



TERM TWO Whānau Pānui 2025

Mānawatia te putanga mai o Matariki, o Puanga.

Mānawatia ngā hua o whakamahiti korou, o manawaroa.

Mānawatia te tōnuitanga o te tau hou Māori.

Thei mauri ora!

Kei te whānau o MANUKURA, tēnā rā tātou katoa. Mātua rā, ko ngā whakaaro nui o te wā ki tō tātou pou, ki a Kōkā Irene Pewhairangi. E kakari mai ana tō tātou Kōkā ki te pānga nui mai o te māuiuitanga i tēnei wā, arā, ki te mate pukupuku. Tēnei tonu te whānau o MANUKURA te tuku atu nei i ngā karakia whakapiki ora, waiata hiki wairua kia tau ki a Kōkā Irene, ki tōna whānau, ki te Whānau Pewhairangi i tēnei wā uaua, taumaha hoki. Heoi anō, e te whānau, ahakoa ngā piki me ngā heke o te wā kei te pai haere ngā mahi katoa i MANUKURA. E kaha ana te kotahitanga o ngā kaimahi katoa, ā, e tino ū ana te kāhui whakahaere o tā tātou kaupapa a MANUKURA ki te ara e tika ana mō tātou.

Our thoughts are with Kōkā Irene and her whānau as she navigates her hauora journey over the next few months. If any whānau of our senior students wish to make contact regarding absence, academic progress, planning or pastoral care please feel free to contact renee@manukura.school.nz or myself at ilane@manukura.school.nz. Rest assured we are tracking and monitoring our seniors and continue to provide them with all the support needed. Whaea Sue is now teaching Whaea Irene's English classes.

We have seen a drop in attendance as the Winter season kicks in. Illness, fatigue and motivation levels wane at this time each year which requires extra encouragement to push through. Over the upcoming holiday break there are representative tournaments happening leading into pinnacle events in Term Three so careful management that includes rest and recovery is also important. It will be a busy Term Three!

Ngā manaakitanga,
Ilane Durie
Tumuaki



ADMINISTRATION

NUTRITION

Habits become practices – such as nutrition, hydration, work ethic, continual improvement, striving for best outcomes, resilience, owning your learning, accepting challenge and living with humility and respect. We provide a full 'wrap-around' service, including nutrition, exercise prescription and coaching. However, regardless of the healthy nutritious kai provided daily at MANUKURA we still have students arriving with bags full of sugar filled junk food, fizzy or energy drinks and lollies. This defeats the purpose of our attempt to teach our students about nutritional value. Please ensure your child is NOT bringing junk food into MANUKURA, stopping at shops on the way to kura or being provided with money to purchase these items.

PHYSIO

We are fortunate enough to have Dean onsite every Tuesday. Injuries need to go through Code Leads and they will arrange an appointment with Whaea Tania. Some requests that are coming through are associated with muscle soreness rather than injury so keep encouraging your child to stretch, roll, hydrate and eat well to help with this.

COUNSELLING

Kelly from Te Wakahuia Counselling Services is available each Monday and Thursday. Contact Whaea Tania if you'd like to book an appointment.
Ph. 06 354 9531.

2025 BOARDING

We are still seeking board for a couple of our new students. If you have ever considered being a boarding whānau or know of anyone who might be interested, please contact the office.
admin@manukura.school.nz

We are happy to discuss with you what this entails and match students to the needs of your whānau. MANUKURA recommends boarding costs of \$180pw for 7 day boarders.

DENTAL

To register to Carpenters Dental Services please contact the office for registration forms. Dental services are free for all students 18 years and under.



IMPORTANT MESSAGES

STUDENT DRIVERS

Student Drivers: a reminder that Restricted Licence drivers are **not to carry passengers** unless they have a full licence driver in the vehicle who has had their licence for 2 or more years or you are the primary caregiver or spouse. The fine is \$100 per passenger and 35 demerit points.

Learner Licence Drivers **cannot drive on their own.**

In addition to fines, a reminder that if our drivers are breaching their licence conditions and are in an accident, they are not covered by insurance.

REPORTS

Student reports are coming out in Week Nine to all whānau. These include feedback from subject teachers, year leads, and code leads, for our rangatahi to take into account for the latter half of the year. There is useful information to be received from all of these, and our kaiako have worked hard to get them out by the end of the term. Have a read of them and see how your mokopuna have been getting on in all spaces in 2025.

