

# WATERLEA WEEKLY



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

**14 August 2019**

## Calendar

### August:

16th Room 5 Zoo Trip  
19th Room 4 & 19 Ambury Farm 11-12.30pm  
20th Royal Oak Intermediate Year 6 Open Morning  
20th Room 22, 18 & 3 Ambury Farm 11-12.30pm  
21st Rm 20, 1 & 2 Ambury Farm 11-12.30pm  
23rd Year 1 & 2 Happy Hour—Makerspace  
26th New Entrant Cohort Starting  
26th Board of Trustees Meeting 7pm  
28th Senior School Production Matinee 10.30-12.30pm  
28th Senior School Production 6.30-8.30pm  
29th Interschool Rugby Competition  
29th Senior School Production 6.30-8.30pm  
30th PTA Sausage Sizzle

### September:

1st—7th Tongan Language Week  
5th Interschool Rugby Rain Date  
8th—14th Maori Language Week  
12th Student Led Conferences  
13th PTA Movie Night  
17th Year 3 and 4 Cross Country 9-10.30am  
17th Year 5 and 6 Cross Country 11-12.30pm  
19th Year 1 and 2 Fun Run 9.30-10.15am  
20th PTA Mufti Day  
22nd—28th Chinese Language Week  
27th End of Term 3  
27th Year 1 & 2 Happy Hour Pyjama Party 11-12.30pm

### October:

13th-19th Niue Language Week  
14th Term 4 Begins  
14th-24th Life Education Caravan at school  
15th Class/Individual School Photos  
24th Junior School Student Led Conference  
25th Teacher Only Day **School Closed**  
28th Labour Day **School Closed**

### December:

18th Last day of school

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

As one of our school's Strategic Goals is to Create a Digital Community we are taking the grand step of going digital with the newsletter too. This means the newsletter will be emailed to all our caregivers—if you have not received it please contact our office and we'll get you on the mailing list. There will be some paper copies available in the office and you can also view the newsletter on our website and app. This is in keeping with our desire to promote kaitiakitanga or guardianship of our environment with our students and whanau.

This week our Muslim families have been celebrating Eid al-Fitr or Eid. This is celebrated by Muslims around the world to mark the end of Ramadan, the Islamic holy month of fasting which happened a couple of months ago. It a joyous holiday that follows four weeks of fasting between dawn and sunset. Eid al-Fitr means the festival of breaking the fast in Arabic. The occasion is one of two that Muslims celebrate, with Eid al-Adha being celebrated this week. This celebration signals the first day of Shawwal, a new month in the Islamic calendar. Some countries may celebrate Eid on different days due to the sighting of the moon in their country.

On Monday, Aween in Room 8 was away from school celebrating Eid and I asked her about how her family marks this important occasion. Aween explained that she spent some of the day at the ASB stadium with her family. Before Monday, her family prepared lots of food ready to share with friends and family for Eid. People get really dressed up for Eid celebrations and some of her family wear traditional kurdish clothing. Aween's day at the stadium started with prayers and then it was time to catch up with friends and enjoy eating a variety of delicious food. Aween's favourite food is dolmas and Aween describes it as Kurdish sushi. There were lots of activities for children at the stadium like bouncy castles, trampolines and rock climbing walls but for Aween it was all about the yummy food! After going to the celebrations at the stadium Aween and her family continued celebrating by visiting the

homes of others celebrating Eid with more yummy food. Aween explained to me that Eid also celebrated those Muslims who have made the pilgrimage or journey to Hajj (a very holy place for Muslims) and this pilgrimage happens just before Eid. Aween's father made this journey last year so this Eid was particularly significant for her family. We are a culturally diverse community at Waterlea and the more we know about the different cultures we have, the stronger our community will be. Thank you Aween for sharing your personal knowledge of this celebration so we can all learn from your experiences.

#### Year 5 and 6 Production—Fresh and Smooth!

Rehearsals are well under way and the Senior School are looking forward to showcasing their efforts in Week 6 . There are three performances—a matinee at 11am Wednesday 28 August and evening shows at 6.30pm on Wednesday 28 and Thursday 29 August. Have a look at the great poster below and more details about tickets will be going home with your children this week.

