

WATERLEA WEEKLY



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

3 April 2019

Calendar

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
10th onwards: Matariki
11th Interschool Netball
13th Interschool Netball Rain Date
13th Student Led Conferences
21st PTA School Disco
24th Board of Trustees Meeting 7pm

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

Our vision statement in our school's charter says 'Great learning happens at Waterlea-Mā te tūhono ki to tātou hapori' and today's newsletter is featuring some of that great learning. Firstly we'd like to introduce two budding Waterlea scientists-Harry and Platinum. While making playdough last week they learnt some things about the concept of change. Here is their story:

Playdough

Last week we made playdough with salt, food colouring and flour and oil and cream of tartar. We put it into a bowl and added boiling water. This made the mixture change into playdough. We had a play with it and made playdough people. It was good and nice and squishy.

By Harry (Room 11) & Platinum (Room 8)



Room 12 has completed their Mask project as the visual art project for term one. Children have shown great mahi tahi or collaboration during the mask making and are very proud of their end product. The portrait painting looks amazing, the masks are impressive and their poems are full of interesting details. Well done, Room 12.

Adam

Black cap, elite tee-shirt, black shoes and brown jeans.

Happily playing soccer, jumping impressively like a trampoline, drawing scambly pictures like a monkey, swimming and splashing like a shark.]

I am kind elephant.

My name is Adam.



Great learning was experienced also by our Year 5 and 6 Student Helpers who participated in Neighbours Day Aotearoa 2019. Last week the children delivered hand made cards to our surrounding neighbours. Thank you Mangere Connect, Neighbours Day Aotearoa and the Mangere-Otahuhu Local Board for your support. Thank you also to Corinne Cameron from the PTA who ran with the idea and worked with our students. They have worked on this project over the last two weeks:

- brainstorming about what makes a good neighbour
- considering how our school life impacts on the neighbouring properties
- designing thank you cards
- counting neighbouring houses and streets
- constructing the card and gifts
- delivery



Samoan Language Week

Yesterday we had our first parent planning session brainstorming ideas for Samoan Language Week-May 27 -31st. If you are a Samoan family you would have had an email inviting you to be part of this planning process and we'd love some more families to be involved. We are meeting again after the holidays on Tuesday 30th April 2-3pm so let us know if you'd like to be involved by phoning the office on 096364233.

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 are now passed their used by date and we'll 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'd really appreciate it is you'd please send along a muesli bar to school with your child's name on it. Thanks.

Board of Trustees News

In a couple of months we will be holding an election for parents to join our Board of Trustees-7th June. 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 andrew.dunning@waterlea.school.nz

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

Please don't forget to try our new e-books provided by our 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.

Return Spare Uniform Please

From time to time, we lend spare uniform to children who have soiled their clothes during the day. If your child has come home in spares we ask that you please wash and return these items asap—we are now running extremely low in small girl's underwear in particular.

PTA News

** Easter Colouring Competition **

These are going home with your children today—1st prize is a family movie pass. Thank you Ray White! :)

Mufti Day

Thank you for your generous donations on Friday for our Mufti day fundraiser. We transferred \$648.10 into the Victim Support Givealittle page for Christchurch, on behalf of Waterlea School.

Quiz night: Saturday 18 May

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.

Parking Reminder: Unfortunately we have received complaints about some of our parent's parking.

Please, no parking over driveways or on the yellow lines under any circumstances.

For safety reasons do not drop your children off in the middle of the road and children are only to cross at the pedestrian crossing.

Waterlea PTA Presents

Kiwiana Quiz Night

R18



**Saturday
May 18th**
6pm - 10.30pm

DAVID LANGE MEMORIAL HALL
WATERLEA SCHOOL

Bring cash / eftpos available
Ballot Auctions on the night



\$200
FOR A TABLE
OF TEN

INCLUDES 2 KIWI KAI PLATTERS

TO PURCHASE TICKETS
Email: waterleapta@gmail.com

NO DOOR SALES

Holiday Events at Mangere Bridge Library



Scavenger hunt

Kids & teens, School holidays

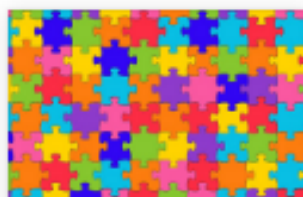
Māngere Bridge Library
Saturday 13 - Sunday 28 April



Read with Roka

Kids & teens, School holidays

Māngere Bridge Library
Saturday 13 April
10.30am to 12pm



Terrific tangrams

Kids & teens, School holidays

Māngere Bridge Library
Saturday 13 April
10.30am to 12pm



Mould with playdough

Kids & teens, School holidays, Crafts & hobbies

Māngere Bridge Library
Sunday 14 April
10.30am to 11.30am



Paper planes

Kids & teens, School holidays, Crafts & hobbies

Māngere Bridge Library
Tuesday 16 April
10.30am to 12pm



Decorate and eat

Kids & teens, School holidays, Crafts & hobbies

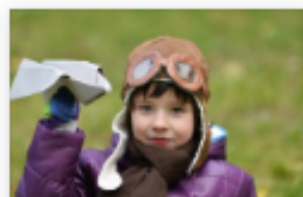
Māngere Bridge Library
Wednesday 17 April
10.30am to 12pm



