Mängere College

TERM 2 NEWSLETTER 2023





Kia ora, talofa lava, mālō e lelei, kia orana, fakalofa lahi atu, namaste, as-salaam-alaikum and greetings.

As we approach Matariki, the Māori New Year, a special time of reflection, celebration and preparation, we reflect on on a fulfilling and eventful term while we look forward to our MC Whānau having some rest over the holidays.

Check out our comprehensive newsletter for Term 2, containing information about our new badge system, Kāinga competitions, winter sports updates, academic endeavours and various student achievements and experiences. We hope you enjoy reading!

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A word from the Principal

Following a refreshing sabbatical during Term 1 this year, I have returned to school with a renewed focus and passion for our school community and am excited to continue my journey with the Mangere College Whanau. I want to thank Mrs Ah Sam and the rest of the Senior Leadership Team for their work in my absence.

Throughout this year we are revising the vision and strategic plan for Mangere College. Many of you will have completed our survey earlier in Term 2 or given your views at our PSTs. I want to thank you for your contribution to this process.

You will see more consultation in Term 3 and our new strategic plan coming out towards the end of the year. Our aim is to include the views of students, staff and whānau so we can have a plan for the school that represents the whole school community.

We have been in a challenging political environment in schools this term with the dispute between the Ministry of Education and our teachers union (PPTA). We know that the industrial action and rostering home of students has caused disruption to you at home as well as us at school. I would like to thank all our families and students for their patience during this time. We hope that the negotiations are nearing their conclusion and we can move back to normal school life in Term 3.

Despite these disruptions, student learning and achievement is still going well this term and we have celebrated student success this week with our recognition assemblies. During these assemblies we recognised success in the classroom and around school and presented the first badges under our new badge system. Students can gain points which will lead to badges in the areas of Service, Academic, Sports, Cultural, Leadership & Seek The Heights. Students can move from a bronze badge to silver to gold and track their performance on our SchoolBridge app. Parents can also download the app via the app store.

Tom Webb, Principal of Mängere College

MC REWARDS: Our new student Badge System



Some examples of the new badges to be awarded to students

A new badge system at Mangere College has just launched this year.

The badges that are awarded are a recognition of these students demonstrating Manaakitanga and actively participating in the life of the college. Points are awarded in the following categories:

· Service, Academic, Sports, Cultural, Leadership & Seek The Heights.

Students & parents can check how many points they have using the SchoolBridge app.

A blue 'Seek The Heights' badge will be awarded to any student who obtains 3 Gold Badges during their time at Mangere College.



MC Whānau, have you downloaded the new SchoolBridge app yet?

It's easy, it's free, and it comes packed with loads of features to make school a little easier, including access to:

- SchoolPoint (get your subject selection sorted)
- Digital IDs (discounted transport, movies, and entrance to NZQA exams)
 - Timetable (organise your day)
- Daily Notices (find out what's on)
- Your personal NCEA summary (track your credits)



HOVER OVER THE QR CODE WITH YOUR PHONE TO DOWNLOAD

Download it on the App Store or Google Play and log in using your college email and password. Or log into your SchoolBridge portal and click the "Get Our App" button on your homescreen to download.

Haere Rā



KATALINA MA

Our Deputy Principal Ms Ma has been with us since 2018 and had a positive impact on our school. She has left us this term to go and work at the University of Auckland. Go well Ms Ma!



TIPALELUPE LALAOSALAFAI TU'UA

Tipa joined us in 2020 as our Sāmoan Language teacher and Head of Languages. We wish him all the best as he moves on to work closer to home.



ISHAN SARMAH

Ishan has worked with us since the beginning of the year as a Social Sciences teacher. Thank you for your mahi during the time you have been here

New Staff



GABRIELLE DANCY Guidance Counsellor



HENRY TAUOSocial Worker through Strive



TAMAUSU VAOTU'UA Music Teacher

Debating Nationals

Congratulations to Manuia Romia-Fox (centre) who competed with the Manukau Debating Team at Debating Nationals at Parliament in May. The team won 3 out of 7 debates.



Open Week

It was wonderful to have Koru School, Robertson Road School, Viscount School, Mangere Central School and Waatea School join us for Open Week to learn all about what our school has to offer.







MC ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT: King's Award for Mary Aue



Congratulations to MC Alumni Mary Aue for receiving the NZ Order of Merit. Mary received the award for services to education, technology and Pacific and Māori communities.

"Ms Mary Aue has been active in Pacific and Māori leadership and volunteered in her South Auckland community since the early 2000s. Ms Aue has been a key advocate for getting Māori and Pacific learners into science, engineering, technology and mathematics (STEM) and community

development.

