

COUNTIES MANUKAU SPORT AWARDS

We are proud to announce that Manurewa Intermediate received the Primary/Intermediate School of the Year Award. This is a special feat for our school and very affirming as we believe we have one of the best sporting programmes in the country. We collected the award at the postponed awards ceremony on the 10th of April for our school.

We would like to thank all whānau who have supported us along the way. We would also like to acknowledge our students and staff who have contributed to the success of sport at Manurewa Intermediate.

Mr Peilua

Deputy Principal: Student Programmes



SPORTS

It is great to have sport up and running again! Our students and staff have missed the vibes that sport brings to our school community!

We look forward to the sporting year ahead!



MI REWA SISTERS



We are proud to partner up with Manurewa Marlins Rugby League Club again by entering an U14 Girls Rugby League team in the girls Auckland Rugby League Competition. We are very blessed to have staff with the talent and passion to help our girls succeed in the competition.

The Sisters have made major progress already over the last few weeks of training. The season kicks off on the 7th May.



BASKETBALL

Over 200 students trialled for both our boys and girls teams in Term 1. Unfortunately both teams had to be cut down but we encourage all students to carry on practicing when they can, as this does not need to be the end of their basketball journey.

We use basketball as a tool to keep our students engaged with attending school and a way to learn life values through a sport they like to play. We are happy to have excellent coaches to help with our tamariki who include Mr Paulo, Mr Edwards, Mr Elazegui, Mr Seuala Jr, Mr Southey and our manager Ms Misa. M.I. basketball has a proud tradition of excellence and the school is in a great position to elevate the sport to a new level, in years to come.



HOLIDAY TRAINING PROGRAMME

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Counties Zone Day Rugby

The MI Brothers XV's boys went to Bruce Pulman Park on May 31st for their 2022 Counties Zone Day.

The Restricted and Opens arrived in high spirits having trained for the last two months before their Zone Day, including an eight day holiday camp. The groundwork laid in this build up was instrumental in providing the success for the boys for the day.



The Restricted team came a very respectful bronze position. The Restricted boys forged together from the start for their pool games and semi-final, only narrowly losing out by a try and ending up in bronze. With the vast number of the team being Year 7 - this was a fantastic result and great effort by them all- and an awesome experience for them for the future. I'm so proud of them all. To Mr Filippo - thank you Sir so much for all your time and expertise for 2022.

The Opens had a strong day against their opposition during the competition. Each year the standards and expectations are raised to a new level and this 2022 group of boys stepped up BIG time. The boys did not drop a single point all day- shutting out each team they played- Wiri Central, Pukekohe Int and North Counties. We then moved to the semi- finals where the boys played Randwick who got shut out. We then played Rosehill in the final where the MI Brothers won 22-0. At the end, all the hard work, effort, commitment and effort was totally worth it. The Opens won Counties for 2022 for the 4th straight year.

Girls Basketball

The girls basketball team have started off the year in blistering form. After winning the Polynesian Basketball Tournament at the start of the year, a new crop of players have committed themselves to four training sessions a week.

After the undefeated season of 2021 with 18 wins and 0 losses, our squad has had to go through a rebuilding phase this year. This resulted in 80% of the squad now being Year 7. But the future looks bright as the current crop of players dedicate themselves to their new craft with passion.

The girls have gained momentum during Term 2 playing in a boys intermediate competition every Tuesday at Bruce Pulman stadium. The scores can be seen below:

M.I. vs Rosehill Raptor Boys: 56-8 Win

M.I. vs Reremoana Heat Boys: 22-21 Win

M.I. vs Reremoana Thunder Boys: 32-24 Win

M.I. vs Razorback Brotherhood: 38-18 Win

M.I. vs Brooksby Bullets Boys: 40-15 Win

The girls have now placed 1st, in the round robin play, and will play in the final next week.



Recently the girls basketball team played Baradene Intermediate. They are likely to meet each other at AIMS Games this year and this game was classed as one of the premiere girls match ups in Auckland this year.



The girls won the game 38-14 with a great team effort.



Mr Bartlett who started the high performance programme in 2017 has a record of 81 wins and 3 losses. He would be proud of this, but we know he is much happier with the life values he taught the kids to help them cope at high school and beyond.

Girls Rugby

On Wednesday 8 June the MI Girls Open rugby team travelled to Bruce Pulman Park to compete in the Counties Zone Rugby Tournament.

