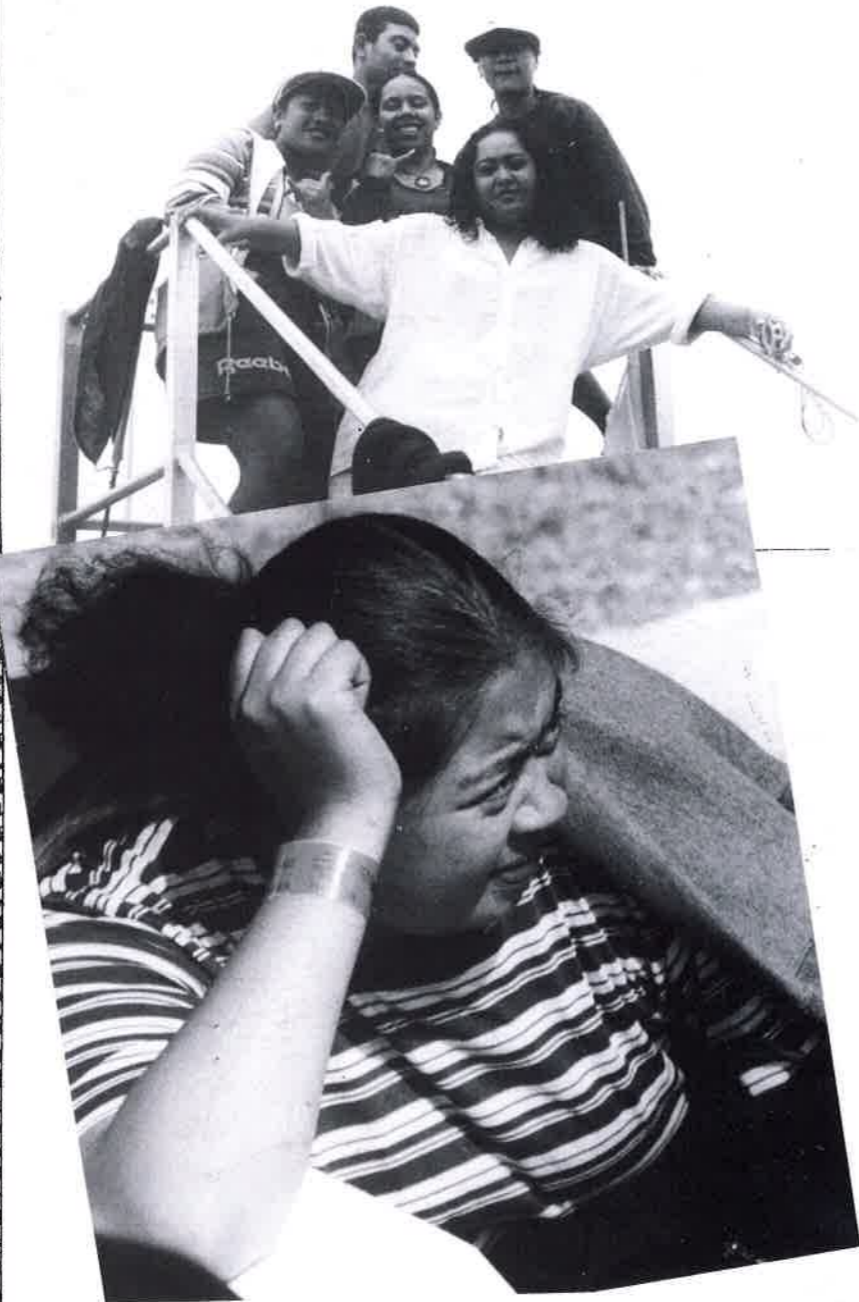
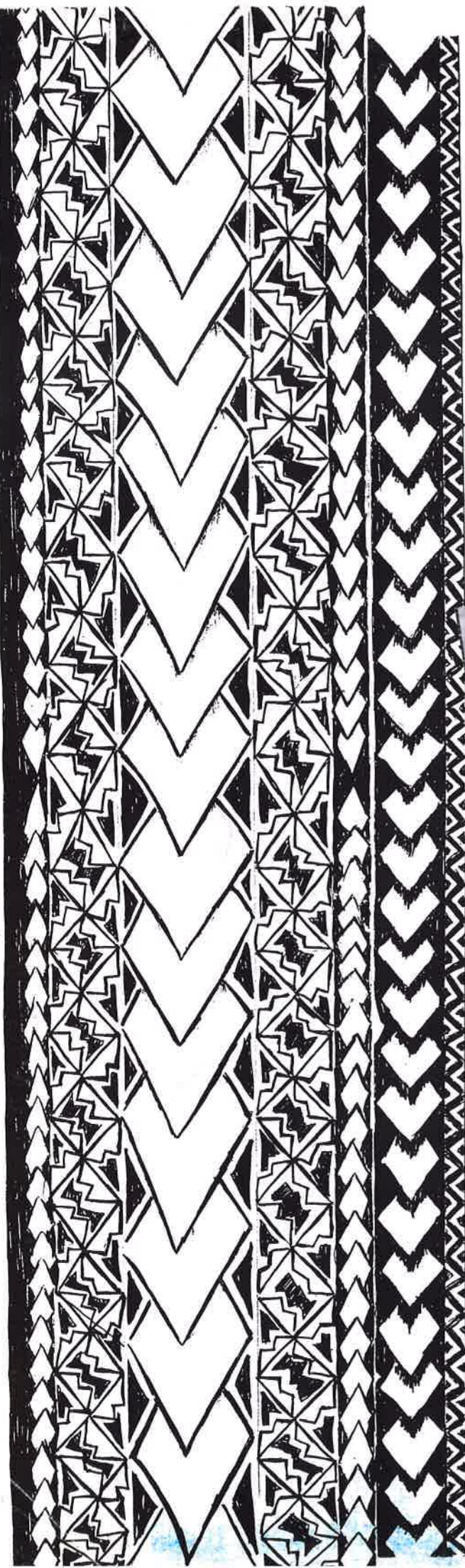


