



# Manurewa West Primary School

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Dear Parents/Caregivers

Tena koutou katoa

Nga mihi arohanui ki a koe me to whanau

## **Last School Newsletter**

It is hard to believe this is the last newsletter for the year. I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their ongoing support of our school and making 2019 such an amazing year full of challenges, successes and many outstanding achievements.

### **Thanks and appreciation go to:**

All the staff and support staff for your hard work and professional contributions to the teaching and learning of our students.

Whanau/ parents who have supported their children's learning, attended Parent Workshops and Information/Parent Discussion evenings and/or provided a range of support to both classes and school. We appreciate your efforts.

Our school support agencies who have worked to support us in making school an exciting place for so many of our students and for providing help and guidance in supporting parents as well.

Our supportive Board of Trustees who help keep us well-resourced as a great school.

## **Manurewa West Primary School Winner of the AA Big Little Sponsorship Prize**

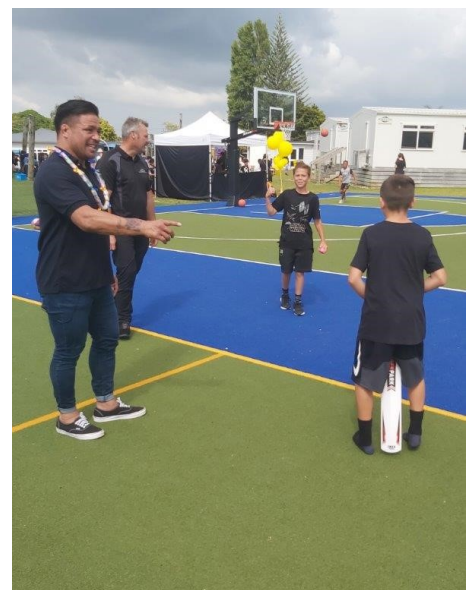
We are extremely excited and proud to announce that Manurewa West Primary School emerged as the winner out of 1700 nominated schools in the AA Insurance Big Little Sponsorship Prize as a school that value sporting and academic excellence.

The big reveal took place last Friday with many important guests in attendance, key Staff from AA Insurance, CEO and Grounds Team of Eden Park, All Black Keven Mealamu and the Mango catering team. It was an experience that will certainly stay with us for a long time.

The Prize included:

- ⇒ Celebrating in style with a visit from judge and campaign ambassador, Keven Mealamu.
- ⇒ \$10,000 worth of sports gear.
- ⇒ A field makeover by the grounds team from Eden Park.
- ⇒ A VIP experience at Eden Park for 20 students.

Thank you AA Insurance and Sponsors for this amazing win!



## **School Donations/Levies/Stationery**

No School donations and levies will be set for 2020. All school stationery and book bags will be provided by the school for all students enrolled at Manurewa West Primary School in 2020. Therefore no stationery lists will be sent home at the end of term.

### **The Hell Pizza Reading Challenge**

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Hell Pizza Reading Challenge. At Manurewa West Primary School we are passionate about Reading, which is an important skill that leads to success in all areas of learning. It allows our children to extend their knowledge of the world beyond their personal experiences.

**"There is a book in the world for everyone, if you don't enjoy reading you have not found that book".** Thank you Mr. Stewart for organising and overseeing this challenge.



### **Annual Middle and Senior Prize Giving**

Middle School and Senior School Prize Giving will be next Tuesday 10th December in the school hall starting at 6:00pm. All students are required to be at school by 5:30pm. Please be seated early; Prize Giving should be completed by 8:00pm for parents needing to pick up their children. Every student in the Middle and Senior School will be celebrated for their achievements at this important event.

### **Junior Prize Giving**

Our Junior School Prize Giving held on Tuesday was a huge success. It was wonderful to see parents/whanau and extended family attend to support and celebrate in their child/ren's achievements. Congratulations to all our Junior Students for their learning successes this year and well done to those students who received the All Rounder Awards:

**Year 1** - Yanida Suwantrai and Kaynohs Panapa Lote **Year 2** - Matai Mokoroa and Daniel Manulua  
Raffle Winner - Madisyn Reid of Room 9



### **Last Day of School**

Please be aware that school finishes at the **earlier time of 12pm (midday) on Friday 13th December** for the Christmas holidays. Wizard After School Care Programme will be running out of the school hall for anyone needing after school care from 12.00-3.00pm. Please contact them directly - Mary (021 02344438).

### **School Holidays - Office Opening Hours:**

8:30am to 3:00pm Thursday 30th January - Friday 31st January.

### **First day of Term 1, 2020**

School begins for Term 1, 2020 on Monday 3rd February at 8:55am.

### **YEAR 6 STUDENTS**

Best wishes to our Year 6 students who will soon embark on their Year 7/8 education experience at other schools. Treasure the time you had at

Manurewa West, but also continue to make good learning choices with your future education. Best wishes to you all!



### **SCHOOL STAFFING**

#### **Farewell:**

We farewell with appreciation Miss. Emma Riley, Room 13 who will be taking up a teaching position in Hamilton, Mr. Christian Clark, Room 12 who will be moving to Te Kauwhata Primary and Mrs. Antonette Botha, Room 25 who will be taking a break from full time teaching. We thank you for your contribution to Manurewa West Primary School and extend our best wishes for a happy and successful future in your new positions. We also extend our appreciation to Mrs. Jane Reading of Room 14 for the benefits received from her Fixed Term employment. Thank you Jane.

#### **We extend a warm welcome to new staffing appointments for 2020:**

Ms. Natasha Connal, and Mrs. Sheena Lang who will be joining the Middle School teaching staff and Ms. Angelique O'Brien who will be joining the Junior School teaching staff. Mrs. Julia Brachi will return in 2020 following her maternity leave to take up permanent part-time teaching responsibilities for 3 days per week. All of our 'new' staff and returning staff join us with excellent teaching practice, experience and success as professionals and a strong reputation for supporting student's learning achievements positively. Welcome to Manurewa West Primary School

### **Build a Bike Event Sponsorship**

We are incredibly fortunate to partner with generous sponsors this year. Once again Team Up has partnered with us through Bell Gulley (Law Firm) to sponsor 8 brand new bikes and helmets to 8 very deserving winners from the Middle School who are:

Angelina Panapa Lote Room 12, Mack Vaialia Room 14, Attojo Memea Room 15, Melleave Pasia Room 20, Chauvelle Robinson-Beazley Room 23, Kauri Takerei Room 23, Kawaka Ben Poki Room 24 and Tony Doan Room 25.



Enjoy the Christmas season and best wishes for 2020. Keep safe.

Nga Mihi Hui

Kogie Naidoo  
Principal