With the sun shining the Sisters were in hot form against Papakura Intermediate School in their first game outshining them 51 points to zero. The girls faced off against Opaheke School in their second game and ran away with an 80-0 win. Their third game of the day was against a more drilled Finlayson Park team. The MI girls would string a few back to back tries together to come away victorious 37 nil.

In the semi-finals we came up against a very staunch Greenmeadows Intermediate team. With a strong team display we were able to score points from every part of the field. At full time we had piled on 48 unanswered points and would move on to the finals.

Waimahia was the only other unbeaten team and so it was only fitting that we faced them in the final. They were rearing to go and looked eager to change the result from last year. The Mi girls were led throughout the day by their captains Halo and Monique and the final was no different. Our knowledge of the game was too much for Waimahia and we ran away with the final 39 points to zero. On top of that, all 17 girls in the MI team had scored a try throughout the tournament.

The MI Sisters would like to thank their coaches Mr Tofilau and Mr Peilua for all the time, effort and knowledge they have input into the team. No tries scored against us. Auckland Champs here we come.

Our U55kg team will also compete at Auckland champs.

MI Open Girls - 2022 Counties Champions



Tournament stats:

Games

Won 5

Lost 0

Points

For: 255

Against: 0

Standing: Kahu Panapa, Katea Tohi, Sharon Fred, Atairah Faingaa, Gloria Lamusitele, Amy Young, Jinell Paul, Anna Aukuso, Jahnei Kaiwai-Peapea, Armelia Isara
Kneeling: Monique Campbell, Wharariki Panapa, Chelsea Siafolau, Fabianni Napara, Halo Mathews, Eliza Latu, Gabrielle Seymour

MI Brothers Open XV's vs De La Salle College

This game was the next step up for the Brothers and the club in playing against some of the top teams and schools in Auckland. These types of games in the build up towards the Auckland Championship Day don't come around very often and by playing these calibre of teams, we find out a whole lot more about us as players and where we need to work on to improve.

De La Salle did not disappoint with having a large contingent of their students out to watch the game, adding to the atmosphere and cauldron environment- almost a 'Land Rover First XV game!'

The MI Brothers, despite being down a few players due to the illness, worked so hard and played really well, narrowly losing 14-5. De La Salle kicked three penalties and if these are taken out, we are right in the mix, as a club, with the cream of the crop for rugby union here in Auckland. We hope to have a return fixture very soon. The boys and club are very grateful for the opportunity.



Cross Country

On Thursday 16 June we had our annual school Cross Country event take place. The weather was as bipolar as ever! There was much anticipation and speculation as to who was going to walk away as our top runners for 2022.

We had decided to change the course to avoid trampling over our moist field. Our students started off in the hall and were called to the starting line by gender year levels. The determination by a lot of our students was evident by the look on their faces as they brushed past our staff on the streets. The race started in the front carpark, through our local streets and into the back driveway gate to the finish line. While some students were running, the rest were waiting in the hall for their turn warming up their legs and lungs by singing and dancing.





Well done to all students who participated. All the staff were proud of the way you got stuck into it and showed lots of pride. Special mentions to our top five runners for each race, who will represent MI at the Counties Zone Cross Country. Congratulations to Rimu Whanau who won the overall points. Malo le faamalosi!

	YEAR 7 GIRLS	YEAR 7 BOYS	YEAR 8 GIRLS	YEAR 8 BOYS
1ST	Briana 30	Brandon 22	Jordy 22	Aphareus 22
2ND	Charlie 4	Trey 30	Fabianni 22	Agelu 22
3RD	Jahnei 22	Nikatai 32	Eliza 22	Lorenzo 30
4TH	Righteous 4	Houston 30	Halo 22	Shakur 29
5TH	Rio 22	Andrew 73	Malaea 30	Jaedys 6

\$830	\$787	\$630	\$616
RIMU	KOWHAI	TAWA	KAURI

Girls Hockey

On Tuesday 21 June, 16 excited girls headed down to Rosa Birch Park in Pukekohe to represent Manurewa Intermediate at the Counties Manukau Zone Hockey Tournament. Our first game was against Rosehill Intermediate. For the majority of our team it was our first game on a full sized field with hockey goals. We held our own for most of the game and went down 1-0 in the final minutes of the game. With a similar loss to the reigning champs, Pukekohe in our second game.

Going into the final pool game against St Anne's, our goal was to have fun. As soon as we scored our first goal of the day it was our time to shine. Five more girls proceeded to find the back of the net.

I'm extremely proud of how the girls played all day and how they worked together as a team. They represented our school well and their school pride was on show all day. If there was an award for the loudest and proudest supporters, our girls would have won it!