LOST PROPERTY

Please remember to name all clothing and belongings. It makes our job so much easier to return these to the owners.

Also we have noticed there are a lot of lockers without a padlock. Please remind your tamaiti to use their padlock to ensure their belongings are secure. Pā Gavin collects items from the **top** of lockers **everyday.**

A reminder that all students must wear 'Blacks' for their conditioning and sports training.

Upcoming events

18 June MEGA Exchange Hastings Girls' High School
25 - 26 June Girls' Rugby Exchange Rotorua Girls' High School
27 June STAFF ONLY Day / END of TERM 2.
30 June - 13 July Term 2 Break
1 July Christchurch Girls' High School

6 - 9 July Mareikura Girls' Rugby Camp
7 - 13 July NZ U18 Girls' Rugby - North vs South
14 July TERM 3 Start
19 July Ngā Pū Kōrero Mō Āpōpō Regionals
23 - 26 July Girls' 1st XV Rugby North Island Tour
25 - 27 July Kapa Haka Wānanga #5
1 August Friday Nights Under Lights #3



HEALTH MESSAGE

Cooler weather means more illness in the community, and schools are no exception. There have been several cases of strep throat in our community.

Strep throat

Strep throat is contagious and can be spread by breathing in droplets from an infected person's coughs and sneezes. It can also be spread through shared food or drinks. If left untreated, strep throat can lead to serious complications like rheumatic fever, which can cause permanent damage to the heart.

It's very difficult to tell the difference between a viral sore throat and strep throat. Don't wait to see if your child's throat gets better. Strep throat needs to be treated immediately. Treating sore throats early can stop rheumatic fever from developing. Ask your children to tell you when they have a sore throat so they can be checked. Further information on strep throat can be found at <https://healthify.nz/health-a-z/s/strep-throat> or <https://info.health.nz/conditions-treatments/ear-nose-throat/sore-throat>

Free clinic

Public Health Nurses are running a clinic to assess students who have a sore throat and cannot access a GP service. The nurses will be able to do throat swabs, if required. Prescriptions will be provided for any child who needs antibiotics.

Address

200 Broadway Avenue, Palmerston North.

Clinic times

No appointment required

School holidays - Drop-in clinic Monday 30th June to Friday 11th July 8 am - 4 pm

Term time - 8 am - 9 am and 3pm - 4 pm

For other times please call 06 350 9110 between 9 am - 3 pm for an appointment.

Just a reminder - for skin infections or headlice, parents can either self-refer or ask their child's school to refer to the Public Health Nurse.

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ART

Year 13 student Manueli Boteiviwa creates powerful work exploring the environmental impact of non-reusable imports and tourism on the islands of Fiji.

Drawing on the Fijian sea deity Deleniwai, guardian of the ocean, his work challenges viewers to reflect on their role in the pollution crisis.

With striking imagery and cultural depth, Manueli brings attention to the growing issue of waste in Pacific ecosystems, using art as a voice for environmental guardianship and collective responsibility.





MUSIC

Kia ora koutou,

As we wrap up an incredibly busy Term Two, I want to acknowledge the hard work and achievements of our music students over the past weeks.

Firstly, a huge congratulations to all our NCEA Level 1, 2 and 3 students who successfully completed their original compositions this term. Your creativity and dedication have been outstanding.

Special recognition goes to Year 11 student Kalas Matenga-Philips and Year 12 student Caitlin-Rose Rameka, who represented our music department at the “Friday Night Under Lights” event. Their performances were met with tremendous enthusiasm from a large and lively crowd, providing invaluable experience performing in front of hundreds of people. Well done to both of you for gaining such strong rapport with the audience!

We also had a very successful **Matariki school event**, featuring exceptional performances of original compositions by Ihaka Whanarere-Tauri, Aria Komene, Issac Bell, Reign Taputoro-Filo, Lucy-Maree Karatea, and Puhoro Kawana-Rowe, and covers from Malina Leatherby-Millar, Alicia-May Te Rangi-Sofa and Cree Poi. Additionally, it was great to see Taimania Tepania and Keita Takitimu-Cook choreograph an original dance and poi respectively, providing outstanding performances. Your contribution helped make this event memorable and meaningful for our school community.

Looking ahead, congratulations once again to Kalas Matenga-Philips, who will be performing at the **Kiwi Grooves festival** on June 21st, sharing the stage with acts like Katchafire and Sons of Zion. This is an incredible opportunity, and we are very proud of you.

