



*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

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## Newsletter 23 October 2024

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### Important Dates

25 Oct	Teacher Only Day School Closed
28 Oct	Labour Day School Closed
29 Oct	MOSA Cross Country
1 Nov	Mana Assembly
1 Nov	Diwali
8 Nov	PTA Casual Clothes Day
15 Nov	PTA School Disco
28 Nov	MOSA Athletics Day
6 Dec	PTA Sausage Sizzle
10 Dec	Y6 Graduation 11 - 1pm
11 Dec	Dine N Dance 5 - 7:30pm
16 Dec	Y6 Leaver's Pool Party
17 Dec	Last Day of School Year 2024 Finish at 1pm
3 Feb	Waananga Day/First Day of School 2025

Welcome to Week 2 of Term 4 and just a reminder it will be a short week both this week with Teacher Only Day on Friday and next Monday being the public holiday, Labour Day. In a few weeks time the teachers and leaders will start our class placement process for 2025. At the end of each year we farewell some staff, appoint new staff and change year levels of existing classes according to the needs of the school. This year is no different and in the next couple of weeks we will communicate via this newsletter any staff changes that will be coming up in 2025. The class placement process is an important part of organising the school for the coming year and involves staff, leaders and whaanau. When the staff organisation for next year has been finalised and communicated to you, we will invite you to contact our deputy principals, Camilla and Andy with any information you might have which could help us in this process, e.g. information regarding friendships that support your child's learning etc. We intend to trial some software whereby our teachers can input a variety of information and then class lists are created for us to review and make adjustments to if necessary. Look out for this information in the next couple of weeks. During this week's Teacher Only Day on Friday, our staff is looking at the refreshed NZ Curriculum in Writing in preparation for next year. There has been some discussion in the media with regards to Teacher Only Days and it is important for you to know that Waterlea only plans such days as we are required to do by the Ministry of Education. This will be our second this year as required and in 2025 the Ministry is asking schools to hold 2 more. These days are in addition to the ones we hold during holiday times and help the school provide professional learning development for our teachers in response to this time of educational change. Further to this point, in 2025 we are extending the Better Start Literacy Approach (BSLA) to Year 3 & 4. BSLA has been successfully introduced to the Year 1 & 2 tamariki and we have seen very positive impacts to our youngest children's literacy development. We intend to build upon this literacy foundation as tamariki leave the junior part of the school and transition into the Middle School.





### Daily Absent Texts

A reminder to reply to the daily absent text you receive when your child has not come to school.

This ensures we have not made an error and can code the absence correctly in our system.

If we do not receive a reply we will try to ring you directly and if this fails, your child will be marked as truant.

### Absence due to Medical Reasons

If your child is absent for more than 2 days due to medical reasons we require a medical certificate to be sent to the school office.

# ROAD SAFETY



**Please ensure you use the pedestrian crossings outside the school to be a good role model for your children.**

**Please decrease your speed when you travel near our school.**



# DISCO PARTY

THURSDAY 31 OCTOBER 2024

5:30PM-8PM

Māngere Bridge Baptist Church,  
corner of Woodward and McIntyre Roads

BOUNCY CASTLE | DISCO | PHOTO BOOTH | FACE PAINTING | CRAFTS  
COLOURING COMPETITION | FIRE ENGINE | POLICE CAR | SNACKS | SAUSAGE SIZZLE  
MR WHIPPY ICECREAM TO PURCHASE

PRIZEGIVING AT 7PM

A FREE EVENT





### **Keeping Ourselves Safe**

During Term 4, we will be teaching the personal safety programme Keeping Ourselves Safe.

Keeping Ourselves Safe enables children to learn and apply a range of safety skills that they can use when interacting with others. Children recognise the differences between healthy and unhealthy relationships, and information about how and when to seek help is shared.

Keeping Ourselves Safe will be taught by your child's teacher, over a few sessions, with support from the local Police Education Officer Priscilla.

Year 3-6 will be learning how to identify potentially unsafe situations involving other people in both the real and the digital worlds. These situations may involve people they know, new people they meet, and people they only know through online communications. In the real world, people who wish to harm children are most likely to be known to them. In the digital world, the harm may come from people they know through email, cell phone or chat room messages, or from people they meet in social networking sites. What the programme will look like for Year 1 and 2 will be communicated later in the term.

This is a really valuable learning experience for all tamariki. The programme will be delivered during a few sessions over the term. If you have any specific questions please contact either the classroom teacher, or our SCO (School Community Officer) Priscilla Tauleva on 0211910516 [Priscilla.tauleva@police.govt.nz](mailto:Priscilla.tauleva@police.govt.nz).