AAIMS Interzone Rugby



The MI Brothers Opens XV had their last tournament on June 21, over at the Marist Old Boys Rugby Club in Mt Wellington. This is where the very best from all over Auckland came to compete, after winning their respective Zone Days. The boys had worked so hard for the last 13 weeks in building towards this day. The boys fully deserved to be there and competing against these top teams.

The boys played with great pride and commitment right throughout the day showing at times their potential in the game plan and structure that has allowed them to be successful this season. Whilst we did lose some of our games during the day, it is always a good learning experience as this allows us to find out more about ourselves as a team and where we can improve. The boys had an awesome experience for the day and for the season.

The boys should be so proud of all of their efforts during the season. They brought energy and focus to each session, learnt and complemented their skills from their league backgrounds. I am super proud of the entire squad and thankful for the season.

Results; Lost - St. Peter's, Northcross and Kelston. Won - Sir Edmund Hillary and Dilworth.

Mr. Byrne-Hansen

Girls Interzone Rugby

On Wednesday 29 June, eight teams competed for the Champion of Champions title at Colin Maiden Park, St Johns. The competition was made up of two pools of four. The girls played three games, and had to win them all to top their pool and play in the final. Their first game against Kelston Intermediate started off slowly, however the girls found their rhythm and walked away from the field as 30-15 winners. In their second game they faced a determined Kedgley Intermediate outfit. MI proved too quick and powerful, winning the game 40 - 5. The final match of pool play was against a brave Ferguson Intermediate team. The girls ran away with a demolishing 55 - 0 win.

This set MI up in a final against Holy Cross who topped the other pool. Holy Cross, the defending champions, had beaten MI in the last two finals. This was the game the girls were looking forward to all day. It proved to be an intense final where the score was locked at two tries each with less than a minute remaining on the clock. MI fullback Halo returned a long punt, fending off three defenders, to score a 60m try and win the game with the final play of the match!

Final score 20 - 15.

AND SO, THEY DID IT!

You are looking at the 2022 Auckland Inter-zone Intermediate Girls Rugby Champions of Champions!

A massive thank you to Mr Tofilau and Mr Peilua for coaching the girls.



Boy's Zone Hockey



On Thursday 30 June of Week 9, Mr. Stewart along with 14 boys travelled to Rosa Birch Park in Pukekohe to compete in the Counties Manukau Boy's Hockey Tournament.

It was an exciting day and we were looking forward to what was to come. For some of our boys it was their first time representing Manurewa Intermediate in a sporting event. What an exciting opportunity for these boys to put themselves out there and be risk takers.

The boys worked hard over throughout the term with their coaches Ms. Stephens and Mr. Stewart to develop new skills such as trapping, hitting, jabbing and dribbling. It was amazing to see the all progress they had made, including their understanding of the game.

A special shout out to our goalie, Cain who had an outstanding performance on the day. Thanks for holding the team together and playing mentally strong. Another shout out goes to Kruz for your determination and timely goal in our last game.



Meet the team...



Liao	Pang	R15
Cordell	Cox	R22
Khiem	Tran	R22
Jesiah	Peteli	R22
Kruz	Sampho	R26
Jeremiah	Aukusitino Tuaimalo	R28
Sio	Siasau	R28
Richard	Sapolu	R29
Cain	Ikifitu	R3
Jayden	Kaiwai- Peapea	R4
Demetrius	King	R6
Kauri	Takerei	R69
Stig	Jenson	R69
Mosilee	lotua	R73
Monaro	Mitchell	R30

Y7 + 8 Girls Football

This year Manurewa Intermediate Girls Football made history!

Early in Term 2 both our Year 7 and Year 8 Girls Football teams attended the Counties Manukau Zone Tournament where they played with perseverance, mana, pure talent and skill! Both teams battled it out in their respective finals winning against Rosehill and Pukekohe to secure their spot at the Auckland Champ of Champs.



Y7 Girls

The Y7 Football team have been awesome - for a team that is newly formed, their commitment and willingness to learn has made them a pleasure to coach. A few changes to the rules before the big Champ of Champs day (i.e. playing on a full-sized pitch and going from 9 to 11 aside!) meant the girls had to be game ready. All day the girls put in a superb effort and came away 4th best in Auckland. How good!

For a school with no footballing background it's a sport starting to grow. The aim for this set of girls is to excel and train hard over the summer as they are capable of higher honours. The way they play and the skills they have learned and are using in games is pleasing to see, and we look forward to developing this with them. To all the girls, thank you for your efforts, commitment and laughs you bring to training and football at MI!



