



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

After all their hard work fundraising, we're excited that our Social Sciences team are finally heading to Japan! We look forward to hearing updates from them over the next little while. As it starts to warm up and the days get longer, we reflect on an engaging and productive term for our students. We hope you enjoy our Term 3 newsletter, inside you will read about the expansion of our new MC Mana Māori initiative, sports news, academic achievements, various student endeavours and co-curricular experiences. We wish all our senior students the best as they prepare for their upcoming NCEA exams.

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A word from the Principal

Another busy school term is coming to an end at Māngere College. This term we have had vibrant celebrations of language weeks including Te Reo Māori Kūki 'Āirani, Lea Faka-Tonga, Te Wiki o te Reo Māori and finishing with Chinese Language Week in the last week of term. It is always a privilege to see our students celebrating their language, identity and culture.

Senior students have also been preparing for the NCEA external exams starting on 6 November with our practice exam week. Students have been sitting a practice exam for each of their externals to get them ready for the real thing. Our focus between now and the end of Term 4 is to ensure that all students are on track to pass their level of NCEA and to aim for Merit and Excellence as much as possible. Achievement for our senior students has been going very well this year and we want to ensure that we finish off the year well.

Thank you to all whānau who attended our PSTs in Week 6 this term. We had a busy two days in school and saw 77% of our families. We know how important these meetings are to build our partnership between home and school and ensure that all our students are doing well. Please get in touch if you have any concerns or questions about school.

At our PSTs we also continued our community consultation that will support us in our strategic planning for 2024 and beyond. Thank you to those of you who shared your thoughts and ideas. There are five themes that are emerging from the feedback:

- The whānau culture of the school
- Supporting Māori as Māori
- School systems and processes
- Becoming the school of choice for Māngere
- School buildings and grounds

These are all areas that we want to work on to improve what we do at Māngere College and we want to hear from you about how we can do this.

We are also working towards changes in NCEA starting in 2024 and we will have another Teacher Only Day on the 14th of November to continue with these preparations. On that day we will be joining with our local schools in the Māngere Kahui Ako to launch our work on Relationships First. This is professional development for our staff based on Russell Bishop's Teaching to the North East work and will be a major focus for us next year.

Tom Webb,
Principal of Māngere College



REWARDS & RECOGNITION MC BADGES

Our new Student Badge System



Some examples of the new badges awarded to students.

Year	No. Awarded
9	11
10	11
11	12
12	7
13	14
Total	66

Here is the total amount of badges that have been awarded in Term 3 so far. Congratulations and well done to all the recipients.

SchoolBridge

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
- Daily Notices
- 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.

MC Alumni Spotlight:



APII TAVIONI

The International Travel College has had a success

story from MC!
We heard from ITC this term that Apii, a past student from Māngere College who had studied at ITC has gone on to start her career in the exciting world of travel and tourism. Apii Tavioni has successfully gained employment as a Wholesale Consultant with Go Holidays. She was a student at MC from 2016 to 2020.



ALI COWLEY

This term we had a special visit from former student Ali Cowley. Ali is now an Animator, Illustrator and Creative Director

who is currently the Māori and Pasifika Community Engagement Consultant for Media Design School. He was excited to have a tour of the school and see all the changes since he was a student here. Ali spent a lot of time in the Art Department and was able to see some of our current art students' portfolios and thought highly of their work.



DJAY FONG



Congratulations to former student Djay Fong for his successful production 'What's The Difference: 685

to the World' which was performed at the Māngere Arts Centre from 6th to 9th of September. Djay acted in the show and helped to write the script.

Haere Mai to our New Staff



BERASILEPONA KALATI
HoD Languages



ROSLEY KAUALANIUA
Teacher Aide

MC MANA MĀORI

Ko Manawa Kapa tōku ingoa.

He Reparoa kī Māmā
He Ngā Puihi kī Pāpā

Favourite Kupu:
Mana Tūturu!