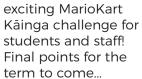
She has volunteered as lead for Accelerating Auckland Youth and Community Engagement Programme since 2005. She led a group of women to establish South Auckland STEM (SAS) in 2019, to encourage Māori and Pacific children into technology. year."

We are proud to see our previous MC students acknowledged for their work.

Kāinga Update

NEW Käinga LEADERS

It's been an exciting term for our new Kāinga initiative! We now have Kāinga Leaders who will lead their groups with pride and a new Kāinga Cup, awarded each term. Pictured below is the Term 1 Trophy awarded to Rangimārie. We finished the term with an







KHEGAN MATIA



Rangimārie







Whakapono





KĀINGA POINTS TERM 2 (so far)

MAIRI NIKAU

	Year 10 Formbook Points	Year 9 Formbook points	Bridge Building	Sāmoan Language Week	Maths Week Challenges	Junior Basketball	Refugee Week	Total
Rangimārie	112			160		100	110	482
Whakapono	50			200	20		350	620
Tūmanako	12	25	30	100	10	200	90	467
Manaaki		75	15	140	15	100	125	470





FINAL KĀINGA BASKETBALL COMPETITION PHOTOS



Te Ara ki te Whare Wānanga Trip

Make Connections. Make a Difference!

Going into a place where people of all ages, cultures and diverse backgrounds were, made me kind of hesitant at first, but with a few introductions, I felt like I was where I was supposed to be. The University of Auckland's campus was a great experience for not only me but for my peers. We went into lecture rooms and had some experience in what it would be

like doing activities in these lecture rooms.

We attended a lecture about the Bachelor of Global Studies & Communications where we were given activities based on key aspects of diplomacy and how to work with one another. It was a great experience and a good time to get a glimpse of what University life would be like.

- Josephine Wehi, Year 11



P-TECH: Year 11 NOLA Trip

The Year 11 PTech students attended a database workshop at Westfield Newmarket with the purpose of meeting Nola the customer services rep in Noel Leemings. Unfortunately, Nola called in sick the night before, so the students missed out on interacting with AI but they quickly adjusted to the change and managed to ask questions, gather and collect data through the presentations by the Warehouse Group. Our students were amazing, they were respectful and responsible. They prioritised their learning over having fun; focussing on completing their workbooks. One of the tasks they had to complete was to investigate different types of technology in the mall - which ones were useful and which ones were useless.



Library Update









It has been a term full of activities in the library. We had our ANZAC, Music, Sign language, Sāmoan language, Pride and Refugee week displays to commemorate the special days. During refugee week we had activities for our students to participate in. Points were given towards their houses, Manaaki, Tumanako, Whakapono and Rangimarie.

We also had the Auckland Library Card Drive. Staff from the library met with our staff and students and filled up forms. Cards were delivered and over 30 students received their Auckland Library cards. This card opens many avenues to the borrower. They get access to the following:

1. eCollections - iKohinga. Students will be able to download eBooks, eAudiobooks, eMagazines or eNewspapers straight to their reading or listening device of choice - without needing to visit the library. 2. eMagazines - iMōhini. Browse hundreds of magazines online or download a copy to your tablet, phone, laptop, or computer. There is something for everyone with a wide variety of topics, reading levels,

Nanogirl presentation



Nanogirl presentation to Y10 science students. Nanogirl create engaging STEM experiences for young people, plus exciting opportunities to learn & explore in a way that inspires lifelong curiosity.

Yum Cha experience

and languages. - Pauline Kumar

Year 12 Mandarin students had a great Yum Cha (Chinese Cantonese cuisine) experience on the 7th of June and a short walking tour on Dominion Road. It was a wonderful opportunity for us to be immersed in authentic Chinese culture, to use language knowledge and to raise our intercultural awareness.

- Xuan Yu





VAIASO O LE GAGANA SĀMOA

Mitamita i lau gagana, maua'a lou fa'asinomaga - Be proud of your language and grounded in your identity







The significance of the Sāmoan language and identity was the emphasis of the theme this year. It made us realise how important it is to learn and use the Sāmoan language as often as possible. The Sāmoan tongue is complex. A cornerstone of our churches, the Sāmoan language is fostered through church programmes and events like Sunday School, Youth organisations, choirs, and church services. The church is crucial in safeguarding the survival of the

Sāmoan language and the pride of the Sāmoan people in their native tongue.

