# Mangere College M

## TERM 1 NEWSLETTER 2018





Kia ora, talofa lava, mālō e lelei, kia orana, fakalofa lahi atu, and greetings. We have had a very positive start to 2018 with improved NCEA results released at the start of the year and great performances at Polyfest more recently.

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New students and staff were welcomed into the school at the start of term with our traditional powhiri. We have both 13 new teachers this year who have brought a variety of skills and experience to the staffroom and the largest Year 9 cohort in a number of years. Our new Student Leaders have done a great job in helping to settle the Year 9s into school.

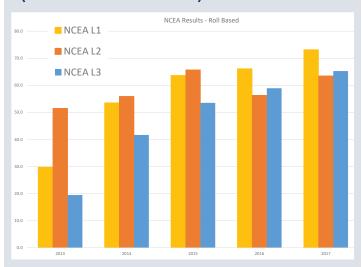
I want to congratulate all students who were involved in Polyfest for another year of excellent results. Our students always perform with pride and represent themselves, their culture and the school very well. I want to particularly mention the Cook Islands Group who won their division for the second year in a row and won almost all of their different sections.

I also want to congratulate all students from last year on another year of improving NCEA results. We have seen an increase in our results over the past four years and we aim to maintain this improvement in 2018. See more about our NCEA results below.

Tom Webb Principal of Mangere College

## **NCEA Results:**

(ROLL BASED)



Our NCEA results have been improving over the past four years and this year we had our best ever NCEA Level 3 and NCEA Level 1 results. We aim to continue this improvement in 2018.



**Back Row L-R:** Isaak Samoa, Levi Teleiai, Mathew John, Mark Leleifi, Sili Tongotongo, Izadine Ahmat Abdallah.

Front Row L-R: Hannah Pio, Jane Malauulu, Jacinta Ringi, Mary Maea, Jasmine Strickland, Edna Mann

Absent: Cee-Jay Maitai, Paul Lesoa

## Farewell to Staff

## JOCELYN MAITLAND



Jocelyn Maitland has been the mainstay of the Mangere College office for almost 40 years.

In that time she has worked alongside five principals, including the founding principal, Ivan Armstrong, and supported countless staff members and students. They have all benefitted from her dedication and diligence. Jocelyn's responsibilities have been many and varied - performing secretarial duties

for the principal and others, as well as making sure that students were outfitted in the MC uniform, operating the school stationery shop, managing the piles of photocopying staff required, completing administrative tasks for the Board, collecting money for various activities, organising the management of the school vans - the list could go on and on. Jocelyn has been essential to the smooth running of the office and the school. Her superb organisational skills and super efficiency have meant that she is always one step ahead of us and those who haven't followed proper procedures know that Jocelyn will always catch us out.

Efficient she may be but Jocelyn has a lighter side as well. When there are gales of laughter emanating from the office we know that she is probably the instigator of the hilarity. Jocelyn is also the fount of knowledge of just about every sport you could mention and Melbourne Cup Day would not have been the same without her.

When Jocelyn retires at the end of this term she will be greatly missed. It will be the end of an era for Mangere College. We thank her most sincerely for her dedication and commitment to the college, its staff and students.

## ERICA WILSON



After a wide
variety of
teaching
experiences
including that of
visiting teacher,
Erica Wilson joined

the staff at Mangere College in 1997 as Guidance Counsellor. In 1999 she was instrumental

In 1999 she was instrumental in setting up the Achievement Centre at Mangere College, one of few Alternative Education Centres that operate from within a school setting and which has since been held up as a model for other such ventures in the community.

It is due to Erica's vision and leadership as Manager of the Achievement Centre that many young people have been able to re-enter mainstream education and realise their potential. She has created a welcoming and safe environment there where students can work independently

as well as take part in scheduled classes for their year level. The centre epitomises the concept of the MC family.

Not only have students benefitted from Erica's care and expertise but also staff, who have valued her support, wise advice and good humour.

We thank Erica and offer her our best wishes as she leaves MC and look forward to hearing about her travels and adventures.

## WALTER BROWNE

For 19 years, Walter
Brown served our
school as the
Community Liaison
Officer.
He helped bridge

the gap between school and home for students and parents alike. If not seen, one could hear Walter playing his Cook Island drums either in the staffroom or in his office. He was such a valued member of staff that he was allowed to have his very own carpark space, complete with bright orange cones.

