

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

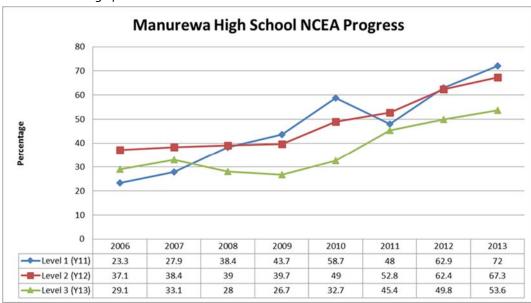
February 2014

Dear Parents / Guardians

Welcome to new families in our community. The school newsletter, published twice a term, acts as a means of connection with Manurewa High School and is one way of remaining informed of events and student achievement. We are very proud of our achievements in and out of the classroom as you will read in this newsletter. We do know that having families and community connected to the school is essential to these achievements. Another resource for accessing information is the school website, www.manurewa.school.nz which includes a parent portal – further information on this overleaf.

It was great to see so many students make use of the opportunity to return to school early to confirm their courses. These students are giving themselves every chance to be able to take courses that will fit their career pathways.

Manurewa High School commences 2014 on a very positive note with outstanding 2013 NCEA results as detailed in the graph below:



While the NCEA results are very encouraging at all levels, I am especially pleased with the performance of the 2013 Year 11 students who made the most significant improvement and moved the school to above the national average. This achievement set the standards for the school.

There are also many students who have achieved at the highest level gaining Merit and Excellence awards. These student were invited to a function in the new Cafe to celebrate their achievements.

This is always an exciting time in the school year as there is so much energy being put into activities. There are many great sounds exploding around the school as student groups practice for Polyfest. Also many teams are preparing for competitions in Waka Ama, Athletics, Touch and Volleyball. I hope you get a chance to observe these students and share with them the challenge of developing the skills and fitness required to achieve.

Thank you for taking the time to read the newsletter. I look forward to sharing 2014 with you and your child.

Monday 5 May

Regards

Salvatore Gargiulo Principal

A fundraising event in support of Dan Maireroa 12KGU and his coach Filo

Professional Comedy Stage Show 7.30pm, 28 February 2014 @ Manurewa High School Hall

R18 restricted to persons over 18years

IMPORTANT DATES

March

Saturday 1 March

Waka Ama Auckland Champs

Monday 3 March

Counties/Manukau Swimming Champs

Wednesday 5 March

Mentor and Parents Catch Up, MHS Staffroom 6.3opm—8pm

Thursday6 March—Saturday8 March Volleyball Auckland Champs

Saturday 8 March—Sunday 9 March Ohu and Ohana Yes Groups 2013—Pasifika Festival Auckland

Monday 10 March

Young Enterprise Eday

Tuesday 11 March

- Student ID Photos
- Fie Fia Night (Tongan)

Wednesday 12—Saturday 15 March

Thursday 13 March

Fie Fia Night (Samoan) Friday 14 March

STAFF ONLY DAY—Polyfest Friday

Monday 17 March

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Sunday 23—Saturday 29 March

Summer Tournament Week

Wednesday 26 March

Production Camp, Willow Park

Thursday 27 March

Experience Fonterra Day

April

Thursday 3 April

Student Achievement Conference

Friday 4 April

Student Achievement Conference

Thursday 17 April

End of term

May

Term 2 begins

Whanau Team 2014 Miss Thomas—Whanau /Mentoring Co-ordinator Mr Watkins, Ms Purcell, Mr Rugnathji котики Miss Glendinning, Miss McPherson, Mrs Lord Mrs Sharma, Ms Stapleton, Mr Render TE AO MARAMA Mrs Jacobs, Mr Hendrikse, Miss Rolleston POUNAMU

Manurewa High School welcomes the following new staff to the school in 2014—

Mr Andrew Bingham (PE); Miss Sara Blackburn (HAC); Miss Nicola Haden—English; Mr Samuel Harris—Social Studies/History; Mrs Dallas Howell (ESOL); Miss Katrina Leatinuu (Languages); Mr Brock McKay (Technology); Miss Sharlene Malaeimi (Languages); Ms Karlene Morgan (Integrated Learning Centre) MrTukahia Ngataki (Digital Technologies); Mr Lando Sialeipata (PE); Miss Ariana Stone (Maori); Ms Mele Ta'e'iloa (Dance); Mr Alo Viliamu (Mathematics).

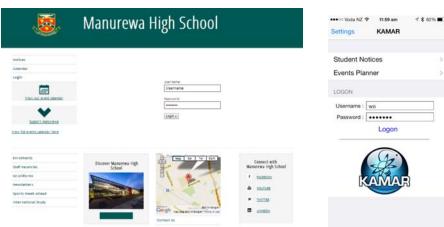
Welcome also to Mrs Aleesha Mitchell who joins the Whanau Team as Whanau Assistant.

