



Manurewa High School Newsletter

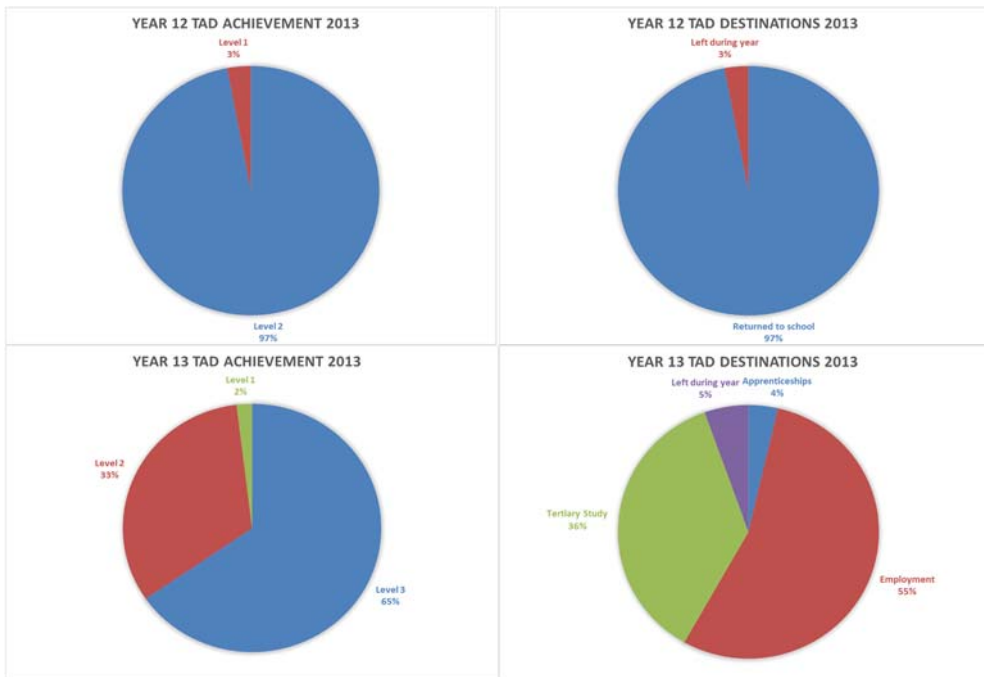
Principal Mr S V Gargiulo QSO, BSc, Dip. Tchg

June 2014

Dear Parents / Caregivers

In the past couple of weeks I have had the pleasure of speaking with two separate groups of senior school leaders from across New Zealand to discuss the progress that Manurewa High School has been making.

Both these groups were particularly interested in our curriculum developments. All of our Year 9 students spend time in our purpose built 'Discovery Centre'. This centre provides a holistic education based around an inquiry model that specifically meets the requirements of the New Zealand Curriculum, encourages development of the key competencies and meets the learning needs of early adolescents. It has been hailed as a model that many schools are now attempting to emulate. Our curriculum developments in the senior school have centred around creating learning programmes to cater for a wider range of learning needs and pathways than we previously offered. For example our trade academies in Engineering, Construction and Hospitality/Tourism have been particularly successful in engaging learners with a genuine and authentic learning pathway. Partnerships with tertiary providers (MIT and BAKELS) have ensured access to facilities and specialist tertiary tutors and have allowed students to skip transition years when entering tertiary programmes upon completion of secondary school. As you can see from the 2013 graphs below our trade academy students have been extremely successful in completing their NCEA qualifications and finding work, employment or further study when they have completed secondary school.



Throughout term 3 we will be offering a programme through tutor classes that will assist students in making course selection and pathway decisions for 2015. Please take the time to sit with your child and discuss their option choices for the following year. Poor subject choices can hinder chances at gaining the correct qualification to proceed in work or education beyond high school – it is an important exercise to get right.

I have enjoyed the opportunity to act in the capacity of Principal throughout term 2 and look forward to the return of a refreshed Mr Gargiulo after his sabbatical break.