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I am writing this report on a sunny Labour Day. The warm weather helps me focus on the many highlights of 1998. This year has passed rapidly and much has happened to add to the history of Mangere College and to the experiences of all those who are lucky enough to be part of the MC Family.

This report presents me with real challenges. I must summarise the key events of 1998 and acknowledge the people who have made these events happen. Inevitably events will be overlooked and individuals seemingly ignored. However, I am confident that this magazine will make good my omissions by presenting an excellent record of the 1998 Mangere College year.

1998 has been a positive year for our school. The Education Review Office visited the school to report on the quality of schooling in Mangere and Otara. A brief report was prepared for Mangere College. The conclusion of this report states:

"Trustees, staff and students of Mangere College take great pride in their school. They have worked hard to develop a positive culture that is focussed on raising student achievement. The board and staff are profiting from the AIMHI initiative in a variety of ways and are well placed to deal with the challenges that continue to confront them."

In 1998 the school became more involved with its community. Local businesses were asked to give a financial commitment to the school and to MC students. These businesses, acknowledged in this magazine as supporters of Mangere College, sponsored scholarships that will help many students in the area realise their true potential. Local businesses also responded to requests from senior students and have provided plants and materials that are being used to develop the S Block courtyard into an area that will complement the senior common room and provide an area for quiet study.

A second community focus has been spearheaded by the three Community Liaison Officers who were appointed during the year. Donna, Tino and Vivienne have made a real impact upon the school, our students and our families. They have helped to raise the

expectations of many students and are developing strong links with parents and caregivers. The CLOs are a welcome addition to the staff.

There have been only a few staff changes this year. Two of our departing staff deserve special mention: Nardi Leonard accepted a position as Regional Development Officer for Women's Softball and Paul Green has been appointed Assistant Principal at Waiheke High School. These two teachers have achieved the recognition that they deserve.. They have also reminded us all that Mangere College does have superior staff who will play a significant role in the education of young people.

For many of our students, 1998 will be remembered as the year they stamped their mark on their school in a very positive way. Our Student Leaders and the School Council have been awesome. The Leaders set the standard from the start by establishing a dress code that made them stand tall and proud. During the year the Leaders and Council have ensured a real student presence by running the school radio station ("MC Vibes"), organising a very successful Multicultural Week, undertaking a detailed survey on student attitudes to smoking, ensuring that the School Ball was a success and pressuring me into getting the Senior Study Room established. As already mentioned, they even found time to obtain sponsorship for the courtyard.

