

# ROOM 9 TERM ONE CLASS NEWSLETTER

Monday 3rd February 2025



**Tēnā koe, Kia orana, Talofa lava, Mālō e lelei and Welcome to our Class of 2025!!**

A huge warm welcome to both new and returning whānau, families and aiga to MI and to Kauri Whānau! My name is Taania Williams also known as Whaea Taania and this year I will be the Room 9 Form and Humanities teacher. I have been working here at Manurewa Intermediate School for four years and wow it has been amazing to be fortunate enough to be working at a school I once attended. I am from Tūranganui-a-kiwa, Te Tairāwhiti - Gisborne, Taranaki and Te Kuiti. I was born in Rotorua but grew up in South Auckland (Wiri/Manurewa) and attended Homai Primary and Manurewa High School.

I have three beautiful tamariki. Two daughters who have both graduated from High School and one 8 year old son who currently attends Takanini School. As a busy mum, I enjoy quality whānau time, but most of all hunting and four wheel driving are my ultimate fun activities to do during the holidays with my family. I am passionate, determined and have a real drive to support and guide our future generation. I wish to work alongside all whānau, aiga and families to ensure your child can be the best that they can be both here at Manurewa Intermediate and in the wider community. I want them to believe their aspirations and dreams are limitless!

This term is ultimately full of exciting, adventurous and fun filled learning opportunities. During the first three weeks I will be with your child developing our class culture, learning about each other and creating strong relationships. This will be an awesome way to get to know each other to form positive, trusting and lasting relationships amongst ourselves. In Week Two we have Night Market where we will be selling food and beverages to raise funds to support the cost of food, expenditure and preparation for Module Two - Survival Camp. This is where we will be heading to Motutapu Island. Please help support or make contributions for our Night Market to help Room 9 have a successful camp. We will also need parent helpers to assist at both our Night Market and at Camp, so if you are available to help at either event, or want to chat more please let me know. My details are at the bottom of the page.

In Week Five we begin our timetable where students will meet with their subject teachers. There are also many awesome, exciting and great opportunities available such as sports, cultural groups, and much more. So support your child to become an Adventurous Risk-Taker and join our Period Six activities that become available after school throughout the year. With support, I believe that 2025 is going to be a successful year for your child. Keep a look out for all the important information that will be sent your way.

If your child is nervous or jittery about starting the school year, I am here to support them to settle in comfortably. I am looking forward to an awesome year with my awesome class! Please do not hesitate to contact me via call, text or email if there is anything you would like to discuss or chat about. I look forward to meeting you.

Ngā mihi nui,

Whaea Taania



**SUBJECTS & TEACHERS**

**Module 1**  
MI School Life

**Module 2**  
MI Survival Camp

**Module 3: Respectful**  
MI Way

**Teachers for the year**  
Humanities: Whaea Taania  
Math: Miss Mousa  
Science: Mr Boston  
PE: Mr Innis

**Module 3 Teachers**  
Digi Comp: Mrs White  
Sustainable Design: Ms Henare

**Module 3 Form Time Subjects**  
Hauora: Graduate Profile  
Monday Magic: Foundation Basics  
Life Skills: Service  
Friday Frenzy: Languages

**COMING IN HOT** 🔥🔥🔥

**Night Market**

On Wednesday 12 Feb from 4 pm - 6.30 pm we will be fundraising for our Survival Camp in Week Three. It is very important that EVERYONE helps contribute towards our stall (more information about this to come). Also, please let all your whānau and friends know to come along and support us!

**Survival Camp**

Our school-wide Survival Camp takes place from Wednesday 19 - Friday 21 Feb (Week Three) at Motutapu Island. Students will be staying two nights where they will prepare their own food and participate in various activities. Please start to source tents and sleeping bags for your tamariki. We also need at least three parent helpers and two gazebos. If you are able to be a parent helper or have equipment we can borrow please let me know ASAP!

**TERM ONE VALUES: MANAAKITANGA | RESPECT | COMMUNICATION | ENGAGEMENT & TEAMWORK**

## WELCOME TO KAURI

Welcome to you all. My name is Rita Brooking and I am your Kauri Whānau Leader for 2025. My goal is to support everyone in our whānau in becoming the very best version of themselves. It takes a village and I am proud to be part of yours.

Ms Brooking - Kauri Whānau Leader

## Important Dates

Whānau - for important Term One dates please refer to the 2025 MI Whānau Calendar you received, and it is also in your child's MI Planner on page 6. If there are any special events unique to our class, I will let you know.

## KAURI BIG THREE!

### ATTENDANCE

I expect 100% attendance! Your child must be at school every day. If your child is not coming to school make sure to contact me in the morning preferably before 8:30 am. I will be contacting you or visiting your home if your child is away without a valid reason. Your child can not progress if they miss school and instead will be playing catch up on their learning. We want and need your child at school every day!

### LATES

School starts at 8:30 am but we encourage students to be here by 8:20 am. Students who are late twice in a week will be placed on Community Service. If your child is running late please come into the school with them or write a note to explain their lateness.

### UNIFORM

Your child needs to be in 100% correct school uniform, this includes their whānau band. Refer to the MI Planner for more info. If there are any problems and your child does not have the correct uniform please provide them with a letter they can give to Mr Peilua to receive a uniform pass.