

Manaia Newsletter/Panui Term Two June 2019

Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou, Soursdey, Namaste, Namaskaram, Néih hóu, Talofa, Magandang Umaga, Bula. The term has flown by and we find ourselves in the last week already.

Nau mai haere mai/Afio mai to Wiki, Jasleen Kaleb, Jackson and their whānau it is awesome to have you as part of the Manaia whānau.

This week we say Haere Rā to our friends Koni, Isabelle, Skyla and Renley and their whānau. We wish them well on new adventures at school

It has been a bit cold/makariri of late and we have seen many tamariki away with nasty viruses. We hope the rest over the holidays will give everyone a chance to rest and get well. **Last day of term is Friday 5 July.**



Thanks for the awesome support on Wig Day. We saw some great wigs and hairstyles. The money donated will go to support Child Cancer.

Fish and Chip Friday was enjoyed by all. Thanks to Andy's whanau for individually packaging our delicious kai. Also thank you for the generous portions.

We were fortunate to receive a grant from Eastern and Central. Tamariki have enjoyed exploring with the new resources we purchased.

Also nga mihi nui to Toi Walker for finding us some more bikes, scooters and a go cart. We appreciate the time and effort he has taken to fix these up so our tamariki can test their physical skills and practise turn taking.





It has been very exciting continuing to support tamariki as they learn about the Atua/Maori guardians and Matariki. I am sure they have shared their learning at home. Many of the tamariki talk about Tāwhirimātea who is connected to the wind and storms. It is awesome to hear them say outdoors, "Oh Tāwhirimātea is blowing the leaves down or Tāwhirimātea is making a cold wind. We have learnt waiata, shared stories, created artworks and played games to support our learning. Tamariki love to role-play the games we play at Wā Whaariki and take on the role of the kaiako, asking questions as they hold up Atua/Guardian pictures. It was lovely to come together for our Matariki breakfast. Thank you for your awesome support on this day.



We enjoyed Samoan language week at Manaia by welcoming a Pasifika group to celebrate with us and teach us an awesome Samoan siva/dance. If you have anything special, you would like to share or celebrate with us please let us know.

This term we have joined the school junior syndicate for singing on Monday afternoons. As well as the singing, we have all enjoyed catching up with our old Kindergarten friends and of course tamariki love to see their siblings. Tamariki also joined the junior school to create Matariki resources and had a great time being creative and discovering new things to explore at school.

Enjoy the holiday break and stay warm. See you at 8.30 on Monday 22 July 2019 .

Ma te wā

The Teaching Team