



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

In our Term 1 Newsletter this year I reported on the improvements that we made in our NCEA results last year. We recently received a letter from the Minister of Education, the Hon Hekia Parata, congratulating us on these improvements. This is the third year in a row that we have received such a letter.

“The NZQA provisional results show your Maori and Pasifika students have achieved significant improvements in NCEA levels 1, 2 and 3 over the past two years. They also show that their overall achievement levels were above national Maori and Pasifika students’ average for 2015.”

This year we are continuing our focus on academic achievement and our goal is for our 2016 results to again be the best that we have ever had. Along with a focus on our overall achievement we are also focusing on the quality of grades that our students get. We are aiming for all our students to gain Merit and Excellent grades and to increase the number of Year 13 students who gain University Entrance.

As the Minister’s letter suggests, we are already performing well as a school and we are working hard so that we can perform even better in the years to come and ensure that all of our students are leaving school with excellent qualifications.

Tom Webb
Principal



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RECOGNISING IMPROVED 2015 NCEA ACHIEVEMENT

▲ William Colenso College

*Catholic Cathedral College Mairehau High School **Mangere College** Mt Roskill Grammar School Rongotai College*

▲ Rotorua Lakes High School *St John's College (Hastings)*

Gisborne Boys' High School James Hargest College Te Awamutu College Kaitia College Katikati College Melville High School Ngaruawahia High School Onslow College Kaiapoi High School Papamoa College Ruapehu College South Otago High School St Paul's College (Ponsonby) Taihape Area School Otago Boys' High School

▲ Waitakere College Tuakau College Timaru Girls' High School

Thames High School Te Kura Kaupapa Māori o Te Rito Freyberg High School Waitaki Girls' High School Wesley College Glenfield College Havelock North High School Long Bay College Kuranui College James Cook High School Orewa College Sacred Heart College (Napier) Waimea College St Bede's College

▲ Tangaroa College Tarawera High School Southern Cross Campus

- ▲ FOUR LETTERS
- ▲ THREE LETTERS
- ▲ TWO LETTERS
- ▲ ONE LETTER

These schools have been acknowledged by Hon. Hekia Parata the Minister of Education for improvements in 2015 NCEA achievement. The size and colour denote the number of times, over the past five years, where schools have previously been acknowledged for this achievement.

OFA TU'UNGAFASI MAKES THE ALL BLACKS

On Saturday 25 June during the third test against Wales, Ofa Tu'ungafasi became Mangere College's second All Black (Frank Bunce was the first).



Ofa visited school recently to hand out some All Black gear to the current 1st XV



Playing for Mangere College 1st XV in 2010



Ofa Tu'ungafasi was selected into the 32 man training squad for the ABs to play Wales in the recent test series. Ofa is one of six uncapped players who ran on for the third test in Otago. Head coach, Steve Hansen, says that “the selectors have been watching Ofa for some time. He (Ofa) can play both sides and there’s not a lot of people who can do that. He’s got size and physicality. He’s mobile, his scrummaging, particularly on the tighthead side, is pretty good. He’s a good athlete and we’re pretty excited about the opportunity to work with him”.

Ofa was a student at Mangere College between 2005 and 2009 and has a proven track record of achievements both in rugby and in the classroom including:

- 1st XV Captain 2009 to 2010
- Head Boy in 2010
- Librarian 2009 to 2010
- Auckland U16, U18
- NZ U17, Blues Schools U19
- NZ Secondary Schools Team 2009 to 2010
- Completed 1st year of Bachelor of Sports & Recreation

The Mangere College staff and his peers will all attest that **Ofa’s conduct is outstanding. He is hard working, humble and a real role model.** He is proud of his school and the Mangere community. Congratulations Ofa and “Seek the Heights”!

ASB POLYFEST 2016—RESULTS

INDIAN GROUP:



COOK ISLAND GROUP:

3rd Place overall



TONGAN GROUP:

1st Place in the Ma'ulu'ulu which was highly contested with 22 schools this year competing in this group dance.
1st place in the Soke which involved 6 schools.



SAMOAN GROUP:

Entrance – 1st equal
Mauluulu – 1st place
Sasa – 2nd place
Pese o le aso – 1st place
Tauluga – 1st place
Fuataimi (Danita Samuelu 13ND) – 3rd place
Taupou (Melania Agaimalo 13TF) – 1st place
Ulufafo – 1st place

Speeches:

Y9 – Herilla Salu 9IM – 1st place
Y10 – Victoria Soti 10MI – 1st place
Y11 – Jane Malauulu 11DH – 3rd place
Y12 – Maria Moeaia Toleafoa 12SA – 1st place
Y13 – Fili Burgess 13ND – 1st place
Impromptu – Netini Kraay 13TF



STAFF FAREWELLS

Mangere College recently said farewell to some long standing staff members:

Ms Helen Nichols retired from teaching after four years at the school.

After 11 years at the school Ms Nicky Haeata-Ruwuhi moved to Porirua College to ensure that her family can be closer together.

