



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 15 February 2023

Important Dates

24 February - MANA Assembly 9.15am-10am
27 February - New Entrant Cohort Starts
28 February - Interschool Cricket (Boys)
2 March - Interschool Cricket (Girls)
7 March - Interschool Cricket (Boys) Rain Date
9 March - Interschool Cricket (Girls) Rain Date
10 March - Feet First Whaanau Day (walk to Ambury Farm)
15 March - Tree Adventures Rooms 5 & 8
24 March - MANA Assembly 9.15am-10am
28 March - Tree Adventures Rooms 9 & 9
4 April - Tree Adventures Rooms 7
6 April - Term 1 Ends
24 April - Teacher Only Day (School Closed)
25 April - ANZAC Day (School Closed)
26 April - Term 2 Begins
26 April New Entrant Cohort Starts
29 May - New Entrant Cohort Starts
5 June - King's Birthday (School Closed)
30 June - Term 2 Ends
17 July - Term 3 Begins
22 September - Term 3 Ends
9 October - Term 4 Begins
15 December - Last Day of School 2023

It was lovely to welcome back our tamariki this morning after the school was closed due to the extreme weather warnings in relation to Cyclone Gabrielle. We hope your families are safe and well - please let us know if we can support you in any way. Kids Kai is happening in the hall before school for any tamariki who would like some additional breakfast and they can pick up a lunch there too. Just let your children know to pop into the hall before school or contact the office or classroom teacher for more details.

Unlike the floods of a couple of weeks ago, there was no damage at Waterlea School and the power was unaffected. Let's hope the rest of the term is more settled as we press the restart button again.

With the cyclone winds and rain having decreased it's time to welcome back the sun so don't forget to remind your child to pop their sun hat in with the lunchbox when the bags are being packed in the morning.

Last Friday we held our first MANA Values assembly and our tamariki throughout the school received certificates for demonstrating our values-check out the photos over the page. If you are new to Waterlea, our four MANA values are:

Manaakitanga

We are kind, caring and supportive

Aumangea

We are persistent, resilient and brave

Ngaa kau Pono

We are respectful, honest and have integrity

Ako

We learn, teach and seek new knowledge

Throughout the term we will be unpacking these values and creating a shared understanding of what they look like, sound like and feel like. The cultures of individual classrooms will be based on these MANA values and our school wide 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 will have regular MANA Values assemblies throughout the year with certificates and once a term we award the MANA Values korowai or cloak to a child who has demonstrated these values in an ongoing manner. Please join us for our next MANA assembly on Friday 24 February.

MANA certificate recipients from last week:



Left: Year 1 & 2

Below Left: Year 3 & 4

Below Right: Year 5 & 6



Our values came about through a community consultation we did a few years ago with our whaanau and kaiako. They provide the foundation for everything that happens at Waterlea. Have a good week whaanau and thank you for your support and understanding over the last couple of days. I know you'll be keen to hear that our staff are all fine and those who lost electricity have either had the situation rectified or have heard that they will do so in the next day or so. Like you, many of our staff needed to support their whaanau in other areas of Auckland that were negatively impacted by the weather.

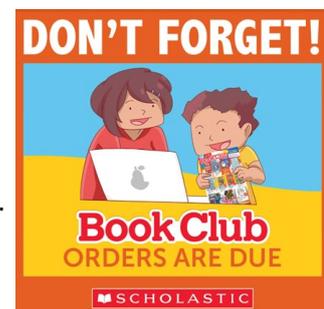
Emergency Contact Details

Given we have needed to close the school a couple of times already this year due to weather emergencies, it is a good time to remind everyone to let us know if your contact details change at anytime eg phone number, email address and home address. The best way to do this is to email or phone the office and they can be updated immediately - reception@waterlea.school.nz or phone 6364233 . This way you will be contacted quickly and easily when needed.

Lucky Book Club

The new look issue of the Scholastic Lucky Book Club went home with your children last week. Orders can only be made through the Loop System with online payments by this Friday 17. We do not accept cash orders. If you have any queries please contact library@waterlea.school.nz.

Waterlea gains points from these orders to spend on books and equipment so we really appreciate your support!



Important Reminders for the New Year

Starting Times and Lateness

Classrooms officially open from 8.30am. Please ensure your child has arrived at school well before the 8.50 bell so that they have time to get settled and catch up with friends.

If your child arrives at school late they need to go straight to the office so that they can write their name down and get a late card to give to their teacher. This is because the roll may have already been taken for the day and we need to account for every child.

If you need to take your child out early please or to the office first and fill out the early leaving form. This helps to keep everyone safe and accounted for. If you do not have an early leaving form for your child their teacher will not be able to release them to your care.