Nga mihi nui

Daniel Wilson—Acting Principal

IMPORTANT DATES

June

Term 2 Week 8

Monday 23 June—Friday 27 June

Matariki Week

Wednesday 25 June

Y9 Marae Visit—POUNAMU

Wednesday 25 June—Friday 27 June

o2OED Camp (class 2) @ Huia

Thursday 26 June

Y9 Marae Visit—TEAOMARAMA

Friday 27 June

Smokefree Rockquest—Manukau Bands @ The Dream Centre

July

Term 2 Week 9

Wednesday 2 July

- Stage Challenge—MHS performance @ ASB Theatre, The Edge Convention Centre
- o2HAC/o3CAT Auckland Regional Culinary Competitions @ MIT
- Mentor and Parents Catch Up, 6.30—8pm in the Staffroom

Friday 4 July

Term 2 concludes

Saturday 5 July

School Ball @ Alexandra Park

Term 3 Week 1

Monday 21 July

- Term 3 begins
- Maori Language Month commences

Thursday 24 July—Friday 25 July

KBB Band Camp

Term 3 Week 2

Monday 28 July

The Journey Parent Evening Presentation, 6pm—7.30pm

Tuesday 29 July

Music Showcase Concert—door sales—details on back of this newsletter

Monday 28 July—Friday 1 August

o3OED and ILC Camp @ Kokako Lodge

Wednesday 30 July

Maori Senior Dinner, 6pm, Hall

Silicon Valley Trip

On 6 July five students from Manurewa High School fly to San Francisco to see how Silicon Valley works. Justin Walker, Lynna Son, Shweta Sharma, Timothy Dreadon and Jordan Ngata were selected through an application and interview process to represent our school on the BITE trip—Business, Innovation, Technology Experience. They will spend eight days getting inside and learning about world famous companies including Google, Facebook, Khan Academy, Stanford University, Kiwi Landing Pad, Microsoft and Xero. All companies which show innovation and creativity—and all very successful. The trip has been made possible by Mr Andrew Patterson, a very good friend of the school who has made many connections—and is now connecting our students. The students each have their own interest areas and projects and will come back full of great ideas, next steps for our business academy and connections which we hope they will share with many others in our school and community. Technology, business and innovation - where New Zealand's future economic growth and success lie.

Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award Adventurous Journey to Waiheke Island



On Thursday 12 and Friday 13 June a group of 28 Year 10 Manurewa High School students travelled to Waiheke Island to carry out a journey as part of their Duke of Edinburgh's Bronze Award qualification. The group was a random mixture of students who wanted to challenge themselves to experience something new and at the same time gain a recognised award. After a calm ferry trip from Auckland to Matiatia Bay, students were met by staff from Potiki Adventures, who kitted us out with a load of camping gear. Mobile phones were sealed away with duck tape and packs were filled with food, cookers, tents and thermal survival gear. We were carrying on our backs everything we needed to live away from the luxuries of home.



For most of our students this was the first time they had been to Waiheke and the first time 'real' camping. With no flushing toilets (a spade was provided to make our own), no microwave ovens, no televisions, no Playstation, no power... no McDonald's – nothing but nature and what we could carry. Our first tramp was around the coast heading south. There was a mixture of different terrains – some flat, some hilly – and lots of trees blown over the track in the recent storm. Students were divided into three groups, each very different. The boys group went hard out, proving their strength, stamina and ability to chant louder than anyone else. The two girls groups showed their unique characters, one group was patient and thought things through and the other was loud and ready to challenge the boys to physical supremacy – and ended up coming back first. The night was really windy. One tent had its zip explode because of the wind which meant moving it in the dark to a more sheltered spot. Other people found it difficult to sleep with the howling wind thrashing their tents. Some were just so tired from the days' tramping, they slept the whole night through. What did we learn? HEAPS. Eat a decent breakfast and keep eating when you have a break to keep your energy up, drink regularly, keep out of the wind, don't pitch your tent where it can get blown away and enjoy yourself! Two days of beautiful sun in one of New Zealand's most stunning locations!!

The students returned tired, with some sore legs and backs, but happy and stronger, both physically and mentally. Opportunities and experiences like this teach so much and build confidence and friendships that last.

We wish to thank the Friedlander Foundation for providing such a large number of our students with such a special opportunity - students who would not normally have such an opportunity. Can't wait for the qualifying camp in two weeks' time!

o1BUS trips. . .

The Year 11 students of Mrs O'Riordan and Mr Vega have attended trips to Rainbows End and Spookers in Terms 1 & 2. The students firstly attended Rainbows End as part of their Marketing Mix assessment. The students were spoken to by the Marketing Manager about the 4P's. After the presentation, the students were able to enjoy the parks rides.



The trip recently to Spookers allowed them to understand and appreciate the recruitment and selection of employees at the haunted house. They were introduced to the recruitment process by the company's CEO. They all enjoyed the experience and adventure of walking through the house and being spooked by the actors and workers.

