

WATERLEA WEEKLY



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

28 October 2020

Calendar

October:

26th-30th Tokelau Language Week

November:

4th & 5th Whole School Vision Testing
5th Royal Oak Intermediate Orientation
Morning 9am-1pm
6th MB Library Trip 11.30-1.15 Rm14
9th Kids for Kids Choir Practice 8.45-12.45
9th Kids for Kids Concert 6.45pm-9.45pm
10th PTA Funded Playhouse Show
"Chilled" 2pm *(this is a new date)*
10th Senior School Athletics 9am-1pm
11th Middle School Athletics 9-10.30am
12th Wero Trip Rm 7
12th MB Library Trip 11.30-1.15 Rm11
13th MB Library Trip 11.30-1.15 Rm10
14th Diwali
16th Board of Trustees Meeting 7pm
18th MB Library Trip 11.30-1.15 Rm15
19th Wero Trip Rm 8 & 9
19th MB Library Trip 11.30-1.15 Rm13
20th Wero Trip Rm 5 & 6
20th MB Library Trip 11.30-1.15 Rm12
21st PTA Quiz Night
24th Interschool Athletics Competition
27th New Cohort Entry Visits 9-10.30am

December:

4th New Cohort Entry Visits 9-10.30am
4th PTA Sausage Sizzle
7th Board of Trustees Meeting 7pm
8th Graduation Ceremony 11.30am-1pm
9th Meet Your Teacher for 2021 9.30am
9th Year 6 Dine and Dance 6.30-8.30pm
10th Year 1&2 Athletics Whanau Day 9-11am
11th PTA Casual Clothes Day
11th Year 6 Celebration Event TBC
14th Last day of school for 2020

February 2021:

3rd Waananga Day (Short meeting with child's teacher)
4th First full day of school
4th Waterlea Powhiri and Welcome 9.30am

**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**

What a surprise I got today on crossing duty when I spotted a wizard walking to school! The Waterlea Waka Wae Wae is nearly two years old! We now have 25 children who walk to school or home from school several days a week. Our bus walks from Mojo's Superette, along Wallace to Muir Ave, and down Muir Ave to school. This morning the Waka Wae Wae was lucky enough to have a visit from the Auckland Transport Winter Wizard.....a prize the bus won just before the last lockdown. The wizard walked with the children to school and then he joined everyone for a glass of juice and a biscuit as a treat when they got to school. The bus is run by parent volunteers (in connection with Auckland Transport). Walking to or from school on the bus is a great way to spend time with friends, get some fresh air and exercise, and take care of the environment. The children also have 'bus tickets' which get clicked every time they walk. After every 25 clicks children earn a certificate, or special bag tag, or other spot prizes. If you are interested in having your children join the bus you can either contact Rachel Davies in Room 21 (rachel.davies@waterlea.school.nz) or just jump on the bus and join us one day when we are walking past! If you are not on the current route but would like to start up a bus of your own, contact Rachel and she can tell you how easy it is (even just one or two mornings a week).





Tâlofa nî!

Welcome to Tokelau Language Week 2020- Vaiaho o te Gagana Tokelau 2020. The 2020 Tokelau Language Week theme is 'Apoapo tau foe, i nā tāfea i te galutau. Ke mau mai, ke mau mai' which in English means, 'Never give up hope, even amidst chaos and much uncertainty. Stay united, stay strong'.

Vaiaho o te Gagana Tokelau (Tokelau Language Week) celebrates the culture and language of Faka-Tokelau (The Tokelauan way of life). This week gives us an opportunity to celebrate the wonderful and unique culture, language and people of Tokelau.

Did you know?

- The name Tokelau means the "North Wind".
- Tokelau consists of three small coral atolls: Atafu, the most northern atoll has a surface area of 3.5km square; Nukunonu, the central atoll, is 4.7km square; and Fakaofu, the southern atoll, is 4km square. From Atafu in the north to Fakaofu in the south, Tokelau extends for less than 200km and the atolls are just 3-5 metres above sea level.
- Tokelau currently has no air transportation, and the only means of transport is by sea from Samoa (the trip usually takes between 24 - 30 hours). All travel and supplies into and out of Tokelau arrive and leave from Samoa, Tokelau's closest neighbour.
- Tokelauans are culturally and linguistically linked to Samoa.
- There are approximately 1,400 people living in Tokelau.

- Of the 295,941 total Pacific population in the New Zealand Census 2013, 7,173 Pacific people identified themselves as Tokelauan.

Hats Required

Now the good weather is here, it is really important we have our tamariki wearing hats everyday. All classes have sunscreen available for reapplying throughout the day. Our junior school playground is currently without a shade sail because it is being rebuilt at the beginning of 2021... so hats are a must item everyday.

Lost Property... please check!

We have an overflowing collection of lost property located in the hall foyer. Please have a look to see if anything belongs to your child - there are shoes, fleeces, jackets, toys... all sorts! Please ensure your child's items are named and anything valuable is handed in to the office for safekeeping.

Last week was Niue Language Week...



Fakaalofa Atu. My name is Isabella Brianna Alito-Mata Cathro and I am of Niuean descent. My Great Grandfather & my Popa are from Tuapa and my Great Grandmother is from Alofi which is the capital of Niue. When I go to Niue, it's like coming home to paradise. My favourite things about Niue are Lima Rock pools, eating fresh coconuts straight from the tree and going to visit my Uncle Jim's girlfriend at the slushy store in Alofi. Suzy makes the best slushies for me - yum!

Kids for Kids

Tickets are now on sale for the Kids for Kids Show - the Waterlea Choir is performing on Monday 9 November. Further details in the flyer below.



challenge producing it in record time and between lockdowns, but it's here and it's awesome! We've received two advance copies and are so pleased with how it looks - it's a solid hard cover book filled with tried and true family recipes and beautiful vibrant photographs. Check out our video on the Village Eats MB Facebook page. Order your copies now... \$40 each, email village.eats.mb@gmail.com.



From left: Karen, Caitlin, Jason, Jody, Celia, Wendy and Rach. Not pictured: Rebekah. Photo taken last week at our celebratory dinner!

PTA News

Waterlea Quiz Night - Almost Sold Out - Last Chance to Book!!

Get your table of 10 together and decide on your costumes for the theme: THROUGH THE DECADES. This is a nod to Waterlea School turning 65 this year. Be quick though... we have a limit of 2 tables for each decade, and this event always sells out. More info on the poster. Email us to book: waterleapta@gmail.com

Village Eats Cookbook

Don't forget to order your cookbook - they are perfect for Christmas gifts and will arrive late November. Over 200 tried and true family recipes all presented in a beautiful hard cover book. \$40 each, with all proceeds going towards our new junior playground. Email village.eats.mb@gmail.com to order your copies.

Village Cookbook Team

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- Public Speaking
- Acting & Drama Skills
- Vocal Skills
(vocal quality, articulation,
grammar)
- Poetry & Story-telling
- Reading Aloud
- Positive Body Language
(posture, eye contact)
- Manners



LIGHT PARTY

**SAT 31 OCT
4-6PM**

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**Waterlea Primary
15/17 House Avenue
Mangere Bridge**

FREE Family Fun
Games, Prizes, BBQ & Treats

Invite your friends!

