

WATERLEA WEEKLY



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

23 September 2020

Calendar

September:

24th Ambury Farm Visit Rms 22&18
24th PTA Casual Clothes Day
25th Last day of Term 3

October:

10th & 11th Advance Election Voting 9am-7pm
12th Term 4 Begins
13th Class and Individual School Photos
15th Waterlea Welcome Assembly 9.15am
16th Junior School at Tim Bray Production
17th NZ Election Voting in Hall 9am-7pm
20th Interschool Cross Country
26th Labour Day - Public Holiday
27th Board of Trustees Meeting 7pm

November:

10th PTA Funded Playhouse Show
"Chilled" 2pm (*this is a new date*)
12th Wero Trip Rm 7
14th Diwali
16th Board of Trustees Meeting 7pm
19th Wero Trip Rm 8 & 9
20th Wero Trip Rm 5 & 6
21st PTA Quiz Night

December:

7th Board of Trustees Meeting 7pm
8th Graduation Ceremony 11.30am-1pm
9th Year 6 Dine and Dance 6.30-8.30pm
14th Last day of school for 2020

February 2021:

3rd Wananga Day (Short meeting with child's teacher)
4th First full day of school

2021 Dates

Term 1—Wednesday 3 February to Friday 16 April
Term 2—Monday 3 May to Friday 9 July
Term 3—Monday 26 July to Friday 1 October
Term— 4 Monday 18 October to Wednesday 15 December

**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, Здравствуй**

你好 Nǐ hǎo - it is New Zealand Chinese Language Week (NZCLW).

NZCLW is a Kiwi driven initiative that aims to increase Chinese language learning in New Zealand. The initiative is the first of its kind in any Western country and emerged because of the rapidly strengthening relationship between New Zealand and China.

NZCLW seeks to bridge the cultural and linguistic knowledge gap between China and New Zealand by delivering fun and practical initiatives that assist Kiwis to learn Chinese, ranging from programmes and resources in schools and libraries to business and government organisations.

Check out their link <https://www.nzclw.com/2020events>

Wow-it really feels like Spring is in the air! Holidays are on the horizon, daylight saving happens next week and we might be moving into Alert Level 1 soon. Fingers crossed we come back to Term 4 and have a good uninterrupted run of learning time until the end of the year. Thank you for supporting the school through the various closures and reopening we have all experienced- we have felt very supported by our community. Talking of our community, we'd like to thank the great folks at the Māngere-Otāhuhu Local Grants Panel for awarding some funds for a defibrillator to be housed on the school site. This could be of great value to our wider community particularly when we are hosting large community events.

PTA Casual Clothes Day tomorrow (Thursday)

**For a gold coin donation, children can wear
their usual clothes to school and have a
day off from their uniform!**



Photo Day—Tuesday 13 October


Photolife will be coming in on our second day back of the new term and individual and class photos will be taken for each child. If you want a photo of siblings together please make sure you fill in the form at the office or email us on reception@waterlea.school.nz - this needs to be done **before** photo day otherwise a sibling photo will not be taken. You have the option of having a photo with siblings outside of Waterlea too - please fill in a form for this and the photo will be taken first at 8.45am.

Please refer to the info sheet that went home with your child (also see below).

Note: Photos are not ordered or paid for until after they are taken and an individual info sheet comes home with your child.

MARCELLIN COLLEGE ENROLMENTS OPEN 2021

Following the cancellation of Marcellin College open evening in August, if you would like a tour of our school or copy of our prospectus please email: enrolment@marcellin.school.nz or visit our website: www.marcellin.school.nz



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PhotoLife



Your child's school photos will be taken
on Tuesday 13th October 2020
at Waterlea School

View and purchase your child's photos online



- Look out for your Child's Photo Keycode that they will bring home a couple of weeks after PhotoDay.
- Use your unique Photo Keycode to view your child's photos at www.photolife.co.nz
- Orders placed before the Free Delivery Expiry Date will be bulk printed and delivered to the school for your child to bring home.

Exciting New Product Online
Create Your Own Portrait Photo Pack
Simply purchase the first sheet of portrait photo/s for \$16.00. Go to your Shopping Cart and all the other portrait photo sizes and sheets will be available to you for just \$5.00 per sheet. Order the number and size of photo sheets that YOU want!

FAQs about PhotoLife's Online Ordering System

- When will my child's photos be ready to view Online?**
As soon as you receive your Photo Keycode you can go online and view your child's photographs. Class Group, Portraits, Sports Teams and Cultural Groups (if photographed) will be added into the Photo Keycode over the school year.
- Can anyone else see my child's photo Online?**
In order to view your child's photos you have to have the unique Photo Keycode. Without this code no one else can see your child's photos.
- How can I make sure I get the FREE DELIVERY offer?**
PhotoLife gives a "free delivery" period of approximately 3 weeks from the date the Photo Keys are dispatched to the School. It is best to go online straight away and place your order.
The Expiry Date of the "free delivery" period for your child's school is clearly shown on the website and automatically expires when that date is reached.
- What happens once the "free delivery" period expires?**
All of the orders placed before the expiry will be bulk printed and then dispatched to the school for your child to bring home.
If you missed getting your order in before the expiry date then your order will be dispatched to the address typed in by the person placing the order. A \$6.00 Postage & Packing charge is automatically applied.