Mr Brown is now happily enjoying his retirement

## KATHRYN BARCLAY



Kathryn Barclay left
Mangere College
during Term One
- she has been the
school guidance
counsellor and lead
the Student Services

team for the last 11 years.

Kathryn was instrumental in setting up the It's Not OK – saying no to family violence campaign that the school has been involved with over the last five years. She has supported many of our students during her time here. Kathryn has moved to a lecturing position in the counselling degree at the Manukau Institute of Technology.

## **ROWENA** O'NEIL



Rowena
O'Neil
finished
as our
Operations
Manager in
February to

move to Canterbury to be closer to her family.

Despite only being in the role for a short time Rowena made a significant contribution to the school, helping with the day to day running and improving systems to make it easier for teachers to do their jobs.

## Welcome to new Staff

### **MALAE** ALOALI'I

We welcome Malae from Aorere College to the English Department at Mangere College. Malae has been an active member of the Mangere community for over 20 years, participating in both Church leadership and Polyfest groups.

## **NICKY** HAEATA-RUWHIU

We are excited to have Nicky back to MC as she has been working at Porirua College for almost 2 years. She had previously taught at MC for 12 years beforehand. Nicky has taken on the role as Manager of the Achievement Centre.

## MOHAMMED SAMEEM

We welcome
Mohammed from
Aorere College to the
Technology Department where
he is the Hard Materials teacher.
He likes spending time with
his family and is finding
the staff here friendly and
accommodating.

## **BRUCE BREETVEL**

We welcome Bruce from Hebron Christian College where he was a Deputy Principal for 15 years. Bruce is enjoying the friendly staff and students and is the new Engineering workshop teacher. He enjoys camping, tramping, biking, bee keeping and travel.

## **ARIHANA** HAKIWAI

Arihana comes to MC fresh out of Victoria University of Wellington as our new Te Reo Maori Teacher. She has a passion for Kapa Haka, sports & enjoys whanau time, 'Ko te pae tawhiti whaia kia tata, ko te pae tata whakamaua kia tina!'

## TO'ASAVILI TELE'A

To'asavili is joining us at MC this year teaching English. She loves to read, write, eat and chill. To'asivili is enjoying the students here at MC and thinks they are 'amazing beings!' She can see a lot of potential in her students and can forsee the impact they will make in the world.

## **LAURENCE** EARL

Laurence is the new
Digital Technology
teacher here at
Mangere College. He previously
worked at Datacom and is a
first-time teacher this year.
Laurence is enjoying being part
of the community here at MC
and his personal hobbies include
gaming, cars and politics.

## LYNN KEATING

Lynn is the new Head of English here at MC. She previously worked at Aorere College. Lynn has a passion for running and is really enjoying the fantastic students at this school.

### **AISAKE TUITUPOU**

Aisake is a first year teacher who is joining the PE Department as a Physical Education and Health teacher. He is a devoted Christian and a competitive Olympic Weightlifter. Aisake is enjoying being in the PE Department as they are really helpful, fun, and encouraging.

## **HELEN FAAMOE**

Helen has recently come from Australia to take on the position of Operations Manager. She is a Queensland Maroons fan and likes gardening, walking, cycling and going to the beach. Helen is enjoying the supportive and friendly staff here at MC, and also the cultural diversity.

## ANGELA KUO-YU YEN

Angela comes to MC as a new TeachFirst participant and Mathematics teacher. She likes to dance and listen to music and is enjoying getting to know all of the students and staff members in such a tightly connected whanau.

### **MILO WEST**

We welcome Milo to MC as a first-year English teacher. She likes bird-watching and thoroughly enjoyed being involved in Polyfest this year.

## **AMERA FRANSO**

We welcome Amera from Sir Edmund
Hillary Collegiate as our new Food Technology teacher.
Amera enjoys cooking, walking and reading the Bible. She is loving her new MC family, including colleagues, senior management and the students.

## **KATALINA** MA

Katalina is the new
Head of Mathematics
here at MC. She
previously taught at Southern
Cross Campus.
Katalina likes travelling and
hanging out with family and
friends and is enjoying the
collegiality amongst staff and
the classes she teaches.

