

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 10 April 2024

Important Dates

12	April	Mana Assembly 11:15am
12	April	Last Day of Term 1
29	April	First Day of Term 2
29	April	New Cohort Starts school
1	May	Royal Oak Intermediate presentation
3	May	Feet First Whaanau Ambury Walk 9:15
8	May	Y1 & 2 Great Pirate Show 11:30am
27	May	Board of Trustees Hui 7pm in staffroom
31	May	Teacher Only Day (school closed)
3	June	King's Birthday (school closed)
24	June	Board of Trustees Hui 7pm in staffroom
28	June	Matariki (school closed)



As it is our last week for the term we have decided to have a hauora/wellbeing focus for our staff & tamariki to acknowledge all the mahi our staff and students have put in this term. Our concept this term has been tuurangawaewae - a place to stand and all our students have been exploring and learning about our local place. Today our Year 3 team were lucky enough to be given the opportunity to participate in a new Outdoor Challenge programme run by Auckland Council Park Rangers at Ambury Farm. This introduced tamariki to a real "kiwi" style outdoor experience, consisting of a series of practical, hands-on activities designed to promote safe practices outdoors. These included cooking sausages over a camp stove, making bivouacs and a navigation activity. Our tamariki had a wonderful time and we were very grateful for the opportunity to be involved in the programme, connecting with our tuurangawaewae. Thanks to all the whaanau who came along today and on all our trips this term to support our tamariki. Also a big thanks to Sel and the PTA team who organised a wonderful fundraising event held in the weekend, by all accounts the 'Sip & Paint' evening was a lot of fun. Just a couple of reminders for this week, firstly we have a MANA assembly on Friday at 11.15am so please feel free to join us in the David Lange Hall, secondly, school closes on Friday afternoon at 3pm for a two week holiday and reopens again on Monday 29 April. Have a great break everyone and see you all in Term 2.



Year 3 Ambury Farm Education

Highlights from the year 3 walk to Ambury Farm today.













Moth Plant Update

Moth plant pods collected so far - 6,604

Don't forget to keep collecting over the school holidays. Make sure you cut the vines or pull them out at the roots. Remember our goal is to make the pods hard to find! Let's do our part to eliminate this terrible weed.



Totara dying as it is strangled by a moth plant



The pods keep on coming from the community



Moth Plant Busters had an awesome record collection of 1,600 pods on Saturday

Walking School Bunny Walk



Thanks to the amazing group of people who came along to our first ever Sip and Paint evening on Saturday 6 April, sponsored by Tipping Point Wines.

We had 46 of you turn up, and try your hand at a paint by numbers piece of art. The results were absolutely incredible: some went off piste, and some stuck to the numbers - we couldn't have been more impressed.

Keep an eye out on our socials to find out how much money we raised during this event.

The PTA are already looking forward to hosting the next creative event. Hope to have you all again!











Huge shout out to our Waterlea School community for the outrageous support in devouring over 570 sausages on Friday. It's such a great feeling delivering these tasty little morsels to our tamariki and seeing the smiles on their faces when they know it's "sausage sizzle day".



Thanks to our sponsor this term, Hellers, we have been able to bank all proceeds, taking us closer to achieving our \$15,000 goal to add some colour back into the school grounds.



COLLECT YUMMY STICKERS AND GET SPORTS GEAR FOR OUR SCHOOL!

Collect the Yummy cut-out labels from bags (each cutout label is worth 10 stickers) and individual Yummy apple stickers for Waterlea School's share of the \$200,000 free Sport sports gear prize pool.

Yummy apples are available from New World, PAK'nSAVE and participating Four Square stores. The more you collect, the more sports gear we can get so get going and start collecting your Yummy cut-out labels and stickers now!

All stickers/cut-outs along with your school's Total Tally Sheet must received by us by Tuesday 24 September.

