

# WATERLEA WEEKLY



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SCHOOL

*With Learning We Grow*

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

**17 March 2021**

## Calendar

### March:

19th MANA Values Whole School  
Assembly 12pm  
22nd Year 2 Trip to the Foreshore 9am  
22nd Tree Adventures Trip Rm 5&6  
22nd MB Library Trip Rm 11  
23rd Tree Adventures Trip Rm 7&8  
23rd MB Library Trip Rm 13  
24th Tree Adventures Trip Rm 9&10  
24th MB Library Trip Rm 12  
**25th PTA AGM 2.30pm David Lange  
Hall**  
26th MB Library Trip Rm 14  
29th Interschool Softball  
29th Board Meeting 7pm  
30th MB Library Trip Rm 23  
31st Interschool Softball Save Date  
31st MB Library Trip Rm 15

### April:

1st Whole School Assembly 11.30am  
**2nd Good Friday (School Closed)**  
**5th Easter Monday (School Closed)**  
**6th Easter Tuesday (School Closed)**  
**7th Teacher Only Day (School  
Closed)**  
9th PTA Casual Clothes Day  
9th MANA Values Whole School  
Assembly 9.30am  
14th Interschool Swimming  
16th Remembrance Assembly for Ros  
Barriball 2-3pm  
16th Last Day of Term 1

### May:

3rd Term 2 Begins  
3rd New Entrant Cohort Starts

### June:

7th Queen's Birthday Public Holiday  
(school closed)  
8th New Entrant Cohort Starts

### July:

2nd PTA Matariki Disco  
8th PTA Casual Clothes Day  
9th Last Day of Term 2

**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, Bonjour,  
Sagutom, Konichiwa, Guten Tag, Здравствуйте**

*Waterlea School*

# AGM

Annual General Meeting

**Everyone is welcome.**  
**Stay informed and get involved.**

- ❖ No obligation to join the PTA!
- ❖ Voting in a new Executive Committee!
- ❖ Come along to meet our members and see what we do for our school and our community!
- ❖ Volunteer opportunities, both large and small, available!

**Thursday, 25<sup>th</sup> March**  
**2:30pm - 3pm in the School Hall**

**Come at 2pm to meet the candidates**  
**Coffee and light refreshments will be served**

We are having a changing of the guard, so to speak, with our existing Parent Teacher Association. Many of the key players in the existing PTA are standing down and as you can see, we are holding a hui for all of you to come along and find out what this great group does. A different group will emerge from this hui which will see the PTA embark on an exciting new direction. We would like to take this time to acknowledge those who are standing down because they have

done the most stunning job of driving a strong whanau/school partnership for the last nearly 6 years! Some of their amazing initiatives have supported our school going forward including new playgrounds for the Junior and Middle Schools, chromebooks for the Year 4-6s and big TVs for classrooms. As a school we'd like to acknowledge Gee Taylor (Chair), Debbie Van Leeuwen (Treasurer), and Jody Bennett (Secretary) who are stepping down from these roles but will still be involved in the PTA moving forward. We will be acknowledging these wonderful people for their kindness and hard work at a MANA assembly coming up. We look forward to finding out what the next PTA looks like so come along next Thursday, meet some new people and have some fun.

#### Staff News

Hamish Bennett is shifting from full-time to part-time teaching and this means we will be appointing another main teacher for Rm 8.

Hamish has been offered some film collaborations which are too good to pass up. He thought he could juggle teaching, his family, writing scripts and has tried really hard to make it work. At the end of the day he's managed to do two out of three really well, but his family has been missing out and his 2 young lads don't get to see much of their dad.

Hamish will carry on with Kapa Haka and his MANA values/PB4L work which is great so he is not leaving altogether.

#### Easter Holidays and Teacher Only Day: School Closed 2-7 April

Last week we wrote about the days in April that school is closed - **2-7 April**.

2-5 April are public holidays

6 April is known as Easter Tuesday - while not a public holiday, all NZ schools are closed on this day.

7 April - Teacher Only Day

Skids will be available for childcare on Tuesday 6 and Wednesday 7 April. Visit [www.sKids.co.nz/book](http://www.sKids.co.nz/book)

#### Learning Support/Teacher Aide Required

At Waterlea we have a number of tamariki who require additional support with their learning and sometimes managing their behaviour.

We are looking for a flexible, caring person who would be part of an energetic team with hours that fit within the school day.

If you would like to submit your CV or have an informal chat about the role please contact the school office: [reception@waterlea.school.nz](mailto:reception@waterlea.school.nz) / 09 6364233

[-with-us](#) to book.

We look forward to seeing all our tamariki back in school on **Thursday 8 April**.

#### 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 all sorts there but in particular a number of nice shoes/sandals that we're sure somebody is missing! Please ensure your child's items are named and anything valuable is handed in to the office for safekeeping.

#### Community News

##### Southern Districts Hockey Club

Want to play hockey, if so come and join the Southern Districts Hockey Club. We are currently running muster sessions for all kids to give it a go. Year 1-4 Wednesday nights 5-6pm, Year 5-6 Thursday nights 5.30-6.30pm @ Kolmar Sports Centre in Papatoetoe.

We are keen to see lots of new players come down and play hockey and have secured funding for our 2021 fees to 50% discounted to support families during this tough time of Covid-19. More information at <https://www.kolmar.org.nz/sports-and-clubs/sports-clubs/southern-districts-hockey-club> or call Ken Maplesden 0277139335.

# Seek the **Best** Rapu i Te Pai



MARCELLIN  
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## Y7 – Y9 OPEN EVENING

18th March 2021  
4:00pm – 7:00pm

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# PARTY

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whole class including a  
**\$10** ezlunch voucher per child  
...AND there's **10** cupcakes  
for the school office!

THANK YOU, FROM US!

Every order goes in the draw for a chance to win. One chance per order. Winner will be drawn on Friday 19 March 2021 and will be notified by phone or email. No correspondence will be entered into.

