

WATERLEA WEEKLY



WATERLEA
SCHOOL

With Learning We Grow

**Great Learning Happens at Waterlea by Connecting with
our Community, Culture, World and Future**

27 March 2019

Calendar

March:

29th Rm 14 Te Tuhi Gallery Trip (am)
29th Rm 12 Te Tuhi Gallery Trip (pm)
29th PTA Mufti Day

April:

3rd Year 1&2 Whānau Afternoon Tea 3-4pm
9th Interschool Swimming Competition
11th Whole School Assembly 9.15-10.15am
12th Happy Hour—Wheels Day!
12th Last Day of Term 1
19th-22th Easter (during holidays)
25th Anzac Day (during holidays)
29th First Day of Term 2

May:

3rd Waterlea Welcome Assembly 9-10.15am
6th-12th Sign language Week
18th PTA Quiz Night
23rd Puberty Plus Education Parent Information Evening 5.30pm
26th- 1 June Samoan Language Week
27th Puberty Plus Education Years 5 & 6
27th Board of Trustees Meeting 7pm
28th Interschool Rugby Competition
30th Interschool Rugby Rain Date

June:

3rd Queens Birthday—Public Holiday
From 10th Matariki
11th Interschool Netball
13th Interschool Netball Rain Date
13th Student Led Conferences

Hello, Kia Ora, Kia Orana, Talofa Lava, Taloha Ni, Malo e Lelei, Bula Deea awit, Fakalofa, Lahi Atu, Ni Hau, Namaste, Vinaka, Dia daoibh Huan Ying, Hola, Sagutom, Konichiwa, Guten Tag, Sillaw

Last Friday afternoon we gathered together as a school on the top court to observe a moment's reflection on the events that took place in Christchurch recently. Our focus was on kindness and afterwards some of our seniors gave some readings on community and whanaungatanga. Room 14 have produced a stunning display in the office on kindness and hope. Please do come through the office and have a look at their insights.



This Friday is a PTA Mufti Day. All money raised that day will be donated to the Givealittle page that has been set up to support the families impacted by the tragedy.

Great news—we have two new **walking school buses** in our community thanks to Gee Taylor and Jess Goodall joining this great initiative. These new buses will walk in the Muir Ave, Ashcroft Ave, and Waterlea Ave area. So if you live on or near these roads and would like to join the new buses, you can talk to Gee or Jess, or email Rachel (racheldavies1102@gmail.com). The Wallace/Muir walking bus is celebrating the end of Walking School Bus month this Friday, 29th March. The children on all three buses will be having a milo and hot cross bun before school at 8:30 in the hall. For anyone interested in the walking buses you can come along and join us. The children can

have a snack and you can find out more about the routes. This will go ahead regardless of the weather.

The Walking School Bus initiative is a great way for us to further our partnerships with the community whilst making a valuable contribution to the overall wellbeing of our students. We really appreciate the energy and commitment made by the parents involved in this.

Another way we are thinking about increasing community partnerships is by looking ahead to **Samoan Language Week** next term. This year we are asking parents to help us plan some activities to celebrate Samoan culture, rich heritage, language, song and dance. Before the end of the term we'll have an afternoon tea for our Samoan whanau to start the planning ball rolling. Look out for an email from us with more specific times and dates. If you don't receive an email and want to get involved please email Lisa Anania - lisa.anania@waterlea.school.nz because we would love to hear from you. Thanks to Katie Barrington-Tulaga for helping us to get this great initiative underway. Samoan Language week is the week of the 26th May - 1st June. There will be other language weeks over the course of the year and we will be engaging with the appropriate whanau closer to the time.

17 House Ave, Mangere Bridge, 09 636 4233 or 027 323 9368, www.waterlea.school.nz

Reminder: Bikes and scooters need to be walked within school grounds— **absolutely no biking or scooting within the school.** Particular attention needs to be paid to the ramp down into the school at the first gate. Children must not scoot or cycle down here. Thanks for your help with this!

Board of Trustees News

In a couple of months (on 7th June) we will be holding an election for parents to join our Board of Trustees. We have a number of long term parent trustees standing down this year because their children are moving on to Intermediate schools. Being on the Board of Trustees is a great way to make a positive contribution to our school community. Waterlea has always had highly functioning and supportive boards. We are committed as a school to continuing this tradition and continuing to get a culturally diverse representation on our Board. If you are interested to find out more about the role of a parent trustee please email the Board Chair—Andrew Dunning on andrew.dunning@waterlea.school.nz

Emergency Kits Reminder

As part of our emergency preparedness, every classroom has an emergency kit and as part of this kit we ask every child to bring a muesli bar from home each year. Many of the uneaten muesli bars from last year have now passed their use-by date and we will dispose of them. Any other muesli bars will be popped into our supplies for children who might need their lunch boxes topped up from time to time. So over the next few weeks we would really appreciate it if you would please send along a muesli bar to school with your child's name on it.

Puberty Education and Empowerment Programme

Next term we have invited Nest Consulting into our school to work with our Year 5/6 students. Nest Consulting provide a fun, positive engaging interactive and informative programme for tweens around Puberty Education. When we consulted the community on our Health programmes last year the overwhelming response from parents was that we run such a programme. Nest Consulting deliver a culturally sensitive programme, respectful of diversity and deliver this throughout New Zealand. Prior to starting the programme, Nest Consulting will run an Information Evening for parents and whanau to explain what will be covered at school over the school day. The Information Evening will take place in our school hall: Thursday 23 May at 5.30 pm. This session lasts 60 to 75 minutes.

