

Term 1 2016

KIA ORA, TALOFA LAVA, MALO E LELEI, KIA ORANA, FAKALOFA LAHI ATU, NAMASTE, AS-SALAAM-ALAIKUM, GREETINGS

It has been a pleasure to start my work as principal of Mangere College this year. Students and staff have been very welcoming and I have enjoyed the positive atmosphere in the school following the successes of last year. As a staff we have been planning for this year and setting ourselves challenging goals to ensure that we continue the improvement that the school has seen over the last three years.

These targets are centred around three aspects:

Improving academic results – we have set whole school targets at NCEA Levels 1, 2 and 3. We are paying particular attention to all students gaining high grades and aiming for more Merit and Excellences than previously. Individual students are also setting themselves challenging goals to work towards during the year.

Improving attendance and punctuality – it is vitally important that all students are in school every day and arriving on time so they can make the most of their learning time. We know that students who attend school more are more likely to achieve than those whose attendance is not as high. We have set a goal for all students of 90% attendance and 90% punctuality.

Maintaining high standards – I have seen the pride that Mangere College students have in coming to school and representing their school in the community and at events. We would like to maintain these high standards by ensuring that all students are wearing their uniform with pride, arriving at their lessons on time, ensuring they are meeting high standards of behavior and are ready to learn.



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Le'a Ah Mann **13HS** Mohadeseh Akhlagi 13HS Reza Akhlaqi 13HS Aljoro Grand 13NI Seaview Lelenoa 13ND Kyle Mareangareu 13NI Penina Perez **13AU** Danita Samuelu 13ND Larenz Samuelu 13TF Samuel Singh 13TF Liam Strickland 13HS 'Ana Taulanga 13TF Seleti Tu'ungafasi 13ND Ruta Urika Filifilia 13ND Louise Walker 13NI

STUDENT LEADERS





Congratulations to all our student leaders who have been selected to lead the student group for 2016. The leaders have already been working hard to ensure that all students are well settled at school and able to focus on their work.

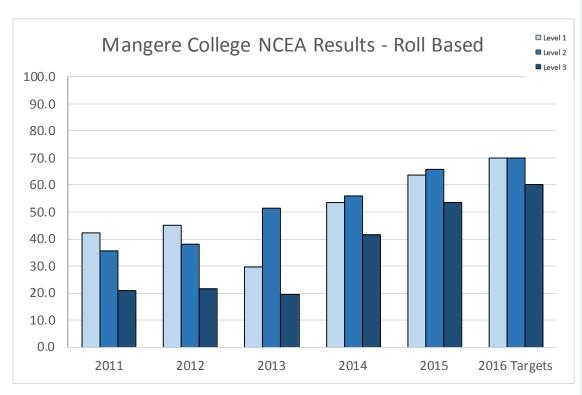
One important part of the student leaders' role is to mentor Year 9 students and ensure they have a positive start to their time at Mangere College. Each Year 9 form class has at least two student leaders who are able to help them with any questions they have about the school and solve any problems they have.

We also congratulate 'Ana Taulanga and Seleti Tu'ungafasi for being selected as Head Girl and Head Boy for 2016. 'Ana and Seleti went through a rigorous selection process including an interview with senior staff before being chosen to lead the school this year. They both demonstrated their leadership experience and potential for growth and we know they will represent the school well.

NCEA RESULTS THE BEST EVER

Congratulations to all students who sat NCEA last year. More students passed NCEA Level 1, 2 and 3 than ever before.

The graph below shows how our NCEA results have been improving over the last three years. We have set ourselves targets for this year to ensure that the improvement continues.



NCEA ENDORSEMENTS

The following students achieved an excellence endorsement in their NCEA qualifications in 2015:

NCEA Level 1	NCEA Level 2	NCEA Level 3
Campbell Talaepa	Simon Chand	Fakaanga Uasike
	Samuel Singh	Pamata Toleafoa

SCHOLARSHIP IN SAMOAN

Mangere College continued its excellent record in Samoan Scholarships in 2015. Last year Maria Lemalu sat the scholarship exam and did well enough to be placed in the top 3% of students in the country and gain a scholarship. Congratulations, Maria.

MANGERE COLLEGE MIT SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS.

On Wednesday, the 17th of February, the Year 13 students from 2015 who won scholarships for MIT received awards at an evening attended by their families, school representatives and MIT staff. The evening was to honour the hard work and commitment that led them to being awarded a scholarship.

The scholarship winners and the courses they are enrolled in are:

Toma Tia

Sport and Recreation

Cassidy Mokole

Business Administration and Technology.

ASB POLYFEST 2016—REHEARSAL



PARENT/STUDENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES TERM ONE

Our Parent/Student/Teacher Conferences will be taking place at the end of this term.

We will be inviting the parents or caregivers of each student to meet with the student's form teacher to discuss:

- •Progress in the student's subjects
- •The student's goals for the future
- •How to support the student's learning at school and at home

When: Thursday, the 7th of April, **3.00pm** – **7.00pm** and Friday, the 8th of April, **9.00am** – **3.20pm**

In order to fit the conferences into these days we will be finishing school at **1.10pm** on Wednesday and starting the conferences at 3.00pm. There will be no classes for students on the Friday. Students will only come to school with their parents/caregivers for the 20 minute interview during their allocated appointment time.

We believe that this meeting will allow the family and the school to work together to help your son/daughter do their best at school and improve their achievement.

The feedback we got from the parents who attended these meetings last year was very positive. Parents reported that they had a better understanding of how school qualifications work and of how they could support their children to improve their achievement.