Mr Jerry Lane also left at the end of Term 1 after 20 years of teaching at the school. Mr Lane has been Head of the Mathematics Department and Assistant Principal and worked hard over many years to ensure the smooth running of the school.

Ms Janet Sickler has retired after spending 27 years as the school's Executive Officer.

We wish all these staff members all the best for the future and thank them for their contribution to the school.

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/daughter's name. A copy of the newsletter is also on our website.

PERFORMING ARTS NIGHT



REFUGEE PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBITION

Several of our students and their families featured in photographs in a recent exhibition entitled "New Zealanders Now; From Refugees to Kiwis". The photos were exhibited as part of the Auckland Photography Festival and were displayed for two weeks in a gallery in Ponsonby. The exhibition was supported by the Auckland Refugee Community Coalition and Amnesty International.

Pictured below are Younis and Izadine Ahmat Abdallah from Sudan standing with family members in front of their family pictures. The photos were collated into a book which is in our school library.



THE SCHOOL GARDEN

For the past few years the school garden has been transformed from an overgrown and disused site to a garden full of healthy produce and a place of learning. Each Wednesday after school, students who belong to the Garden Club and members of the Mangere community come together to share their passion for gardening. They can be seen weeding, composting and planting seasonal vegetables under the watchful eye of Rosalie Kwan, Nurse Heather Laxon and Matua. Bumper crops of broccoli, beetroot, spinach and Chinese cabbage have been shared with the community, families, staff and even sold to raise money for school camps.

The English Department has incorporated a thematic **unit around the garden into 10Hr's English** programme and each week students get to put into practice what they have learnt in the classroom, not just about vegetables and plants but sustainability, climate change and companion planting.

Student Zahra Hussaini says, "Most students just learn how to read and write in English but at Mangere College we also learn how to plant and keep the environment clean."

Wesley Komiti is usually seen hard at work digging over the soil and preparing the compost. **"The Mangere College Garden is very important to me,"** he says. **"I learn how and when to plant the vegetables and how to use the different tools properly."**

Irene Luafatasaga loves the fact that "the garden has lots of fresh vegetables and fruit and all the colours in summer." She also enjoys the team work. **"I like working with my class mates to grow plants,"** she adds.

With the shortest day having just gone and Auckland rainy days, it may not be the most enjoyable time to spend outside in the garden, but the winter crops are in, the gumboots are lined up and the passion is still there for the Mangere College Gardeners.



CATERING

These photos showcase NCEA L1 and NCEA L3 Catering students being assessed on their practical skills and ability to follow recipes to produce their assessment dishes.



Using a mortar and pestle to make a traditional peanut sauce for satays



Spooning egg mixture into mini quiche cases before baking takes place



Mass producing up to 30 portions of BLT sandwiches with apple chutney to sell within the school community



Preparing garnishes for the Mock-tail (Summer Punch)

KRISTIN MUSIC EXCHANGE

Our music collaboration with Kristin College has continued this year with our bi-annual Kristin College school exchange. On Tuesday the 22nd of March Kristin College students visited Mangere College to work with our students to prepare and practise music which was then performed in front of a small audience at the Mangere Arts Centre.

We would like to thank the Arts Centre staff for their time, effort and the use of their resources.

The Music Department would like to extend a massive thanks to staff and students involved. We wish our exchange students all the best and we look forward to seeing them again in term three at Kristin College.



Kristin College and Mangere College students practising at school and performing at the Mangere Arts Centre.

SAMOAN LANGUAGE WEEK

Samoa Language Week (29 May to 3 June) was celebrated at Mangere College with students and staff involved in a number of different activities. Each morning started with a traditional breakfast in the hall that was set up as a Samoan café. Guests enjoyed kopai, koko alaisa, sua alaisa, sua fa'i, panikeke, alaisa fa'apopo ma le koko Samoa and puligi. Our Samoan language classes were involved in a number of events through the week including the opening of Samoan Language Week at Waitakere College and a celebration at Auckland Girls Grammar school on Friday 3 June. Our Samoan Cultural Group also performed for the students and staff at Sir Douglas Bader Intermediate school. Radio New Zealand featured our Y13 students sharing their knowledge about the value of the language, as well as providing sentences for the public to use during the week. You can read the article on their website (<http://www.radionz.co.nz/news/national/305484/being-samoan-is-'something-to-treasure>).



YEAR 13 PREPARE TO MAKE THEIR VOTES COUNT

Head Girl, 'Ana Taulanga and Head Boy, Seleti Tuungafasi, held a special senior assembly to inform our senior students about the importance of registering on the Electoral Roll. Registration will enable our students, at the age of 18, to be able to vote in referendums and General Elections. This year's Year 13 students will vote in their first General Election which will take place next year.

Year 13 students are currently completing the necessary enrolment forms and they should all be registered by the end of term.

We would like to thank Kenneth Lam and the team at the local Electoral Office for their support.



