

# MANGERE COLLEGE



2000



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Quality Education for the  
Students of Mangere

## Acknowledgements

The production of this magazine has been a challenge for staff and the editorial team.

This year we were not able to use the expertise of a Journalism class and had to rely upon the enthusiasm and commitment of Ms Harris and Mr Fifita.

Fortunately, eight students who were members of the 1999 editorial team were prepared to recruit two new members and work on this year's publication. The team can take credit for the stories in this magazine.

Staff have also supported the production of the magazine.

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A very special thanks must go to the 2000 editorial team.

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The Editorial Team

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# Principal's Report

Talofa lava, Malo e lelei, Fakalofa lahi atu, Kia orana, Namaste, Chao, 你好, Tena koutou, tena koutou, tena koutou katoa. Greetings to you all.

The year 2000, the year of a new millennium, has been a wonderful year for Mangere College.

Hosting the ASB BANK Auckland Secondary Schools Maori and Pacific Islands Cultural Festival was a challenging way to start the year. We built on our 1999 experience and this year's event was an outstanding success. The Festival enabled Mangere College students to show their true ability, character and reliability. It certainly lived up to its theme 'Students taking Control of their Future'.

For the second year our students were invited to exhibit their art at Auckland International Airport. We were honoured to have the Prime Minister, the Rt Hon Helen Clark, open the exhibition. This gave real recognition to the achievement of Mangere College students. We acknowledged the importance of the occasion by having Letufa Taniela present the Prime Minister with a particularly fine example of her art.

Mangere College students are gaining a well deserved reputation for producing very high quality art. I greatly appreciate the dedication and commitment of our art teachers, Mike Christo and Hunia Dean. They are able to bring out the very best in our students.

It was particularly fitting that Head of Art, Mike Christo, was

presented with a Woolf Fisher Fellowship in October. This prestigious award will enable Mr Christo to travel to Australia for 3 weeks next year in order to visit schools and galleries, and meet with art educators.

Ms Rose Salemanesa came to Mangere College as a first year teacher and has had a huge impact upon our Music Department. In just one year Ms Salemanesa has injected life into the Music Department and lifted student achievement in this subject. She has established a Funk Group, a Jazz Band, a Rock Band that had considerable success as the Ruff Coconuts and she helped develop a school choir. Unfortunately Ms Salemanesa is leaving us to join her family in Australia. We must not let her music die.

Mangere College students experienced academic, sporting and cultural success in many ways during the year. Many of these successes are celebrated in this magazine.

During 2000 there have been several very important developments at Mangere College.

A Student Health Centre has been established thanks to financial support from the Health Funding Authority and a Homework Club got underway in July. This gave students a place to study, complete homework and get extra help from teachers.

Perhaps the most important development this year has been the Achievement Centre. Under the management of Ms Erica Wilson, this facility is providing educational opportunities to students who have had little success in traditional schooling.

I am particularly proud of the Achievement Centre as it epitomises the philosophy that makes Mangere College a very special school. Namely, that students of Mangere deserve a quality education and that every student needs to experience success.

The Achievement Centre is providing students who have been frustrated by the education system in the past with opportunities to succeed. I am confident that the Achievement Centre will become a valuable and valued part of Mangere College.

In order to provide for our modern students, we must keep up to date with technology. The profits from the 1999 Maori and Pacific Islands Cultural Festival were used to computerise the school library.

The school intends to use the profits from the 2000 Festival together with additional funds generated by the improved operations grant formula, to purchase

computer software and hardware that will enable all students to have better access to a range of educational programmes and give each student an individual e-mail address.

This facility, together with the library upgrade, will cost almost \$200,000. However, it has considerable potential and will ensure that Mangere College is at the forefront of modern technology.

I am finalising this magazine report several hours after our 2000 prizegiving. The music, enthusiasm of students, pride of parents, plus the wit, sincerity and spontaneity of our guest speaker, ex-student Henry Tuipea, made this year's celebration a very memorable occasion. I was honoured and humbled by the fine kava bowl presented to the school by Vanessa Aurelio on behalf of her family and the Year 2000 Student Leaders.

Mangere College is a great place to work. I know this feeling is shared by our staff.

Best wishes to you all.

Ron Pedder



# Board of Trustees' Report

This is my fourth report as chairperson of the Board of Trustees of Mangere College. In that time I have seen changes in the make-up of the Board. Most importantly of all, Trustees have gained vastly in confidence as a result of experience and training. I believe that we will continue to improve our effectiveness in the years ahead.

We will be organising an election for a new Board of Trustees early next year. These elections happen every three years, and I hope that caring people with needed skills will make themselves available for election and through the Board will give valuable service to Mangere College. We need new members to give us a new perspective and I hope that existing members who may be re-elected will give the Board the experience and continuity.

During the past year, the students of Mangere College have continued to achieve in a variety of areas and these have been well documented in the monthly newsletters to parents, as well as in the general press. We have had a lot of good publicity and our profile and standing in the community is much improved.

I am amazed at the achievements of our students in so many different fields. This shows that our community has a wealth of talent amongst its youth. This talent however would remain untapped if we did not have teachers who are dedicated and who have the ability to bring out the best in our students. At Mangere College we have an abundance of such teachers and I wish to thank them on behalf of the Board for another great year.

I look forward to serving out the rest of my term as Chairperson and in closing, wish you all the compliments of the festive season.

David Gock  
Board Chairperson



# Student Rep's Report

**Kia Orana tatou katoa I te aroa maata o to tatou atua.**

Finally year 2000 has arrived. This is my second year on the Board of Trustees. I had discovered that my first year was an opportunity to gain experience and get an understanding of how things operate. This year I felt more comfortable working with the members on the Board, despite still feeling nervous when presenting my reports.

This year the Student Leaders and the members of the Student Council made sure I had plenty of issues to present at the meetings. The concerns and suggestions were very clear and fair for the members on the Board to discuss. The members of the Board are very supportive and understanding. They try to accommodate the students' needs and wants in order to ensure that the students' voices of Mangere College are heard.

This is my final year and elections for my position have already been completed. I am proud to announce that Ezra Penisimani is the new Student Representative and he has attended his first Board meeting. I am working alongside him to help him feel comfortable working with people older than himself.

I would like to personally thank Ms Potter, Ms Wilson, Mr Johnson and Mr Pedder for helping and supporting me. I wish Ezra all the best and I hope he will enjoy his time as a Student Representative.

Remember. Seek your goals, seek your ambitions and Seek the Heights.

Be Strong, AKAMAROIRO!!  
Kia Orana e kia Manuia.

Tokatema Rota