## **YUYING YANG**

Yuying has come to MC from Beijing,
China! She is here as the new Mandarin Assistant.
Yuying enjoys reading, writing, walking and making food.
She is finding her colleagues very warm and is enjoying her students.



# Polyfest















## SAMOAN GROUP

Speakers:

Year 9 - Loreal Urika Filifilia 2nd Year 10 - Mele Asolelei

Fretton 3rd Year 11 - Blessing Taituave Fuimaono 3rd Year 12 - Julia Luamanu Kilipati 2nd

Year 13 - Jane

Malauulu 1st Impromptu - Levi

## Performance:

1st - UlufaleMauluulu 2nd - Sasa 2nd - Pese o le Aso 2nd - Taualuga

3rd - Ulufafo 1st - Taupou - Sandy Channing 13WG 1st - Fuataimi - Jane Malau'ulu 13WG

2nd place Samoan stage

### TONGAN GROUP

3rd - Soke

3rd in Y11 Speech - Elisapeti Filimoehala (11IM)

## COOK ISLAND GROUP

Speeches: 1st - Harry Taia 10AU

1st - Teava Tonitara 11FI 2nd - Maranna Miri 13WG

### Performances:

1st - Best Composition 1st - Best drummers

1st - Best Rakei 1st - Perepere Tane

2nd - Perepere Vaine

1st - Imene Tuki 1st - Ute

1st - Kapa Rima

1st - Peu Tupuna 1st - Rangatira - Ruama

Akaiti 13MA 1st - Ura Pau

### Overall 2018:

1st place Cook Island Stage







On Wednesday the 21st of February at Mangere College we made sandwiches at lunchtime for the students at school.

Firstly we spread the butter on the bread and the sandwiches had tomato, lettuce, sliced cucumber, grated carrot and cheese on them. We sliced the tomato and the lettuce. We had to cut the lettuce small so we could make it equal for everyone.

We sold apples for 50 cents, and the sandwiches were sold for \$1. We did a fantastic job and we are doing this because we are trying to help people in the Pacific Islands who had their homes damaged by Cyclone Gita and also new refugees in New Zealand to buy tools for their gardens at home. This will help the families stay healthy and safe including the new refugees in Auckland.

Refugees are important people to Red Cross and to everyone in our fundraising team. We were helping them and we needed MC students to help. I thought to myself, 'please, people come and help make a difference'.

I was glad that we made \$30 on the first day, but we needed to make more. The refugees were going to be so happy when we could give them the garden tools. We did this for three days, and we raised \$129 by the end of it. It was good to see students supporting this fundraising event. We needed everyone's help and we are the MC Family so we were able to 'Seek The Heights' and help refugees to be healthy at home.

- Oumaima Ahmat Abdallah 9BM

## **Technology**



The Heritage Rescue flagmaking workshop was on the 9th of February and was held in the D-Block Fabric workshop.

It was a fantastic opportunity for our Level 3 Fashion students to get involved with protecting heritage land at Ihumatao.

The students and Mrs Maskell and Ms Singh worked alongside SOUL (Save Our Unique Landscape) and a team of specialists from TV documentary series "Heritage Rescue". The students and teachers have created dozens of bright flags to draw attention to the historic site and to the community's fight to save it from destruction

The students work will feature on an upcoming episode of 'Heritage Rescue' on Choice TV.

Students loved sewing the colourful flags and designs on the flags. It was a great and interesting learning experience for Level 3 Fashion students.

# FABRIC TECHNOLOGY: FLAG MAKING

For the 1BCT class this term, students made a Seedling Tray with dovetail and rebate joints.

### LEFT:

Reupena Kilipati, 11HA **RIGHT**:

Daniel Esera, 11HA

WOOD TECHNOLOGY: 1BCT CLASS





## **ENGINEERING WORKSHOP: Y11 PROJECT**





Mr Breetvelt's year 11 class project is a heavy duty, long shank screwdriver. This project involves threading the shank, working an acrylic and

working an acrylic and brass handle on the engineers lathe, heat and press a flat head, mill a slotted handle and tempering the flat head tip.

## **Brainwave Workshop**

Brainwave is a charitable trust who educates students, parents and professionals about brain development from conception through the early years and into adolescence.

A child's brain grows more in their first few years than it will at any other time in their life; we understand very clearly that early experiences can help set up strong or fragile foundations for later learning, behaviour and health. Adolescence is also a time for significant brain development.

