



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,
Konichiwa, Guten Tag, Здравствуйте

Newsletter 7 May 2025

Important Dates

9	May	MANA Assembly 9:45am
14	May	Y6 Royal Oak Intermediate Information Evening
14	May	Start of Y4-6 Swimming
21	May	Y4-6 Swimming Day
23	May	MANA Assembly 9:45am
26	May	New cohort start school
2	June	King's Birthday School closed
6	June	MANA Assembly 9:45am
16	June	Mid Year reports home
18	June	Teacher Led Conferences School closes at 1:00pm
20	June	Matariki - school closed
27	June	Last day of term 2

Kia ora Whaanau

As the days grow shorter and the temperature drops, winter is definitely on its way. This seasonal shift brings with it some important things to keep in mind to ensure our tamariki stay warm, healthy and happy throughout the colder months. Here are a few key areas to be mindful of as we head into winter:

Layers: Just like us, children feel the cold. Encourage them to wear layers of clothing rather than one thick item. This allows them to adjust as their activity levels change throughout the day. Think thermal tops and bottoms, singlets which can be worn under the Waterlea school uniform, and waterproof jackets.

Warm hats that cover ears: These are really helpful for keeping precious body heat in on cold mornings and lunchtimes particularly for tamariki who are more susceptible to cold and flu viruses.

Wearing shoes: Cold and damp feet can make anyone miserable. Ensure your child has waterproof shoes for school and outdoor activities. Dry socks are also really helpful so pack an extra pair in your child's bag if they enjoy outside wet adventures.

Sleep: Ensure children are getting enough sleep, as rest is vital for fighting off winter bugs.

Hand hygiene: Reinforce the importance of regular and thorough handwashing with soap and water, especially after being outside, before eating and after coughing or sneezing. Hand sanitiser is a good backup when soap and water aren't readily available.

Cover coughs and sneezes: Teach children to cough or sneeze into their elbow or a tissue to prevent the spread of germs.

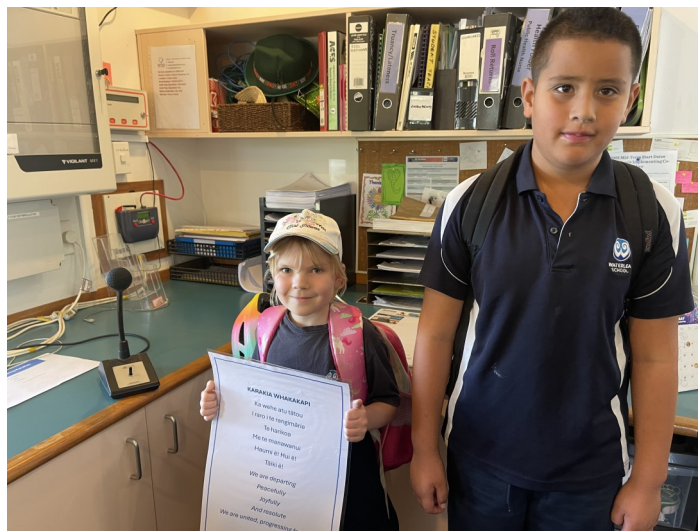
Keep children home if unwell: If your child is showing signs of illness like a fever, cough, sore throat, or runny nose, please keep them home from school to prevent the spread of infection to others.



We're excited to announce that swimming for Years 4-6 will be starting next Wednesday 14 May. Our tamariki will be timetabled throughout the day and will be transported by bus. A letter including a permission slip would've come home and needs to be returned to the classroom teachers in order for your child to participate. This letter will have other swimming information you will need to support your children to be prepared. If you have not received a letter, please check bags and then contact the classroom teacher.

Teacher Led Conferences and Mid Year School Reports

Towards the end of the term we will be holding teacher/parent conferences and sending home mid year school progress reports. Over the next few weeks we will share with you Waterlea's school wide approach to conferences and reports. We will also communicate our progress familiarising ourselves with the changes outlined in the revised 2025 NZ Curriculum, particularly in Maths and Literacy.



