



Tuesday 3 May 2022

# Kia ora, Kia orana, Bula Vinaka, Malo e lelei, Talofa lava, Fakafeiloaki, Fakaalofa lahi atu, Namaste, As-Salamu 'alaykum, Ni Hao

## <u>New Build</u>

We are excitedly awaiting the completion of our new classroom build. It is a wonderful open plan two story building, which will accommodate a total of 8 classes. We are about 4 weeks away from completion.

## C Block demolition

Over the term 1 holiday we said thank you and goodbye to the last remaining classroom block which has stood since our kura opened 60 years ago. It served our tamariki and community exceptionally well and we know some of our parents who attended school back then have very fond memories of being taught in this block.

## **Communication**

It is key that we are communicating with our whanau

- The two platforms teachers use are
  - Class Dojo
  - Google classroom.

You can also contact our teachers via email. This will be a great time for you to visit our school website where all our contact details can be found. <u>https://www.manurewaeast.school.nz</u>

Alternatively, you can phone our administration office team on (09-266 9487) who will forward your message to the classroom teacher.

If you have any questions about our school, learning, sports etc our teachers are fully prepared to help you with your inquiries.

We need you to make sure all of your contact information including mobile numbers are always up to date. This is very important, so that we can make contact with you.

## School - Covid-19 Protection Framework 'Orange Settings'

School is a controlled environment to ensure we can keep our tamariki and staff as safe as possible from the transmission of Covid-19, the following controls are presently in place:

- We continue our staggered start and finish times to ensure no crossing of whanau bubbles and the safety of our tamariki with all the building work happening directly around our school site
- Designated toilet facilities for our tamariki (we have contracted 2 sets of portable toilet blocks to ensure this)
- Designated play areas
- Our staff wear surgical masks inside classrooms
- Our tamariki in years 4 and above wear school provided surgical masks inside classrooms
- No visitors on site to reduce the risk of transmission of C-19 for our tamariki and staff
- External agencies, Contractors and urgent visits on site require prior approval from Tumuaki and C-19 H&S Officer
- Ventilation of classrooms is maintained at 18 to 20 degrees
- MoE are providing limited portable air cleaners and CO2 monitors as part of the ventilation toolkit for schools
- Children and staff who are unwell must stay away from school

#### <u>Absences</u>

Please contact your teacher or our administration office team if your child is going to be away from school. Teachers follow up all absences in their classrooms.

#### Manurewa East School Therapy NZ Dog

We have a new 4 legged member to our staff

Hori Pea - Georgie Bear is a 10 month old Labradoodle who has been bred and trained to support our tamariki in school.

He supports tamariki and adults with a range of congenital syndromes as well as neurological and developmental disorders that affect behaviour, and their ability to cope in our communities and schools. Hori Pea is excited to be at kura and is excited for his new mahi.

Nga mihi

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