All Brainwave programmes are backed up by solid science and research and delivered at Mangere College by two educators; a teacher and a paediatric nurse with over 30 years' experience.

Many students have younger siblings; some are beginning to babysit. Many will be the parents



of the future. The knowledge that they absorb through this engaging, interactive programme is very empowering. Each and every one of them can make a real difference.

Ask your son or daughter what they have learned. And please visit our website for more information:

www.brainwave.org.nz

"Very important for future generations to live a happy and healthy life"

"I loved the programme, it was fun"

"It has made me more aware of how fragile a baby is"

# Tongariro **LEADERSHIP CAMP**







During week 9 our year 13 students in leadership roles went to the Hillary Outdoors Education Centre at Tongariro National park for a 5 night camp.

The camp focused on developing leadership skills and considering what the students individually and as a group would achieve this year.

They entered physically challenging activities that required they work as a team and support each other to survive. In addition they needed to carefully work through the situation and possible solutions in order to be successful. These challenges culminated in them leading a caving expedition followed by setting up camp for the night and returning safe the next day.

They represented themselves and Mangere College well and we look forward to their ongoing leadership in 2018.

## **Performing Arts**





# VOLUME SOUTH EXHIBITION COMPOSITION COMPETITION

In February our Year 11 Music Students were visited by representatives from Auckland Museum, RepFM, OMAC and MIT, who introduced our young musicians and artists to the Volume South Exhibition's composition competition.

The Volume South Exhibition tells the stories of the pioneers of the south music scene such as Ardijah and Savage, as well as upcoming artists like Raze, Valkyrie and Irene Folau. It also pays tribute to the legacy of the late Otara brothers Phil and Pauly Fuemana (OMC). Volume South

runs until August 31 at MIT's Manukau Campus. It features personal items like handwritten lyrics and outfits, as well as a short film about south Auckland music.

Students were encouraged to visit the exhibition and gain inspiration for an original composition of their very own. The Volume South Competition gives students an opportunity to win some amazing prizes and be a part of the Otara Music Arts Centre's 30th Birthday Celebrations.

MUSIC CLUBS

# QUEEN SHIRL'E VISITS



On 26 February, our senior music students received a special visit from the acclaimed rapper, singer, songwriter and performer Queen Shirl'e.

She came to promote her Pathways to Performing Arts Programme at the Mangere Town Centre Library: a series of workshops for high schoolers to develop their song writing, film acting, beat making and performance talent. Since then, two additional practices have been added to the schedule due to its success and how students have engaged in the work especially amongst our Level 2 musicians.

## **Junior Strings**



Mondays: Interval 11.00 – 11.30am in M2

Tutor: Ms Emily Allen



## **Junior Choir**



Tuesdays: Interval

AND

Wednesdays: After School

2.30-3.30pm in M1

Tutor: Mrs Emily Heeney

## **Guitar Club**



Tuesdays: Lunchtime

1.30 – 2.00pm in M2

Tutor: Mr Nathan Loo



## **Drumline**



Thursdays: Lunchtime

1.30 – 2.00pm in M1

Tutor: Mr Tim Doyle





On Friday 16th of February, the Year 9's had their Big Day Out where they all participated in activities organised by the Year 12 Sports Leadership class.

It took place on our own fields where everyone involved participated in the games including the Student Leaders. The purpose of this event was to

give the Year 9's a feel of the fun and competitive MC way and to team build within each form class and it was well worth a day out of the classroom.

We played a game called 'Scenarios' where each form class presented a short skit displaying the values of Mangere College, which are Respect and





Responsibility.

All classes were very committed to their acting and portrayal of what the MC Way is which made everything more enjoyable. The day was finished off with a sausage sizzle put on by teachers.

- Jasmine Strickland





# BUSINESS IS AWESOME WORKSHOP



The 'Business is Awesome' workshop was organised by the Rotary Club and ten of our Year 12 students participated.

They were grouped with students from other schools and with only five and a half hours they had to come up with a product, a marketing plan and also pitch

their idea. At the end of the day they were judged by a panel of business leaders.

All the students contributed strongly to their teams and we congratulate Taylah Robinson from 12ND who was in the team that won first prize for the best business venture.