Why is being Māori important to you?

So I can learn Te Reo Māori, be Māori and stand as Māori!



Ko Naekira Walker rava kō Sharnes Walker ōku ingoa.

He Ngāti Tuwharetoa kī Māmā
He Ngāpuhi kī Pāpā

Favourite Kupu:
Porangi / Tutu

Be a Kōha, not a Hōhā!

Why is being Māori important to you?

To learn our Reo is important so we can pass it down for future generations to hold



Profiles of some of our MC Mana Māori rangatahi, check the rest out on the new Instagram page! @mcmanamaori

Our MC Mana Māori initiative has launched the MC Scholars Wānanga this term. This is for all Māori rangatahi, and is after school every Thursday in the Achievement Centre - 3.20pm-5pm.

During Māori Language Week, a new Instagram account @mcmanamaori was launched. Please follow, like and share to stay updated about all things MC Mana Māori. Scan the QR code on the right to access the page.



MC MANA MĀORI INITIATIVE PRESENTS

MĀORI SCHOLARS WĀNANGA

OPEN FOR ALL MĀORI RANGATAHI

COMPLETE WORK, ASSESSMENTS & HOMEWORK

KAI AND SUPPORT AVAILABLE!

CULTURALLY SAFE TIKANGA-BASED SPACE

RELATIONSHIP BUILDING

SENIOR ACADEMIC COUNSELING & ONE ON ONE SUPPORT

EVERY THURSDAY IN ACH
3.20PM - 5PM

Kāinga Update



Maths Week Competition



Fun Ping Pong Competition Chinese Language Week



It's been an eventful term for our new Kāinga initiative! We have had competitions for our language weeks, maths week, quizzes, sports and exercise challenges. We also end the term with an action packed day called 'The Big Move!' Congratulations to Whakapono who won the Term 2 Kāinga Cup. Final points for Term 3 to come...

KĀINGA POINTS TERM 3 (so far)

	Year 10 Formbook Points	Year 9 Formbook points	Social Studies Quiz	Senior Girls Basketball	Senior Boys Basketball	Flag Designs	Fitness Challenge	Maths Week	Total
Rangimārie	35				200	100	150	200	685
Whakapono			30	100			80	160	370
Tūmanako	5	10	20			50	50	140	275
Manaaki		10	10	200	100	50	120	100	590

Duke of Edinburgh Hikoi



To complete the Duke of Edinburgh Bronze/Silver Award, students are required to complete an adventure walk with a backpack. On Friday 25th August, a group of 17 students accompanied by staff, walked from Māngere Collge to Te Pane-o-Mataaho (Māngere Mountain). We walked around and down, stopping at the playground near the Māngere Bridge shopping centre, across the new Nga Hau Māngere Bridge and back to school. We were given a commentary of



the history of the maunga by Ruth Luketina and a talk from the Tupuna Maunga Authority about replanting. We made it despite walking 9.2 kms and over 16,000 steps with a lot of puffing, encouragement and students asking "will I lose any weight?" New friendships were made and we had a lot of fun. Thanks to all who made it happen. - Rosalie Kwan

Tupu Toa Event: Pave Your Path 2023

This was a fantastic experience for all of the young women who attended. Tupu Toa employees provided breakfast and lunch. Auckland Grammar Girls were present, and it was a pleasure to converse and meet with them. Some of the students admired the lady who hosted the programme because she used to be a flight attendant before studying technology. There were also three representatives who shared their professional experiences with us. Linda Vagana, a well-known

netball player for New Zealand from 1999 to 2004, was one of them. She told the students about her adventures, and they were filled with admiration. She instructed us, "whenever you see a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity, grab it rather than seize it". Angela, a Japanese language teacher, was the other representative. She discussed her academic success as well



as her early motherhood. She admitted that it was challenging, but she was able to provide for her son. Her words of advice to the young women were, "never give up; if you fall, get up and walk towards the future". - Written by Lovien Lemalu Togai

Library Update



It has been fantastic term with lots of events in the library.