Library News—E-Books Available

E-books have come to compliment our school library! This means you can download an app to your phone and you and your children can read books electronically on your device.

These are now available to you in 3 easy steps...

- 1) Download the App 'eplatform by Wheelers' - available on apple and android
- 2) Find Your Library - 'Waterlea School'
- 3) Select 'sign in' using your child's first and second name with a full stop in the middle, and everyone has the same password to begin:

Eg: Username: john.smith
Password: waterlea1

Please then go to 'my account' and change the password to suit.

Each child will be able to borrow 2 e-books which will be

automatically returned after 14 days. You can return books at anytime to borrow more.

Please note this does not change the current system of your child bringing home books from the School Library. Our aim is to promote reading and we hope you enjoy having a go. These books are available free until 7 April 2019 when we will decide if we would like to continue.

Payments for Lucky Book Club

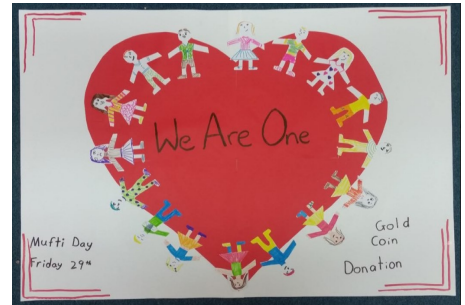
Just a reminder that if you wish to purchase books through the Lucky Book Club, that this can only be done online through Scholastic's online LOOP system. We do not take cash orders at school. Many thanks for your support—the school benefits from every purchase.

PTA News

Mufti Day—this Friday 29.

This Friday is Mufti day when children do not have to wear a uniform to school. All proceeds raised will be donated to the fund (Victim

Support Givealittle page) set up to support the families affected by the tragedy in Christchurch. Could children please bring a gold coin donation to teachers.



Quiz Night Sat 18 May 2019 - Kiwiana

It's time to register your table of 10 for THE social event of 2019 for Waterlea parents and teachers! \$200 gets you ten tickets and two kiwi kai platters. Dress in Kiwiana theme: buzzy bees, All Blacks, Prime Ministers...This event will sell out so get in quick! Email waterleapta@gmail.com to register or for more information. We're also looking for items for our ballot auctions on the night. Can you (or someone you know) donate a product or service? Please get in touch.

Waterlea PTA Presents

Kiwiana Quiz Night

Saturday May 18th
6pm - 10.30pm

DAVID LANGE MEMORIAL HALL
WATERLEA SCHOOL

Bring cash / eftpos available
Ballot Auctions on the night

R18

\$200 FOR A TABLE OF TEN

INCLUDES 2 KIWI KAI PLATTERS

TO PURCHASE TICKETS
Email: waterleapta@gmail.com

NO DOOR SALES



Waterlea School

17 House Avenue, Mangere Bridge, Auckland
(SCHOOL HALL)

Holiday Programme

Work and Income NZ Oscar Subsidy available

FULL DAY (On Site) 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. - \$50.00

HALF DAY (AM 8am to 1pm / PM 1pm to 6pm) - \$30.00

TRIP DAY (8am to 6pm) - \$65.00

(Bookings cannot be cancelled once holiday starts)

JAPANESE HIGH TEA



Mon 15 Apr
Konichiwa! Enjoy a Japanese high tea with some delicious banana sushi. And later, polish your art skills by creating a Japanese blossom tree

FOODSTORM



Tue 16 Apr
Time to show your cooking skills and create delicious food from our mouth-watering recipes.

MOVIES



Wed 17 Apr
Bring your favorite snack as it's going to be an entertaining day at the movies having a good laugh with your friends. (TRIP DAY)

EASTER STRAVAGANZA



Thu 18 Apr
A fun way of celebrating Easter with some colourful rice Krispy treats and the famous Easter egg hunt. Keep on hopping.

GOOD FRIDAY



Fri 19 Apr
SCHOOL CLOSED

EASTER MONDAY



Mon 22 Apr
SCHOOL CLOSED

ANZAC DAY TRIBUTE



Tue 23 Apr
A fitting way to remember this day by making poppy flowers and wreath. Then have a go in baking some Anzac biscuit.

MOBILE LASER ARENA



Wed 24 Apr
Be prepared as you will need your lateral thinking, quick reflexes and teamwork in this competitive but fun activity. (TRIP DAY)

ANZAC DAY



Thu 25 Apr
SCHOOL CLOSED

SKIDS PARTY



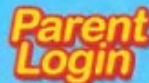
Fri 26 Apr
Dress up as you like as what a better way to end the holidays than with an awesome Skids Party.

If you are working (full time, part time, shift work, studying, receiving GDA or sickness benefit), you may qualify for Work & Income NZ Oscar Subsidy.

For more information, call (09) 275 3458 or (021) 105-5303 Or 0800-900-75437

or email waterlea@skids.co.nz

Register now at www.skids.co.nz click on



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**BRING GLOVES AND A
BUCKET AND WILLING
HANDS! EASTER EGG HUNT
AFTERWARDS**



SATURDAY 13 APRIL 2019: 2:30-5 PM

AMBURY FARM OR
TARARATA STREAM

NEED MORE INFO? EMAIL: FRIENDS@FOF.NZ



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