The students have been introduced to their o1BUS units and assessments using New Zealand owned companies and entrepreneurs. The advantage of using real-life learning experiences to enhance their learning of business concepts and ideas is more meaningful and engaging. The teachers have enjoyed watching the students develop their entrepreneurial skills in and out of the classroom.

High School Rockerz Bollywood Dance Competition

A group of our students performed in the High School Rockerz Bollywood Dance Competition held at the Logan Campbell Centre on Saturday 24 May. The group achieved 1st place. Michael Sali Motu was awarded Best Male Dancer—congratulations to you all.

Nikita Chand, Christian Atoa, Sohil Chetty, Marissa Hirst, Jayson Iosefa, Anjali Karan, Sheena Kumar, Falagi Leavai, Sintisha Naidu, Prashant Prakash, Michael Sali Motu (awarded best male dancer), William Boquiron and John Tuitupou.

Solinna wins a place @ 2014 Science Conference

Solinna Toul 13 PMO has successfully won one of the 10 funded school student places at the Absolutely Positively Science Conference 2014 in Wellington, funded by the MacDiarmid Institute for Advanced Materials and Nanotechnology and the NZ Association of Women in the Sciences. Solinna will be able to select the events she wishes to attend, including a welcome function and dinner. At this event Solinna will be able to meet some top scientists, and mingle with senior university students and graduates, while learning all that science has to offer as a career path, including the latest cutting edge technologies.

There were many more applications than there were funded places, so the competition for places was very strong. Well done to Solinna!



Dragons Den Regional Winners

Business students Raniella San Sebastian, Mile Fonoia, Wilson Lesa and Naotia Atiana won the Dragon's Den Regional Finals recently at the Vodafone Events Centre.



The team impressed the panel of 'Dragons' with their business called the Black Bulb Co, which produces a black garlic aioli.

Over 80 teams took part in the Dragon's Den Prelims, from which 15 teams were selected for the regional final.

The competition is run as part of the Lion Foundation's Young Enterprise Scheme (YES). YES students set up their company, create real products or services, compile and implement a business plan and make real profit or loss. For all students, the business knowledge they develop is supplemented by skills in teamwork, communication, problem solving, negotiation, and decision making. Students learn through experiencing the value of innovative thinking and develop enterprising attributes. YES is an incredible learning experience that thousands of students participate in each year.

Erikka selected for the Waterpolo team

Erikka Foketi gPHU has been selected for the Under 14 girls Pan Pacific games Waterpolo team. Erikka has been named as Vice Captain.

CAREERS UPDATE

Upcoming Important Events

OTAGO UNI | PACIFIC EXPO (23 JUNE) Hotel Grand Chancellor Auckland Airport (Cnr Kirkbride & Ascot Roads, Mangere) | 4PM Information evening for Pacific Island students interested in studying at Otago and their parents.

AUCKLAND UNI | PARENT INFORMATION SEMINAR (24 JUNE) Vodafone Events Centre | Information evening for students interested in studying at Auckland. Doors open 6.30pm and parents are free to have a look around and ask questions.

Presentations 7–7.30pm and then the expo 7.30–8.30pm where parents can visit the different faculties. Studylink will also be present to answer queries about student loans. There will be *free* parking at the Vodafone Events Centre as well as light refreshments.

SKILLS UPDATE | TRADES TRAINING OPEN DAY (26 JUNE) 12.30pm–6.30pm, 15 Earl Richardson Ave, Manukau.

The new **MIT MANUKAU CAMPUS** open to the public for viewing (**Saturday 28 JUNE**) between 10am–5pm. The staff and students from Manurewa High School are very welcome to visit the campus for a tour through the facilities.

AUT | PORTFOLIO DAY (14 JULY) for prospective students applying for ART and DESIGN degrees at AUT. Students MUST register online www.aut.ac.nz

TERTIARY SCHOLARSHIPS | Students are encouraged to check their eligibility for the following – LAW / COMMERCE, BUSINESS IN ACCOUNTING, ECONOMICS OR FINANCE (CLOSE 4 JULY) ENGINEERING | (CLOSE 18 AUGUST) Information is available @ Careers Centre.

NZQA FEES

must be paid *before* 1 September 2014

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 only to help with the payment of fees.