WEEK 1

Our freshly painted library has had an amazing transformation! We were all delighted with this newly refurbished space.

WEEK 2

Cook Islands Language Week was followed by Library Week.

Our student librarians, Shazyana, Safa and Sumaiya dazzled us with their "Dark Fantasy" display. We also had activities organised by Hserku, Shwe and Mee Cho during lunchtime. Christine, Ato and Sameme displayed Library Week posters around school.

WEEK 6 - We welcomed our Year 9 parents for PSTs in the library on Thursday and Friday.

WEEK 7 - DAFFODIL DAY

Our Cancer Society NZ fundraising effort was rewarded with \$261 banked towards this very important research. Student librarians went out to get donations before classes and during break times.

WEEK 8 - TONGAN LANGUAGE WEEK

Many thanks to Ms Alisi Tatafu and Mrs Telesia Tonga, our displays and activities have been fabulous. We made Sei and Kahoa to be gifted to our staff.

P-TECH

MOTAT TRIP - MOTAT TOUR

On the 18th of July, the Year 11 P-Tech students explored the Museum of Transport and Technology (MOTAT) looking at the history, development, and future of technology. They had an insightful time looking at different types of technology, such as gaming machines, vintage cars, and steam engines. They also had the opportunity to ride the tram to visit the Aviation Hall which housed some of New Zealand's aircraft - such as commercial planes and military aircraft. The staff at MOTAT also guided our students with developing codes for making their own fighting bots.



Y11 P-TECH INDUSTRY TRIP TO SPARK

Our students were impressed with the Innovation Studio at Spark and saw different types of modern technology that we had not seen before; i.e. a device which tests/ monitors soil for moisture, VR technology, face recognition software, etc. They also listened to inspiring real-life stories from the amazing staff at Spark who worked in different areas of the company such as supporting customers, delivering key services and operations management. The key point from the speakers was how they started off at the bottom - from call centers and working at the retail shop - but they worked hard, saw opportunities and seized them.

- Kristal Montrose-Arnold

YEAR 12 INDUSTRY TOUR

It was a great learning experience for Year 12 P-Tech students to visit IBM and The Warehouse group on Monday this week. Students were briefed about the history of the industries, and they did a tour of both IBM and The Warehouse Group. Students actively participated in the design thinking activities, creating sketches of their own innovation of either a service or a product. They enjoyed the story telling session at

The Warehouse Group where two Pasifika employees shared their learning experience from secondary school to joining The Warehouse Group and mentioned about the career opportunities for these P-Tech students.



Debating: IMPROMPTU CUP

Well done to Mikayle and Manuia from our Debating Club for competing at the Impromptu Cup Competition held at St Cuthbert's College in August. The team won 3 out of 5 debates!



Careers & Pathways Department



LEEP 2023 (LINK ALLIANCE EDUCATION ENGAGEMENT PROGRAMME)

LEEP is a short engagement activity that is designed to give our future workforce a taste of the construction and infrastructure industry. This program allowed our senior students to meet staff in different roles across the Link Alliance construction sites and explore the sites.



YEAR 11 CIVIL CONSTRUCTION TRIP

Mrs Reade accompanied Mrs Tupua and a large group of year 10s to the Civil Construction expo. It was a great way to introduce our students to the endless opportunities that are offered under Civil Construction.

PST - CAREERS & PATHWAYS



During Parent, Student and Teacher conferences, we had put all the opportunities available to our student on display. It was great to hear students and parents look our displays and talk about future opportunities and possibilities.



PACIFIC ISLAND LEADERS OF TOMORROW (PILOT)

This year's PILOT event was inspirational for our Year 12 Pasifika students who attended. It helped each of them tap into their leadership and interpersonal skills.



HEALTH & SAFETY

These students had a fun 2-day session learning about health and safety and achieved credits while doing it. In this picture, we have a group of students actively learning to change a tyre. All students who attended these sessions passed. Good work students!