It has been a great gift for the school and the future looks exciting and challenging. Mangere College has agreed to host the 1999 ASB Bank Secondary Schools Maori and Pacific Island Cultural Festival. This is significant in the history of the school as it will give us an opportunity to show what is meant by MC pride and MC effectiveness. I look forward to being part of this major event.

I end this report by wishing all the students who are leaving the school the very best wishes for their future. Go well and go with the support of your teachers. We will watch you progress with interest and look forward to hearing of your successes.

Ron Pedder



BOARD REPORTS



A year ago, the Board had four members (including myself as Chairperson) who were co-opted or appointed mid-term. In April this year, all four were elected on to the new Board, with just one member co-opted. The present Board feels that it has a more direct mandate from Parents to act on their behalf. It was pleasing to see eight nominations for the five parent Representatives. Even more pleasing is the stability and harmony that now exists within the Board. A year ago we had a Board that was finding its way. Today we have a Board that is confident and has the skills to effectively govern.

Over the last eighteen months I have got to know the Principal Ron Pedder and many of the staff. I have been most impressed with the dedication and caring attitude of all the teachers at Mangere College, furthermore, a high percentage of our teachers have been at the College for many years. This stabilising influence is very important in a transient society.

This year has seen a number of teachers attend Board meetings, particularly heads of Departments who have reported directly to the Board. As a result of this, members of the Board have a better understanding of the day to day operations at the school. At the same time, any shortcomings may be

exposed and subsequently addressed. I believe that the trust being built up between Board and Staff will ultimately benefit the students in a very positive manner.

Over the last two years, I have met senior students, student leaders and past students of Mangere College. These young people are of the highest calibre, and the staff should be very proud. The success of some of our past students must be a source of great satisfaction to everyone involved in Mangere College.

We need to look to the future and make the best use of our resources. The teaching staff is stable and very skilled. There is a very rich mixture of cultures amongst both students and staff. The Board of Trustees is now better trained, has confidence and is very positive. Most important of all, we are all working in harmony. The outlook for Mangere College is very bright.

To those who are leaving us, both students and staff, I wish you the very best in your future lives.

I look forward to the coming year, to lead a very fine Board towards the millennium.

May I wish you all a very Joyous Festive Season.

David Gock
CHAIRPERSON BOARD OF TRUSTEES

STUDENT COUNCIL 1998

As always, this year was a very busy year for the student council.

To start off the year we had the privilege of actually organising the radio station. This involved organising a competition to choose a name for the radio station. The difficult choice was made and thanks to the winner, Luke Mostert, our station is now known as MC Vibes. Another competition was held to design a logo and this was won by Finauga Fa'atoia. The next task was to select and to train our team of DJs. We wanted people who would cater for all musical tastes and who would be able to express themselves clearly on air. We would like to thank the DJs who have consistently ensured that our interval and lunch time breaks have often been musical ones! They are: -

Leon Rauwhero	9SV
Fale Time	9SV
Sharlene Webb	9CN
Luke Mostert	10MA
Natasha Mokalei	11HR
Carlos Tuiletufuga	12CA
Elizabeth Samuel	12CA



We would also like to thank Lottie, Rowan, Misili, Joe, Anthony, Peter and Vili who have helped during the year. A particular thank-you must also go to Soul FM who contributed prizes for our competitions and to 91ZM for a very generous donation of CDs. We hope to get even better next year so continue to support us and to let us know what kind of music you would like to hear on air!

Our next big project was of course the multi-

cultural week which was held from the 10th-14th August. For many of the council reps it was one of the most exhausting yet successful events and a major highlight of the year. The object of the week was for all students to be proud of their identity and to learn about each other's ethnic backgrounds. From a sports day to a fashion concert, multi-day to the unforgettable food court, it was a week that no student should miss. A special mention must go to our guest speaker at assembly during this week, Nick Tuitasi. We would also like to thank all of the parents who supported us and of course the students, without your support we wouldn't have raised the \$905 that will be spent to make MC an even better place to be for its students.

Our student council has also been instrumental in implementing changes in the school uniform. Scarves and the new ties were introduced and are currently on sale at the stationery shop.