Dress-up Storytime

Kids & teens, School holidays

Māngere Bridge Library
Thursday 18 April
5.30pm to 6pm



Flying competition

Kids & teens, School holidays

Māngere Bridge Library
Tuesday 23 April
2.30pm to 4pm



Make a kite

Kids & teens, School holidays, Crafts & hobbies

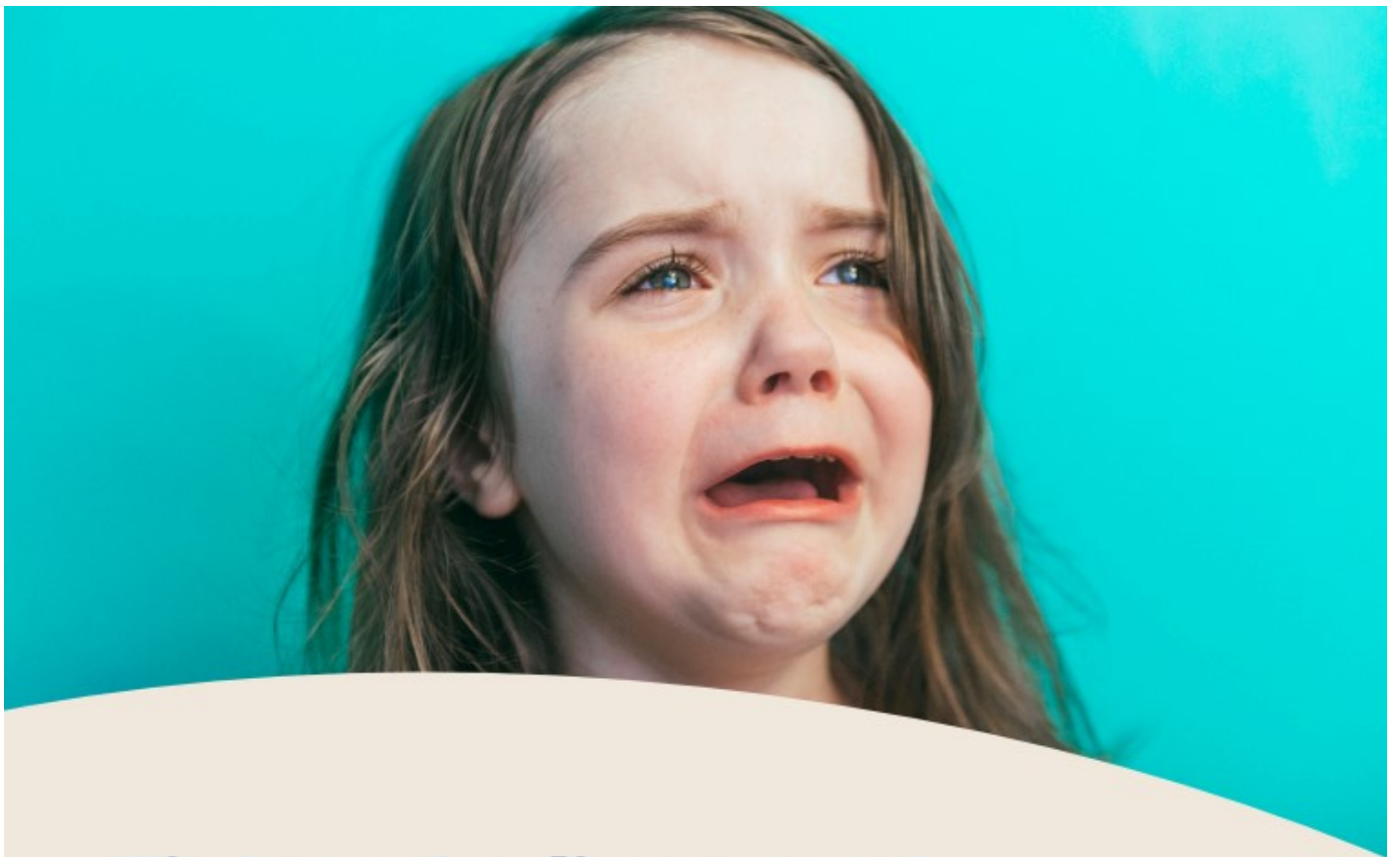
Māngere Bridge Library
Wednesday 24 April
2.30pm to 4pm



Kinetic sand

Kids & teens, School holidays, Crafts & hobbies

Māngere Bridge Library
Saturday 27 April
10.30am to 12pm



Fights, feelings and other F words

with Bridget Gundy, Jenny Hale,
Jo Batts and Joy Sluiters

We get it, parenting isn't easy, there are fights, big feelings, frustrations and other F words. Our family coaches have seen it all, and have collected their most helpful ideas and insights into a seminar for every parent dealing with the frustrations of everyday parenting.

Wednesday, 10 April

Parenting Place

300 Great South Road, Greenlane

6.30pm – Doors open with supper and hot drinks

7-9pm – Presentation

\$25 per person or \$40 per couple

**Book now at
parentingplace.nz**

**Parenting
Place**
Mā tātua, oti atu ai



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



Kenichiwa! 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

Parent Login

M&D-Approved

Work & Income NZ OSCAR Subsidy available!

IT'S ALL ABOUT
Mangere
BRIDGE

POP-UP EASTER CLEANUP

**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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