YEAR 12 MALOSI PROJECT

Several seniors students went to the Malosi Project Conference and some of our students were finalists in the mooting competition. Programs like the Malosi Project provide a great amount of encouragement and support for students interested in studying law. Ramona won an award for best speaker in her Moot team.



UNIVERSITY OF AUCKLAND - SOUTH CAMPUS SITE VISIT

UOA South Auckland campus is offering an option to study closer to home and our seniors went by and had a look. The students here pose with Ms Ma in beautiful South Auckland weather.



ELECTION COMMISSION

IT IS ELECTION YEAR! The Election Commission has hired these students to help on one of the busiest and important day, VOTING DAY. Māngere College will be holding voting booths on campus for this area; our students will be making sure the whole event runs seamlessly from beginning to end.



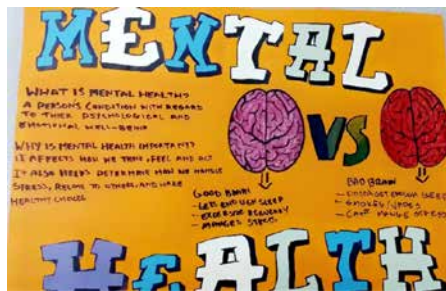
MEREDITH CONNELL OFFICE VISIT

Meredith Connell (one of the largest law firms in Auckland) opened their office to our aspiring future lawyers. The event was short but very informative. Our students got to see what a law firm looks like during operation hours, students got to talk to Rank 1 lawyers and tour the colourful office grounds.

Social Sciences

Y10 SOCIAL STUDIES - SOCIAL ACTION

In this term's Social Studies classes, our Year 10 students have explored important topics like Social Awareness, Diversity, and Social Justice. But what's truly remarkable is that they've taken action to enhance our community. Their journey began with letters addressed to Mr. Webb, Aupito William Sio, and even the United Nations. Our aim was to voice their concerns about issues that significantly impact our community. Mr. Webb came to visit our Social Studies class. During his visit, he engaged in discussions with students, lending an attentive ear to their perspectives and concerns. On behalf



of all Year 10 classes, we extend our appreciation to Mr. Webb for his commitment to our students and their voices.

Next, students from 10MWN harnessed their digital skills to take their campaign to social media. They also designed visually striking posters that they strategically placed around the school. Their dedication to spreading awareness was evident, and they left an enduring mark on our school community. Our students didn't just feel

empowered; they were also filled with immense pride for their collective contributions to our society. This experience is a testament to the compassionate and engaged nature of our students. They've shown us that they care not only about their immediate learning environments but also about the overall well-being of our community. This initiative exemplifies the dedication our students have for making a positive impact on the world around them.

JAPAN TRIP - UNIFORM SPONSORS

A huge thank you to all of the below sponsors who helped our Japan Trip students to have a uniform to wear to Japan. Keep an eye on the MC Social Sciences instagram for updates on their trip! (@mangere.social.sciences)



MĀNGERE-ŌTĀHUHU CLIMATE CHANGE WORKSHOPS



Well done to Eh Htaw Kue and Mikayle for attending two Climate Change Workshops and giving suggestions to how we can make Māngere more climate resilient.

Mathematics



MATHS VOUCHER WINNERS!

From describing the spread and shape of a data set in Statistics to understanding the gradient and y intercept of a line in Linear Algebra, I always felt that I had to put extra attention into maths to get a higher grade. That being said, when I do get excellence in maths I always feel especially proud of myself, as I know I have invested a lot of time and hard work into getting a good mark. Last week the Maths Department handed out \$20 vouchers to students who passed internals with excellence.

For me personally, I found this to be greatly rewarding, as I felt that the time and energy I had put into getting an excellence had all paid off, knowing that I could go out on a picnic with friends or even just treat myself to the rainbow sponge cake that I love. I also see the same feeling of accomplishment and enthusiasm to reach for the stars when they receive their vouchers. In the future, I hope to see more young scholars strive for excellence in mathematics.

