



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,
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Newsletter 15 November 2023

Important Dates

21 November	Middle School Poetry 9:15am - 10:30am
23 November	ROI Orientation Morning 9am - 12:30pm
24 November	Waikowhai School Yr 6 'Meet the Teacher'
27 November	Interschool Athletics Day Yr 4 - 6
30 November	Junior Games Day 9:15 - 11:15am
1 December	Visit 1 Cohort starting 2024
6 December	Middles visit to Waterlea Park 9:15am
6 December	Year 1 Kihirimete Concert 2pm
7 December	Mangere Bridge Santa Parade
8 December	Visit 2 Cohort starting 2024
8 December	PTA Sausage Sizzle
11 December	Board of Trustees Meeting 7pm
12 December	Year 6 Graduation
12 December	Year 6 Dine & Dance
14 December	Year 6 Pool Party
15 December	Last day of school, 1pm finish



We have been busy behind the scenes working through all the different aspects of organising the school for next year in terms of teachers and classrooms. As part of this process we have held a number of interviews, not only for teachers but also for a Deputy Principal. You will remember that Therese Bakker resigned from her position of DP at the end of last year to work as a Reading Recovery teacher and Catherine Skudder, our SENCO, stepped into the Acting DP role for this year. We are delighted to announce that our new Deputy Principal is Camilla Jackson. Camilla will shift into this role from the beginning of next year. She will work closely with Andy Jones, the other Deputy Principal, and myself making up the Senior Leadership Team. Camilla will no longer be a classroom teacher in the senior school and we'd like to acknowledge the wonderful impact she has had preparing our tamariki as they transition out of Waterlea. There are a couple of other staffing changes to check out ...

Year 1

Rm 1 - Helen Wedde (Team Leader)

Rm 2 - Janelle Smith

Rm 3 - Samia Mahmood

Rm 4 - Kimberly Nieborak

Rachel Davies will open a Year 1 classroom when the others are full

Year 2

Rm 14 - Jody Stewart

Rm 15 - Josephine Hunt

Rm 18 - Megan Lundberg

Rm 19 - Sally Bierens (Team Leader)

Middle School- Year 3 & 4

Rm 10 - Sheela Stanley (Yr 4)

Rm 11 - Aroha Buchanan (Yr 3)

Rm 12 - Shumin Liu (Yr 3)

Rm 13 - Anna Brown (Yr 3)

Rm 24 - Bridget Kent (Yr 4 & Team Leader)

Rm 25 - Anna de Heer (Yr 4)

Senior School- Years 5 & 6

Rm 5 - Judy Edwards

Rm 6 - Miriam Kamsteeg

Rm 7 - Emma Dutton

Rm 8 - Steve Matthews

Rm 9 - Jenny Corkill

Camilla Jackson will remain as the Year 5/6 team leader

We are currently working through our 2024 class placements for our tamariki based on the staff organisation above. If you have any questions regarding this process please email myself, principal@waterlea.school.nz or Andy Jones, andy.jones@waterlea.school.nz. Our tamariki meet next year's teacher in the last week of the year.

Farewell this week

At the end of this week we say farewell to Cath Ludlow who is returning to the UK to be closer to whaanau. Cath has been with us for the last 3 years as the teacher in Room 1. We'd like to thank Cath for doing a wonderful job supporting our youngest tamariki in their first year at school over this time and wish her well for the future. Alana McKay will be the teacher in Room 1 Tuesday-Friday and Emily Wilson will be the teacher on Mondays. Alana is usually in Room 2 on Fridays but Janelle Smith will cover these days until the end of the year.



Waterlea Seniors Athletics Days

On Monday and Tuesday this week, the senior school held their annual Athletics Day.

Everyone was excited and hoped to get into the athletics team for the zones next week. On Monday in the second block we had a rotation going around each sport for the day: High jump, long jump, shot put, softball throw and a rest area. The rest area wasn't really a sport though, but a chance to recover from the sports that we did. On Tuesday, the years 4-6 did sprints and the 800 metres races. I was really nervous and hoped I'd win. Lots of people were there, so it was a bit scary.

I started my sprint race and went fast and got a good placing which meant I made it into the final- yay! In the final I was really nervous, but I gave it 100%, just like Mr Matthews wanted! I didn't make the top 3 in the final and I was disappointed at not making the zones team, but I was proud of myself for trying my best.

At the end of the day, we did some relays and Room 8 won the seniors race. They even had a race against the teachers, which was sooo much fun. Overall, athletics was lots of fun and it was good trying out all the different events.

By Olivia Price

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Last issue for term 4 is out!

Could be a good opportunity to buy some gifts!

From the office...

Please remember to contact the office should any of your contact details change.

Phone: (09) 6364233

Email: reception@waterlea.school.nz

SECONDHAND UNIFORMS

If you are after any secondhand uniform items, such as tee-shirts, polo shirts, skorts, shorts, or sweatshirts, please get in touch with the Waterlea PTA and we will do our best to help you find what you need.

All items are \$2, except the fleece sweatshirts which are \$10.



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In your neighbourhood

At **Māngere Bridge Kindergarten** we have great relationships with our local kura, and through our own research have developed a strong transition programme that supports our tamariki and whānau.

We celebrate the beauty of diversity and appreciate that each tamaiti have their own unique kete of knowledge that we can learn and grow from as a community.

If this sounds like you and your whānau, and would like to experience the Kindergarten difference, get in touch and pop by for a visit!

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