Y8 Girls

With most of the previous year's team returning to play this year, the girls were already determined to come away with the win at the Zone Comp. Football is a very skilled game and takes a lot of practise, dedication and competitiveness to play - which the girls definitely brought to the field! Under the watchful eyes of Master Cope and Master Shepard the girls' skill level steadily developed, confidently displaying these on the pitch.



The Y8 girls were faced with some tough challenges at the Champ of Champs tournament, playing against schools such as Baradene College and St Kent's. However, the team played with physical prowess and there were moments of brilliant football on show. MI came away as the 5th best Intermediate Girls School in Auckland. Well done and congratulations to the girls involved, you each represented MI with pride and honour.



A big thank you to those staff members involved: Mr Cope, Miss Orr and Mr Shepard - for your time and energy involved in selecting, coaching and managing the teams. A shout out our whānau who came to support their kids, thank you so much! Football is definitely growing at MI - be on the lookout for more opportunities to play the 'Beautiful Game'. LESSHHG000!

- Mr Cope & Miss Orr

REWA SISTERS

U14

It has been two long years since we have had a full strength Rugby League team represent us at club level. With Mr Upoko's knowledge and experience, this year was sure to be interesting for the 19 young ladies who took up full contact Junior International Rugby League under the Manurewa Marlins umbrella.

After a couple of trainings the team journeyed to Grey Lynn for their first preseason game against a well trained and experienced team of ladies from the Richmond Bulldogs. A team who has been together for three years and had just completed a three day camp.

Our girls looked tiny in comparison but never took a single step backwards during the 50 minute battle. With the quick thinking of Fab and power of players like Amy and Mele our girls got in a few well designed tries. However, they went down to a much stronger and experienced team.

The first competition game was against The Otara Scorpions and our girls ran in ten tries between Nakeisha, Fiffri, Halo and Mele. Special mention to our kicking superstar Kahu who converted six of her ten kicks.

As the season progressed our team bonded and become more fluid in their motion and approach to the game. No one would have believed of the 19 players, only five had played club for one season. 14 first time players, 7 - U12s, 8 - U13's meaning 15 players were playing at least one grade above their age group. After 10 games they placed top four in a competition involving 11 teams from Stanmore Bay in the north to Papakura in the South.

The team has enjoyed bonding and growing during trainings and also during nights out Ten Pin Bowling and even a movie. For all the learning involved this season I think the greatest growth would have to be in building strong bonds, potential and sisterhood. Coaching and management are all proud of the Sisters and look forward to the 2023 season with an eye on the Championship.



Game	Against	Final Score
1	Marist Saints	46 - 10 Win
2	Otara Scorpions	54 - 8 Win
3	Mt Albert Lions	14 - 20 Loss
4	Bella Hawks	6 - 50 Loss
5	Glenora Bears	34 - 6 Win
6	Marist Saints	22 - 16 Win
7	Mangere East Hawks	6 - 24 Loss
8	Northland Raiders	20 - 18 Win
9	Papakura Sea Eagles	54 - 0 Win
10	Manurewa Marlins	40 - 0 Win
11	Richmond Rosebuds	10 - 22 Loss



GIRLS ZONE NETBALL

On Tuesday the 9th of August, Manurewa Intermediate took four competitive teams to Manurewa Netball Centre to compete in the Counties Manukau Zone Netball Competition. We took four teams away and they played exceptionally well. Both A teams advanced to semi finals after winning their round robin games quite comfortably. Yr 8 A competed against a strong Clayton Park side, unfortunately losing the game and having to settle for a 3rd match playoff. Our girls were worn out and couldn't muster up the fight to win against Pukekohe and unfortunately went down, resulting in a fourth place finish. Our Yr 7 A team were in the same position however I am extremely proud of this team as most of them had never played netball before. Their commitment to trainings were on display as they whizzed through round robin undefeated. Unfortunately they also dropped their semi final, resulting in another 3rd playoff match. Our B teams were able to have a nice day out and play competitively while also having lots of FUN. THANK YOU to our amazing parents for helping to coach and manage for the day!! Yr 8 A Manager - Julia Thompson and Yr 7 A Assistant Coach - Krystal Kaiwai. Over all, our girls enjoyed their day out and I'm looking forward to what Netball at Manurewa Intermediate will look like in the coming years!