- Manuia Fox-Romia- 11WTK

SOUTH AUCKLAND MATHS CHALLENGE



Our year 10 team placed 3rd for Final rounds of SAMC at De La Salle College. They competed against 23 other teams from Central West and South Auckland schools



MATH WEEK COMPETITION

MC Refugee Activities



REFUGEE & MIGRANT ĀKONGA EVENT

On the Monday, 4th September, 32 students attended the first ever Refugee and Migrant Ākonga Study Pathways and Careers Event at the Due Drop Centre. The Mt Roskill Collective organised the event, in collaboration with the Ministry of Education. There were guest speakers on goal setting, navigating tertiary study and New Zealand

qualifications. Students also had the chance to wander around and talk to tertiary providers, apprenticeship providers etc. There was a panel of current tertiary students who were from migrant backgrounds at the end and a chance for questions. It was definitely a worthwhile day for many of our students.



REFUGEE CAREERS DINNER

On Tuesday, 27th of October, we held our annual Refugee Careers Dinner in the staff room. We had guest speakers from MIT, AUT and the University of Auckland giving presentations and informing students and their families of University

programmes, scholarships and enrolment information. The families of our students cooked delicious meals from their culture and we also had many alumni refugee students attend. It was a delightful evening for our students, staff & families.

Ngā Rangatahi Toa

MANAWA ORA: TŌKU WHAKARURUHAU

Our Ngā Rangatahi Toa students are returning once more to the stage for the 'Manawa Ora: Tōku Whakaruruhau' production from October 4-6 at the Q Theatre. The students will be performing through dance, music, haka theatre, drama and rap.

This year, the rangatahi will team up with industry heavyweights to explore the concept of 'whakaruruhau' - a term used to refer to a safe place. Devised from scratch in the week before the season, the show will be a raw and honest retelling of what the rangatahi have navigated through their lives. To watch our students perform in the show, head to www.qtheatre.co.nz to purchase your tickets!



Manawa Whenua Hauora LEADERSHIP PROGRAMME



Scan the QR code below for Haura Dinner pics!



Photos above of the Manawa Whenua Hauora Dinner from Term 2. An amazing evening of celebration.

Talofa lava my name is Tulei Salū and I am one of the Manawa Whenua Hauora leaders for 2023. This past term has been a roller coaster of emotions during our Manawa Whenua Hauora workshops. We have had the honour of working together with TAUA (Tongan Students Association) from the University of Auckland, as they

have helped build our leadership and confidence, supported and encouraged us to achieve our goals and set-up tips and advice to help us get there. It was interesting to hear their life struggles and experiences, we were able to connect well with them and build a good bond with our tutors. I can honestly say that they have helped us a lot, with looking at



our future pathways. It was inspiring to see that some members of TAUA were very committed and driven to take time out of their busy lives to help out the students of Māngere College.

Our Basketball teams competed in the Counties Manukau Secondary Schools Basketball Competition at Bruce Pulman, Takanini for 10 weeks. We had 3 teams (Junior Boys, U17 Boys and U17 Girls) participating this season, with our volunteer coaches, Miss Ormsby and Tai on board.

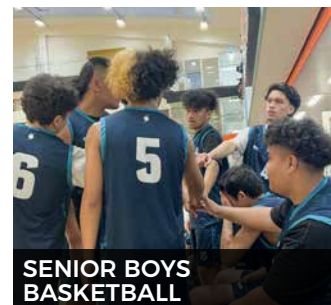
JUNIOR BOYS
4th place out of 18
Coaches: Terisa Leaula, Charlie Keung Jnr, Joseph Agafili

U17 GIRLS
4th place out of 10
Coach: Miss M Ormsby

U17 BOYS
9th place out of 17
Coach: Terisa Leaula



SENIOR GIRLS BASKETBALL



SENIOR BOYS BASKETBALL

MĀNGERE COLLEGE SPORTS



RUGBY

GIRLS RUGBY

Our girls' team played in the Auckland Secondary School Girls Rugby 10-a-side Competition. team came 4th out of 12 teams.