## **Sports Update**



## **SENIOR MIXED TOUCH**

The Senior Mixed Touch team was coached by Piri Tamihana.

They played in the Auckland Touch Premier Season competition at Cornwall Park in the Senior A grade. The team were placed 5th Overall with 3 wins & 3 losses

The team also entered

the Counties Manukau Zone at Bruce Pulman Park on Tuesday afternoons to get more trainings under their belt, as the team were not eligible to play in the Counties Manukau Zone competition, due to the team playing the Premier grade on the Monday afternoons.



## **SENIOR GIRLS TOUCH**

The Senior Girls
Touch team played
in the Counties
Manukau Touch Zone
competition at Bruce
Pulman Park.

The team were made of two year 10 and four year 9 girls. The junior girls who dedicated their time and patience to form this team during the season were placed 5th with 2 wins, 5 losses.

It was a highlight to see the potential of our future senior players.

Coach: Tai Uamaki





## **SENIOR VOLLEYBALL**

Our Senior Girls Volleyball team 1 entered the East & South Zone Volleyball competition and were placed 3rd in this competition.

The team continued to the Auckland Secondary Schools Volleyball championship to be placed 6th place. The Senior Girls Volleyball team 1 were able to attend the New Zealand Secondary Schools Volleyball competition in Palmerston North. Our team welcomed the funding application from Trillian Trust who were able to help with our accommodation, the team also had to fundraise to pay their own way to Palmerston North, by travelling on the Coach line bus to Palmerston and back to Auckland.
Nancy Palelei who is the coach and teacher in charge was able to travel with the team on the bus.

Our Senior Girls Volleyball team 2 entered the Southern Zone Volleyball competition and were placed 6th in this competition. The team continued to the Auckland Secondary Schools Volleyball championship to be placed 42th place.

Our Senior Boys Volleyball team entered the East & South Zone Volleyball competition and were placed 8th in this competition. The team continued to the Auckland Secondary Schools Volleyball championship to be placed 12th place.

## TAG FOOTBALL

In March our teams entered the South East Secondary Schools Tag Football competition at Ngati Otara Park, Otara.

The teams entered were: Senior Girls Tag football team (Division 2 Girls), Senior Boys Tag Football team 1 (Division 1 Boys) & Senior Girls Tag Football team 2 (Division 2 Boys). The Senior Boys Tag
Football team 1 has
qualified for the
Auckland Senior Tag
Football competition on
Wednesday 11 April at
Ngati Otara Park, Otara.

### **OVERALL RESULTS:**

Senior Girls were placed 5th in Division 2 Senior Boys 2 were placed 6th in Division 2 Only teams in Division 1 were able to qualify for the Auckland Champs.

23 May

13 Jun







## **TERM 2 CALENDAR**

WEEK 1	
30 Apr	
1 May	
2 May	Yr 10 Music Discovery Concert trip to Auckland Town Hall
3 Мау	
4 May	School photos
WEEK 2	
7 May	
8 May	
9 May	Whanau hui (5-7.30pm)
10 May	Yr 11 Market Day
11 May	Yr 12 Market Day
WEEK 3	
14 May	
15 May	
16 May	
17 May	PSTs (Reports issued)
18 May	PSTS (Reports Issued)
WEEK 4	
21 May	

24 May	Business Education Trip to Wellington Careers Expo
25 May	
WEEK 5	- SAMOAN LANGUAGE WEEK
28 May	
29 May	
30 May	
31 May	
1 Jun	2 BIZ Market Day
WEEK 6	;
4 Jun	Queen's Birthday
5 Jun	
6 Jun	13 BIZ Dragons Den Yr 10 Music APOPS Percussion Ensemble Visit
7 Jun	
8 Jun	
WEEK '	7
11 Jun	
12 Jun	

Yr 13 BIZ Product Launch

**Business Education Trip to** 

Wellington

14 Jun	
15 Jun	
WEEK 8	
18 Jun	
19 Jun	
20 Jun	Performing Arts Night in auditorium
21 Jun	
22 Jun	
WEEK 9	- OPEN WEEK
25 Jun	
26 Jun	
27 Jun	
28 Jun	
29 Jun	
WEEK 10	- COMPLETION WEEK
2 Jul	
3 Jul	
4 Jul	
5 Jul	
	Last day of school

22 May