

## Carla Hayes

Kia Ora! My name is Carla Hayes, I am privileged to be a Mum of 3 beautiful children, 2 of which have completed all of their Primary School years at Manurewa West Primary School and 1 who is currently in Year 3 in the Bi-Cultural class. I also have a Niece in Year 2 and a Nephew just started in New Entrants.

I have been on the Board of Trustees at Manurewa West for 11 years now, with the last 6 years being Chairperson of our Board. I have loved every minute of being a part of our children's education and a school that has dedicated, passionate Management and Staff who are student focused in everything they do, and do everything they can to see EVERY child succeed in their own unique way. I have loved looking after the wellbeing of our Children and Staff and wider School Community.

During my time on the Board I have worked hard with a work ethic of Integrity, honesty and openness. I have been a part of setting up the Early Childhood Centre on our school grounds. I was Chairperson leading the Board through our last ERO review which saw our school get top results and have us sitting in the top 12% of the best schools in New Zealand. As a Board we have overseen the upgrade of our classrooms to Modern learning environments. For the last 7 years I have been at monthly/fortnightly meetings with the Ministry of Education Property team to get new classes for our roll growth, this 2 story building is finally getting built now which is really exciting for our school. We have upgraded the Senior Playground and got the Astro Turf for Basketball Courts. We built the Fale for our outdoor performances and for our school community to have an area to go to and feel a sense of belonging in our Multicultural School. Our Board are always making sure our School is well resourced so our Children have the best opportunities to succeed. The list could go on and on of the achievements that I have been privileged to be a part of, and still wish to continue being a part of. Some of what I have most enjoyed is just being able to learn the ins and outs of the education system, and being able to support and serve Our School Community that I love and have a passion for.

As well as the love and passion that I have for the children at Manurewa West to see them having the best education and succeeding in all that they do, that same love and passion for children spreads out to the wider community where I have been fostering children for over 12 years, so have had the honour of having numerous amounts of children come, be loved, and be a part of my family for a time. I have also been involved with the Manurewa Rugby Club for the last 13 years. I was a Team Manager for 8 years and I am also the Treasurer of the Junior Section of the Club which I have done for the last 6 years.

I would love to continue to be a part of the exciting future that awaits the Children, their families, the staff and Board of Trustees at Manurewa West Primary School and hope to have the opportunity to keep serving you all to the best of my ability.