KAMAR Parent Portal

The Manurewa High School parent portal is an information portal that runs directly through our student management system, KAMAR. In the near future a username, password and login link will be emailed to all parents with email addresses on our database. This link will allow you to view live attendance data, assessment data, outstanding fees, timetable information, school reports, school calendar details and more.

The KAMAR parent portal is also available on the iPod Touch, iPad, iPhone and Android devices via an app in the apple or play store – just search for "KAMAR" to locate the free download.

In order to access the KAMAR parent portal you require access to the internet and a valid email address. If you do not receive an email before Friday 7 March it means that your address is either not on our system, or incorrect on our system.



If you have not received an email from the school and would like to receive:

- Login and password instructions for our RewaNET parent portal
- School newsletters via email
- School reports via email

Please email the school at update@manurewa.school.nz with the full legal name of your child in the subject line.

Mr D Wilson ACCOCIATE PRINCIPAL



Scholarships

Congratulations to the following students who achieved an NZQA Scholarship: Erkrina lose—Geography, Tryphaena Kumar—English, Paul Stainthorpe—Classical Studies and Garling Wu—English.

NZQA Merit and Excellence Endorsement

Manurewa High School congratulates the following students on achieving a level 3 Merit or Excellence endorsement in 2013. This is an outstanding result and in recognition of this the Senior Leadership team and staff celebrated with a morning tea in the Café on Wednesday 12 February. We wish these students all the best for the future.

Excellence:

Ekrina lose, Vetrivhel Krishnamoorthy, Susan Ly, Paul Stainthorpe, Garling Wu and Jimmy Wu.

Merit:

Vaoala Enesa, Darren Hor, Grace Ierome, Tryphaena Kumar, Sukirti Lakhan, Kate Montgomery, Aimee Taia, Melissa Neru, Amanda Quach, Avinash Sharma and Michael Telford.

2013 City and Guilds 'Certificate in Food Preparation'

Distinction:

Kavinesh Achari, Arina Cassidy, Kajal Sharma, Ida Stowers, Erana Tipene.

Student Successes

Congratulations to **Lex Pohahau 12ACM** who has been selected for the Tongan Under 17's team for the International Oceanic Tag competition in March.

Jaspreet's Singh has been offered a place at Auckland University in the MBChB programme (Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery). Out of 800 applicants, only 200 are selected. His father, Mr Jagtar Singh, visited the school recently. He is very proud of Jaspreet's achievement and feels that his success is due to the wonderful teachers who taught him at Manurewa High School. He expressed his thanks to those teachers and all staff at the school.

Congratulations **Naotia Atiana 13TLA** who will represent Manurewa High School as our 2014 Auckland Theatre Company Ambassador.

03CAT Student Achievement Results for London City & Guilds Exam:

Merit—Aviti Bureta, Rachel Daoe, Wisona Moetara, Acacia Johnson, Binh An Le, Raneel Prasad, Jazzmah Rakoia and **Pass**—Siaosi Finau, Esther Ngametua

Congratulations to **Harmony Tinomana-Papalii 11KSV** on being selected for the NZ U15 Touch team.

NZQA Excellence Level 1 and 2

Level 2

Vishant Sahay, Ebony Komene, Kevin Moo, Solinna Toul, Alexandra Newman Level 1

Noah Ta Ap., Lavinia Vehikite, Jessie Chen, Christine Guttenbeil, Diana Wolfgramm, Ngoc Hoang

We look forward to meeting you all at the upcoming

Student Achievement Conferences Thursday 3 April and Friday 4 April

Reminder to parents/caregivers that the official supplier of the regulation school uniform is:

NZ Uniforms

29E Lambie Drive, Manukau 2104, tel: 09 950 6747

Open Hours Weekdays 9am—5pm and Saturday 9am—1pm shop online: http://manurewa.nzuniforms.com/



Scholarships pictured above left to right: Mr D Wilson (Associate Principal), Garling Wu, Mr S Gargiulo (Principal), Tryphaena Kumar, Paul Stainthorpe. Insert: Ekrina lose.



