# WATERLEA WEEKLY



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

Hello, Kia Ora, Kia Orana, Talofa Lava, Taloha Ni, Bula, Ni Hau, Namaste, Malo e Lelei, Deea awit, Vinaka, Sagutom, Fakalofa, Lahi Atu, Dia daoibh, Sillaw, Huan Ying, Hola, Konichiwa, Guten Tag, Здравствуйте

## 16 February 2022

This week we are revisiting our school's MANA values particularly for those of you who are new to Waterlea. Our 4 MANA values came about through a community consultation process where four key values emerged and they underpin everything we do. These are our MANA values:

> Manaakitanga We are kind, caring and supportive Aumangea We are persistent, resilient and brave Ngākau Pono We are respectful, honest and have integrity Ako We learn, teach and seek new knowledge

Throughout the term classes will be unpacking these values and creating a shared understanding of what they look like, sound like and feel like. Classroom cultures will be based on these MANA values and our school culture will be based on them too. During break times duty teachers will be looking out for students demonstrating these values during their play. We regularly give out MANA values certificates and once a term we award the MANA value cloak to a child who has demonstrated these values in an ongoing manner. This term we'll let Whānau know through the newsletter which students have received these awards because we are unable to hold assemblies at this time.

#### COVID-19

Just a reminder that if Waterlea were to have a case of COVID, we would let the school community know which students were close contacts and which ones were not. Only close contacts need to isolate at home and the rest of the school carries on as normal. If children are sick they won't be engaging in home learning but if they are isolating they will be.

Please contact your child's classroom teacher or the Deputy Principals if you have questions regarding accessing home learning. Year 1-3, Therese Bakker, Therese.Bakker@waterlea.school.nz Year 4-6, Andy Jones, Andy.Jones@waterlea.school.nz

If we had a case of COVID at Waterlea we would communicate to all parents with a text stating *'Important COVID information-please check your email'*. The information in your email would let you know what classes/teachers have been identified as close contacts. If your details have changed please phone the office on 6364233 so our records can be updated. Please let us know if you have any questions regarding this.

New Feature of Waterlea's Term 1 Newsletter Historically, Term 1 is a really busy time at Waterlea School. Being summer, we usually pack in lots of trips to places in our local community and beyond, including participating in sports events. Term 1, 2022 won't be as busy as it usually is due to the Red settings of the COVID-19 traffic light system so our newsletter won't be filled with photos and stories capturing these highlights. But there is still lots of interesting learning happening each day and the best people to capture this is our tamariki. From next week onwards, the Senior School classes will be our Waterlea School Newsletter reporters who will be on the ground, close to all the action and providing the latest in terms of what's going on. Next week, Room 5 students will be the editors, writers, reporters, and photographers and they have already begun planning and brainstorming for a fantastic newsletter.



Book Club orders are due:

This Friday 18 Feb. Orders by LOOP only

## Covid RED - Drop Offs and Pick Ups

If you wish to drop something to your child or you need to pick them up early for an appointment, please ring the office when you arrive outside school - 6364233. Office staff will send them out to Gate 4.

If you child is late to school or returning to school after an appointment, please ask them to come to the back office door to let us know they have arrived or alternatively, you can ring the office to advise us. Thanks!