Sibling Photographs

If your school has approved for us to take Sibling Photographs you need to do the following:

- Pick up a Sibling Photo Booking Form from the School Office **BEFORE** Photo Day.
- RETURN** the signed Booking Form listing your children's names and room numbers to the School Office **BEFORE** Photo Day.
- If there is **NO SIGNED FORM OUR PHOTOGRAPHERS ARE NOT AUTHORISED TO TAKE A SIBLING PHOTOGRAPH.**

We are here to help

If you have any further questions
Please contact us
www.photolife.co.nz
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Playball at Waterlea School

Wednesday: 3pm - 4pm
Term 4 - 14th Oct - 9th Dec

\$95 per child (early bird) \$105 after 14th Oct

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- Introduction and development of a range of sport skills
- Using sport as a means; we provide children with the opportunity to develop a host of necessary social, educational and personal skills.
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Erin 021 923 232 coacherin@playball.co.nz

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ONEHUNGA MANGERE UNITED SOFTBALL CLUB

OPEN DAY

SUNDAY 27TH SEPTEMBER - 12-2PM
SWANSON PARK, MANGERE BRIDGE

**COVID KINDNESS 2020/21
SEASON DISCOUNT!**

Tball - \$25 including photo
U11 TO U17 - \$30 including team photo
Seniors - \$70

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Enquiries: onehungamangeresoftball@gmail.com
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G.J. Gardner. HOMES

KEEP NEW ZEALAND BEAUTIFUL

CLEAN UP WEEK 2020

7-13 SEPTEMBER

Be part of New Zealand's largest litter event by joining your local community clean up for **G.J. Gardner Homes Clean Up Week 2020.**

CLEAN UP DATE Friday 2nd October
LOCATION Meet at reserve by Mangere Bridge Boating Club - Kiwi Esplanade
TIME 10.30am
CONTACT Debbie 021502266

www.knzb.org.nz | (09) 264 1434 | cleanup@knzb.org.nz

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With Learning We Grow

Update from your Board of Trustees for Term 3 – 2020

Without labouering the Covid point, I do want to acknowledge the fact that this term has been disrupted again as a result of the lockdowns and alert level shifts. As a board, we have tried to appreciate the impact that this disruption may have had on you and your whanau. Thank you to all of you for the Aumangea you have displayed through this time.

We know there are real challenges in trying to deliver school learning at home. Thank you for doing your part in supporting your child's learning through this time.

Thank you also to our staff who have had to invest a significant time and energy into preparing and delivering remote learning. For the kids in our house, the structure provided by having learning material available and the regular Zoom sessions were lifesavers.

As you know, the Board of Trustees of a school are in place to govern the school. In previous newsletters I have outlined the setting of strategic direction and the school charter. A couple of other things that your board oversees is the setting, reviewing and amending of policy and allocating resources to the maintenance and improvement of the school property. This is essentially what the Board business has been about this last term.

Policy - School Docs

You will have seen comment and links in the school newsletter to a platform called School Docs where we store and maintain policy documents.

We often seek feedback from our community around various policies in this platform provides an efficient avenue for seeking and obtaining this feedback.

Please feel free to jump in and have a look around and take an active role in reviewing and setting policy with us (it's fun once you get used to it I promise!)

Refer this link: <https://waterlea.schooldocs.co.nz/Logon.aspx?>

Username: waterlea

Password: waterleaway

Property

The way the school prioritises and allocates resources to the school property is governed by a plan set in place and agreed between the Board and the Ministry of Education. The overarching plan spans a 10 year period with the next five years of priority investment identified and mapped out specifically within a 5 Year Action plan. This year, the board and school staff have reviewed and agreed the new property plan for the next period.

With the local population and the school role increasing, we will need to invest more in our school property to keep up. I'm sure you will find that the improvements planned around the school grounds over the next few years will enhance our learning environment and provide for more flexibility and capacity in our spaces. I would like to thank our staff team and board property subcommittee for the extra time and effort they have invested in creating and obtaining agreement with the Ministry around the property plan.

Finally, on behalf of your Board of Trustees, I wish you a safe and happy holiday. I hope you get the opportunity to spend some quality time with your family to get refreshed as we head into the final term of the year!!

Enjoy the last week of the term.

Regards

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'AD', followed by a long horizontal line that ends in a small flourish.

Andrew Dunning
Chair – Waterlea School Board of Trustees