The symbols, signs, environmental features, occasions, gestures, and other intangible elements of our ancient language served as a reminder of life in the past, carrying with it our history and creation from the minds and tongues of Sāmoans. Be proud of the language you speak, which our ancestors developed. Taking pride in the Sāmoan

language starts at home. For Sāmoans, the family serves as their first classroom. Our homes are where we first learn proper speech and how to treat people with respect. Having a solid foundation in one's native tongue makes learning other languages simpler and improves wellbeing. If you are proficient in Sāmoan, you will never have to doubt your identity as a Sāmoan because you will know what it means to be a Sāmoan.

La Manuia le Fa'amanatuia o le tatou Gagana Sāmoa.

Manawa Whenua Hauora LEADERSHIP PROGRAMME

This Term in Manawa Whenua Hauora workshops we have seen and experienced learning about different cultures. We have had a henna workshop where Manawa Whenua Hauora leaders experienced South Asian and Middle Eastern culture.

"I felt really good while I was applying henna on students it

was a fun experience to show my culture...It was fun to answer and share about my culture."
Our student leaders have also talked about leadership and what makes a leader and in our earliest workshop we talked about confidence unlocked. In our workshop, we played a lot of team and confidence-building

games.
It was
a great
experience for
us to share

our culture. We learned a lot about how different cultures work. Our MWH leaders felt happy and proud to share their culture.

YENUA HAU

- Shaziyana Shafeez 10MWH







Careers & Pathways **Department**



UOW EXPERIENCE LAW:

We never knew how many students were interested in becoming future lawyers and judges! With this turn out we have a great future ahead of us! Students pictured with Professor Sam Campbell from the University of Waikato.



LEARNER LICENCE:

Another successful result! Our students successfully got their green slips! We had a large group of eager students ready to do the hard mahi for their licence. With Matua Wayne navigating their sessions, we had a great outcome for students who passed effortlessly.



In the garden we had many options to do. My favorite would be planting the spinach while the girls did the cabbage and flowers.

It was a great experience to do all that. Garden is place of calm, peaceful and fun it could take you away from your stress, and all the problem you are facing at the moment.

- Written by English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) student Liahona Tenari



UOW PRESENTATION:

These beautiful senior students had a great sitdown chat with our friend from the University of Waikato. To several of these students, she was a familiar face, which helped with the relax-easypeasy presentation.



FORKLIFT LICENCE:

This is just a few of Mrs. Reade's students who, through Gateway, got their forklift licence. For some, it was a tick off their qualification-to-do-list. For others, it makes access to opportunities a little easier. Congratulations students!



The Careers department delivered a day full of information about the many possibilities that are available after high school. A great list of guests mixed with ambitious and curious students from all year levels allowed this event to be successful! Scan the QR code for more pics from the expo!

CAREERS EXPO



Film Academy - STORIES BY US



Our MCFA23 students are now finalizing their entries to the Pasifika Youth Short Film Competition, they have till 11.59 pm on Saturday 1 July to get them in. We're excited to be given the opportunity to participate again this year. Even with the teachers' strike actions this term, our MC Film Academy students have found time to work on scripts, hone their acting skills and even rub shoulders with national and international writers, actors, directors, and producers. Caylis Masinamua met the cast and crew of the series Chief of War (starring Hawaii's own Jason Momoa) at a Q&A session at the Māngere Arts Centre. In Term 3, the MCFA23 crew are looking to premiere their projects and stories. Stay tuned for details on that AND also on how you can support Māngere College's Film Academy.

Ngā Rangatahi Toa Matariki Exhibition

Wednesday 14th June saw the opening night of our Matariki exhibition - 'Tōku Whakaruruhau' - a visual exploration of a sacred, safe and sheltered place, a place of nourishing that allows rangatahi to explore and express their true self.

"Ngā Rangatahi Toa taught me how to be courageous and that I'm precious. Living life to the fullest, dodging bullets. They taught me to empower and blossom like a flower, stand tall like the sky tower now I got my power."

We invite you to visit Studio One Toi Tū and





explore what Tōku Whakaruruhau means to you and your whānau.

Social Sciences



Our L3SUS class is studying the impacts of business and organisational practices on the aspects of sustainability (Cultural, Social, Economics and Environment). In week 7 we were fortunate enough to visit the Auckland Zoo for a workshop around these things. Not only did we get to see all the animals but we learnt about how the Auckland Zoo is trying to minimise their impact in Auckland and beyond. Our next unit of work is looking at strategies that organisations put in place to respond to these challenges.