Basic Fees for 2014 (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 Mr Muir at Manurewa High School on 2690690

SPORTS NEWS

"This 2014 winter season is the biggest to date here at MHS with over 50 teams competing weekly. This is an outstanding achievement and we would like to commend our students for being proactive and getting involved. We would also like to acknowledge and thank our staff / volunteer coaches and managers that make our sports program possible, our schools Senior Leadership Team for allowing us to compete to the extent that we do, and last but certainly not least our parents for their continued support of our teams and athletes – without all of you, what we do wouldn't be possible, and the vehicle for engagement that is sport would be lost" – MHS Sports Department

There have been some standout teams thus far with our:

- Rugby League 1st XIII boys qualifying for the New Zealand Secondary Schools Nationals in September.
- Rugby Union 1st XV girls topping their table unbeaten all season and looking like title contenders again.
- Netball Junior A girls also topping their table unbeaten with huge wins over most of their opposition.

Well done to the following teams and individuals:

Cross Country Counties Manukau Regional Champs

Daniel Haretuku 10th Senior boys; Rebecca Girdwood 7th Senior girls; Dayna Lowry 7th Intermediate girls; Katie Lowry 17th Intermediate girls; Shweta Sharma DNF due to injury; Rahil Chand TBC Intermediate boys

Cross Country Greater Auckland Champs

Dayna Lowry 61st Intermediate girls; Katie Lowry, 78th Intermediate girls; Rebecca Girdwood 34th Senior girls

Golf Individual Stroke Play Champs

Daniel Haretuku 60th out of 120 competitors

Auckland Gymnastic Champs

Caleb Davies 1st Men's B Grade; Savanna Blackburn-Rangitaawa 2nd Women's International Elite Grade

Auckland Trampoline Champs

Chelsea Davies 5th Women's B Grade

Auckland Secondary Schools Squash Champs

Our girls team placed 5th in division 2—Monica Hor, Hayley Ngo, Brooke Alderton, Rebecca Girdwood and Sulani Helg

New Zealand Touch Selection

Harmony Tinomana Papalii – NZ U15s and David Tinomana – NZ U17s

Counties Manukau Secondary Schools Rugby

We have had numerous students selected to trial for CMRFU 2014 representative teams—well done to:

- CMRFU U18s—Manuel Kiliva, Dan Maireroa, Viliami Taulani, Mua Tuumaialu and Johnathan Talia'Uli
- CMRFU Secondary School Girls—Matilda Emelio, Pearl Rhind, Kalesita Aso, Harmony Tinomana Papalii, Gail Taumafai, Feofa'aki Piliu, Carnation Fahamokioa, Grace Gago, Ana Latu, Lupeolo Maamaloa, Drew Ofanoa, Sarah Papani, Caroline Pickering, Zebalda Aiono, Sally Taliau, Mele Taufa and Verenaisi Pickering



Raukura Hauora O Tainui

The Mobile Dental Unit will be visiting Manurewa High School
21 July 2014—19 September 2014

The caravan will provide the following services:

1. Enrolment of students between 13yrs – under 18yrs **WHO DO NOT HAVE** a dentist or choose to transfer to our service and who qualify for free dental care (some exceptions apply—Orthodontic and Oral Surgery).
2. Examine and assess students (including digital x-rays) unless otherwise advised.
3. Develop dental treatment plans and treat accordingly. If we are unable to complete treatment while at the school, you will be notified by letter to contact Mahu Dental at Trust Health Care Medical Centre, Manurewa—phone (09) 268 2266 to make an appointment.
4. Provide information, advice and feedback on good oral health habits.

The Consent Procedure

- The consent process will comply with the Health and Disability Commissioners Act 1994 and The Code of Health and Disability Services Consumers Rights 1996.
- Students will be advised before enrolling that if they have a dentist, they will not be invited to enrol.
- The consent form will be sent home seeking parental consent for students under the age of 16 before any treatment is carried out with clear instructions and options for treatment.

If there are any enquiries regarding the enrolment and/or treatment procedures please do not hesitate to contact Ana Randall—Manager Dental Services, Raukura Hauora O Tainui Dental Unit ph/fax (07) 8395298.

Manurewa High School
MUSIC DEPARTMENT
Presents
Music Showcase Concert
Tuesday 29 July, 2014
Show at 7pm
Featuring:
Concert Bands
Rock Bands
Chamber Groups
Solo Performances
Entry:
Students \$5
Adults \$10
Family \$20
Raffles and Refreshments for sale

MEAT PACK WINNER!

At the Student Achievement Conferences in April, all parents/caregivers who provided the school with an email address for our student records were put into a draw to win a \$50 meat pack—Congratulations to Mr & Mrs R Nair .

If you have a change of address/contact details, it would be appreciated if you contact the school office so we can update our records.