WATERLEA PTA  
PRESENTS

ENJOY A NIGHT OF FUN AT THE

# DISCO PARTY

TIME TO PUT ON YOUR GLOW AND JOIN US

DJ - GAMES - FOOD

FRIDAY 15 NOVEMBER  
WATERLEA SCHOOL HALL

PRE-SALE  
TICKETS  
\$3

TIME  
5:00PM -  
7:00PM

DISCO  
TOKENS  
\$1 = 1 DISCO TOKEN

PRE-SALES TUESDAY 12TH, WEDNESDAY 13TH  
AND THURSDAY 14TH @ 3:00PM - 3:45PM  
SCHOOL HALL

EMAIL US: WATERLEAPTA@GMAIL.COM

FIND US ON SOCIAL: @WATERLEAPTA

PRE-SALES \$4



Tō Wāhi  
Your Place

# BRICK SHOW

## Preschool Fundraiser



ALL BLOCKS  
LEGO User Group

**Saturday 16 November. 10am - 3pm**

**Corner of Onehunga Mall and Church Street**

**175 Onehunga Mall (upstairs of old Westpac Bank)**

Free on-street parking available around Onehunga

**Brought to you by All Blocks RLUG and Te Papapa Preschool**

**Brick-pit! • Star Wars • Marvel • Disney  
LEGO Art • Friends • Custom Creations (MOCs)  
Technic • Vintage • City • Brickheadz  
Planes, Trains, & Automobiles, and much more!**

**Student build contest (2 LEGO sets to win!)**

Open to students in local primary schools - Onehunga Primary, Te Papapa Primary, St Joseph's Onehunga

**Plus baking, cold drinks, face-painting,  
pre-loved clothing & toys for sale.**

**\$5 per person. \$20 for a family pass (up to 5 people)**

**Tickets on sale now through EventFinda,  
or from Te Papapa Preschool.**

**Door sales available (cash & eftpos).**

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BRING YOUR DANCING  
SHOES AND JOIN US FOR A

# KANIKANI

FRIDAY NOV 8TH

MANGERE MEMORIAL HALL  
530-930PM  
DOORS OPEN 5PM

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\$15 Adults includes free Child ticket

\$5 Children aged 5-15

ENTERTAINMENT including local  
performances

WHATEVER SHOE FITS WEAR IT AND  
COME ALONG!!

SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL!

TICKETS AVAILABLE!!!  
MANGERE BRIDGE SCHOOL LIBRARY  
MON-FRI AFTER SCHOOL FROM MON SEP 16TH  
AND WATERLEA PRIMARY SCHOOL OFFICE  
FREE CHILD TICKET WITH EVERY PAYING ADULT  
CASH ONLY  
\$15 ADULT 16YRS+  
\$5 PER CHILD 5-15  
OR  
PURCHASE ONLINE AT  
02 0191 0378769 008  
SURNAME AS REFERENCE AND CHILD'S NAME IN  
PARTICULARS FIELD

LIMITED TICKETS!

LIMITED DOOR SALES \$20 ADULTS  
\$7 CHILDREN

HOT FOOD, DRINKS, DESSERTS  
AVAILABLE TO BUY!

For all enquiries  
Contact Norma on  
02108853324 or  
norms75@hotmail.com

CARING FOR OUR COMMUNITY  
STRICTLY NO ALCOHOL SMOKING OR VAPING





# MANGERE BRIDGE KIDS MARKET

**17th November 2024**

**9am-1pm**

NAOMI AND BILL KIRK PARK

CORONATION ROAD,  
MANGERE BRIDGE

FOR STALL ENQUIRES  
CONTACT

KATE : 021776139

[info@mangerebridgevillage.co.nz](mailto:info@mangerebridgevillage.co.nz)

Need any gift ideas?

Struggling for ideas to buy people for Christmas? We have got you! This year's Calendar Art order forms are about to drop into your hot little hands on Friday 18 October.

Your tamariki have been working on individual pieces of art which will be turned into calendars, diaries, mouse pads and the likes.

You must keep your eye out for their specific order form as it has the unique code for your child printed on there.

Get in touch with the PTA if you have any questions at [waterleapta@gmail.com](mailto:waterleapta@gmail.com).

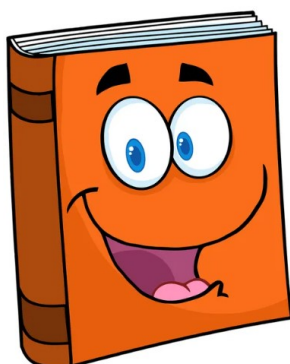




Lucky Book Club Lucky Book Club Lucky Book Club

Last day to order online is this Friday 25 October

Many thanks for all your support through 2024



# FREE INTRO TO TEE-BALL

For 5 - 10 year olds

Come on down at 5.30pm

FRIDAYS - 25 October, 1 November, 8 November



SCAN TO REGISTER



## NORANA SOFTBALL PARK

Norana Ave, Favona

DELIVERED BY ONEHUNGA MANGERE UNITED SOFTBALL CLUB  
KINDLY FUNDED BY CLM COMMUNITY



## COLLECT YUMMY STICKERS AND GET SPORTS GEAR FOR OUR SCHOOL!

Collect the Yummy cut-out labels from bags (each cut-out 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 be received by us by Tuesday 24 September.**

[Download your sticker collection sheet here or pick one up at the office.](#)



## SECOND-HAND UNIFORMS

If you are after any second-hand 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

We also, accept donations of uniform, so please get in touch if you would like to donate.



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