

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, Здравствуй

Newsletter 14 September 2022

13 September - Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori -
Māori Language Week

14 September - PTA Meeting

15 September - NZ Playhouse Theatre Visit:
"Emperor's New Clothes"

22 September - PTA Sausage Sizzle

26 September - Public Holiday

27 September - Rm 5 & 6 Kayaking

28 September - Middle and Senior school
cross country

30 September - PTA Casual Clothes Day

30 September - Term 3 Finishes

8 November - Amended date for school
photos



This week is Māori Language Week and it is extra special as today marks the 50th anniversary of the Māori Language Petition, an event that led to much of the kaupapa we have today, including Te Wiki o te Reo Māori. Te Wiki o te Reo Māori aims to inspire New Zealanders to speak the Māori language proudly. Māori Language Week is part of a larger effort to revitalise the Māori language. New Zealanders — and indeed, the global community — are encouraged to learn the language and experience the rich culture of the region.

When we look back 50 years ago it was clear that very few people in New Zealand could speak Māori and there was much concern about the state of decline of Te Reo Māori. In response the Te Reo Māori Society organised a petition which was signed by approximately 30,000 people and was presented to the parliament on September 14, 1972. This day became recognised as Māori Language Day in the year 1975 and was responsible for the formation of Maori Language Week. There has been much progress in this area and when we jump forward to 2008, Google Māori (a Māori-language version of the popular search engine) was launched to celebrate Māori Language Week. Google and the Māori Language Commission were collaborators on the project to make this happen.



In 2021, Te Wiki o te Reo Māori was marked with a special event. On September 14, more than 1.1 million people set out to speak Māori at the same time- the event is called Te Taura Whiri i te Reo Māori. Even with these ongoing developments there is still lots of mahi to do to ensure the use of Te Reo Māori becomes an everyday part of our lives and Waterlea School is on the journey to ensure this is happening.



Public Holiday

As a school we acknowledged the passing of Queen Elizabeth II and discussed with our tamariki the historical events surrounding this. We remind whānau that there is a national public holiday on **Monday 26th September** as a memorial to Queen Elizabeth II. **School will be closed that day.**

Kayaking

This week saw the first 2 Senior groups exploring their local marine environment as part of our exciting Mountains to Sea programme. A last minute change of location due to some blustery weather meant that we were relocated to Onehunga lagoon, but the experience was still fantastic!

Loads of aumangea was needed on the day, as the tamariki learnt to steer their kayaks and work together to paddle across the lagoon. Other group activities were a survey of beach plastics and the chance to learn more about Marine Reserves through action and games.

It was a super opportunity made possible by the generous financial support provided by CLM Community Sport.

The final 2 classes will have their experience on the new date of 27th September, due to the public holiday now falling on the original date.



Board Election Results

We are happy to announce that we have a newly elected Board of Trustees:

Corinne Cameron, Ken Maplesden, Justin Barrett, Katherine Aperehama, Michael Haddad, Andrew Allan and Callum Galloway.

Thanks to all who put themselves forward as candidates and who were not successful.

I'd also like to acknowledge the outgoing Board and their mahi over the last few years. The school is in a stronger place because of their commitment and strong governance. Thanks to Andrew Dunning, John Tapu, David Lynch, Lisa Anania and Rebekah Judd for your contribution, collaboration and positivity during a challenging time.

New long-term strategy for COVID-19

As you will know there is a new long term strategy in place in Aotearoa to manage COVID-19 which replaces the former Covid-19 traffic light system. Many of the health measures are the same and some are different. The change with the most impact to households will probably be no isolation period for household close contacts of positive cases if they are testing negative and with no symptoms. Many of the others will remain in place such as good ventilation, staying home if sick, getting tested if you have COVID-19 symptoms. and washing hands regularly. Whānau are welcome onsite and if picking up children early will need to complete a leaving early form found outside the administration area. Staying outside classrooms until the 3pm bell is still recommended so children can pack up for the day without interruption. Information on how to get RAT kits can be found here: [Request a RAT– Ministry of Health](#)

Community News:



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11 SEPT 2022 11AM-4PM

At Bridge Park Tennis Club, Taylor Rd

IT'S FREE FOR EVERYONE!

