainfreight long term and hoping one day I'll become ops manager or branch manager.

In order for me to achieve, I must work through whatever life throws at me - blood sweat, tears, sacrifices will be made along the way but for a better cause in the future. I am willing to do what it takes, and I hope this course continues because I want to be able to give back to younger ones coming through."

*Joseph Toleafoa - 2021 Mainfreight / Hynds
Passport to Employment graduate - now
working at Mainfreight full time*





“This is what happened when I approached Simon Sinek to sign my copy of his Start with Why? book. I wanted to make an impact on his life as he had made on mine. I also wanted to capture his attention, because there were hundreds of people in the queue, and he didn’t have time to interact. I decided to give him a proper Aotearoa welcome. With a “Kia ora Simon”, he was now signing the book. “Hello Lydia” he replied without glancing up. “I just want to say thank you for sparking the inspiration within us today. A late Maaori King once said ‘Kaore te whakakitenga ka ngaro te iwi’ - ‘Without vision our people are lost’. He looked up at me a bit speechless, and said ‘Thank you, thank you so much for that!’.”

Lydia Day, Waikato University, recipient of the scholarship awarded by Mike Bennetts (alumni) and his wife Karen

CENTRE FOR INNOVATION

We prototype and scale solutions that address inequity in a low socio-economic region.

Through partnerships, we support curriculum design and resources for the National Educational Learning Priority -
Future of Learning and Work

DREAMING BIG

MH Business Academy 2022 and beyond

OUR GOAL 2022 - 2027

We will continue to grow the partnership network - with an ambitious goal of 1000 partnerships by 2027. We aim to be sustainable financially. We aim to be adaptive, while staying true to our mission to transform the lives of students and through them their families and community. We will continue to awaken the courage, creativity and perseverance that will drive the businesses of the future.





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