Did you ever wonder what happened to the old yellow minibus? Well thanks to the pressure of the student council MC students will no longer be ashamed of going to events in the yellow tin can! It has been replaced with a brand new minibus which is much flashier than the previous one! No longer will we have to suffer the humiliation that we felt when we parked in front of other schools in our old yellow bomb!

Overall we would like to thank the students of MC for being the backbone for the council. Many thanks to Ms Potter and to Mr Patel for their unconditional support. To all members God Bless and to the student council next year good luck and may your year be as fruitful as it has been for us!

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Students' Representative

Talofa lava, E muamua lava ona ou fa'afetai ile Atua, Au ua aulia ma le maniuua lenei tausaga - '98'.

Becoming the 1998 Student Representative of Mangere College was an honour and a grand experience for me. I've found out that being student representative carries many responsibilities.

It is also a very demanding job. You must have self-motivation, organising skills and also have a very positive attitude. During this year, I've thoroughly enjoyed voicing student opinions and ideas, I also brought forward student concerns and requests regarding socials, minibuses and the new year 13 study room, and I believe I was successful.

This year I have gained many new friends among students and staff. I have also gained confidence, speaking in front of large groups of people.

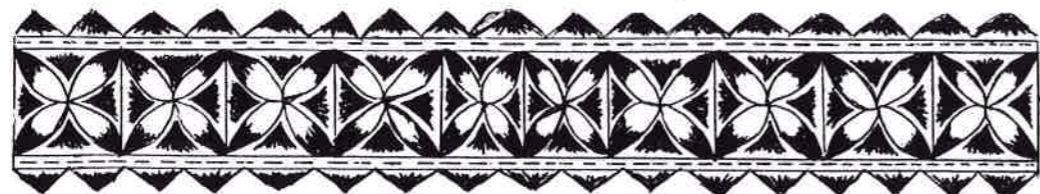
I believe the major key to being a successful student representative is to maintain a very honest and professional relationship with the students of the school.

I'd like to thank my Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ for His love and guidance. A special thanks to the Board of '98 and to School Council, Ms Potter, Mr Patel, Students Leaders and the staff of Mangere College for the support this year. And a huge thank you to my parents for their everlasting love, support and encouragement.

I'd like to leave with this saying for the students
"The wisdom in life is to seek the heights"

Tofa Soifua, God Bless

Penati Pita: Student Representative 1998



Head Girl

Heidi Mostert

I discovered this year that being a Head Girl of Mangere College is not as easy as wearing a badge. I have tried with the best of my abilities to fulfil this role, and the high standards and expectations that accompany it.

I have lived in Mangere for 12 years, and been enriched with many different cultures and customs. I am thankful to have a stable and supportive family which has immensely helped me to come this far and achieve many things.

It is impossible to pass through Mangere College unchanged and so I, like each of us, have grown academically, physically and spiritually during my five years here.

I have constantly proved to myself, throughout my years at Mangere College that hard work has its rewards and consequently I have learnt much and thoroughly enjoyed my time here. Thank you to all the teachers and students who have shared their knowledge, support, encouragement and advice with me. All of you have helped me become who I am today.

I would also like to thank my partners Sesilia, Maurice and Jerry, the Student Leaders and Student Council who have helped me this year. Together we have achieved great things! We successfully held our first Senior Social in several years, we have a new school minibus, a study room has been created in conjunction with our senior common room - which has never looked better, the S Block garden area has begun its transformation and our annual Senior School Ball was again a memorable occasion. We have conducted two major surveys on smoking and S.S.R, had several mufti days and an awesome Multi-cultural week. Thank you to everyone who contributed their time, effort, food and skills to make this week enjoyable and memorable for all. For the Student Leaders, Student Council and their supporters

- Ms Potter and Mr Patel 1998 has been a busy but rewarding year.

Mangere College has been one of the many stepping stones in my life, preparing me for my future life. I see my further education not only as a way to better myself but as a way

to help others find healing, meaning and wholeness in life. In all my years at Mangere I have always tried my best to seek the height and will continue to do so. I encourage you all to seek the heights with me; remember - "A journey of a thousand miles must first begin with a single step!"

My years at Mangere College have now come to an end, I would like to leave you with an Irish blessing:

*May the road rise to meet you.
May the wind be always at your back,
May the sun shine warm upon your face,
the rains fall soft upon your fields,
and, until we meet again,
may God hold you in the palm of his hand.*

Shalom.

