

WATERLEA WEEKLY



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

2 June 2021

Calendar

June:

7th Queen's Birthday Public Holiday
(school closed)
8th New Entrant Cohort Starts
8th Year 3-6 Swimming Lessons Start
10th Student led Conferences **(school
closes at 1.15pm)**
12th Community Planting Day
17th Interschool Hockey
25th PTA Sausage Sizzle
28th Board Meeting 7pm
29th Junior and Middle School Science
in a Van
29th **Paid Union Meeting - early pick
up 1pm**
30th Senior School Science in a Van

July:

1st & 2nd Junior School Bike Balance
2nd PTA Matariki Disco
5th Year 2 Museum Visit to school
8th PTA Casual Clothes Day
9th Last Day of Term 2
11th-17th Kiribati Language Week
26th Term 3 Begins
26th Board Meeting 7pm
27th Royal Oak Intermediate Visit

August:

1st-7th Cook Islands Language Week
18th Positive Puberty Plus year 5&6
21st Community Planting Day
26th NZ Playhouse performance
30th New Entrant Cohort Starts
30th Board Meeting 7pm

September:

3rd PTA Sausage Sizzle
5th-11th Tonga Language Week

**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**

Talofa lava and welcome to Samoan Language Week. This year's theme for Vaiaso o le Gagana Samoa - Samoa Language Week 2021 is Poupou le lotoifale. Ola manuia le anofale which means strengthen the posts of your house, for all to thrive.

When you're building a foundation for a fale (house) it can't have a weak foundation or posts. This is the same for the foundations of our families, schools and churches that play an important role in strengthening Gagana Samoa (the Samoan Language). Language is important for the foundations of our overall wellbeing.

Vaiaso o le Gagana Samoa - Samoa Language Week 2021 is also a chance for our students to dress in the Samoan traditional way if they wish while at school and share their knowledge about their language and culture.

A couple of Fridays ago we had a MANA values assembly and awarded our Korowai to Greta Thompson of Room 23. She consistently demonstrates all of our four Waterlea values! Well done Greta!



Waterlea is part of a Kahui Ako or a community with 10 other schools. We collaborate with these other schools in all kinds of ways regarding learning. One of our collaborations focusses on Kaitiakitanga or sustainability/guardianship of our environment and we have a student group that goes out regularly to do beach cleanups. This term we are extending this theme of guardianship of our environment and have a group of Waterlea students joining students from other schools who



will be involved in some tree planting on Te Pane o Mataoho/ Māngere Mountain. The students representing Waterlea are those who are already quite involved in the Waterlea Gardening Club, facilitated by Megan Lundberg. We look forward to hearing how they get on.

If you are interested as a family in joining others to plant trees on the maunga, there are community planting days coming up soon. The dates are Saturday 12 June and Saturday 21 August 2021, 10:00am to 1.00pm and you meet at the playground up from the Māngere Memorial Hall. For more information click the link below.

<https://maunga.nz/news/mahi-on-the-maunga-planting-days>

News from some other community-minded Waterlea students

Clody and Emily (me) plus my family delivered 3,000 newsletters to all of Mangere Bridge.

It was very tiring, I think that the longest street was Coronation Road.

Some houses shared very long driveways.

Sometimes there were a bunch of letterboxes at the start of the driveway.

But other times we had to walk all the way down the shared driveway to find each of the letterboxes.

This was extra hard when it was up a hill.

Most of the time when we went down the driveway to find the letterboxes, we had to go all the way around to find the letterboxes.

There was one street where we had to go down the driveway to find the letterboxes, but the letterboxes were behind the cars that were there.

It took us about 4 days to deliver all of them.

We made sure that we didn't miss any houses.

So we printed out a map of Mangere Bridge, and highlighted the road when we had delivered it to the houses.

We were able to get \$300 from the Friends of the farm and we decided to give the money to

WATERLEA SCHOOL! We are thinking we would like the school to purchase some more skipping ropes because skipping is great exercise and good for our wellbeing.

By Emily
Cameron
Rm 8



Student Led Conferences (SLC) - Book Now!

