



WATERLEA SCHOOL

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 16 November 2022

16 November - DMIC Maths Parent Workshop 7.30pm

17 November - Interschool Athletics

17 November - Nov New Entrant Cohort Visit

17 November: Royal Oak Intermediate Orientation

21 November - New Entrant Cohort begins

28 November - Board of Trustees Hui

2 December - 2023 New Entrant Cohort Visit

2 December - PTA School Disco

6 December - Year 6 Graduation Ceremony 10am-12pm

7 December - Year 1 Whānau Waiata Wednesday 2pm

7 December - Year 6 Dine and Dance 5.30-7.30pm

8 December - End of Year Assembly 2-3pm

9 December - 2023 New Entrant Cohort Visit

9 December - Year 6 Pool Party

12 December - Meet Your Teacher 2023

13 December - Term 4 Finishes (1pm finish)

1 February - Wānanga Day (Meet the Teacher in a 15 min hui)

2 February - First full day of school for 2023

As we count down to the end of the term, it might be helpful to give a summary of the end of year school events so you can be sure to get them in the calendar. If you have children in Year 6 there are quite a few to be mindful of and there are others that will be applicable for all year levels.

1. **Friday 2 December - PTA Disco:** This event is open to all Waterlea tamariki and their whanau and is held in the David Lange Hall from 5-7pm
2. **Tuesday 6 December - Year 6 Graduation:** This event is attended by the Year 5 and 6s and whānau of graduating Year 6 students. It will run from 10am-12pm and, in the past, some parents have taken the opportunity to take their graduating child out afterwards for a special lunch or similar. If you wish to do this - please just ensure you fill in an early leaving form at the office before you go.
3. **Wednesday 7 December - Whānau Waiata Wednesday:** This will be a special Waiata Wednesday which all Year 1 whānau are invited to attend from 2pm outside the Room 1-4 block.
4. **Wednesday 7 December - Year 6 Dine and Dance:** This is the special Year 6 leaver's dinner and held in the David Lange Hall between 5.30-7.30pm. More information to come to Year 6 parents.
5. **Thursday 8 December - Final Assembly:** The whole school will come together to reflect on 2022, farewell leaving staff and enjoy some items from classes. This runs from 2pm-3pm and all whānau are very welcome to attend.
6. **Friday 9 December - Year 6 Pool Party:** All day at Jellicoe Pools - more information to come to Year 6 parents.

7. **Monday 12 December - Meet Your Teacher for 2023:** Children will be advised of their classes for 2023 and will spend some of the morning with their new teacher and classmates. This is for children only - parents are not involved and an email will be sent advising you of your child's 2023 class placement. Wānanga will be able to be booked with the teacher after this date
8. **Tuesday 13 December - Final Day of School:** School closes at 1pm.

The Start of the 2023 School Year

We will be starting the new school year with our Waterlea Wānanga. This is when we make time for your child's teacher to meet with you and your child in a 15 minute hui. In this meeting we want to hear from you about your child so that we understand a bit more about them before the year starts. Wānanga will be held on Wednesday 1 February starting at 8.30am until 4.30pm. SKIDs will be open that day for childcare. Contact 0800 900 754 for more information from them.

Information on how to book your wānanga will come out over the next few weeks. This can be booked once you know your child's class/teacher for next year - after they have met their teacher on 12 December.

Thursday 2 February, all children will be at school for their first full day, starting at our usual time of 8.50am This will be followed by our Waterlea Powhiri at 9.15am. This is an opportunity for all whānau, tamariki and staff new to Waterlea to be formally welcomed.

Health/Sickness Update

In addition to Covid-19, which is still present in the community, we have noted there are still colds/flu and gastro bugs going around. We kindly ask that you follow the Ministry of Health guidelines regarding illness and when to keep your child at home. Please keep your child home if they are unwell - even if they produce a negative Covid test. This will help to stop the spread of illness and keep our community healthy.

- Fever: any temperature of 38 degrees or more is a fever - this means they are fighting an illness/ infection. Keep children at home if they have a fever - even if you have administered Paracetamol to bring the temperature down, your child is still unwell and likely contagious.
- Gastro illness or tummy bug: the Ministry of Health advises that children remain at home for 48 hours after their last vomit/diarrhea

Further guidelines around various illnesses can be viewed at www.healthed.govt.nz/resource/infectious-diseases.

DMIC Parent Workshop - Tonight

Tonight, 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.

This will be held in the school hall at 7:30pm

It's stocktake time!

**Please return all
readers, journals
and library books
you may have at
home.**

Athletics Day

On Thursday last week we held our athletics day for the Middle and Senior School. We were fortunate to start the day with good weather and managed to get through our Middle School rotations. The Senior School started well, however the weather closed in at lunchtime and we had to finish off our rotations, 800m and sprint finals on Monday. It was fantastic to see the tamariki trying their best and showing their MANA values. Tomorrow we will take our team to the zone athletics day in Papakura. Tamariki from Year 4, 5 and 6 will compete against other schools within our Mangere/Otahuhu zone and we wish them all the best!