Coaches: Leu Tautiaga, Melvin Leavasa, Ms A Potini

(Teacher in charge). Congratulations to the following players who made representative teams:
Lucia Aneterea 11RFI
Lupemu'a Kaufusi 13TWG
Nila Tupou 13TWG
Le-sinatapuitema Elikapo



FIRST XV RUGBY

This year, our boys played in the Auckland 1B Secondary School Rugby Competition.

Coaches: Brandon Young Yen, Anthony Seupule, Ms M Taulaulelei (Teacher in charge). It has been a tough season for our First XV rugby team with only

eight players returning from 2022. However, the commitment, motivation and strength of the team and management has enabled them to finish the season. Our team came 15 out of 15. Congratulations to Hosking Viniki 13TWG - Auckland Rugby Divisional U18s Secondary Schools representative.



U15 RUGBY

Auckland U15B Secondary School Rugby competition Sione Siosifa - Coach (Community volunteer) Mrs C Masoe - Manager It was a challenging season

with huge numbers turning up at the start of the rugby season. However, the team were determined to see the season to the very end, finishing 10th Place (Pool B) out of 22.

NETBALL

Our teams competed in the Counties Manukau Secondary Schools Netball Competition which was played at the Papakura Netball Centre for 11 weeks.

SENIOR TEAM

The Senior Girls won First Place in the Senior B Grade 12 teams participated. Congratulations team!

Coach: Caitlin Manase

JUNIOR TEAM



20 teams participated for the Year 10 Grade, we were placed 14th overall.

Coach: Tai Uamaki

MIXED TEAM

Third Place in the Mixed & Open Boys Grade out of 15 teams.

Congratulations to Mairi Nikau who was selected for the Counties Manukau Secondary Mixed Netball team and attended the Mixed Secondary School Nationals in July and his team was placed 2nd.

Coach: Dessica Tohilima



SENIOR GIRLS NETBALL

NETBALL UMPIRES

On the 1st and 8th of August was the Year 7 & 8 Boys / Girls Netball competition hosted by Koru School & the Māngere Ōtāhuhu Netball Centre.

Congratulations to the following students who refereed during the competition:
LaceyLu Tohilima Franklin, Maaria Karika-Nuku and Elizana Tuakore.

JUNIOR VOLLEYBALL

Junior Volleyball trainings have started. All students are required to bring a change of clothes & shoes.

Monday - Girls & Boys

3.30pm - 5.00pm

Tuesday - Boys

3.30pm - 5.00pm

Wednesday - Girls

3.30pm - 5.00pm

Thursday - Boys

3.30pm - 5.00pm

(this will change next term)

Friday - Girls

3.30pm - 5.00pm

(this will change next term)



JUNIOR TAG FOOTBALL & TOUCH RUGBY

Junior students interested in playing for the school team please check the gym notice board for more information for training day's & times.

EPETOMA O TE REO MĀORI KŪKI 'ĀIRANI



This year's theme for 'Epetoma o te reo Māori Kūki 'Āirani' – Cook Islands Language Week is 'Ātuitui'ia au ki te au peu o tōku kāinga Ipukarea', which means, "connect me to the traditions & culture of my homeland". Tavaka Kamana was part of the team who came up with the theme! The week was full of dancing, celebrations, food and incorporating the Cook Islands Language for students and staff into our

UIKE LEA FAKA-TONGA 2023



The theme for Uike Lea Faka-Tonga 2023 is 'E tu'uloa 'a e Lea faka-Tongá 'o ka lea'aki 'i 'api, siasí (lotú), mo e nofo-'a-kāingá', which means the Tongan Language will be sustainable if used at home, church and in the wider community. The week began with our students attending the opening of Tongan Language Week at the Lesieli Tonga Auditorium. We had daily activities in our Library, including making Sei and Kahoa. On Friday we had performances during both breaks and an amazing staff lunch.

