



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 29 March 2023

Important Dates

30 March - Interschool Softball Rain Date
31 March - Cohort School Visit 9-10.30am
3 April - Board of Trustees Hui 7-9pm
4 April - Tree Adventures Rooms 7
5 April - Feet First Whaanau walk to Ambury Farm
6 April - Cohort School Visit 9-10.30am
6 April - MANA Assembly 11-11.45am
6 April - PTA Sausage Sizzle
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
28 April - MANA Assembly 9.15am-10am
6 May - PTA Quiz Night
12 May - MANA Assembly 9.15am-10am
15 & 16 May - Community Swim Starts (Senior and Middle School)
22 May - Board of Trustees Hui 7-9pm
26 May - MANA Assembly 9.15am-10am
29 May - New Entrant Cohort Starts
5 June - King's Birthday (School Closed)
30 June - Term 2 Ends

Next Wednesday we are walking to Ambury Farm as a school for our Feet First Whaanau Hikoi - this is the rescheduled hikoi which was postponed a few weeks ago due to poor weather. We will assemble on the top court at 9.15am with the view to leaving at approximately 9.30am. All whaanau are very welcome to join us! Please ensure your child has shoes and a sunhat in preparation of our walk.

Our hikoi to Ambury Farm highlights a local place we use as a context for our learning. We walk two different routes - a longer route for the older tamariki who will walk along the foreshore pathway and a shorter one for the younger tamariki via Muir Ave. We will have morning tea there, play some games and then head back, aiming to arrive back at school around 11:00am.

More information will come to you via seesaw this week.

As we count down to the end of the term it will be important to remember some key dates coming up in the next couple of weeks:

Thursday 6th April - Last day of term 1

Friday 7th April - School is closed for Easter

Monday 10-21st April - School closed for school holidays

Monday 24th April - School closed for Teacher Only Day (all schools in our Kahui Ako are meeting regarding the New Zealand Curriculum refresh)

Tuesday 25th April - School closed for ANZAC Day

Wednesday 26th April - First day of school for term 2



Thanks to our local Anchor franchisee, the Term One sausage sizzle on Thursday 6 April has a little twist to it:

As well as our \$2 sausages, you can also **buy a chocolate CalciYum drink for \$1** (limited to one per child).



We have vegetarian sausages available on request too!

Next Wednesday (5th April), please send \$2 per sausage and \$1 for a drink in a named envelope to your teacher. Please indicate if you would like a drink and how many sausages in total.

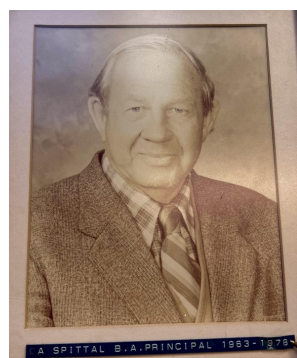
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A Trip Down Memory Lane

Earlier this week we had 2 former students visit Waterlea who attended our school in the early 1960s. Debra Ramadge and Kathryn Smith are sisters from the Greenland family who grew up living directly across the road from the school in House Avenue. They both live overseas and haven't visited Mangere Bridge for over 40 years. As they walked through the school they shared their memories of what Waterlea was like 60 years ago. At that time, the Principal's name was Mr Spittal and the year groups were called Primer 1-4 and Standard 1-4. We calculated there would've been about 200 students at Waterlea as there was one classroom per year group. Debra and Kathryn were delighted to visit the school to see all the changes that have happened over the years and we were equally delighted to show them around.



Immediate Right:
Mr Spittal

Moth Plant Collection Bin

We now have a moth plant collection bin outside the school office. You can bring small plants (seedlings) with roots intact, pods or bigger plants to school to put into the bin. Any little bit helps towards our moth plant busting goal. Make sure you wear gloves and eye protection when removing the plant as the sap can irritate skin. If you are having trouble removing a larger plant let us know and we can do it for you.

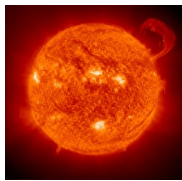
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Some Important Messages From Room 5

Wearing Hats at School

We need hats because the sun is really dangerous to us humans, and the sun can give us skin cancer. We need hats to protect our head and face and ears to protect you from the hot weather in New Zealand. One type of skin cancer is called melanoma skin cancer. We need sunscreen to protect us from the dangerous sun as you can get really bad sunburn. The sun is really hot and this year the sun is hotter than ever due to a hole in the ozone layer and that is why children need to wear hats during school and out of school to keep them safe. Children need to be reminded to bring hats to school. The sun is about 150 million kilometers away from earth but it can still burn us.



Rubbish Around The School

We have noticed more and more rubbish around the school grounds. We believe Waterlea School should have a zero waste policy so all children should return their wrappers and packets to their lunch boxes. Inorganic rubbish can go in the worm bin that each class has. Rubbish is a danger to animals and can wash down the drains to the sea. There is 5 trillion tonnes of litter in the sea. Children should bring reusable containers. We have a challenge for you to try and not bring any plastic wrappers in your lunch to school if you can.