Excellence/Merit Endorsement and City & Guilds Distinction 2013 pictured above back row—left to right: Avinash Sharma, Amanda Quach, Sukirti Lakhan, Paul Stainthorpe, Vetrivhel Krishnamoorthy, Aimee Taia, Darren Hor, Rahul Achari, Kajal Sharma; front row—left to right Garling Wu, Tryphaena Kumar, Susan Ly, Kate Montgomery, Rachel Daoe, Arina Cassidy, Melissa Neru

Attendance Office

If a student is absent please phone 2690690 and press 1 to leave an absence message stating the student's name and ID# and the reason for their absence. Students requesting to sign out, must hand the request to the Attendance Office at the beginning of the day for a pass to be issued. The Attendance Officer, Mrs Elaine Girdwood, can be contacted at school on extension 310.

School Bus Timetable

You can view bus timetables on the MAXX site www.maxx.co.nz and select Manurewa High School. For more information phone CALL CENTRE 3666400 or Murphy Buses 092668680. Copies also available from the Administration Office at school.

Traffic In and Around School

- When dropping and collecting students from school, please do not drive into the school grounds.
- The stopping/parking restrictions around the school are designed primarily for the safety of students by ensuring that they are able to see and be seen by moving traffic. Stopping even momentarily can compromise their safety. Parking Officers will no longer be asking parents/guardians to move on, but will instead issue infringement notices in respect of the offence and then post tickets out to the registered owner of the vehicle.

Manurewa High School OUR 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 you 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

NZ Curriculum VALUES

Respect—for themselves and others

Care for the environment

Integrity—accountability, acting ethically
Excellence—aiming high, persevering.

Diversity—culture, language, heritage
Equity—fairness and social justice

Community and participation for the common good

Innovation, enquiry and curiosity

Careers Update . . .

OPPORTUNITIES

One Day Leadership Challenge combined Armed Forces Wednesday 12 March representatives from Army, Navy and Air Force will lead 30 Y12/13 students in both theoretical and physical group challenges during the course of a full day at Manurewa High School. This is a one -off, new initiative to provide interested students, who register @ Careers before 3 March) with a taste of what a future life in the military would involve. An opportunity not to be missed!

Defence Careers Experience 2 Day Officer Recruitment course—April holidays. Physically fit, males and females considering an officer career in the armed forces are invited to register with Careers Department by 20 March for consideration. Two students will be chosen to submit their application. Successful contestants selected by Armed Forces will spend 2 days at Whenuapai Air Base—all meals/accommodation supplied. Females 28-30 April, Males 30-2 May.

Cadet Programme - Toll New Zealand - February 2014

Freight Forwarding and Logistics apprenticeship programme opportunity. See http://careers.tollnz.co.nz/home

PIHMS Pacific International Hotel Management School (New Plymouth) Career Week 29 April – 2 May

A fully equipped simulated training hotel providing a hands-on taster for students keen to experience what a career in Tourism and Hospitality is really like and an overview of courses providing internationally recognised qualifications. Some cost involved.

SAT exam preparation classes available April and July holidays 9-1pm—St Cuthbert's College.

For Y12/13 students planning on applying for entry to overseas universities. Learn strategies, exam content and techniques to maximise your scores. \$175 per day per course. More information is available from our Careers Department.

OPEN DAY

Navy Open Day, Devonport Naval Base, Saturday 29 March, 10am—4pm Free entertainment for all including ship and base tours, band performances, parade and precision marching, helicopters, kapa haka performances. Food and drink available.

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.

Y9's Creating a Mural @ Browns Rd Netball Courts

The mural tells the traditional Maori story of how Manurewa got its name - about the two brothers, Tamapahore and Tamapahure and their kites. At each end are the maunga of Manurewa - Matukutureia and Matukutururu and the moana - Manukau Harbour. Manurewa High School and Manurewa Intermediate collaborated to paint the 80metre long wall. The mural is sponsored by the Manukau Beautification Charitable Trust. Murals are part of the Trust's graffiti preventative education, using the talents and abilities of our young people, encouraging pride and respect. The ideas for the mural came from the students' visit to the Manurewa Marae in April 2013 and the sharing of the story by Matua Toi. Beginning in term 1 the students sketched ideas and developed concepts. In Term 2



they voted for the concept they preferred and pencilled detailed scale drawings. Each whanau completed a section. They explored the colour wheel, experimented and selected colour schemes for their section. The most difficult part was enlarging the scale drawings to fit the wall which is 80 metres long and 2 metres high. During term 4 some students from each whanau chose to complete the painting of the mural as their project. Have a look when you drive past or play netball! Special thanks to Mr Hollis and Ms Bribiesca for sharing their expertise and time.

HALP 2014 - Trip to Thailand and Laos

This will be the school's fourth humanitarian aid leadership trip — this time to Thailand and Laos. The plan is to visit and work with a range of different organisations as well as have many adventures. It will happen in the September holidays and is open to all senior students. If you have any questions or would like more information contact Mr P Muir on 269 0690 or mi@manurewa.school.nz

