



KŌWHAI

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

ROOM 78 PRIDE

Malo e lelei, Bula vinaka, Talofa lava, Kia ora and welcome to Manurewa Intermediate School (MIS) and Room 78 for the 2025 school year! I am looking forward to learning about your child if they are new and to welcoming back some familiar faces as well!

This year marks my fourteenth year as a teacher here at MIS and my fifteenth in New Zealand. I am Canadian (from the province of Ontario) and I love bacon, maple syrup and ice hockey. I love learning about Pasifika cultures and pride myself on being a technology geek. I enjoy travelling, playing Pokemon Go, spending time with my British husband, Steve, and appreciate proper spelling and punctuation!

I have a strong Humanities background, high expectations for behaviour, effort, and involvement and I am excited to be working with your child this year! I am teaching Digi-Comp, which is all about Digital Technology and its systems and processes. Your child will be fully supported and highly encouraged to participate positively in every subject and activity throughout the entire year.

This first term will be full-on! We will be working together to build our classroom culture and explore what it means to be part of Kōwhai Whānau and the MIS team. I am looking forward to your family support, communication and questions about our programmes and events. Please encourage your children to own their successes and take positive risks so that they can experience as much as possible this year. If you ever have any questions, please contact me.

We will need your help first of all, preparing for our camp, so I will be asking you to send in items we can sell at our **Night Market stall on February 12th**. Your help is needed and appreciated to support our tamariki.

We will also be performing as the **FIRST class assembly item on Friday in Week Five**! I hope you can come and see what that looks like and support our class with their team performance!

Our school programmes are designed to get your child experiencing new things and also to challenge their current abilities. No one sits out and everyone is expected to help out, get involved and use a positive attitude when they are with us at school but also when they are with you at home! I will be making an effort to contact you at the start of the year - please reply, respond, call, or come see me if possible so we can connect with your Whānau at home and show the aroha we have for you all at school!

Malo 'aupito and I hope to meet you all soon!

T. White

Mrs. Tanya White



Monday 3rd February Term 1



Module 1:
MI School Life

Module 2:
MI Survival Camp

Module 3:
Respectful

Subject Teachers:

Humanities: Ms. Tracey Gallagher

Math: Ms. Julie Misa

Science: Mr. Matt Talbot

PE: Mr. Cian Byrne-Hansen

Digi-Comp: Mrs. Tanya White

Cooking: Mrs. Anne-Marie Rowney

Form Time Subjects:

Hauora: Graduate Profile

Monday Magic: Foundation Basics

Life Skills: Service

Friday Frenzy: Languages

Important Dates:

6th Feb: Waitangi Day

7th Feb: Staff Only Day

11th Feb: Swimming Sports

12th Feb: Night Markets

24th - 26th Feb: Survival Camp

8th April: Student Involved Conferences

11th April: Last Day of Term One

CONTACT ME ON: 022 482 6600; tanya@manurewait.school.nz; (09) 266 8268 ext: 3078

ATTENDANCE:

I expect 100% attendance! Your child must be at school everyday. If your child is not able to come to school, make sure to contact me in the morning, preferably before 8:30am. I will be contacting you if your child is away without a valid reason as they can not progress with their learning if they miss school. We want and need your child at school everyday!

LATES:

If your child arrives to school after the 8:30am bell, they will be on Community Service at Lunchtime the following day. To avoid this happening, please ensure your child is getting to bed at a decent hour each night so they wake up early and get to school on time.

UNIFORM:

Your child needs to be in 100% correct school uniform. This includes their whānau band. Refer to the MI Planner for more information. If there are any problems and your child does not have the correct uniform, please send them to school with a note. They can take this to Mr Peilua to receive a uniform pass.

REMINDERS