Thank you all for your continued passion and commitment to music. Keep practising and preparing for the exciting events ahead!

Ngā mihi nui,
Pā Wade
Music Department



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SENIOR HIGHLIGHTS

We are almost at the end of Term Two and looking forward to a well-deserved break for all students. Students will be feeling the pressure with a lot of work and assessments due. Term Three is another huge term with many subjects beginning examination preparation. Tournament Week is in Week 7 and for students to be considered for selection they must have their academic work up to date and their attendance must be exemplary.

It is pleasing to see progress being made by the seniors in ensuring their assessments are completed. If you are wanting to see how your child/mokopuna is tracking please don't hesitate to email or text the year lead.

Year 13 students Shirlayne Beckham and Troy Hewson are completing a short documentary for their Level 3 English assessment about the dangers of the viral trend 'run it straight'. The boys are bringing light to the physiological impacts upon the body and brain, caused by the immense collisions isolated in the activity. Troy and Shirlayne are urging their fellow rangatahi to not take the risks associated with the game, as the consequences are not worth it.

Year 13 students have recently had the opportunity to visit some University Open Days , to explore their options for tertiary study next year.

Aria Komene and India O'Connell attended the Otago Open Day in April and Kohae Cherrington and Brooklyn Tukapua-Ngarimu attended the Waikato Open Day.



JUNIOR HIGHLIGHTS

Junior Speeches

Junior students have just completed several weeks of work towards their Oral Language Speech assessments. We always set high expectations for these and we've been thrilled with how our students have risen to the task. Learning to speak in public might not be everyone's strength, but we know that many of our young people will find themselves in positions where they need to deliver oratory in either Te Reo Māori or in English. By having opportunities to practice and develop experience, they understand the skills involved and many of them learn to enjoy the process. There were brilliant deliveries and some very thought-provoking topics explored.

Literacy and Numeracy Examinations

The 2025 Common Assessment Activity (CAA) examinations were held in Week Four. A big mihi to Whaea Toni and Whaea Louise who helped to set the examinations up and supervise the students whilst completing their mahi. There were three examinations; Numeracy, Reading, and Writing, each taking up to two hours. All the students worked diligently and enthusiastically, so that they could achieve to the best of their abilities. If they do not pass the minimum requirements of the examination, then they can repeat the assessment twice a year until they achieve.

Junior Integrated Studies

As part of Year 9 Integrated Studies, we will be delivering a module called 'What's Happening To Me'. This module links closely with the 'Health and Physical Education Curriculum Area'. The seven key areas of learning are; mental health, sexuality education, food and nutrition, body care and physical safety, physical activity, sport studies and outdoor education. **Click here** for more information on this module.



NGĀ MANU KŌRERO

Last Friday 13th June, seven MANUKURA students stood at the Regent for the Regional Ngā Manu Kōrero competition.

Our speakers, Kohae Cherrington (Year 13), Rewihaukore Himiona-Te Peeti (Year 12), Micah Tapsell (Year 11), Maia Moss (Year 12), Alexcia Pomare (Year 11), Ruia-te-koa Simon (Year 10) and Riley Cribb (Year 10) were supported by Tūmatakōkiri as waiata tautoko, as well as other MANUKURA students who helped in the running of the event. Every speaker spoke with great enthusiasm and pride of their whānau, iwi, and kura. Congratulations to all who represented our kaupapa on the day.

Placings:

Ruia-te-koa Simon - 1st in Manawa Tuia Sir Turi Carroll Junior English

Maia Moss - 1st in Korimako Senior English

Riley Cribb - 2nd in Junior Māori

Kohae Cherrington - 2nd in Senior Māori

Rewihaukore Te Peeti-Himiona - 3rd in Senior Māori







GIRLS RUGBY

A great celebration of '**Friday Under Lights Combine The Codes Initiative (FNUL)**'

We have hosted 2/6 Friday Nights Under Lights - Combine The Codes evenings which has seen a huge success in bringing together kohine from all around the country to participate in both Rugby Union and League. Over the last two events we have had over 350 girls participate across the two evenings. Four grades (U12s, 14s, 16s and 18s) from all around the country. Manawatū, Horowhenua, Whanganui, King Country, Hawkes Bay, Wairarapa and Wellington Region. This initiative is only offered twice a term.

