

#### 7 July 2021

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

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
10	5	6	7	8 PTA Casual Clothes Day Matariki Assembly 12- 1pm	9 Last Day of Term 2, 3pm
Holidays	12	13	14	15	16
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T3 1	26 Term 3 Begins	27 Royal Oak Intermediate Visiting Seniors Netsafe Parent Info Evening 7.30	28	29 Waterlea Welcome Assembly 9.15am	30
2	AUGUST 2 Cook Island Language Week	3 Interschool Soccer Massey Park	4	5 Interschool Soccer Rain Day	6
3	9	10 Rm 8 & 9 Local Kayak 9am – 2:30pm	11 Rm 5 & 6 Local Kayak 9am – 2:30pm	12	13 MANA Assembly and PTA Bake Sale 2pm
4	16 Puberty Plus Parent Info Evening 6.30pm	17	18 Year 5 & 6 Positive Puberty Plus	19	20

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!



What a great turn out we had last Thursday for our very first Matariki Hikoi up our Maunga at dawn. Almost 100 people joined our walk to view the Matariki stars and we fed about 50 back at school for breakfast. Also last Friday many more came along to our wonderful PTA Matariki Disco and by all accounts it was one of our best discos to date! Thanks to the PTA for their meticulous planning and organisation. Just a reminder that school finishes at 3pm on Friday and will be closed for 2 weeks for the July holidays when we welcome you all back on Monday 26th July between 8.30-8.50am. Many of our classrooms will have new carpet and lino when children return and in order for this to happen we are shifting the classroom furniture of 10 classes on Friday to be





Left: Images from last Thursday's Matariki Maunga Hikoi

ready for this refurbishment work. If you and your children are coming to school over the holidays to play on the playgrounds it will be important for children to be mindful of being safe around these works.

Cyber Safety and Netsafe Visit

We have been reflecting on the increasing complexity of keeping our children safe in an online environment. At school we are working on teaching safety through the use of our MANA values. On Tuesday 27 July (first Tuesday back!) we are holding a cyber safety information evening for parents run by Netsafe - an independent online safety organisation. We would love to have you join us if you can for some tips and things to watch out for.

# <u>Proposed changes to the Royal Oak Intermediate</u> (ROI) School Zone

Just a reminder of the proposed changes to the Royal Oak Intermediate School Zone which could potentially impact some of our families who are thinking of enrolling their children in the future. Last week, I emailed all families with information regarding the proposed changes and suggested that families engage in the consultation process which closes next week- July 16, 2021. Waterlea Board of Trustees are making a submission to support our families impacted by these proposed changes and we encourage as many families as possible to engage in this process. Click the link provided to make a submission. Even though the Royal Oak zone is changing, Waterlea School zone is not changing for our children intending to attend

here.

https://consultation.education.govt.nz/education/ royal-oak-sir-douglas-bader-proposals/consultation/ intro/?

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Just further to this, I had the opportunity to visit Marcellin College this week and Dean Wearmouth, Marcellin College's Principal, took me on a tour of the school and in particular the Year 7 & 8 area. Marcellin College is part of our Kahui Ako so we already have a strong partnership with them and some of our Year 6 students will be attending there next year for Year 7 & 8. If this is an option you would like to explore further, Dean is happy for you to email him directly for further information-wearmouthd@marcellin.school.nz.

Andrea Jamieson - Principal

#### Lost Property - Viewing Tomorrow

Tomorrow we will be laying out the lost property for classes to take a look at. It will also be out during/ after the Matariki Assembly tomorrow so please take a moment to check for your children's items as there is a lot there! On Friday it will be disposed of or donated.

## <u>Drum Lessons Available in Term 3</u>

Drum Lessons at Waterlea School

MusiqHub are excited to offer private drum tuition to students at Waterlea School with experienced tutor JP Carroll. Students learn a range of traditional and contemporary styled songs and techniques where they play together as a group and take turns to play to the group as individuals. This format creates a fun environment for students and is hugely popular in schools around the country.

You can read more about MusiqHub at www.musiqhub.co.nz

We have two spots remaining in drum lessons at Waterlea school, email jp.carroll@musiqhub.co.nz or head to the website for more info!

## Rocket Launching!

3... 2... 1... LIFT-OFF! The Senior School's Science unit on bottle rockets is coming to an end. The children have thoroughly enjoyed learning about Newton's Laws of Motion, and the physics involved in flight. The unit of learning was designed and gifted to us by Engineering New Zealand. Their goal is one that is shared by Waterlea staff, to spark wonder and awe in young Kiwis and get them excited about a future STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) career.

We would like to thank all families who contributed materials for our recycled bottle rockets. A special thanks to Kyla Bourne (Beatrix Matatahi's mum) who has donated a brand new bike pump to our school to help send more rockets flying in years to come. Another thanks to the Edwards family (Pixie, Otis, Zelda and Tom). Tom helped engineer an altimeter, a sensor that measures pressure and altitude and wirelessly stream the data to a computer over WiFi. Our highest rocket reached an altitude of 28.5 meters above ground, and the furthest distance covered by a rocket flight was approximately 70 meters. We won't forget the mahi by Shawn (Madeline Harvey's whanau) in helping put together the launch pad.

Here are a few photos from our launches. Be sure to ask your child to show their launch videos on Seesaw.







# Science in a Van

The whole school was fortunate to have some exciting and stimulating sessions with the Science in a Van team last week. Here are some pictures of the Seniors learning all about forces and Newton's 3 laws of movement.







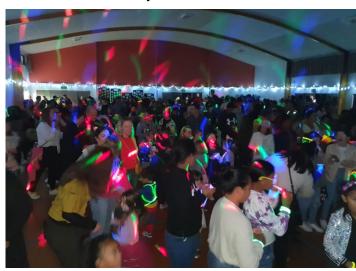
### **PTA News**

## Matariki Disco

Thank you to all our whanau who came out to our Matariki Disco last Friday - it was such a fabulous night!! Thanks to your support we raised a whopping \$3770 to go towards our projects this year!!

We woud also like to thank our disco bakers and helpers, DJ Michael, GJ Gardner, Fresh Choice, SKIDS, Bunnings, RSD, Gravity, NZ Cricket, Playball, Walking School Bus and Flosse. The night was a huge success enjoyed by all!

We wish all the children, whanau and school staff and wonderful holiday!



Below: Some of Room 1's reflections on the Disco!



# Yummy Sticker Collection

Please keep collecting the 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!