<u>Download your sticker collection sheet here or pick one up at the office.</u>















YEAR ANNIVERSARY

FRIDAY, 10TH MAY 2024









SATURDAY, 11TH MAY 2024

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FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT WWW.ROYALOAK.SCHOOL.NZ

Did you know...
New OSCAR
thresholds from
April 1st!

Get up to 50 Hours of Free Holiday Care at sKids*

Find out if you qualify

*Free 50 hours apply to eligible families receiving the highest OSCAR Subsidy threshold.





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Monday 15th

African Safari

Embark on an African Safari Adventure with jungle masks, African shield making, playing Mbube Mbube from South Africa, baking monkey cupcakes, and crafting some slippery snake finger puppets.



Tuesday 16th

Feathered Friends

Join us for a nature filled day and explore nature to find some feathered friends. Craft a DIY Bird Houses and Bird Seed Feeders and create your own feathered bird buddies to take home!



Wednesday 17th

Turtle Tales & Seahorse Stories

From Seahorse Art and underwater 3D collages and Seahorse puppets. Fun Turtle inspired games will get your body moving, its a tidal wave of fun you won't want to miss!



Thursday 18th

Treasure Island Minigolf

Arrrigh Me Hearties!
Putt over waterfalls,
around shark, crocodile
and eel infested waters
and hear the cannon
fire! You'll have a blast
at Treasure Island
Minigolf! (Trip)



Friday 19th

Spike-Tacular Cacti

Join us for a day of prickly themed fun! Featuring fun cactus theme games to test your skills and creative activities like handprint cactus art and DIY cactus plants!



April

Monday 22nd

Paws & Claws Dog Safety Workshop

With BARK NZ you will learn how to safely behave around dogs, and warning signs for different situations and environments so you are confident and feel safe. (Premium)



Tuesday 23rd

Story Land – World Book Day

Dress up as your favourite book character! Create your own 'story dice' from The Make Company to take home and inspire yourself with more storytelling. (+\$5)



Wednesday 24th

ANZAC Spirit

Our ANZAC day celebrates history with tasty ANZAC biscuits, playful army style fitness sessions, creative soldier silhouette art and craft popsicle stick biplanes.



Thursday 25th

Closed

We're closed for this ANZAC Public Holiday.

We'll see you

Friday 26th

Farm Animal Antics

Join our farm-themed day and enjoy entertaining games, craft DIY Farm Barns, mold playdough farm animals, bake pink pig cupcakes, and enjoy paper cow crafts.





NETBALL

Do you have a child in year 1 to 4 who is interested in playing netball this year? Mangere Bridge Vipers Netball Club has a few spots left in our junior teams. Hurry, they're filling up fast!

Season dates: 11th May to 10th August

No games: King's Birthday, Matariki or during the

school holidays.

Games: Saturday 9am (yr1/2) and 10am (yr3/4)

at MONC, David Lange Park, Mangere Cost: \$20 club fees & \$25 uniform fee

If you would like to know more please visit: https://www.sporty.co.nz/mangerebridgevipersnetballclub and/or contact Corinne on 021 0799 024.





Waterlea PTA are getting ready for this years Quiz and Auction night on 22 June but we need your help!!

This year we are raising funds to paint the netball courts, four square games and giant chess for our tamariki to enjoy during break times.

As well as reaching out to local businesses in our community, we are interested in hearing from you if you/or your employer is happy to donate a gift, products, vouchers, experiences, or services!

We will be promoting all companies who donate at the event and in school newsletters.

Contact us at **waterleapta@gmail.com** if you can help or to find out more!!

PUT 22 JUNE IN YOUR DIARY NOW!! MORE INFORMATION COMING SOON



T&C's apply. Every order goes in the draw. Four chances to win per order. Competition open to all New Zealand myKindo account holders. Competition closes and winners will be drawn at 11am on Friday 12 April 2024. No adult only gift vouchers permitted. No correspondence will be entered into.

