

# WATERLEA WEEKLY



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

**31 July 2019**

## Calendar

### August:

4th—10th Cook Is Language Week  
6th Interschool Football Competition  
8th Interschool Football Rain Date  
8th Onehunga High School Dance  
Performance 11am  
14th Royal Oak Intermediate Parent Evening  
20th Royal Oak Intermediate Year 6 Open  
Morning  
26th New Entrant Cohort Starting  
26th Board of Trustees Meeting 7pm  
28th Senior School Production Matinee 10.30  
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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  
22nd—28th Chinese Language Week  
27th End of Term 3

### October:

14th Term 4 Begins  
15th Class/Individual School Photos

**Hello, Kia Ora, Kia Orana, Talofa Lava, Taloha Ni, Bula,  
Malo e Lelei, Deea awit, Fakalofa, Lahi Atu, Ni Hau,  
Namaste, Vinaka, Dia daoibh**

This year we are on a Ministry of Education contract called Positive Behaviour For Learning (PB4L). Given that over the past couple of years the role the student plays in their learning has changed, we felt we needed a behaviour/values system that was more aligned with this shift. At the beginning of the year we created a team of teachers to lead the work involved in this contract. As part of this contract the PB4L team are reviewing everything we have previously done under the umbrella of the Waterlea Way and the values of looking after yourself, others, the environment and learning. This review involved seeking the voices of whanau, tamariki and staff in response to the question 'What are some of the most important values/qualities a Waterlea student should leave Year 6 with?' All the responses from these different stakeholders have been collated and four themes or draft values have emerged from this process. The 4 values fall under the acronym of MANA—Inner strength, secure and confident in yourself and your identity

**M**—Manaakitanga - we are kind, caring, supportive

**A**—Aumangea-we are persistent, resilient, brave

**N**—Ngakau Pono-we are respectful, honest, show integrity

**A**—Ako-we learn, we teach, we seek new knowledge

I would like to acknowledge the collaboration driven by the PB4L team to bring us to this point of sharing these values with our community. As I mentioned above, these emerging values are still in their draft form so we will be spending the next 2 terms trialing and unpacking them with students, creating a common understanding as to what these values mean in terms of behaviour and learning at Waterlea.

## Measles

You will have heard that some schools in Auckland have had confirmed cases of measles. Waterlea has not had a confirmed case of measles as yet but it is important that we are prepared for such an event should it occur. If there is a confirmed case of measles at Waterlea, all students and adults who are not immune to measles will be asked to stay home. To have immunity, children need to have had a measles vaccination or have had measles. For adults to have immunity they need to be over 50 years old, have had measles in the past or have had a vaccination. If you are unsure of your child's immunity status please visit your family doctor for further assurance. As a school we have updated our immunisation register so we have the latest information at our hands. When a student is enrolled at school we ask for proof of immunisation. We are contacting some parents who have given verbal assurances that their children have been immunised but are still to provide this proof. If there was a confirmed case of measles at Waterlea and we didn't have proof of immunisation on file this small group of children would be asked to stay at home too. If you have any questions regarding measles don't hesitate to contact the office on 09 6364233.

## Library News

### Scholastic Lucky Book Club

Issue 5 is out now!

Last day for online orders is next Wednesday 7 August. Thanks again for your ongoing support.

## Important Notice About the Waterlea Newsletter

Last term you would have noticed that we started emailing the Waterlea Weekly to all our families. We appreciate the positive response we've had to this move and as we are always looking at ways of being a more environmentally sustainable and efficient school we have decided to make the Waterlea Weekly an electronic newsletter. This means we will no longer be sending home a paper copy with each eldest and only child every Wednesday.

We appreciate that some people might prefer a paper copy and there may be a few of you who have limited access to the internet. If you would like to continue to receive a paper copy or need to change or add an email address please let us know at [reception@waterlea.school.nz](mailto:reception@waterlea.school.nz) or pop in to the office. We will also keep some copies in the office for you to view or take home. **This change will be taking effect in Week 4, 14 August.**

### Missing Books

If you find library books at home—no matter how old—please always return them to the library. They are gratefully received!

### PTA News

#### We need a new Treasurer!

In a few weeks 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.

#### New Path!

Check out the new concrete pathway for Room 20! The PTA organised this new addition, to reduce the mud on shoes, all with the help of funds raised by our school whanau. Our wonderful gardening club will look forward to adding plants along the way to make it look even better!



### Royal Oak Intermediate Enrolments

- Year 6 Parent Evening: Wed 14 August, 5.30pm  
Parents/Caregivers and prospective students are warmly invited to attend an Open Evening and learn

about the opportunities on offer at our school.

A presentation will be held in our school library and you can hear about the enrolment process; hear from our students and staff and ask questions that you want answered. This will be followed by an opportunity to mix and mingle with our staff and student leaders/prefects. We will have our classrooms open and parents will be given an opportunity to speak to our teachers and students about Royal Oak Intermediate School.

- Year 6 Open Morning: Tues 20 August, 9am  
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.

### Community News

#### YMCA Mangere Bridge Fun Run

It's time to get registered and start training for this year's YMCA Mangere Bridge Fun Run/Walk/Stroll/Stride on Sunday 22 September. Amazing spot prizes are up for grabs and a FREE sausage sizzle at the end for all participants. It really is a great event for the whole family.

#### Piano Lessons

Would your child like to learn piano? Learn from home! Online Piano lessons are available for complete beginners aged 3 yrs+ and parents with no previous musical experience. Watch step-by-step video lessons and get personalised feedback from me using a unique video-upload feature. First month is free using the coupon 1monthfreeNZRS at [www.katiesuzukimusic.com](http://www.katiesuzukimusic.com). Katie Dey - Experienced Suzuki Method teacher based near Nelson, New Zealand

#### Kids and Adults Dancesport (Ballroom Dancing)

Kids—Tuesdays 6pm Royal Oak Bowling Club, starts 13 August

Adults—Sundays 4pm Waterlea David Lange Hall, starts 18 August

Register today at [thebeatak1@yahoo.com](mailto:thebeatak1@yahoo.com)

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**TUESDAY 13 AUGUST 2019**

6:30 FOR 7 PM BARN @  
AMBURY REGIONAL PARK

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