Y7 & 8 BOYS ZONE NETBALL

🏆 Manurewa Intermediate are champions once again! 🏆

In Week 4 of Term 3 two teams of Y7 and Y8 Boys teams competed at the Counties Zone Netball Tournament. Both teams were exemplary, showing all of the MI Values and enjoyed themselves on and off the court.



Over Term 2, the holidays and the beginning of Term 3 the Year 7 & 8 boys were training hard to practise the drills and skills needed to play the fast-paced game of Netball. All the boys showed a lot of potential, effort and commitment during these times to learn and improve their skills. We were lucky enough to have help from parents and the community to help coach the boys and polish their performances. We appreciate this support!

On the day of the tournament the boys hit the ground running with both teams going undefeated through all of their pool games. The Year 7 boys won the competition through their round robin wins and the Year 8s won against Rosehill in the semi-final to then face Clendon Park in the final. Unfortunately they could not get the dub, nevertheless the boys kept their heads high and their attitudes were impeccable - model students to all.



A special mention to our student umpires for the day Waimarie Te Runa (22), Jane Falelogi (30) and Jahnei Kaiwai-Peapea (22). It was a long and tough day but the boys put in 100% effort right until the last whistle. A massive congratulations and thanks to all the boys, coaches and whānau who were involved and supported our teams.



Results:

Year 7 = 1st Place 🏆

Year 8 = 2nd Place 🥈

YEAR 7	YEAR 8
Houston (30)	Benji (22)
Khiem (22)	Cordell (22)
Noah (22)	Jesiah (22)
Josh (30)	Aphareus (22)
Trae (30)	Monaro (30)
Dylan (22)	Seoul (30)
Huirama (22)	Corteiz (24)
Brandon (22)	Sefa (13)
Jett (30)	Jayden (4)
Richard (29)	Azariah (22)
Lorenzo (30)	Kruz (26)

ZONE CROSS COUNTRY 2022

On a very wet and windy day, the MI 2022 Cross Country Squad went to the A & P Showgrounds at Pukekohe to compete in the Counties Cross Country Competition.

The MI Squad worked really hard in very testing conditions on the course. There were some very soft and muddy patches which didn't help either. All of the squad members gave the run their absolute 100% effort and commitment- a very different course to the one at school, especially the steep hill at the start.

Fab Napara from Room 22 managed 4th place for her group which is an outstanding effort- huge congratulations to her.

Well done to everyone who competed.



Bailey Singh and the 2022 North Island Secondary School Indoor Bowls Championships

This event was held at the Mount Maunganui Sports Centre in Tauranga. There were thirteen schools in this tournament, all schools from around the North Island area. I competed in both the main event and in the school compilation. My first game was the main event.

I was waiting for my opponent to come to the mat but he didn't show up. The timer and the whistle went so I put my hand up and he arrived. I felt he should've been disqualified but they let him play.

Anyway, I beat him. Then I went on to play my second game; I was playing a girl and she was really good! She beat me but it was a good game! I went on to play my third game and I was playing another girl. We had a really good challenging game but I lost again; I didn't put myself down and kept my head up. I went on to play my fourth game of the day. I played really well but the boy I was playing with was getting really smart and trying to throw me off, but I won!

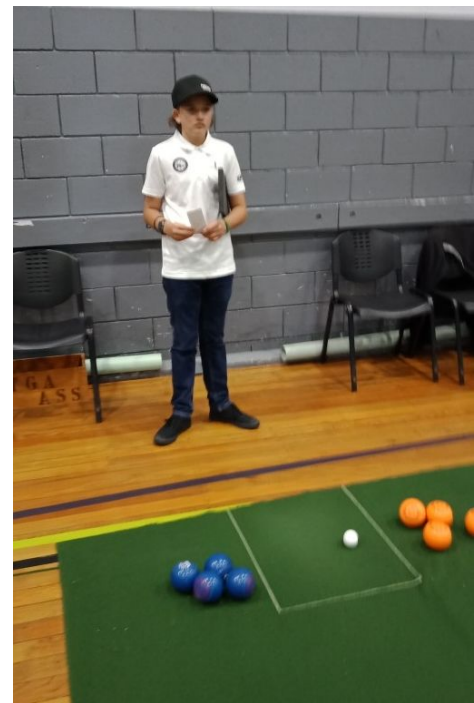
They tallied up everyone's scores but I didn't qualify for the big tournament. However, they asked me if I wanted to play in the school constellation - I said, yes!

12 o'clock came round where they let everyone get some lunch and just have a break. I went and got a coffee and realized that I hadn't taken my ADHD medication - that's why I couldn't concentrate! Lunch finished and all the kids that were playing in the constellation were called over to the other side of the hall.