Written by Carina and Holly and Room5.

MANA Assembly Recipients from our Last MANA Assembly



Year 1-2



Year 3-4



Year 5-6



Holiday Programme

11 – 14 April and 17 – 21 April

MSD-Approved. Work & Income
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Week 1

Monday 10th	Tuesday 11th	Wednesday 12th	Thursday 13th	Friday 14th
Easter Monday	Young Inventors	The Force	Trip: The Super Mario Bros. Movie	sKids Cook Out
Public holiday. No sKids today.	Using recycled materials and some kiwi ingenuity, let your imagination run wild and create your own invention today!	Celebrating the first human space flight, we'll use The Force to help navigate us through this sKids Galaxy.	We're off to see the Super Mario Bros. Movie! We'll play and create with activities inspired by The Mario Bros.	Pop your chef hat on and get ready for a day full of cooking and kitchen inspired arts, crafts, games, and more!
	  	 	  	 

Week 2

Monday 17th	Tuesday 18th	Wednesday 19th	Thursday 20th	Friday 21st
Train the Dragon	sKids Super Squad	Mechanical Madness	Premium: AURA Robotics	Invest in our Planet
Create flying and foaming dragon demonstrations inspired by the real life dragons you can still find on earth today!	Take on our Superhero training course, create your own cape and mini-figure to become the greatest Superhero of all time!	Beep, beep, boop your way through today as you crack codes, design robots and show off your mechanical and dancing skills.	The pros from AURA are coming to skids to teach you how to programme a Robot and drive it to complete a task!	Investing in our planet and partake in the Global Cleanup, repurposing recycled materials, and more!
 	 	  	 	 

Activity Key

						
COOKING	ARTS & CRAFTS	MUSIC & DRAMA	STEM	TEAMWORK	WELLNESS	TRIP DAY

Scan here to get an interactive Planner! Click on a day to find out more details



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**TICKETS ARE BEING RELEASED IN
THE NEXT TWO DAYS**

SATURDAY 6 MAY | 7.00PM

TABLES COST \$350 – MAX 10 PEOPLE PER TABLE

THEME: TELEVISION SHOWS

**FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA – TABLE SALES WILL GO LIVE VIA OUR
CHANNELS WITH INSTRUCTIONS ON HOW TO SECURE YOUR TABLE.**

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Open Day Muster for all ages groups Saturday 01 April

Years 1- 6: 9.00am – 10.30am

Years 7- 8 & Youth (Years 9-13): 10.30am -12.00pm

Junior - Years 7 - 8

Monday 3rd April Trials 5.30pm - 6.45pm

Junior - Years 5 - 6 and Years 1-4

Thursday 13 th April Musters 5.30pm – 6.45pm

*Training times for individual teams will be given once teams are named.

Junior link:

<https://www.playhq.com/hockey-new-zealand/register/10a437>

Youth link:

<https://www.playhq.com/hockey-new-zealand/register/2e1a81>

**FREE AQUATIC ACTIVITIES
HAVE A GO DAY**

APRIL 1, 10AM - 4PM

**RAFTING, KAYAKING, STAND UP PADDLE BOARD,
RAFTING, BOMBING COMP, MULTIBALL, HUNGER
BALL, FOOD TRUCKS.**

**ACTIVITIES FOR ALL AGES AND ABILITY, NBL
BULLS AUTOGRAPH SIGNING, SPOT PRIZES.**

WERO WHITEWATER PARK,
770 GREAT SOUTH ROAD, AUCKLAND

Global Water Safety & Drowning Prevention
Rotary Club

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BRIDGE Clean up the rubbish in our community

**EASTER CLEAN UP
& Easter Egg Hunt**

SATURDAY 1st APRIL 2023 10am - 1pm

Meet at 10.00am, choose your spot;

Kiwi Esplanade: Boat Club by the playground

Watercare Coastal Walkway: path entry at Wallace Rd (next to horse paddock)

Ambury Farm Foreshore: Ambury Farm Barn
or clean your local street/area

Bring back your collected rubbish to the farm at 12pm
for a sausage sizzle & Easter egg hunt.



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**Bridge Park Tennis Club -
School Holiday Coaching
Programme**

Our coaches are gauging interest in who would be keen to attend a coaching school.

Venue: Bridge Park Tennis Club, 7 Taylor Road, Mangere Bridge

Dates: Tuesday 11th - Friday 14th Tuesday 18th - Friday 21st

Time: 9am - 12.30pm

Cost: \$60 for 4 days for the week or \$20 per day per child.

Contact: bridgepark.tennis@gmail.com

Children would need to bring their own morning tea and lunch, drink bottle, and hat. If you think you would be interested please email your child's name and days they will be attending. We will make the call at the end of the week or earlier if there is enough interest.