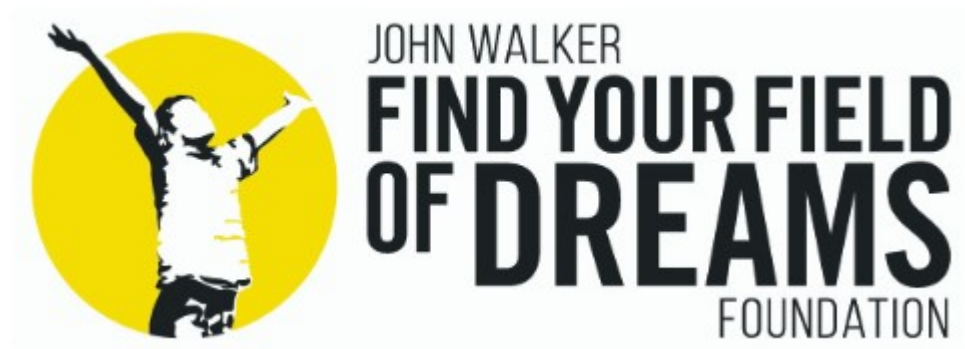
Karakia whakakapi - Closing karakia

This term we have introduced a Karakia whakakapi across the school. To support this initiative, Tamariki are having turns delivering this to the rest of the school via our intercom system just before the end of the day. Yesterday Ciara from room 11 did a stunning job and today it will be Sammy from room 11.

Earrings at School

We would like to encourage children with pierced ears to wear studs to school and not 'hoop' earrings due to them being pulled during sport activities or playing.





Swimming Y 4-6 14 May 25 June (Every Wednesday except 18 June due to SLC.

- Please ensure you child brings togs and a towel
- If your child is not swimming please write a note for the teacher
- Parent helpers are welcome to meet at the pool

This is a fantastic opportunity provided free to our students at Waterlea School

Wednesday's Swimming Timetable

Bus Pick up from SCHOOL

Room 8	9:00am
Room 7	9:30am
Room 6	10:00am
Room 5	10:30am
Room 25	11:00am
Room 24	12:00pm
Room 10	12:30pm
Room 9	1:00pm

Bus Pick up from POOL

10:15am
10:45am
11:15am
11:45am
12:15pm
1:15pm
1:45pm
2:15pm

Current Total: 5,183



Now is the time to make the last push to harvest these pesky pods. The competition closes on the 9th May and a lot of pods are starting to burst in our community!!





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BEATS BY BINGO



From 6.45pm, Saturday 24 May 2025



Waterlea School Hall
17 House Avenue



Doors open for drinks at 6.45pm; Bingo starts 7.30pm
Tables are \$400 for a table of 10. Tickets include entry and pizza delivered to your table.

Dress Up Theme: anything music!

Scan QR code
to sign up for a
fun night out!



Lost Property



At the end of each term we will be donating
any unclaimed LOST PROPERTY to a charity.

If your child's clothes and shoes are named we will always deliver them back
to their class!

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Send us your story
(with pictures!)

BY 4PM SUN APRIL 27TH

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EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Get hands on with crazy experiments
- ✓ Make predictions and record your findings
- ✓ Earn stickers to track your progress



CRAZY CHEMISTRY

Wednesday
14 May



EDIBLE SCIENCE 101

Wednesday
21 May



THE EARTH LAB

Wednesday
28 May



Get ready to **EXPLODE** with knowledge!
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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!



Come learn with us!

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All aboard The Ambury Express!

Running **Monday to Friday**, we depart at **8:20am** from the corner of **Muir Avenue and Yorkton Rise**, walking to school **Monday to Thursday** and rolling in on **wheels (bikes or scooters) every Friday!**

It's a fun, active, and safe way for kids to get to school with friends.

Extra parent drivers are welcome.

For more info, email amburyexpress@gmail.com.



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For more details, go to www.marcellin.school.nz or call (09) 625 6509

Royal Oak Intermediate Year 6 Information Evening, 14 May 2025

Time: Session 1, 4:00 - 5:00pm

Session 2, 5:30 - 6:30pm

Venue: Royal Oak Intermediate School Hall/Module Classrooms

Prefects and teachers will be presenting information about Royal Oak Intermediate School to the Year 6 taura and whānau/parents. Module and Whānau teachers will have their rooms open – whānau/ parents are welcome to ask teachers questions and find out more about teaching and learning at Royal Oak Intermediate School. A light supper will be served when you visit the Bio Food Technology Room.



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.](#)



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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