We had to play four games, 10 ends and I said, yep! They blew the whistle and we started playing. I played against a girl where I played really well again! I won, shook hands and said, Thank you. I went to my next mat and I was playing against a young girl but we didn't know what school she was from. I played her and she hadn't been taught properly so I decided to be nice and help her ...but I won that game as well.

The next game was against a boy that everyone told me to watch out for when I was playing him! They said he was really good ...and he was! But, I just won that game, shook hands and said thank you! Then came the last game where I was so nervous, but I pulled through and won. It now came down to points as me and this other kid were the only ones that had won all the games in the constellation. They looked at the points and when I was told that I won I was so happy I couldn't even speak!! That's how excited I was!

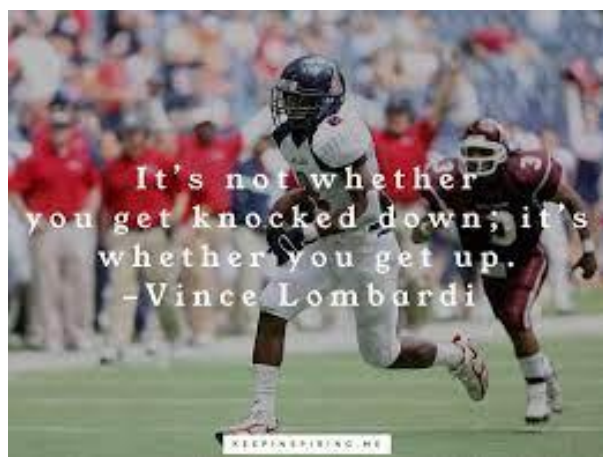
I was very proud to be playing for Manurewa Intermediate and I think that it's a really good thing to do. I felt really good after that and when I got home all it was were hugs and congratulations. It was an all-round great experience. I absolutely loved it! I have to say a really big thank you to: Mr Taylor, Mr Peilua, Mr Devereux, and my club St Annes!



Bailey Singh
Room 27

BOYS NETBALL

During Term Three our Year 7 and Year 8 boys team WON their respective Counties Zone tournaments and were then selected to participate at the Auckland Champ of Champs. We were unsure of what our competition would look like so the boys continued to train and develop their skills. We were as prepared as possible! We were lucky enough to have a beautiful sunny and clear sky hang around for the day, Mr K even got a tan!



Both the Year 7 and 8 teams played a mixture of different teams across the day. Year 8's started off a bit rocky with a loss to Point England School but quickly warmed up to win the next three pool games. Unfortunately this meant we took the hard road to the play-offs but still managed to secure being the 5th best school in Auckland. Towards the end of the day, the boys were tired and frustrated - but were quickly motivated by our awesome parent support and coaches. The Year 7 boys had a much more successful day with winning all but one of their pool games and copping a loss in the play-offs, resulting in being the 4th best Year 7 netball team in Auckland. Nice!



A massive congratulations to all the boys involved in Netball over the last two terms. I know sometimes it got tough out there, just remember to always stay disciplined and persevere right until the last whistle. Year 7s, I look forward to seeing us take out next year's tournament! LASSSGAUUU!

REWA SISTERS Rugby League Prize Giving



On Saturday 27th August, the Manurewa Sisters arrived at Events Cinemas in Manukau to participate in the Manurewa Marlins U13 - U16 Prizegiving. It was an event well represented by both past and present MI students.

Our Prize winners included:

Best Back: Fabianni Napara

Best Forward: Amy Young

Sportsmanship: Kahu and Wharariki Panapa

Player of the year: Halo Matthews

After a very drawn out ceremony, the girls enjoyed the popcorn and fizzy drinks while Ms Brooking, Mr Seuala and the parents pretended to enjoy the movie.



On Friday 2nd September the team made their way with family to Parakai Hot Springs for their Prizegiving.

We were lucky enough to have the private area booked which included a covered area, kitchen, BBQ and pool. The Sisters had the place to themselves and enjoyed the chance to learn the 'bombing' skills of Mr Tanaki. With Mr Seuala cooking up a feast, the smell of steak lingering in the air brought the team back for a hearty BBQ lunch with Cook Island potato salad, seafood salad, panikeke and enough drinks to restock the local shop.

Jinell's whānau supplied a freezer full of ice cream that was welcomed as the day warmed up. Mr Upoko's actual prizegiving was, as always, a funny yet heartfelt affair with each girl receiving a trophy and special name that fit her season eg. Miss All about me! Or Miss Technical Player.