JAPAN TRIP UPDATE

We are full steam ahead with our Japan Trip planning. Keep an eye out on our social media (@mangere.social.sciences) for sausage sizzles at Bunnings or our other events such as our Walk-athon coming up at the start of Term 3. Our students are very excited about visiting Japan in Week 10 of Term 3. Thank you to everyone for their support so far.



This term some of our Year 13 and Year 12 students were invited to attend the opening of the Passive Housing complex across the road from school. Check out the story written about the opening featuring Caylis Masinamua and Tulei Salu on: pacificmedianetwork.com/stations/pmn-news







MĀNGERE COLLEGE



Congratulations to our 2022 Junior Girls Volleyball team who were acknowledged this year for winning the Counties Manukau Sport 2022 TEAM OF THE YEAR at the Mangere-Ōtahuhu Junior Sports Awards 2022. A special mention to coach Nancy Palelei for her work with the team.



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Mathematics



TRIP TO THE UNIVERSITY OF AUCKLAND

Our students from the Level 2 and 3 Calculus classes were invited to the University of Auckland. This trip allowed students to find out more information about possible pathways through Math and Calculus. Our students were welcomed by the Head of the Department of Engineering Science, Professor Piaras Kelly, then taken on a tour to kickstart our day. The tour included a visit to the labs where students were exposed to the latest technologies in Artificial Intelligence specifically in the biomedical world. Our very own Miss Katalina Ma also provided the students with words of encouragement to empower students to pursue their tertiary studies at the University of Auckland.

MC Refugee Activities





This years theme for Refugee Week was compassion! Refugee Week is an annual festival which takes place in June each year. The festival takes place in the week around World Refugee Day on 20th June. We had a variety of activities in the Library every day and students gained points for Kainga groups.

REFUGEE SPORT EVERY FRIDAY

On Friday Break 2 we go to the gym to play badminton, soccer and basketball goals. I like to play soccer because it is very good and it keeps me fit. I played volleyball in Afghanistan; I was in a

team and there was a referee. I enjoy going every Friday to play with my friends.

- Mohammad and Ali Reza Bashardost



MATHS DEPARTMENT FAREWELL DINNER FOR MS KATALINA MA

Miss Ma served as the Head of Maths for 4 years at Māngere College before her appointment as Assistant Principal in the last couple of years. She is a very strong advocate for Math which is evident in her initiation of the South Auckland Maths Challenge and her involvement in the refreshed curriculum standard. She values students' success and the importance of having good rapport with them. She always makes learning fun and relevant for students. The Math department appreciate her guidance and support for the team and wish her all the best with blessings in her new endeavor. Much love from all of us.



SOUTH AUCKLAND MATHEMATICS COMPETITION

The South Auckland Mathematics Challenge has started for the year, and we have two teams participating in this competition, a year 9 and a year 10 team. Although we haven't been getting the results we have hoped for, our teams are still determined to do their best to prepare for the last 3 remaining events. Let's go!



Business



Year 13 Business students in Parliament for the annual Business Trip to Wellington.

APOP'S DISCOVERY CONCERT

In Week 6, we got to take our Year 10 music students on a trip to watch the Auckland Philharmonia Orchestra perform in the Auckland Town Hall. They got to hear the magic of classical composers such as Bartók and Tchaikovsky, musical theatre composers like Leonard Bernstein, and even a rendition of "Kia Mau Ki Tō Ūkaipō / Don't Forget Your Roots" by Six60!









THE CREATIVE HUMAN PROJECT DANCE WORKSHOP

Over Term 2, our 3DAN class has been working with Sierra Diprose, Dancer, Creator & Movement Educator from The Creative Human Project. This project combines dance choreography and photography. The result of these workshops was put on display in a photography exhibition at the Māngere Arts Centre - Ngā Tohu o Uenuku. The exhibition not only features some of our 3DAN students, but also some of the photos were taken by the students too!



This term, we welcomed the wonderful Mr Tamausu Vaotu'ua to our department! Mr Vaotu'ua has previously taught at De La Salle College and is an active musician in the Sāmoan church community as well as in and around Auckland.





EXPRESSIONZ AT THE LIBRARY

To celebrate Te Marama Puoro o Aotearoa - NZ Music Month, Expressionz (Caylis Masinamua, Seti Savele, and Ricardo Samuelu) were invited to perform a small concert at Manukau Library. They all gave great performances, and even had the audience asking for an encore! The concert was also a special occasion because all three of our musicians were completing their music assessments: Ricardo and Seti are both doing the Level 3 Group Performance standard, and Caylis performed her Scholarship portfolio, the first Music student at MC to do so! Huge thanks to Emily Heeney for accompanying the trio on piano, and to ex-MC head boy Jordan Mauu for organising the event on behalf of Auckland Libraries.