#### Marcellin College Open Day

Marcellin College is a Year 7-13 Catholic Co-educational School founded by the Marist Brothers. We invite you to our Open Day 2019. Tuesday 20 August. Tours at 10.00am and 2.30pm. Join us on a guided tour of our school and take the opportunity to meet with staff, ask questions and pick up a 2020 prospectus. Enrolments are now open for 2020.

#### PTA News

##### We need a new Treasurer!

We farewell Corinne Cameron from the PTA. Corinne's awesome organisational and financial skills will be

missed but we wish her well on her new journey on the Waterlea Board. We're seeking a new Treasurer...someone organised who has a head for numbers. Corinne will be available to give a full handover. Please contact [waterleapta@gmail.com](mailto:waterleapta@gmail.com) if you're interested. We're always keen for new members so please also get in touch if you like the sound of the fun, rewarding work we do to support our school.

##### Ray White Contribution from House Sales

Our regular sponsor, Ray White has committed to donating \$1500 to Waterlea School upon a successful sale, if the vendor mentions the ad below. This is a fantastic, easy way to bring in funds to the school, so please keep their offer in mind if you or someone you know is thinking of selling.

##### Yummy Stickers and Bridge Fruit and Vege Receipts

Another great way to support the school is to bring in the stickers from Yummy fruit. They can go to the class teacher and get cashed in for sports supplies for the school.

Bridge Fruit and Vege in the village supports Waterlea School. Pop your receipts from this shop in the PTA mailbox in the office and they will kindly donate to the school a portion of your spend.

#### Community News

##### Cornwall Cricket Club - Registrations Are Open

Play cricket for Cornwall Cricket Club this summer. Cornwall CC have offerings suitable for all ages, skill levels, boys and girls. To guarantee your spot please register before September 16. You can find more information at [www.cornwallcricket.co.nz](http://www.cornwallcricket.co.nz) or by emailing [register@cornwallcricket.co.nz](mailto:register@cornwallcricket.co.nz).



A SENIOR SCHOOL PRODUCTION



# FRESH

# &



# SMOOTH

At: David Lange Memorial Hall

28 Aug - 11:00am

28 Aug - 6:30pm

29 Aug - 6:30pm



Tickets available through  
school



# ROYAL OAK INTERMEDIATE

**KA RERE - TO FLY**

**Gliding from the past, rising in the present and soaring to the future**  
**Rere hau i nga wa o mua, piki atu inaianei, tere kite wa e heke mai nei**

**Date: Tuesday, 20 August 2019**

**Venue: Royal Oak Intermediate School**

**Time: 9:00 am**

## **Year 6 Open Morning**

Parents/Caregivers and prospective students are warmly invited to attend an Open Morning and learn about the opportunities on offer at our school.

During this time, you and your child will be able to be shown around the school by student leaders/prefects. You are encouraged to ask as many questions as you like about our school.



### **ONEHUNGA MANGERE UNITED SOFTBALL CLUB**

Come and give Softball a go at our annual Open Day  
Registrations 10% discount on the day. Free Sausage Sizzle for all who participate.



**Sunday 15<sup>th</sup>**  
**September**  
**12pm-2pm**  
**Swanson Park**  
**Mangere Bridge**

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Film festival sessions include a selection of international short films, 199 Little Heroes, Margaret Mahy, and Thunderbirds Are Go!

Connect with us for more info:



Screenies  
CHILDREN'S INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL AOTEAROA  
31 August | Mangere Arts Centre  
CURATED FOR KIDS 3 - 15 YEARS

All sessions koha.

Register online for priority seating.

Register here:

[www.eventfinda.co.nz/2019/screenies-childrens-international-film-festival/mangere](http://www.eventfinda.co.nz/2019/screenies-childrens-international-film-festival/mangere)



**NEWS  
FLASH**

# **Dance Scholarships**

The following Ballroom and Latin scholarships are available  
with TheBEAT Dance Studio.

Viktoria is a former NZ Champion and recently trained Manu  
Vatuvei to win Dancing with the Stars!

Viktoria has generously offered scholarships to our school  
community.

**5x scholarships for boys 7-12yrs**

**5x scholarships for boys or girls 13-15yrs**

**Dance classes every Tue 6-7pm in Onehunga during the  
school term**

**5x scholarships for teens girls or boys 16-18yrs**

**Dance classes Sunday 4pm at Waterlea School starting on  
the 18 August**

To apply email [thebeatakl@yahoo.com](mailto:thebeatakl@yahoo.com)

