

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

Newsletter 26 October 2022

24-28 October - Tokelau Language Week

28 October - PTA Wacky Hair and Casual Clothes Day!

30 October - Ambury Farm Day

31 October - Board of Trustees Hui

1 November - Goat Island Trip Rms 5, 6, 8

2 November - Goat Island Trip Rms 7, 9, 10

4 November - PTA Sausage Sizzle

8 November - Photolife Class and Individual Photos

16 November - DMIC Maths Parent Workshop
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21 November - New Entrant Cohort begins

28 November - Board of Trustees Hui

2 December - PTA School Disco

6 December - Year 6 Graduation Ceremony 10am-12pm (note this is a date change)

7 December - Year 6 Dine and Dance (note this is a date change)

9 December - Year 6 Pool Party

12 December - PTA Colour Run

13 December - Term 4 Finishes

1 February - Wānanga Day (Meet the Teacher)

2 February - First full day of school for 2023



If you have heard fireworks over the long weekend it is because many of our tamariki and whānau have been celebrating Diwali over the last few days. Diwali originated in India but now is celebrated across the world. It lasts 5 days and in Aotearoa it was celebrated on Monday October 24. In Sanskrit, which is an ancient language from India, Diwali can be translated as row of lights. Also known as the festival of lights, Diwali has been celebrated for over 2,500 years.

Certain delicious dishes are synonymous with Diwali celebrations. Usually, people prepare and eat Sheera on day one. It's a sweet fudgy-like substance made with semolina, raisins, saffron, and nuts. On day three, many people make Kheer, a milky pudding made with sago, rice and eaten with lentil vadas.

There is also a never-ending flow of Muruku (a.k.a Chakli, fried crispy lentil chips) and Mithai (Indian sweets) of all kinds that are available at any home celebrating Diwali.

Another popular Diwali tradition is called Rangoli where patterns are made from colourful powders and flowers. People draw rangoli on the floor by the entrance of their homes as a welcome bring good luck!

Right: Khrishant and Viraat celebrating Diwali at school. Below: Room 2's Rangoli patterns





It is also Te Vaiaho o te Gagana Tokelau – Tokelau Language Week. The theme this year is "Halahala ki vavau, kae ke mau ki pale o Tokelau" which means "To plan for the future is to understand the past."

DMIC Parent Workshop

On Wednesday 16 November, Waterlea will be holding a workshop for parents. This will provide opportunities to understand and engage with the process we use for teaching maths at Waterlea school. It will be facilitated by one of our mentor teachers from Massey University.

Where: School Hall

When: Wednesday 16 November

Time: 7:30pm

Senior School Mountains to Sea Inquiry

The senior school will go to Goat Island next week and have been practicing their snorkel skills last week at Moana-nui-a Kiwa pools in preparation for this trip. This amazing experience has been made possible by the generous financial support provided by CLM Community Sport. Check out the photos below.







Cross Country Zones

On Tuesday 25 October, Waterlea headed over to Memorial Field in Otahuhu for the cross country zones day. We took a full team of 36 excited tamariki who were raring to get going. From the moment the races started, it was clear that Waterlea were up for the challenge and showed amazing aumangea, bringing in some outstanding results.

Waterlea managed to come first in the team competition in every year group and also were the overall competition winners.!

Special thanks goes to the amazing parents who came along to support our runners. Also to Ms Edwards, along with the teachers, who set our kids up for success with their training across the past term.

Ka pai Waterlea!

Results

Year 4 Boys - First placed team Year 5 Girls - First placed team

1st Flynn D 7th Greta T
3rd Art C 8th Charlotte L
4th Ben R 9th Lennon G
6th Cameron B 10th Hannah W
7th Caleb P 11th Izzy B
18th Sam G 20th Mia H

Year 4 Girls - First placed team Year 6 Boys - First Placed team

1st Courtney L 2nd Ollie C
2nd Olive H 3rd Ben R
4th Emma L 5th Jaden C
5th Charlotte C 6th Jacob H
6th Ruby T 7th Ashton M
10th Star L 30th Iggy J

Year 5 Boys - First placed team Year 6 Girls- First placed team

1st Jireh W
2nd Flynn C
3rd Emily C
7th Elijah R
5th Katie B
10th Hayden B
7th Serene F
27th Liam Y
8th Tilly L
34th Leo R
1st Daley M
3rd Emily C
5th Katie B
7th Serene F















School Dates for 2023

Term 1:

Start of Term: Wednesday 1 Feb (Waananga Day)

End of Term: Thursday 6 April

Term 2:

Start of Term: Monday 24 April

End of Term: Friday 30 June

Term 3:

Start of Term: Monday 17 July

End of Term: Friday 22 September

Term 4:

Start of Term: Monday 9 October

End of Term: Friday 15 December

2022/2023 PTA FUNDRAISING GOAL

The Waterlea School David Lange Hall needs a new roof (and other necessary repairs to ensure it remains weather-tight). The Board of Trustees and Ministry of Education have been working together on this massive project behind the scenes for the last few years and aim to have contractors on site in late 2023 to begin the repair process.

The PTA are now joining the team in a last push to get the financial side of things across the line by raising enough funds to donate **\$50,000** towards the project.

All funds raised from PTA arranged activities between now and Term 3 of 2023 will go towards this goal. Psst: Here's a head's up – we have a School Disco and Colour Run coming before the end of this term and our infamous quiz night is on the way in Term 2, 2023.

The PTA are excited and incredibly hopeful we can achieve this extraordinary fundraising goal for the tamariki of Waterlea School.

SAUSAGE SIZZLE | WEEK 3 | FRIDAY 4 NOVEMBER



Our Term Four Sausage Sizzle is brought to our tamariki by a fellow Waterlea parent business – Catering by Stacy.

With Christmas festivities coming around the corner, why not get someone who is a specialist in preparing buffets, platters and grazing foods to help out! Contact her on stacy@cateringbystacy.co.nz.

We have vegetarian sausages available on request too!

Next Thursday (3rd November) please send \$2 per sausage in a named envelope to your teacher.

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Email us: waterleapta@gmail.com

Term 4



After School CARE

WEEK 1

WEEK 2

WEEK 3

WEEK 4

WEEK 5

Castles & Kingdoms

Build a castle and kingdom, design a heraldry shield, coat of arms and make royalty approved treats.

Diwali - Festival of Lights

Celebrate lights with Rangoli art, make fireworks in a jar, play card games and sing and dance all week long!

Black Cat

Get spooky with black cats and moving eyes! Play drama filled games and enjoy Purr-licious rice cakes!

Bing, Bang, Boom!

Let your creativity explode with these art and science projects! Bake cookies and complete our hot quiz.

What's inside?

Deconstruct ink, create colourful fruit slices and discover what's inside our skids room with a scavenger hunt!

Bilbo's tea party

Learn all about Elves and Dwarfs. Taste their food, play their games and create your own Hobbit House.

The Great Outdoors

Prep for your next outdoor adventure! We'll make smores, paper tents and play capture the flag.

Astronomically Smart

Grab a planet and hot moon are some of the games we'll play! Make galaxy dough and rocket ship fruit kebabs!

Water you doing?

Imagine you're at the beach playing volleyball, making jellyfish suncatchers and tropical smoothies!

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