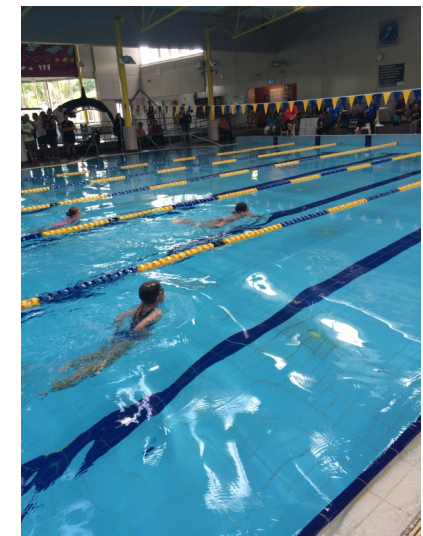
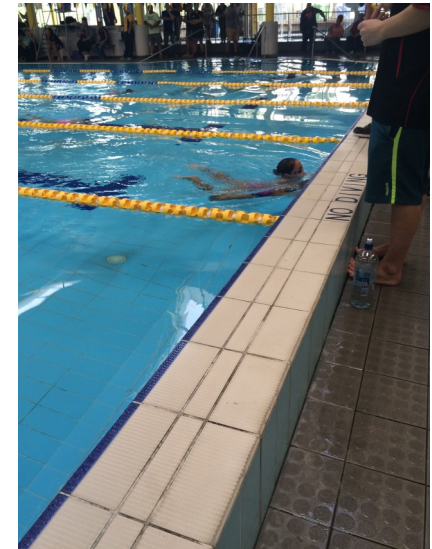




SWIMMING ZONES

Tuesday saw a very brave and nervous bunch of kids hopping on a bus to swimming zones. We arrived to see we would be versing another 9 schools! The kids did amazingly well, pushing themselves and trying their best! At the end of the day we came away with second place overall; an amazing achievement!! Our Year 5 and 6 relay teams all placed in the top three also. Special thanks to our Whanau for coming and supporting us in another successful sporting day.

Hayley Judd



MANGERE BRIDGE SCHOOL BOT ELECTION 2016



Nominations are invited for the election of **5** parent representatives to the board of trustees.

A nomination form and a notice calling for nominations will be posted to all eligible voters week of the 2nd May.

You can nominate another person to stand as a candidate, or you can nominate yourself (make sure you sign both parts of the form).

Additional nomination forms can be obtained from the school office.

Nominations close at **noon on May 20th 2016** and may be accompanied by signed candidates' statements.

The voting roll is open for inspection at the school and can be viewed during normal school hours.

There will also be a list of candidates' names, as they come to hand, for inspection at the school.

Voting closes at **noon on June 3rd 2016**.

Kathleen Phelps

Returning Officer

Community Notices

Telling Tales School Holidays at Mangere Bridge Library

Imagine the Tales you can tell at Auckland Libraries.

Lots of activities celebrating telling Tales!

To find out more call 3010101 or visit aucklandlibraries.govt.nz

Thinking about a Catholic co-educational College for your child? Marcellin College (617 Mt Albert Road, Royal Oak) is accepting enrolments for 2017 in years 7 and 9. Have a look at our website www.marcellin.school.nz or phone 625 6509 for more information.

From the Principal

The Board of Trustees is proud to announce the appointment of an outstanding teacher and educator Emma Ala'alatoa Dale to the role of Deputy Principal beginning week 4 of term 2.

Emma Ala'alatoa Dale is currently working at Sylvia Park School where she holds a number of leadership roles including Inquiry Learning Lead Teacher, and Literacy Learning Lead teacher.

Emma lives in our community with her husband and two daughters. She is excited about her new role as DP and sees it as a privilege to serve within the Mangere Bridge Community which she loves.

Emma is a proven and highly effective teacher who can inspire and engage children, teachers and the community. Much of this has been achieved through holding fast to the belief that learning is deeply connected to children when it is authentic and necessary. Her work in leading the inquiry team at Sylvia Park School over the last five years has been to co-construct an inquiry process that ensures that students are in the driver's seat of their inquiry learning and ensuring that children apply their inquiry in a way that not only improves their own lives but also the lives of others.

We look forward to Emma's experience and knowledge further enriching the learning and teaching at Mangere Bridge School.

A powhiri to welcome Emma into the MBS whanau will be held on Monday 23 May. We hope you are free to join us.

Thank you to the many parents and whanau who attended Whanau Conferences last week. We reached 95% attendance and I know teachers are still doing catch up meetings this week. If you were unable to make it and would still like to meet and talk about your child's learning please contact your teacher or the office. We are committed to working with you.

We hope that the new approach to reporting was of benefit to you and your child and that we met your expectations. An electronic survey will be sent out tomorrow asking you to give us feedback on what worked for you and how we can improve for next time.

Our job now is to keep our focus on the targets and support our children to get there. It's about Kotahitanga / Working as one.

Remember we are here to support you everyday not just on Whanau conference nights so if you have questions, queries, or requests see your classroom teacher.

If you have any concerns feel free to email me principal@mangerebridge.school.nz at any time for any reason and I will get back to you as soon as I can.

PTA UPDATES : Last night we had an awesome PTA meeting with a group of enthusiastic dynamic parents with great ideas that will be coming to you soon.

Congratulations to the following parents on their new official roles.

PTA Chairperson Carlene Taia, Secretary James Sciascia, Treasurer Elena Timoteo
You can email them on PTA@mangerebridge.school.nz

Lastly thank you all for your support this term. I have enjoyed connecting with and getting to know you all.

COMING EVENTS

Friday 15 April	Last day of Term 1. School Finishes at 3.00pm
Monday 2 May	Term 2 begins
Monday 2 May	Powhiri in the Auditorium
Wednesday 4 May	Assembly hosted by Room 14 & Room 5
Wednesday 4 May	BOT Meeting @6pm
Thursday 5 May	Newsletter
Friday 6 May	Photolife School Photos

A special welcome to the newest members of our school:

Harrison Avis, Flynn Chandra, Zachery Atiae and Cynthia Vilitama to Room 2

Photolife Class and Portrait Photos

Class and Portrait Photos will be taken on May 6th. Your child will bring home a prepaid envelope, which needs to be returned with payment by May 5th. This year we will be offering class, portrait and sibling photographs. If you want to opt for sibling photographs, please pick up a form from the office.

Rugby Notice

Kia Ora Whanau, Term Two and Three are busy terms for sports! We are on the hunt for some keen parents to help coach our Rugby League and Rugby Teams. League is in Term Two and Rugby is in Term Three. If you feel like this is your calling, and you would like to help, please email me at hayleyj@mangerebridge.school.nz or alternatively, come see me in Room 11. Thanks! Hayley Judd

The Peace Poppy Project

As part of our commemorations for Anzac Day 2015, Mangere Bridge School participated in the Peace Poppy Project. Groups throughout Auckland created poppies that were installed as part of exhibitions throughout Auckland. As part of the 2016 Anzac Day commemorations a photographic exhibition is being held sharing photos of these installations. Please view the flyer alongside for more details.