TE WIKI O TE REO MĀORI



This year's Te Wiki o te reo Māori was eventful. We kicked off the week's celebration with a karanga for staff from our MC Mana Māori students, a Kapa

Haka performance and karakia to formally open the week. We then had daily activities such as poi making, the Poi Toa Game, the Māori TikTok

Wero, and professional development for our staff - Embedding Maturanga Māori. Ngā mihi to the MC Mana Māori ropu for an amazing week.

ALL WEEK: AWHINA TIKTOK WERO
 Could your Awhina class become Tiktok Famous? Get your awhina class involved in the Māori TikTok Challenge and you could win a Prizepack with all sorts of the treats! Tag to win - #MCMANAMAORI!

Rāhina (Monday)
 Rangatahi: Poi making in the Library - Break 1 & 2
 Kaimahi: Staff Briefing - Kapa Haka Performance

Rātū (Tuesday)
 Rangatahi: Poi Toa Game - Break 2 (L. Block)
 Kaimahi: Awhina TikTok Wero

Rāapa (Wednesday)
 Rangatahi: Poi making in the Library - Break 1 & 2
 Kaimahi: PLD - TikTok Wero + Embedding Maturanga Māori

Rāpare (Thursday)
 Rangatahi: Poi Toa Game - Break 2 (L. Block)
 Kaimahi: Awhina TikTok Wero

Rāmere (Friday)
 Rangatahi: Kar Tahī - MC Mana Māori
 Kaimahi: Staff Briefing - Tiri Tōrea

#MCMANAMAORI

PERFORMING ARTS AWARDS SHOWCASE

On 31st August, we held our annual Performing Arts Awards Showcase. We had a matinee performance for Bader Intermediate, and an evening performance for friends, family, and the community, both of which went amazingly! Our musicians, dancers, and dramatists were all fantastic and our audiences gave awesome energy right back to our performers. We had representation from all of our senior classes, with outstanding performances from our Year 13 music and dance groups who took centre stage in their last year. Congratulations to all our award winners and a big shout out to our Performing Arts Leaders 2024: Nise Lam, Henry Mataora, Maaria Karika-Nuku, Quade Lam, Atalua Paulo, and Roselie Urika Filifilia!



PLAY IT STRANGE RECORDING SESSION

As finalists in the Play It Strange Peace Song competition, Year 11 group Limapoa Ah Sue, Tapu Iosefo, Dorothy Lologa, and Stephne Maea won a recording studio session to record their original song "We Are One"! They did that earlier this term at Kava Bowl Studios here in Māngere, and we'll share soon when the Play It Strange album releases and you can download it for yourself!



PLAY IT STRANGE FINALIST!

We are so pleased to announce that Damian Nabong and Ricardo Samuelu have been named finalists in the Play It Strange Lion Foundation Songwriting Competition with their composition "On My Mind"! Because of this, they get to record their song in a professional recording studio and have it released on the 2023 Play It Strange album. We will let you know when and where you can download it!



STAND UP STAND OUT

We had many entries at Stand Up Stand Out this year in three different categories! Our musicians and dancers took to the SUSO stage in Solo Vocal, Group Vocal and Dance heats and performed incredibly well against really tough competition from other Auckland schools. Congrats to Jasmine, Luisa, Meliame; Roselie, Stephne & Sarah-Rose; our choir MC Collective, and our Level 2 Dance groups WWY and Rārangā for performing.

'MOE MITI' DANCE/ DRAMA TRIP

On 24th of August, some of our Dance and Drama students went to a performance of 'Moe Miti', a devised work by Red Leap Theatre Company that blended Pasifika culture with multimedia and choreographed movement into a cohesive drama piece. Our students were stoked to see some of the ways that drama and dance can be combined, and a pathway in the creative arts after school - especially since one of the performers was still a high school student herself!



