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MANUREWA SOUTH SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER



MA TE WERO KA PUA WAI TE HUA, BY CHALLENGING YOURSELF YOU WILL BLOSSOM IN EDUCATION

Kia Ora Koutou,

As we approach the end of the term, we would like to take a moment to thank our students, staff, and whānau for their continued commitment and support. It has been a busy and rewarding term, filled with learning, growth, and memorable moments across the school, as we settled in for our year of teaching and learning. We are proud of the effort our students have shown in their learning and the way they continue to demonstrate our school values each day.

Thank you again to all the parents and whānau who attended our Meet the Teacher afternoon. It was wonderful to see so many of you in our classrooms, connecting with teachers and engaging in your child's learning environment. Opportunities like this are incredibly valuable in building strong partnerships between home and school. Your presence and support make a real difference, and we appreciate the time you took to come along, ask questions, and get to know our staff.

We wish all our whānau a safe Easter break (Starting 3.00pm Thursday 02nd April) and can't wait to welcome everyone back on Monday 20th April for the new term!



Karen Hohaia Turuwhenua and Kelly Wong

NEW STAFF

Over the next few weeks we will be welcoming a few new staff members to our kura.

Two new Kaiāwhina kaiako have joined the team. A big welcome to **Tenneille Stiff** and **James Taraare**.

We also have new Kaiako starting with us from next week onwards; **Brittany Sutherland Hooper** will be the new teacher in Room 19, **Emma Hoskins Petersen** is our new, new entrant teacher. **Daniel Joffee** joins Mr Paeniu in Te Hau Rawhiti and **Helēna Reedy** is a new member of the team in Te Hau Raki.

They were all part of our Meet the Teacher afternoon and will be popping in and out getting to know students and classroom routines ready for next term!

HAERE RĀ

We farewell two of our amazing staff this term;

Brooke Riches, who has been a dedicated and passionate Kaiāwhina kaiako, leaves us after 9 years. Brooke has a long standing family history with Manurewa South School, moving on to pursue a career in Real Estate.

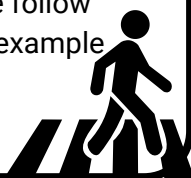
Siale Palalagi has been an integral part of our Junior School for many years. Her warmth, creativity and deep knowledge of teaching and learning will be missed among her peers and students. Siale moves on to explore another challenging, yet rewarding aspect of the education system. Her last day being the 2nd April.

We wish both of them all the best on their new ventures!

KEEPING SAFE ON OUR ROADS

We would like to acknowledge the awesome job our road patrollers are doing.

Please help us keep everyone safe by using the **pedestrian crossing**. Hold your child's hand, stop and look both ways, and wait until traffic has fully stopped before crossing. When our road patrollers are on duty, please follow their instructions. Setting a good example helps our children learn safe road habits.



BIKES AND SCOOTERS

From Term 2 onwards if your child would like to bring a bike or a scooter to school they **must supply a bike lock**. This is a security measure to ensure that other students property is safe and secure within our school grounds.

SCHOOL EVENTS

GREEN DAY DRESS UP



Swimming sports

Ngā mihi, to all of our whānau that came and enjoyed the swimming sports last Friday! It was a day full of sun, swimming, smiles and some epic dance moves. It was awesome to see our tamariki showing off their confidence in the water with a range of different events.



CYCLE SKILLS

Our Year 5 students enjoyed practical bike ready workshops this week with Cycle Skills Adventure Works!

CELEBRATIONS

SCHOOL LEADERS 2026

Officially introducing our Student Leadership team for 2026



Ikuna



Fa'alili



Nischal



Shanaya



Amelia



Damian



Cole



Anaru



Tamari



Ezzah

Nakaiya - Te Hau Rawhiti
Aaliyah - Te Hau Raki

We look forward to seeing our student leaders grow in confidence as they step up for leadership opportunities around the school this year.

WEEK 5 PRINCIPAL AWARDS



Congratulations to the first recipients of our Principal Awards for 2026. These students were picked by their kaiako for displaying our school values daily. Showing excellence in their school work and having a positive attitude towards learning.

STUDENT SHOUT OUT

We would like to acknowledge a group of junior students who have been spending their morning tea and lunchtimes picking up rubbish around the school.

They have created quite a following with a large group of our tamariki now joining the cause! Thank you Lanayah, Piukala, Eknoor, Atarang, Irie, Wairere and Caiyana and Navyankar!



Congratulations again to our Grocery Voucher winners!





READY, SET, SIGN IN!

Stay in the loop by following these steps

1. DOWNLOAD THE HERO APP

Once downloaded, click 'Sign In'

2. ADD YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS

Select "Next"

3. SELECT "NEW USER"

Your account will be set up by your school using the email address that you provided when you enrolled your children, use this address to request a password.

4. SELECT "SUBMIT"

Hero will send you an email with a link to follow.

5. CHECK YOUR EMAIL

You should receive an email within five minutes.

6. FOLLOW THE LINK

This will take you to a secure page to enter your chosen password.

If you encounter problems logging in, please check with your school to make sure they have the correct details for you.



Thank you to all our whānau that have recently downloaded the HERO app. We have begun using this as a communication tool for absences and school notices. Eventually this will be our main line of communication and will be used as a way of sharing your child's progress and learning achievements. We want to encourage all our families to download and sign into the app using your registered email. Please use this guide to help make the download process easier.

If you would like support with this, we are happy to help. Come into the school office and we will give you a hand!

END OF DAY PICK-UPS

School gates will now remain closed until 2.40.

If you need to collect your child earlier than this please come through the school office.

A reminder that whānau should not enter the classroom space until the bell goes at 2.45.

If you are needing to speak with your child's teacher for any reason, please organise a suitable time.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Please ensure your child is wearing the correct School Uniform everyday.

Wearing the correct school uniform helps our students show pride in themselves and in our school community. It creates a sense of belonging, supports a positive learning environment, and ensures all students are prepared for the school day. We appreciate your support in making sure your child wears the full, correct uniform.

As we prepare for the cooler seasons, please ensure your child has the correct school jumper and jacket.

Just a reminder our school uniform can be purchased through our school office.

Please discourage your children from bringing noodles to school. Staff are no longer able to heat these for lunches



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EASTER RAFFLE

Raffle Tickets

\$2 each OR 3 for \$5

Available to purchase at the office

Winners Drawn Friday 27th March