RACQUETS SUPPLIED. BBQ. PRIZES. GIVEAWAYS.

ASB CLASSIC

You could WIN A TRIP FOR TWO to the ASB CLASSIC in Auckland this January

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REBEL SPORT



ONEHUNGA MANGERE UNITED SOFTBALL CLUB

OPEN DAY 2022

SUNDAY 18TH SEPTEMBER

12pm – 2 PM

SWANSON PARK, MANGERE BRIDGE

Come and have a go at Tee Ball, Batting, Fun Drills, join in softball games for all ages! Registrations on the day.

Ages 5 years – Adult

 Onehunga Mangere United Softball Club
Enquiries: onehungamangeresoftball@gmail.com

Call 027 666 1978

Free sausage sizzle for all participants!



SUMMER TOUCH



Mangere Junior Touch

Williams Park - Manukau Rovers RFC

2022 - Term 4	25 October to 6 December 2022
2023 - Term 1	7 February to 21 March 2023
Day of Week	: Tuesdays
Time Slots	: 4:00pm; 4:30pm; 5:05pm & 5:40pm
Grades for	: Years 1 & 2; Years 3 & 4 (Open Grades)
	: Years 5 & 6 (Boys & Girls Grades)
	: Years 7 & 8 (Boys & Girls Grades)
Entry Fee	: \$220 per team (7-week competition)

Playing Rules: School Years 1-4 is 5 Aside with the Coach allowed on the Field, Years 1-4 play 1/2 a Touch Field. Dropped Ball counts as a Touch. Years 5-8 play Standard Touch Rules, 6 Aside. Years 1 - 4 open grades/ Years 5 - 8 separate boys & girls grades where possible.

TouchRugby.co.nz Web Portal: <https://touchrugby.co.nz/junior-touch/>

Link to Enter Online: <https://touchrugbyspawtz.com/Registration/v1/RegistrationForm.aspx?FormId=28&VenueId=11&LeagueType=0>

Link to Fixtures and Results: <https://touchrugbyspawtz.com/Leagues/Default.aspx>

Contact: Nicky Wallace | Mobile Number: 021 2893678 | Email: juniors@touchrugby.co.nz

Bank Account: 12 3053 0608734 00 Reference: Team Name - Mangere Jnr - Payee Name

Park Name: Williams Park | Address: Viscount Street, Mangere, Auckland | Map Link: <https://goo.gl/maps/MtdU4dCqD9Ddnrx6>





Manukau Taniwha BMX

Sunday 25 September

12-3pm

Colin Dale Park
87 Prices Road
Wiri

HAVE A GO DAY

BMX Racing



Have-a-Go on the track, ages 5 to adult

Bike, full-face helmet & gloves available on the day

Riders must wear long pants, long sleeves, & shoes

Book Now!

info@taniwhabmx.nz or [@taniwhabmx](https://www.facebook.com/taniwhabmx)
to book a spot or to get more info

Find out about our new scholarship program

Free gear, coaching and membership for the season

BMX is fun for the **WHOLE** family, all ages! Come on down to
Manukau Taniwha BMX Club @ Colin Dale Park and give it a go!

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HOLIDAY WRITING WORKSHOP

Learn the **secrets** of writing
great stories
from an
award-winning
author

- 3 day writing camp for ages 9-14
- 1 day workshop for ages 7-10

Meet your presenter:

Anne Kayes

Author of the Tui Street series and
In Our Own Back Yard



"I loved meeting other young authors and learning
awesome techniques that will help my writing."
Gabriela (14)

"It made writing easier for me and explained
aspects of stories I didn't really understand."
Anna (12)



Andy Griffiths says...

"I wish this camp had been around
when I was a young writer"



Where: Kowhai Intermediate
26 Orsley Road, Kingsland, Auckland, 1024
When: 11 Oct to 13 Oct 2022

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