



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,

Newsletter 20 March 2024

Important Dates

21 March	Goat Island Trip Rms 5, 6, 9
22 March	Goat Island Trip Rms 7, 8, 9
25 March	Softball, Otahuhu College Sports Field
25 March	Board of Trustees meeting 7pm
27 March	Softball Rain Day
27 March	PTA AGM in Staffroom 2:30pm-3:30pm
28 March	Senior School Kayak Rms 7, 8, 9
29 March	Good Friday (school closed)
1 April	Easter Monday (school closed)
2 April	Easter Tuesday (school closed)
5 April	PTA Sausage Sizzle
5 April	Feet First Whaanau Walk to Ambury
6 April	PTA Paint & Sip Evening 6pm
12 April	Last Day of Term 1

On Tuesday we held our MANA Values assembly and our tamariki throughout the school received certificates for demonstrating our values - check out the photos below. 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

Ngaakau Pono

We are respectful, honest and have integrity

Ako

We learn, teach and seek new knowledge

Throughout the term, we will unpack these values and create a shared understanding of what they look like, sound like and feel like. The cultures and routines 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. Our Waterlea MANA Values korowai is a taonga presented to us a few years ago by Whaea Angelique. Whaea Angelique was a kaiako in the junior school who is also a skilled weaver. She created MANA Values korowai based on our school waiata, Akitai, the words of which depict our local stories and place. This term the MANA Values korowai will be presented at the end of the term to a Senior School student.



Waterlea School Korowai



Our tamariki who received the MANA values certificates this week:





Snorkelling

Last week we mentioned the Mountains to Sea Project the Senior School tamariki are involved in. Below are some stories and photos depicting the snorkelling part of the project.

Snorkelling

First we took the bus to get to moana-nui-a-kiwa pools. Then we got into our groups. I was with some of my friends like Lorena, Lavinia, Maio, and Emily. Me and my group (group 1) got to snorkel first. It was so fun. I was buddies with Maio, but then I switched buddies with Lavinia. Then I was buddies with Lorena. After we did snorkelling we did facts about fish. Then we did a sea life colouring in sheet. Then we went with Becky and did the food web game and the action projects. Then at the end of the day we took the bus back to school. My favourite part was when I got to see my friends and go snorkelling.

By Ingrid





Snorkelling

By Ezra

First we got into groups. I was in group 1 with my friends. Then we took a bus to the pool. We were the first ones to snorkel and it was SO FUN!

We ate some of our lunch. After that we did this marine reserve colouring in sheet. Next we played infinity tag. After that we got into new groups and wrote a plan about how we were going to do a really big rubbish clean up. A little later the staff showed all of us some super cool massive shells and fish skeletons. Finally we bused back to school.

The thing I enjoyed the most was snorkelling by far.

PTA St Patrick's Day Dress Up





In the Playground

The junior school are enjoying the new colour coded play equipment!

Easter Tuesday is an extra holiday for students and staff of all schools.

Easter Tuesday is not a teacher only day.





From the office

Just a reminder about school hours.

Teachers are in class from 8:30am and this is when children can be dropped off at school. Please note that your child may not be supervised if arriving before 8:30am. Classes begin at 8:50am. If your child arrives at school after 9:00am a late card is to be collected from the office.

All students should be collected at 3:00pm, please ring the office if you are held up and we will keep your child in the office until you arrive.

Please remember SKIDS is available for your child for before and after school care.

Please contact SKIDS directly to arrange after school bookings.



Lucky book club

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Issue 2 has now been delivered to all students!

Thanks for all your support, helping us get fabulous new books into our library!

Last day to order is Friday 22 March



**Do you want to give your child the opportunity to enjoy fun experiences and learn new skills at school?
Do you want to share the gift of music with your kids?**

DRUM LESSONS HELD ON-SITE AT WATERLEA PRIMARY!

MusiqHub are excited to offer private drum lessons to students at Waterlea School, in a safe in-school environment, with trusted tutor Joshua Nelson.

Students have fun, while learning a range of traditional and contemporary styled songs and techniques where they play together as a group, and as individuals.

Three Easy Steps to Sign Up:

1. Email ✓

jp.carroll@musiqhub.co.nz

Expressing your interest, and any questions you might have


2. Find the right lesson time for your student ✓

JP will help you choose from the options that are available

3. Confirm enrollment ✓

Provide the details requested and get ready to rock and roll!

If you're ready to connect with your children over the excitement, fun and joy of music, get in touch now so we can help you begin this journey!



SIP & PAINT

Date: 6 April 2024

Time: 6:00pm – 9:00pm

Where: Waterlea School Hall

Tickets: \$45 per person

Feel like letting your inner Picasso come to light? Come along to the Waterlea PTA sip and paint evening and create your own masterpiece.

Included in your ticket is: one glass of Tipping Point bubbles or non-alcoholic beverage, one snack platter and one canvas to take home.

To reserve tickets, please click here:

<https://forms.gle/FNiSvw2cT1vCCjKW7>



This fundraising evening is proudly brought to you by Tipping Point Wines

Upcoming Community Events



Ride for your chance to WIN a new bike!

Weekly Monday Ride

Every Monday in March
6pm - 8pm

Join Triple Teez at the Waterfront Road Reserve for weekly guided rides of the new trial cycleway and beyond!

TIME TO THRIVE TO STAY ALIVE
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Waterfront Road Reserve

BIKE RAVE

Saturday 23 March
6:30 pm - 9 pm
Waterfront Road Reserve

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EASTER EGG HUNT

FREE!

29 MARCH
Waterfront Reserve
10 AM - 12 PM

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