Library News

It's stocktake time! Please have a good look around the house for any Waterlea library books that might be floating around. Overdue slips will be sent home before the end of the term if your child still has a book issued to them this year.

The final Lucky Book Club brochure will be coming home to children from today. Orders can be made online through their Loop system and they close next Friday 25 November. This is a fabulous opportunity to get sorted for Christmas. If you tick the box marked 'Gift', your order will be sent to the office rather than to your child. Remember, any purchases benefit the school so we really appreciate your support.



6TH ANNUAL

**MANGERE HAVE A TRY
SCHOOL TRYATHLON AGES 9-12YRS
100M SWIM-4KM BIKE
2KM RUN/WALK**

**FRIDAY 25TH NOVEMBER 2022 9AM-1PM
MOANA NUI A KIWA POOL
AND LEISURE CENTRE
WADDON PLACE MANGERE**

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Ngā Hau Māngere Temporary bridge closure 28 November to 9 December



Permanent anti-slip deck surfacing

We didn't get good weather while working in winter, so we need to come back now to apply the permanent deck coating. The bridge will close temporarily so we can get this work done.

Bridge closed from:

**10am Monday 28 November to 7pm on Friday 9 December
(weather dependent)**

We'll be working as quickly as we can. If we get the work done sooner, we will open the bridge before this date.

During this time, you will be able to cross the Manukau Harbour via the SH20 underpass and security guards will be on duty.



For more information, contact
email omb@nzta.govt.nz
phone **0508 623 266**



G.J. Gardner. HOMES

presents the Waterlea School
2022 Disco

LET'S GLOW CRAZY

Friday 2 December

5.00pm – 7.00pm

David Lange Hall –
Waterlea School

\$3

entry fee

**Early-bird
tickets**

Doors open @ 4.50pm

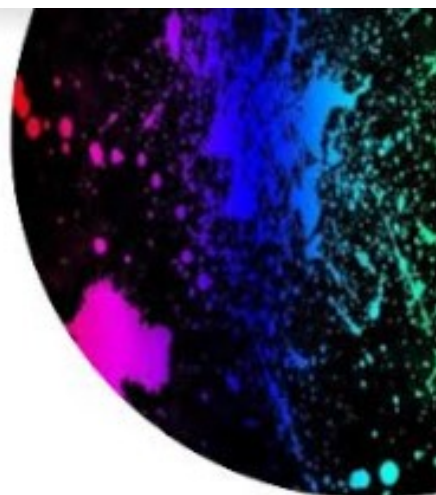
See Parent Information Flyer for more information

Parents must accompany their children to the event. This will be monitored and strictly adhered to.

29 November – 30 November – 1 December
2.45pm – 3.15pm

Outside David Lange Hall – Waterlea School

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS



TICKETS

Early-bird tickets and DISCO DOLLAR sales will be outside the school hall on 29 November, 30 November and 1 December between 2.45pm and 3.15pm. The early-bird cost is \$3 per child. \$4 door sales will also be available on the night.

DISCO DOLLARS

\$1 is equivalent to 1 DISCO DOLLAR. Official "DISCO DOLLARS" can only be used for purchasing items and activities inside. We advise that you pre-purchase "DISCO DOLLARS" prior to coming to the disco to avoid lengthy queues. Eftpos will be available on the night to purchase "DISCO DOLLARS" if required, however, we will only have one terminal operating.

PRE-SCHOOL CHILDREN

Pre-school children are able to attend the disco for free. Note the event will have loud music, be darkened to allow neon lights to glow and there may be strobe lighting used at times.

HOW TO AVOID QUEUES ON THE NIGHT

If you have purchased an early bird ticket, please ensure your child is wearing their wristband. This will allow them and yourself to walk through the pre-sales line quickly and start dancing sooner. We also advise to purchase DISCO DOLLARS prior to avoid any queues too!

WHAT CAN MY DISCO DOLLARS BUY INSIDE

On the night, we've got a range of things on offer inside. These include:
Face painting = 1 DISCO DOLLAR
Glow sticks = 1 DISCO DOLLAR
Potato Chips = 1 DISCO DOLLAR
Drinks = 1 DISCO DOLLAR
Water = Free
Ice-blocks = 2 DISCO DOLLARS
Pizza Slices = 2 DISCO DOLLARS
Sausages = 2 DISCO DOLLARS
Baking = 2 DISCO DOLLARS
Lolly Bags = 2 DISCO DOLLARS
1 Raffle Entry = 2 DISCO DOLLARS

TIMING OF THE EVENT

Doors open at 4.50pm – including the pre-sales and door sales lines.
Disco will run throughout the 5.00pm – 7.00pm time period.
Raffles will be drawn and announced at 6.30pm
Last song played at 7.00pm
Everything inside will be available the whole two hours or until the items sell out.

ACCOMPANY YOUR CHILD

A reminder to accompany your child to the disco and stay for the entirety. Please do not drop your child off. One parent may be responsible for more than one child, but please arrange this with fellow parents if your child is going to be accompanied by another Waterlea school parent/caregiver.