SPORTING UPDATE

Winter sport teams and their competition placements.

Basketball

U15 Girls	Auckland Central Girls Basketball competition	6th Place
U19 Boys	Counties Manukau Grade Pool B competition	4th Place
U19 Girls	Counties Manukau Grade Pool A competition	7th Place

Football

Senior Girls	Manukau Senior B Football Girls competition	10th Place
Senior Boys	Counties Manukau Senior B Football Boys competition	5th Place

Netball

Senior Mixed	Counties Manukau Open Mixed	1st Place
Senior A	Counties Manukau Senior A Pool A competition	4th Place
Senior B	Counties Manukau Senior B Pool A competition	5th Place
Year 10A	Counties Manukau Year 10A Pool A competition	4th Place
Year 10B	Counties Manukau Year 10B Pool C competition	4th Place

Rugby League

U85kg	Auckland Boys U85kg competition	1st Place
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Rugby Union

10-a-side	Auckland Secondary School Girls 10 a side	4th Place
1st XV	Auckland 1B Pool B Grade competition	4th Place
Under 15	Auckland U15B Pool 2 Grade competition	3rd Place
2nd XV	Auckland 2C/D Pool 2 Grade competition	3rd Place



Boys 1st XV



U15 Girls Basketball



Under 19 Girls Basketball team

AUCKLAND UNDER 19
OCEANIA SECONDARY
SCHOOLS GIRLS
VOLLEYBALL TEAM

Congratulations to Siata Ah Chong 12DV, Akanesi Funaki 12SA, Uamiata Salaikeni 12Ps and Jane Moiho 13 Au who will be heading to Rarotonga, Cook Islands to compete in the Oceania Volleyball competition in September this year.

They hope to raise enough money to pay for travel and other volleyball expenses. If you wish to contribute or make a donation, please contact the school administration office 09 27 54029.



Year 10 A Netball



Senior Mixed Netball team



Senior A Netball



Senior B Netball



Year 10 B Netball

TERM 3 CALENDAR

Week 1	Mon	25-Jul	
	Tue	26-Jul	
2	Wed	27-Jul	BoT meeting
	Thur	28-Jul	Australasian Maths Competition. Niu mentoring, 3.30-5.00. 3BIZ Venture 10am-3pm
	Fri	29-Jul	
Week 2	Mon	1-Aug	Cook Island Maori Language Week. Stand Up Stand Out Solo Vocal @ OMAC
	Tue	2-Aug	
1	Wed	3-Aug	Stand Up Stand Out Group Vocal & Solo Instrumental @ OMAC
	Thur	4-Aug	MC Careers Expo, pds 1 - 4
	Fri	5-Aug	3BIZ Product Launch (Auditorium at Lunchtime)
	Sat	6-Aug	School Ball 7.00pm - 12.00am
Week 3	Mon	8-Aug	Stand Up Stand Out Bands @ OMAC. Year 9 Attitude talk pd 5
	Tue	9-Aug	Year 10 Attitude talk pd 5. 3BIO Zoo Trip
2	Wed	10-Aug	
	Thur	11-Aug	Niu mentoring, 3.30-5.00. 1GEO Trip. BOT training in staffroom (5:30-8:45pm)
	Fri	12-Aug	
Week 4	Mon	15-Aug	Stand Up Stand Out Semi Finals
	Tue	16-Aug	
1	Wed	17-Aug	3CAT assessment @ MIT - Gourmet sandwiches
	Thur	18-Aug	
	Fri	19-Aug	
Week 5	Mon	22-Aug	
	Tue	23-Aug	
2	Wed	24-Aug	
	Thur	25-Aug	
	Fri	26-Aug	Stand Up Stand Out Finals @ OMAC
Week 6	Mon	29-Aug	Option books distributed to years 10 - 12 students
	Tue	30-Aug	Senior Prize Winners lists online
1	Wed	31-Aug	BoT meeting. Pasifika Parents Group meeting 6pm
	Thur	1-Sep	
	Fri	2-Sep	Year 10 Market Day (Auditorium at Lunchtime)
Week 7	Mon	5-Sep	Tongan Language Week
	Tue	6-Sep	Niu On Campus Day
2	Wed	7-Sep	MC return trip to Kristin College
	Thur	8-Sep	PSTs 3.00 - 7.00pm.
	Fri	9-Sep	PSTs 9.00am - 3.20pm
Week 8	Mon	12-Sep	Special Prizes nominations open
	Tue	13-Sep	Last day to pay NCEA fees. Junior Recognition assembly
1	Wed	14-Sep	Sports Awards Evening
	Thur	15-Sep	Senior Recognition assembly
	Fri	16-Sep	2PHY Trip, Physics in the Park
Week 9	Mon	19-Sep	
	Tue	20-Sep	1SPO Rock Climbing assessment
2	Wed	21-Sep	BoT meeting
	Thur	22-Sep	The Pits talk for years 12 & 13 period 4
	Fri	23-Sep	