Youth Voice Group Wananga

In an effort to ensure that the voices of our youth are heard, the Office of Children's Commissioner (OCC) collaborated with the Ministry of Education to establish a Youth Voice Group dedicated to the new curriculum refresh. A significant step in this initiative was the Wananga held in Wellington from May 15th to 17th. This event provided a platform for a diverse range of students to express their opinions on how the curriculum refresh would impact their learning and offer suggestions for consideration and

implementation by the Ministry. Mangere College had the privilege of being one of the three schools selected from Auckland to participate in this important gathering. Representing our school at the conference was Mahdi Babari, a remarkable Year 13 student. Mahdi's participation was supported by the dedicated guidance of our Social Science teacher, Toofan Rahim. We are proud of Mahdi's involvement in shaping the future of education and grateful for the opportunity provided by the OCC and the Ministry.

- Mr Rahim





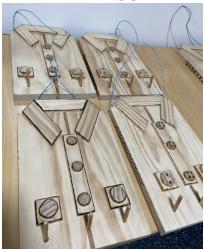
Mångere College was invited to open the ceremony for The Launching of Folau He Vahanoa on the 4th of May at the Fale o Sāmoa. Folau He Vahanoa is a free legal education programme aimed at Pacific service providers supporting Pacific families involved with the Family Court, Criminal Court and/or Youth

Justice. The programme will raise awareness about critical issues affecting Pacific peoples in the Family, Criminal and Youth Court spaces.

Our Student Leaders involved were Tavake Kamana, Jasmine Lemoa, Grace luta and Lautusi Siaosi.

- Tipalelupe Lalaosalafai Tu'ua

Wood Technology



YEAR 10 WOODShirt Key Rack hand-crafted by our Year 10 students.

TERM 3 CALENDAR

6 July Senior Ball

WEEK 1

17 July Start of Term 3

18 July

19 July Manawa Whenua Hauora Leaders 2023 Hui 3.30-5pm

20 July 2BIZ Market Day - Break 2 Te Ara Y13 to UoA Basketball Counties-Manukau Competition

21 July **3JPN Walkathon**

WEEK 2

24 July Rugby Girls 10-a-side

25 July Basketball Counties-Manukau Competition Careers Day at Tōtara Hospice SAMC Event

26 July School Board Meeting Manawa Whenua Hauora Leaders 2023 Hui 3.30-5pm

27 July

28 July

WEEK 3 - DENTAL PLANET ONSITE COOK ISLANDS LANGUAGE WEEK

31 July

1 Aug

2 Aug Manawa Whenua Hauora Leaders 2023 Hui 3.30-5pm

3 Aug

4 Aug Te Ara UoA Trip

WEEK 4 - FIJIAN LANGUAGE WEEK

7 Aug

8 Aug

9 Aug SAMC Event Manawa Whenua Hauora Leaders 2023 Hui 3.30-5pm

10 Aug

11 Aug

WEEK 5

14 Aug

15 Aug

16 Aug Health & Safety Course Careers & Pathways Dept. Yr
12 & 13
Manawa Whenua Hauora
Leaders 2023 Hui 3.30-5pm

17 Aug Health & Safety Course - Careers & Pathways Dept. Yr 12 & 13

18 Aug

WEEK 6

21 Aug Excel School of Performing
Arts - Auditorium

22 Aug

23 Aug MATHEX Competition Manawa Whenua Hauora Leaders 2023 Hui 3.30-5pm

24 Aug PST: Parent, Student and Teacher Meetings

25 Aug PST: Parent, Student and Teacher Meetings

WEEK 7

28 Aug

29 Aug

Manawa Whenua Hauora 30 Aug Leaders 2023 Hui 3.30-5pm School Board Meeting

31 Aug

1 Sept

WEEK 8 - TONGAN LANGUAGE WEEK

4 Sept

5 Sept

6 Sept Manawa Whenua Hauora Leaders 2023 Hui 3.30-5pm Sports Awards Evening

7 Sept

8 Sept

WEEK 9 - NCEA EVIDENCE AND EXAM PRACTICE WEEK TE WIKI O TE REO MĀORI

11 Sept

12 Sept **Refugee Careers Dinner**

13 Sept Manawa Whenua Hauora Leaders 2023 Hui 3.30-5pm

14 Sept15 Sept

WEEK 10 - JAPAN TRIP 18 -30 SEPT CHINESE LANGUAGE WEEK

18 Sept

19 Sept

20 Sept

21 Sept

22 Sept Last day of term

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