Next week, on Thursday 10, are our Student led Conferences between 2pm-7.10pm. Please book now if you haven't already - go online to www.schoolinterviews.co.nz and use the code esmhc.

Please note that school finishes early on this day at 1.15pm so all children need to be picked up then or be booked into sKids afternoon care.

Book Fair During SLC

As in previous years, the Scholastic Book Fair will be running at the same time as the SLC! Come along to the Hall Foyer before or after your child's SLC and have a browse of the great deals Scholastic has on offer. Waterlea gets a percentage back on the sales made, so by purchasing a book you will also be supporting the school.

HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

Bookings Open Soon!

Scan here to join our Mailing list!

Or Visit: sKids.co.nz/Mail

Teacher's Paid Union Meeting (PUM)

Waterlea teachers will be attending a paid union meeting at the end of June. The meeting will be held 1.30-3.30pm on Tuesday 29 June. We will be inviting you to pick your children up from school at 1pm and SKIDS will be available if needed. More information will come home regarding the organisation of this closer to the time but put this date in your calendars.

Walking School Bus

A big thanks to this great bunch of tamariki and whanau (below) who took part in the making of an Auckland Transport TV commercial. The money raised from the commercial was given to Waterlea as a donation of \$5000.00. It was quite a long, hot day and the children had to work really hard and as a school we really appreciate the manaakitanga and aumangea demonstrated by them all. The money raised will go towards buying additional learning resources.



Swimming Update

We are pleased to let you know that the Moana-Nui-a-Kiwa pools are back in operation and our swimming lessons can now start! Due to the long weekend, those classes going on Tuesdays will commence their lessons this Tuesday 8 and those with lessons on a Monday will start theirs the following Monday 14. If you have not yet sent back your permission slips please do so ASAP!

Winter Health Update

As we head into the Winter illness season we ask that you are mindful of the children/families at

school with immune system issues which means that there can be serious consequences if they catch the same common childhood illnesses as everyone else. Therefore we kindly ask that you follow the Ministry of Health guidelines regarding illness and when to keep your child at home. This will help to stop the spread of illness and keep our community healthy.

- Fever: any temperature of 38 degrees or more is a fever - this means they are fighting an illness/ infection. Keep children at home if they have a fever, please don't just give them pamol and send them in!
- Gastro illness or tummy bug: the Ministry of Health advises that children do not return to school until well and for 48 hours after the last episode of diarrhoea or vomiting.
- Chicken Pox: infected children can return to school when the spots are all scabbed over and dry. This can take around 5-7 days. Please advise the school if your child has been diagnosed with chicken pox.

Ministry guidelines around various illnesses can be viewed at www.healthed.govt.nz/resource/infectious-diseases.

Dental Services Update

We have been advised by the Auckland Regional Dental Service that there is a very large backlog of children to be seen due to the Covid lockdowns. Previously you would have been contacted with an appointment however they are now asking that parents contact them directly if you want them to be seen. As they are no longer directly engaging with families we ask that you give them a call and book an appointment so that your children do not miss out on this vital service.

The Viscount School Clinic is back open and can be contacted on 09 2754747 or you can try Buckland Rd on 09 4427208 ext 7208.



PTA News

PTA Meeting Tonight!

Come and join us in the staffroom tonight at 7.30pm for our PTA meeting! We warmly welcome any whanau who would like to attend - and volunteer, just listen in or have a say!

Entertainment Membership - Amazing Discounts!

Now is the perfect time to purchase your new Entertainment Membership! Not only will you be enjoying amazing discounts on a huge range of activities, cafes, restaurants and more in Auckland AND beyond - you will also be supporting Waterlea School! For more info and to order click [here](#)

Yummy Sticker Collection

Don't forget to start collecting your Yummy stickers from any Yummy brand fruit you buy... every sticker collected helps the school get new sports gear! Children can bring their sheet filled in with Yummy stickers into the office in exchange for a lucky dip prize!

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GET YOUR *Village Eats* **COOKBOOK!**

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