

WATERLEA WEEKLY



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

27 May 2020

Calendar

May:

29th Teacher Only Day *POSTPONED*

June:

1st Queen's Birthday (Public Holiday)

2nd New Entrant cohort begins

11th Student Led Conferences

POSTPONED

July:

2nd PTA Non-Uniform Day

3rd Last day of Term 2

20th Term 3 begins

20th New Entrant cohort begins

September:

25th Last day of Term 3

October:

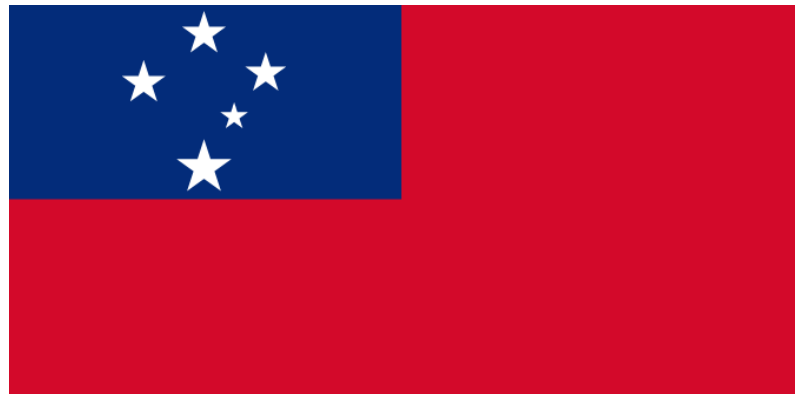
12th Term 4 begins

26th Labour Day (Public Holiday)

December:

14th Last day of school for 2020

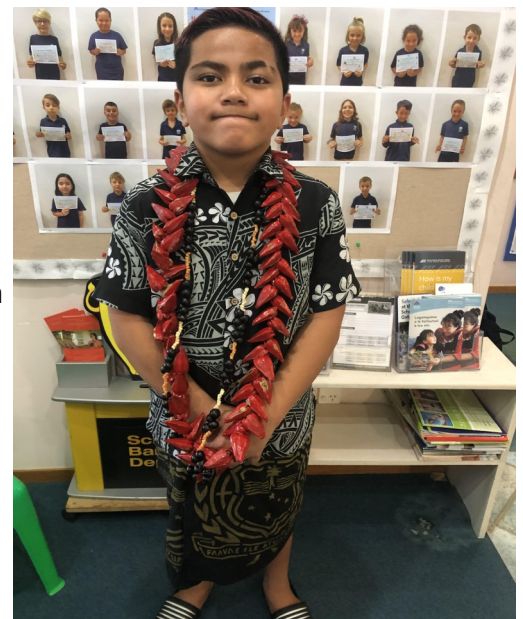
**Hello, Kia Ora, Kia Orana, Talofa Lava, Taloha Ni, Bula, Ni Hau,
Namaste, Malo e Lelei, Deea awit, Fakalofa, Lahi Atu,
Vinaka, Dia daoibh, Sillaw, Hola, Huan Ying, Jó Napot
Sagutom, Konichiwa, Guten Tag, Здравствуйте**



Talofa Lava -this week we celebrate Sāmoan Language and culture. This year's theme for Samoan Language week is 'Tapena sou ōso mo lau malaga' - Prepare yourself a gift for travels. Did you know that Gagana Sāmoa is the second most spoken language in Auckland and third most spoken in New Zealand. This means that there is a

reasonably high chance that you will have some speakers of Gagana Sāmoa in your street and your local neighbourhood. At Waterlea we have many students who can speak and understand Gagana Sāmoa, and are very proud of their culture like Antonio in Room 8 (right).

In celebrating his culture, today Antonio came to school dressed in some traditional Sāmoan clothes so we thought we'd ask him about it. " In this photo I am wearing my grandfather's Ula Fala. The 'Ula Fala are made from the pandanus fruit. The pieces are dried and painted red. In Sāmoa the Ula Fala is worn by Sāmoan chiefs or Matai. My grandfather is the family Matai and he was Chinese Samoan. I have visited Sāmoa a couple of times but didn't visit my grandfather because he died one year before I was





born. I am also wearing a lavalava that I got when I was in Sāmoa. I can understand and speak some of the Sāmoan language.”

Antonio thought you might be interested in learning some phrases in Gagana Sāmoa and encourages you all to have a go.

English	Gagana Samoan
Hello	Talofa lava
Goodbye	Fa'a-soifua ia
Please	Faamolemole
Thankyou	Faafetai tele lava

By supporting others to learn something new, Antonio is demonstrating our MANA value of Ako.

Here are our other MANA values:

Manaakitanga

We are kind, caring and supportive

Aumangea

We are persistent, resilient and brave

Ngākau Pono

We are respectful, honest and have integrity

Ako

We learn, teach and seek new knowledge

Thank you for your continued support in following the new routines in picking up and dropping off your children. We will be continuing these routines so we can record who is onsite for contact tracing purposes.

This week we have reopened the library, reintroduced bikes, scooters and skateboards and have a new routine for making playgrounds available. EZ Lunches are also available again at www.ezlunch.co.nz.

Next week we would like the Walking School Buses to start up again so look out for some communication around this. Guitar/drum lessons with JP and Shine Speech and Drama (external provider activities) will also begin again.

Slowly we will reintroduce some of our other extracurricular activities once a plan has been developed as to what new systems and routines need to be in place for us to maintain our hygiene and contact teaching practices.

PTA News

Waterlea School cookbook - last chance to submit your recipe

Thanks to everyone who has sent a recipe to your teacher for our school cookbook. There are a few families still missing, and we don't want you to miss out! This is your absolute last chance to send the recipe of a dish you and your family love to: village.eats.mb@gmail.com

The cookbook will be a treasured keepsake and will be available for sale later this year, as a fundraiser for our junior school playground.