

*He nui te akoranga ki Waterlea Great learning happens at Waterlea*

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

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**Newsletter 13 April 2022**

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On behalf of the Board of Trustees I'd like to express my gratitude to Waterlea's leaders, teachers and support staff who have worked really hard over the last 11 weeks. They all deserve a much welcomed rest and time with whānau. When we come back in Term 2, we are keeping all the same health measures in place for the first couple of weeks and then will review them going forward. These health measures have helped keep disruptions at a minimum which has meant we have been able to offer onsite learning all term. This has been great for the hauora of our tamariki.

A quick reminder that the last day of the term is tomorrow, **Thursday 14th April**. School will be closed on Friday the 15th April because it is Easter and Term 2 starts again on **Monday 2nd May** after the 2 week break.

Also thanks to the PTA for holding a non-uniform day last week which was enjoyed by our tamariki. The money raised from this and the sausage sizzle will go into supporting our tamariki in the terms ahead. Have a happy break everyone!

**Out and about down at the  
Māngere Bridge Village**

It's amazing who you bump into at the Māngere Bridge Village. A group of our tamariki were down at the shops last week and bumped into our Prime Minister getting a coffee. I wonder who other's might bump into during these holidays?



## **Room 12—Kumara in the garden**

As part of our Maunga study, Room 12 discovered that the volcanic soil around Te Pane o Mataoho is so rich to nurture crops and plants like kumara. We followed a video from Mangere Mountain Education Centre (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AnoOfiFRBL8>), showing people how to grow kumara from slips. When our kumara slips were big enough, we planted them in our lovely Rongoa garden and a planter behind Room 9 & 10. We are so looking forward to a sweet harvest in 5-6 months of time!



Above—About to plant the kumara slips in soil.

Below—Two weeks after planting (We made some cool signs too.)



Do you think our arty kumara look real?

Below are some of Room 12's Kumara rhyming couplets:



I planted a kumara once upon a time,  
and I had to write two lines that rhyme!  
Our kumara is large,  
and I think it can go on a cool march.

By Xavier and Ollie (R12)

Kumara chips make me lick my lips.  
Our kumara is roasted,  
But I'd rather have it toasted.

By Aiden (R12) and Izzy (R11)

I like kumara more  
than the best chocolate in the store

By Ella (R12)

I like to eat kumara with chicken,  
and I like it out of my mum's favourite  
kitchen.

like my kumara roasted,  
but would rather have it toasted!

By Annabel (R12) and Johnny (R11)

Kumara is big, kumara is small,  
Kumara is yummy for all.

Kumara chips are big,  
and I like to eat them like a hungry pig!

By Beau, Hayden (R12) and Harold (R11)

My mum cooked kumara soup,  
and it made me do a hula hoop!

By our kumara planter there is a tree,  
I climbed up and found a bee.

By Ayla (R12) and Charlotte (R11)

## Aria and Ella's Kumara Donuts

The special thing about our kumara donuts is when you eat them, the icing turns different colours and you turn into a rainbow

### Ingredients:

2 kumara, magic power, rainbow eyeballs.

### How to make it:

First of all, put 2 pieces of kumara into a bowl. Then put in the magic power. Next, put in all the rainbow eyeballs and mix them together. Lastly, you will wave your special magic wand and eat with a big smile.

## Room 19 Self-portraits

Room 19 has create self portraits. Tamariki were great at thinking about the closest colour to match to their skin, eye and hair colour and including all of their facial features. Check out their stunning artwork!



## Room 6—Te Whare Tapu Wha

We have been learning about how to look after our hauora/wellbeing. We drew and wrote things that we do to look after our hauora/wellbeing, using the four pillars of Te Whare Tapu Wha to help us.



## Room 18—The Snail and the Whale

Room 18 read the story called The Snail and the Whale during Seaweek. This story is about manaakitanga because the the snail and the whale help each other. We can help save our oceans by reducing, reusing and recycling. We show manaakitanga and we are kaitiakitanga (caretakers) of our oceans.

Written by Anita and Elle



## Room 20—Maunga

We have created some pictures of volcanic maunga. We have been studying various volcanoes around Auckland and during our art we were experimenting with blending pastel colours together.



# SCHOOL HOLIDAYS AT MÜNGERE BRIDGE LIBRARY



## AMAZING LIBRARY RACE

18 April - 19 May

Grab your entry form from Müngere Bridge Library, Müngere, from South Library, Müngere East Library or Gubulu Library. Race at home the local board, complete the challenge at each library and be the first to win a family pass to the next term!

**HELP IN THE COMMUNITY**  
 Tuesday 18th April 2pm  
 Help the local community by making a difference to the lives of those in need. Join us for a community service project and make a difference.

**RELEASABLE COURSE**  
 Wednesday 20th April 2pm  
 Test your physical and mental skills in the library's obstacle course.

**WIKI-WIKI**  
 Tuesday 19th April 2pm  
 Meet other like-minded parents and young people from the local area. Join us for a Wikidata session and learn how to use this powerful tool to improve the accuracy of our data.

**VIRTUAL REALITY**  
 Thursday 21st April 2pm-4pm  
 Thursday 28th April 2pm-4pm  
 Get a taste of virtual reality with our VR set up.

**STARTING A STORY**  
 Wednesday 20th April 10am-11am  
 Bring a chapter, poem and a single page.



**MOVIE MATHS**  
 Friday 22nd April 2pm  
 8 Fri - 10 Fri 20th April 2pm  
 What is the best way to read a story? Join us for a movie and maths session.

**WORLD OF WOODS**  
 Wednesday 23rd April  
 Join us for a woodwork project.

**WORLD OF WOODS**  
 Thursday 24th April 10am-12pm  
 Join us for a woodwork project.

**WORLD OF WOODS**  
 Friday 25th April 2pm-4pm  
 Join us for a woodwork project.

**WORLD OF WOODS**  
 Saturday 26th April 10am-12pm  
 Join us for a woodwork project.

**WORLD OF WOODS**  
 Sunday 27th April 10am-12pm  
 Join us for a woodwork project.

**WORLD OF WOODS**  
 Monday 28th April 10am-12pm  
 Join us for a woodwork project.





# MARIST COLLEGE

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## Open Day Tours

**Wednesday, 11th May 2022**

**Tour 1 - 9am, Tour 2 - 11:30am**

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### **CODING LESSONS**



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- Learn coding languages to create technology.
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- 1 hour per week at 4pm, 5pm or 6pm weekdays.
- Try a free trial lesson at [codingnz.com](http://codingnz.com)



# Holiday Programme

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# COME AND PLAY HOCKEY



**STARTING THE 5TH OF MAY**

**WE ARE STARTING HOCKEY IN THE  
BRIDGE. TARGETED AT YEAR 1-4, COME  
AND LEARN THE BASIC SKILLS, PLAY  
SOME GAMES AND HAVE LOTS OF FUN.**

**THURSDAY  
4.30 PM**

**CONTACT KEN ON  
[ken@maplesden.co.nz](mailto:ken@maplesden.co.nz)**

**AT BRIDGE PARK  
TENNIS CLUB  
TAYLOR ROAD**

## BUY A RAFFLE TICKET TO OWN YOUR OWN MINI TAIL!

Mangere Bridge Business Association are fundraising to raise money to purchase their Tail!

You can buy a ticket for \$5 from:

- Bridge Realty
- Paul's Fruit Shop
- Mangere Floral

Or email: [info@mangerebridgevillage.co.nz](mailto:info@mangerebridgevillage.co.nz)