The remainder of the day was spent eating, swimming, on the hydro slide, chilling with the team, laughing and eating some more. Special thanks go to Mr and Mrs Upoko for sponsoring the trophies, all of the staff who have supported the Sisters all season and of course



the families who allowed their girls to participate in a season of full contact Rugby League. 2023 should be a very interesting season as only three of the Sisters are not eligible to play in the U14 competition again next year. Let's go Mr Seuala and Mr Filipino!

Rita Brooking

BOYS RUGBY LEAGUE

On 1st September, the Manurewa Intermediate Boys Rugby League Restricted and Opens Teams headed out to Bruce Pulman Park to take part in the Counties Manukau Rugby League Competition. The weather was perfect for Rugby and the boys were extremely excited to compete against some of the local schools. Unfortunately, there was no restricted grade due to the lack of teams. However, our boys go straight through to Auckland Champs.

Our Opens team enjoyed success winning all their games. There were no finals, so you had to win all of your games to go through to Auckland Champs. The boys played their toughest game of the day against a strong Finlayson Park outfit. The boys put in the mahi and came out victorious with a 24-20 win. A try by Jesiah in the final play of the match sealed the deal.

All in all, it was a very successful day for our students and our school. The boys should be extremely proud of their achievements on this day and the attitude and respect they showed throughout the whole event. Bring on Auckland Champs. Thank you to our coaches Mr Tofilau and Mr SJ for leading the way.





COUNTIES ZONE OPEN AND RESTRICTED GIRLS LEAGUE

AUCKLAND CHAMPS. HERE WE COME!!

IS THERE ANYONE ELSE? ARE YOU NOT ENTERTAINED?

Introducing to you the Counties Zone Open and Restricted Girls League Champions!

Both the Open and Restricted Sisters Rugby League teams headed to the Counties Zone Championship held at Norana Park, Favona.

The Restricted Girls had a preview of what the Auckland Champs would be like playing a State of Origin series against South West Champs Kedgley Intermediate. They would win all three games 36-4, 48-0 and 24-8.

The Open Girls team played two games against Takanini School where they won 36-4 and the second against Wahine Toa, a combination of schools 40-0.

Both teams now advance to the Auckland Champs of Champs held at Cornwall Park.

Special THANKYOU to Mr "Josh Papalii" Upoko for his amazing coaching and reffing skills.

Open Sisters: Amy Young, Leah Tau, Katea Tohi, Anna Aukuso, Fab Napara, Halo Matthews, Jinell Paul, Eliza Latu, Armelia Isara, Gabby Seymour, Monique Campbell,

Restricted Sisters: Charlie Hiwarau, Righteous Reti-Huch, Kahu Panapa, Wharariki Panapa, Jahnei Kaiwai-Peapea, Riley Marsden, Briana Diaz, Tryphosa Pasika, Jeh-Zalia Paraha, Jaspas Iosia

AUCKLAND RUGBY LEAGUE CHAMP OF CHAMPS

GIRL'S OPEN AND RESTRICTED

On Wednesday 22 September our open and restricted girl's rugby league teams competed in the Auckland Champ of Champs held at Cornwall Park. It was a great day for footy and our girls were full of energy! The open girls grade were made up of two pools of four. In our pool were St Johns, Sylvia Park and Royal Oak.

Our Open girls proved too strong for these teams and went into the final without a try being scored against them. This put them into a grand final

against Kelston Intermediate who topped the other pool. It was an entertaining final but our girls stormed on to win the game and be crowned open grade champions!



The restricted grade was made up of three teams. Henderson, MI and Kedgley. Our girls were confident as they had beaten Kedgley previously 3 games to nil. Their first game of the day was against a spirited Henderson Intermediate. Our girls were too quick and strong, and beat them convincingly. This set up a final against Kedgley. The final was ours to win and the girls did a great job to outrun and outgun a willing Kedgley outfit. Our girls won the final 40-0 and with it, the Auckland championship!

BOY'S OPEN AND RESTRICTED

On 23 September the open and restricted boys rugby league teams competed in the Auckland Champions of Champions Rugby League Tournament held at Cornwall Park. The boys were very nervous heading into the competition, especially our restricted team who had not played a single game leading up to this tournament.

Our open boys were confident leading up to the tournament but quickly found that they were not the biggest team on the day! They did very well and made it through to the final. They faced a strong Kelston Intermediate team and eventually lost finishing in second place overall. We are very proud of this achievement! Our restricted boys went into the tournament without having played a game. They worked hard throughout the day but unfortunately finished in fourth place. With most of our restricted boys being Year 7s, we look forward to their journey in 2023 and the development they will make.