'**Friday Nights Under Lights - Combine The Codes**' (FNUL) initiative was created to bring rangatahi/girls & wāhine together to play either union or league. Allow the connection and collaboration of codes rather than competition. Growing the codes and encouraging the transfer of skills.

- Removing barriers such as cost , eligibility criteria and just allowing kids to play. Lots of composite teams, sidelines are next to each to help each team out if they need it.
- Players are in an **athlete village** and enjoy live entertainment, DJ, free sausage sizzle when they're not playing. Games are shortened to 25-minute rounds.
- No conversions outside 15m channels.
- Automatic 6 pts if scored under the post for the league, or 7 pts if under the post in union.
- Kai, coffee and fundraisers in 'Te Kaupapa O Te Aroha'.
- Individuals register, and we then assign them to teams.

Here is some media coverage of the kaupapa so far:

- [Video Reel](#) from Round Two
- [Reel from Round 1](#) (where NZ Warriors staff offered coaching clinic)
- Newspaper Article '[Codes Combine Under Friday Nights Under Lights](#)'

Ngā mihi to our sponsors - Tānenuiarangi Manawatū Charitable Trust and Tūmanawa Funding (Sport Manawatū).



SPORTS

BOYS RUGBY

1st XV

Our 1st XV has made a strong start to the season, securing an impressive win over Te Aute to claim the inaugural MANUAUTE Taonga. The local competition has presented some tough challenges, but the team's spirit led by standouts such as Kaylem Harding (C), Manueli Boteiviwa, Taihua Mathieson-Julian, and Ōtaki Adams, has kept the boys focused and on track. After last year's loss in the final, the boys are determined to make another run at the Manawātū Division 1 title and assert their dominance in the region.

Junior XV

The Junior XV have had a tough start to the season, in a tough competition. Starting off with exchanges against Tīpene and Te Aute, the boys picked up a win against the latter which gave us confidence in our shape and structure. The local competition hasn't gone our way, although there has been some great footy played, and the boys have kept their spirits high. Some outstanding sportsmanship from Kyza, Jordan, and Raniera have shown the boys what it means to wear the black and red, week in and week out. The team is so grateful to have a home field, Te Waerenga, for the first time in five years!



KAPA HAKA:

Tūmatakōkiri are working hard in their preparation towards their Āria performance on the 18th of June. This includes performances in either groups or solos from every student that is part of the programme.

Additionally, the wider Kapa Haka programme is working toward the Regional Kapa Haka competition on the 8th of August. All students involved have been attending the Kapa Haka Noho, which takes place over a full weekend; it involves over 24 hours of practice. So much hard mahi taking place by our rangatahi, we can't wait to see their bracket!



SPORTS

BASKETBALL

Our basketball teams have had a positive start to their season, with the Manawatū Secondary School and Premier Men's/Women's competitions commencing at the start of Term Two.

Although our two girls' teams are young, they remain competitive in the Premier Women's competition, building the habits required to prepare for their regional campaign. The Senior Boys' have had a steady start to their season showing glimpses of what they're capable of. While they're still working to find their identity and build the cohesion needed to compete consistently, their potential is clear.

Our Junior Boys' have had a positive start to their season, going undefeated and setting the tone for the rest of their campaign.

Overall, the improvements both individually and collectively are evident. We look forward to continuing our growth, especially as we move towards the business end of the season.





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NETBALL

Our 2025 Netball season is well underway, with all three of our MANUKURA teams competing in the Netball Manawātū Secondary Schools Open A1 Grade. It's been a strong start across the board. Open A1 Black is currently sitting 2nd on the table, with two wins and one loss. Open A1 Red is close behind in 3rd. Open A1 White is competing in the B section of the A1 grade and currently holds 2nd place. We're also proud to have 30 players from our programme representing the region across U14, U16, and U18 age groups in the Manawātū Representative season. A huge achievement and a testament to the depth of talent within our kura. We also recently welcomed St Mary's College for an exchange at our new kura. St Mary's have always brought a competitive spirit to the court, and this match was no different. In a closely contested and hard-fought battle, we came up just short with a 27-24 loss. A great experience and another opportunity for growth. As we enter the colder months, we're seeing a rise in illness. Please remember the importance of staying proactive about your health. If you are not at school during the week, you will not be starting and may not be eligible to play. Consistency, both on and off the court, is key. Keep up the great mahi and continue supporting one another in all areas of your hauora!