Absences

When a child is to be absent from school, it is your responsibility to let the school know - you can choose one of the following options:

-Send a note to the office explaining the absence

-Ring and leave a message on 636 4233

-Email: reception@waterlea.school.nz

-Website: send a message through www.waterlea.school.nz

-App: use KC Connect to register the absence

Please state the child's name, class and the reason for the absence eg medical, holiday, other reasons.

If a child is unaccounted for in the morning we will be following up with a text or phone call.—please respond with the info above.

EZ Lunches

Parents are able to order lunches for their children from the EZ Lunch service every Monday, Wednesday and Thursday.

Car Safety at the School Gate and Fast Drop Off

Please keep safe when dropping off/picking up your children at school. Please ensure you park in a safe manner and do not park on the yellow lines

or in the middle of the road—this creates a major hazard to our children and families.

It is important to note that the length of road outside the school from the office to the hall is a “Fast Drop Off Zone” before school—this helps the flow of traffic and reduces congestion. Please do not park the car there and leave your vehicle—your goodbyes, hugs, kisses and bag packing can be done at home to help with the fast drop off.

Thanks also for not parking in the Sir Keith Park reserved mobility car park outside the hall. Our parents in those classes have to walk their children to class and they often have car seats and extra bags to carry—thanks for respecting this reserved park.

Valuables at School

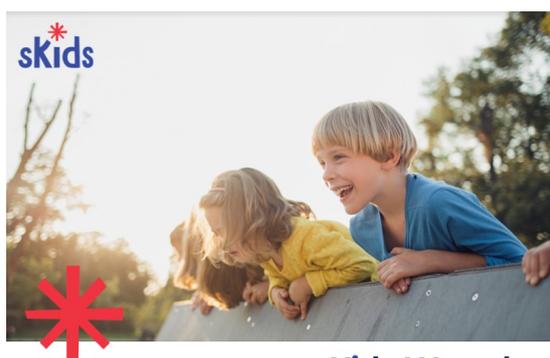
Any valuables brought to school must be brought to the office for safekeeping—especially mobile phones and smart watches with a cellular function (these are not allowed in class).

Lost Property

Please ensure all your child's uniform and belongings are named. If they are named they are able to be returned to your child. Lost property is located in the hall foyer.

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MusiqHub are excited to offer private music tuition to students at Waterlea Primary School with experienced tutor JP Carroll.

Guitar and drum lessons held on site after school hours at Waterlea School

About MusiqHub

Musiqhub is a nationwide group of independent music teachers that use a proven teaching system to ensure excellence in instrument tuition. MusiqHub teachers host lessons for a wide range of instruments, and our programmes cover all age groups and musical abilities from beginners, to those about to make the big time.

Learning music requires the development of skills and knowledge along with the retention of prior learning. With this in mind MusiqHub has developed a structured curriculum that utilizes a sequential lesson process. Skills in the physical ability to play are developed alongside an understanding of music. Songs and activities are provided for reinforcement.

You can read more about MusiqHub at www.musiqhub.co.nz

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Week 01

sKids New Year

Jump into the new year at sKids with activities all about you and your sKids family! Create confetti names, your own wordsearch, art with a musical teamwork twist and more!

Week 02

Waitangi Whakanui

Celebrate Waitangi Day with learning new skills through weaving art creating beautiful patterns, playing touch rugby, making a korowai and trying out a new tasty recipe!

Week 03

The Love Bug

DIY some beautiful flowers to gift to someone you love, play a pin the arrow on the heart game and many more love filled activities this week as we get into the Valentines spirit!

Week 04

Sun Soaked

Soak up the last of the summer sun by using crayons to create texture and silhouettes for your sunset art. You'll also, invent a new sunscreen applicator, bubble wand and play balloon tennis!

Week 05

Make Believe

Ogre, giant, goblin or maybe you'll think of a new make believe creature to turn into art this week! Create bubbling potion and play fun games like Dragon nest and monster moves!

Week 06

Hazard Check

Learn all about food prep, how to cross the road and use scissors safely before working in teams to put on a drama show demonstrating what to do in a real life emergency!

Week 07

Green means Go

Celebrate St Patricks Day with all things green. Create monochromatic art, play zombie tag, design a Pounamu and discover how to harness chlorophyll to blend art and science!

Week 08

I'm Always Right (angled)

Participate in the math-tastic fun this week with symmetry and spiro-lateral art, and geometry puzzles! Play the number bounce shoot game and create a graph all about you!

Week 09

Bricks & Blocks

Build a self portrait from LEGO® blocks before using them in a water experiment and to play tic tac toe in the greatest sKids champs' competition ever!

Week 10

April Fooled Ya

It's the last day of the year... April fools! This week you compete in wacky races, creating new jokes and pranks, putting on a magic show and playing a few rounds of poker face!