APO JADE STRING QUARTET VISIT

As part of our partnership with the Auckland Philharmonia Orchestra, we were very lucky to have the Jade String Quartet come to visit our Year 10 music students and play for them a selection of music, taking them on a journey through music from classical to Disney!



Diversity Group

A huge thanks to Isi, Jaz and Ola from Village Collective for facilitating our Diversity Group this term. The sessions have been welcoming, safe and fun with team building, getting to know each other, thought provoking conversations and tackling challenging topics. If you are interested in joining the group please contact Ms Alfie or Ms Latif. It's on every Thursday Period 3!



MC Media

This term Kasey, Manuia and Tulei recorded two episodes for our MC Media + 275 Times collab podcast - 'Teens of the 275' at the PMN studio in Manukau. Guests were Mariner Fagaiava-Muller and MC alumni Ernestina Maro. Keep an eye out for the podcast drop on 275 Times social media channels.



Chinese Mooncake Workshop

Students from Y9-Y12 Mandarin classes made mooncakes by hand and learned about Chinese Mid-Autumn Festival. Here are some comments from students:

'I learned how to make mooncakes and the history of mooncakes. Chinese people eat moon cake as a way to celebrate the Mid-Autumn festival, they give their respects to Change the moon goddess.'

-Ku Meh

'I enjoyed actually making the Mooncakes because it was simple but fun, and it is something I can definitely do at home and also teach others.'

- Ramona Pritchard

我最喜欢吃月饼。(I enjoyed eating the mooncake the most.)' - Adryana Bower

On 6 September, the Year 9 ESOL class revisited the garden to see the plants that had been sown earlier this year. The flowers have bloomed outside the careers office.



Gardening with 9 ESOL

They also did some planting for the next season.



Y11 WOOD

Pictured is Y11 student Trung Thanh who has made a Radiata Pine Storage Container. Hardware of hinges and hasp & staple catch with a polyurethane finish.

TERM 4 CALENDAR

Japan Trip (18-30th Sept)

WEEK 1 - FIJIAN LANGUAGE WEEK

9 Oct **Start of Term 4**

10 Oct

11 Oct

12 Oct **Junior Volleyball Girls and Boys games starts**

Te Ahurea Tino

13 Oct **Rangatiratanga Performance**

WEEK 2 - NIUE LANGUAGE WEEK

16 Oct

17 Oct **P Tech Y1 and Y2 End of Year Celebration**

18 Oct **Sports Awards Evening**

19 Oct

20 Oct

WEEK 3 - DENTAL PLANET TOKELAU LANGUAGE WEEK

23 Oct **Labour Day (Public Holiday)**

24 Oct

25 Oct **Island Breeze Lunch time performance**

26 Oct **School Board Meeting P Tech Y1 and Y2 End of Year Celebration**

27 Oct

WEEK 4 - FIJIAN LANGUAGE WEEK

30 Oct

31 Oct

1 Nov

2 Nov **Y11 & 12 Prizegiving**

3 Nov **Y13 Prizegiving**

WEEK 5

6 Nov **NCEA Exams start**

7 Nov

8 Nov

9 Nov

10 Nov

WEEK 6

13 Nov

14 Nov **Teacher Only Day**

15 Nov

16 Nov

17 Nov

WEEK 7

20 Nov

21 Nov

22 Nov

23 Nov

24 Nov **Sports Exchange with Birkenhead**

WEEK 8

27 Nov **Wider Living Week Te Ara Retreat**

28 Nov

29 Nov **School Board Meeting**

30 Nov

1 Dec **Leavers Dinner**

WEEK 9

4 Dec

5 Dec

6 Dec

7 Dec **Tabloid Sports**

8 Dec **Junior Prizegiving Last day of the year**

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