FAREWELL TO MS CRESSWELL

Ms Cresswell joined Mangere College in 1986 from Mangere Intermediate School (now part of Southern Cross Campus). She was appointed by Mr Armstrong who was the first principal of Mangere College which means she has worked for every principal that the school has had.

In her time at school she has been a Maths teacher, Dean, Assistant HOD and HOD but the role many of you will know her for is her involvement in Rugby and the 1st XV. She has been the manager of the 1st XV for 4 years and managed the U15s before that.

Ms Cresswell has given 30 years of service to the school and has earned a well-deserved break. We wish her well in her retirement and hope that she stays involved in the school in some way.



EX-STUDENTS DOING WELL

Afioga Ielemia and Toma Tia have been selected to join the Blues U20 squad.

Mene Paisami has been selected to join the Melbourne Rebels U19 team.

Inga Limoni and Gelling Viniki have been selected to represent NZ U21 team in the upcoming Trans-Tasman series.

Gloria Aiono has been selected for the NZ Senior Women's Volleyball team for the second year in a row.

If you know of other students who are doing well please let us know at enquiries@mangere.school.

TAG

Congratulations to the following students who represented the South Auckland Tag Nationals on Fri 26 Feb, Sat 27 Feb and Sun 28 Feb

Cameron Tairea 11SH
Delphina Teraitua 11CL
Moana Viniki 13ND

Kyle Mareangareu 13NI

Daley Cassin 12ZA

Samuel Nati 12SA

SPORTING SUCCESSES

Volleyball

Congratulations to our Senior Girls Volleyball Team who won the Premier Grade at the Auckland Championships. The team won all six of their games including beating Rangitoto College 3-1 in the final. Ruta Urika Filifilia, Jane Moiho and Akanesi Funaki were named in the tournament team and Ruta was also named tournament MVP.

The team were:

Sela Filisione, Siata Ah Chong, Jennice Tuala, Akanesi Funaki, Rosita Sefulu, Ruta Urika Filifilia (capt), Uamiata Salaikeni, Jane Moiho, Madison Oa and Victory Tilo.

The other teams that competed were the Boys' Team 1 who were placed 14th in Division 1, Boys' Team 2 who were placed 7th in Division 2, Girls' Team 2 who were placed 11 in Division 2 and Girls' Team 3 who were placed 14 in Division 2.



Touch

Congratulations to the following students who represented the following regions at the Junior Touch National Championship.

Daley Cassin 12Za Counties Manukau Touch U17 Boys (Gold)
Samuel Nati 12Sa Counties Manukau Touch U17 Boys (Gold)
Cameron Tairea 11Za Counties Manukau Touch U15 Boys (Gold)
Salote Mahe 11Fa Auckland Touch U17 Mixed

MVP Award 2016 went to Daley Cassin and the Most Improved Player Award 2016 went to Cameron Tairea.



STUDENT ALLOWANCE APPLICATIONS FOR STUDENTS OVER 18 YEARS OLD

Students studying at school who are over eighteen are entitled to apply for a Student Allowance of up to \$140 per week, if they are living at home, or \$175 a week if they are living away from home.

To be eligible the student must have been resident in New Zealand for more than three years. The parents' or caregivers' incomes must add up to less than \$84,163 if the student lives at home and less than \$90,770 if the student is living away from home.

The Student Allowance is not a loan and does not have to be paid back.

EMAIL ADDRESSES

We are also sending this newsletter out by email to all the email addresses that we have on our database. If you did not receive an email this time, but would like to in the future, please send an email to k.beazley@mangere.school.nz with your details and your son/daughters name. A copy of the newsletter is also on our website.

Week	Mon	21-Mar	Scholars' Club starts
	Tue	22-Mar	Junior Recognition assembly. Tag football. Kristin Music students visit.
	Wed	23-Mar	Senior kilikiti
00	Thur	24-Mar	Senior Recognition assembly. Tag football
	Fri	25-Mar	Good Friday
	Mon	28-Mar	Easter Monday
\	Tue	29-Mar	Easter Tuesday
Week	Wed	30-Mar	BoT meeting
9	Thur	31-Mar	
	Fri	1-Apr	Samoan Parents Group meeting @ 6pm.
	Mon	4-Apr	
\$	T ue 5-Apr		First submission to NZQA.
Week	Wed	6-Apr	
(10			PSTs 3.00 - 7.00pm
	Fri	8-Apr	PSTs 9.00am - 3.20pm
Week	Mon	11-Apr	First Aid for selected years 12 & 13 students
	Tue	12-Apr	First Aid for selected years 12 & 13 students
	Wed	13-Apr	Art Roadshow Trucks here (Weds to Fri)
=	Thur	14-Apr	Level 3 BED Wellington trip (Thurs/Fri)
	Fri	15-Apr	Farewell to Mr Lane, Ms Haeata-Ruwhiu and Ms Nicholls. School finishes at 2:20pm

BRINGING CARS TO SCHOOL

Students who have a valid licence such as a Restricted or Full Licence can park their cars in the school grounds. They need to see Ms Luketina in the Careers Centre to obtain a pass to do this. The pass will then be valid for a year. Students are not allowed to transport other students in their cars.

RIDING BICYCLES TO SCHOOL

Students are encouraged to ride their bicycles to school. Fenced off bike racks are provided for students to lock their bikes up to. These are just past the end of the staff car park which runs along side D Block. Students who are riding to school need to be wearing their bicycle helmet and need to bring a lock to secure their bike to the bike rack.