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BASKETBALL

On Sunday 4 September our Girl's Basketball team travelled down to Tauranga to compete in the AIMS Games. The girls arrived at Paparoa marae (home base) and were welcomed by tangata whenua. It was a great experience and a privilege to be based at such a beautiful marae.

Throughout the week the girls played 8 games in pool play finishing with 4 wins and 4 losses. This unfortunately resulted in them missing out in the Top 9. After doing so well leading up to AIMS Games, the girls realised just how tough the competition is at AIMS Games. They ended the event with a win against Kaitaia Intermediate to finish in 11th place.

This experience was great for our girls to learn and understand what it takes to compete at this level. With the majority of the squad being Year 7, there is eager anticipation as to how well these girls will go in 2023.

We would like to thank all the staff and parents involved leading up to AIMS Games and throughout the week of. Special thanks to Jordy's Mum, Trena and Rio's Dad, Johnny. We appreciate you both.



TENNIS

Well done to both Nakita Rakete and Mina Saboonchi who competed in tennis singles and doubles. Nakita finished second in her division and Mina finished in 13th place.

Both girls battled it out together in the doubles tournament and finished in 14th place.



From 5th – 9th September, a team of Thirty Seven students and four adults headed to the first inaugural John Walker Field of Dreams Sports Camp held at Camp Adair in Hunua.

They would compete in Badminton, Ki-o-Rahi, Cross Country Relay, Rugby 7's, Orienteering, Tennis, Basketball, Gaga Ball, Futsal, Lacrosse, Archery, Volleyball, Mountain Biking, Netball, Rugby League 9's, Indoor Bowls, Rock Climbing, Futsal and Tug of War.

Eight intermediate schools from around South Auckland competed daily to win medals and points for their school. Otahuhu Intermediate, Bader Intermediate, Waimahia Intermediate, Southern Cross Campus, Tuakau College and De La Salle College/Holy Cross School would be our opposition for the week.

Fatigue would set in for the team but they would show determination and perseverance to push through. After a gruelling week of competition the Manurewa Intermediate 76ers would be crowned Overall Champions, along the way collecting 13 Gold, 8 Silver and 5 Bronze medals.

Big shout out to Amanda (Kendryek's Mum) and Julia (Fab's Mum) for their help and support on the trip. Special mention to Mr Iavana Carlito Seuala for carrying the 76ers squad with his positive vibes and energy.

76ers squad;

Girls: Amy Young, Anna Aukuso, Armelia Isara, Atairah Fainga'a, Chelsea Siafolau, Eliza Latu, Fab Napara, Gabby Seymour, Halo Matthews, Jinell Paul, Kahu Panapa, Katea Tohi, Laisa Takau, Litea Taukapo, Lupe Taukapo, Monique Campbell, Riley Marsden, Tryphena Pasika, Tryphosa Pasika, Wharariki Panapa.

Boys: Aphereus Posimani, Azariah Tukariri, Benji Ah-Yek, Cordell Cox, Corteiz Grey, Darnell Miimetua, Houston Jessop, Huirama Heteraka Brown, Jairah Pomale-Time, Jayden Kaiwai-Peapea, Jesiah Peteli, Josh Alu, Kendryek Monga, Kruz Sampho, Lorenzo Andrew, Manaia Hetutu-Davis, Monaro Mitchell, Raiden Ashby Pauu.

Absent: Dayton Edwards, Saul Teariki-Hohepa.



Manurewa Intermediate vs Papatoetoe Central Primary Chess Tournament



MANUREWA INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL



On 8th September Manurewa Intermediate hosted representatives from Papatoetoe Central Primary School. It was a six round tournament with fifteen minutes on the clock for both sides, with eight players from Manurewa Intermediate competing against eight players from Papatoetoe Central Primary. Both teams had lots of fun with the losers of each match being taught a new chess 'trick' by the winner. After two rounds we took a break for a mini tour of the school and some time for our visitors to look at the pigs, chickens and goats. We were good hosts and played a few rounds of basketball with them while others played on the Triple M. Being the first tournament that Manurewa Intermediate competed in, many of the Manurewa Intermediate chess students learnt about how a chess tournament runs. An extraordinary experience for them to improve their chess skills. A special thanks to John and Steve for helping host the chess tournament and of course a thanks to our competitors Papatoetoe Central School for bringing their amazing students to play ours. Overall the chess tournament was an amazing success.

