



## *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 6 August 2025

#### Important Dates

8 August	New Cohort Visit 1
8 August	MANA Assembly 9.45am
15 August	New Cohort Visit 2
15 August	Book Week Dress Up
18 August	Tongan Language Week
18 August	Board of Trustees Hui 7:00pm
22 August	MANA Assembly 9.45am
3 Sept	MOSA Interschool Rugby
5 Sept	Kahui Ako Performance OHS
9 Sept	Year 3-6 Cross Country
11 Sept	Student Led Conferences
	School closes at 1pm
18 Sept	Class/Individual Photos
19 Sept	Last Day of Term 3
6 Oct	First day of Term 4
24 Oct	Teacher Only Day
	School Closed

#### Kia orana

This week, we acknowledge Epetoma o te Reo Māori Kūki 'Āirani, or Cook Islands Language Week. The theme for this year is - "Ātuitui'ia au ki te Oneone o tōku 'Ui Tupuna," which translates to "Connect me to the soils of my ancestors." This powerful theme encourages us to strengthen our connection to our heritage, our roots, and the rich traditions passed down through generations.

The Cook Islands Māori language, Te Reo Māori Kūki 'Āirani, is a vital part of the identity of the Cook Islands community. It is a beautiful language, rich with history, stories, and a deep connection to the natural world. Language is the heart of a culture, and by celebrating and using Te Reo Māori Kūki 'Āirani, we help to ensure its survival and growth for future generations.

We encourage everyone to learn a few words or phrases and here are some simple phrases below to get you started:



# Cook Islands Language Week

## Au Tuatua Rā 'Ua Nei *Everyday phrases*

### Common Phrases

Kia orāna	<i>Greetings / Hello</i>
Kia orāna kōtou kâtoatoa	<i>Greetings to you all</i>
'Aere rā / 'Aere atu rā	<i>Goodbye to those who are leaving (only if it applies)</i>
'E no'o rā / No'o ake rā	<i>Goodbye – to those who are staying (only if it applies)</i>
'Inē?	<i>Please</i>
Meitaki	<i>Thank you</i>
Tatarā'ara	<i>Apologies / Sorry</i>
Inā / Inā ake ana	<i>Excuse me</i>
Ko'ai tō'ou ingoa?	<i>What is your name?</i>
Ko _____ tōku ingoa	<i>My name is _____</i>
Nō'ea mai koe?	<i>Where are you from?</i>
'E tangata au nō _____ mai.	<i>I am a person from _____</i>
Nō _____ mai au.	<i>I am from _____</i>
'E 'anga'anga ana koe ki 'ea?	<i>Where do you work?</i>
'E 'anga'anga ana au ki _____	<i>I work at _____</i>
Pē'ea kōrua?	<i>How are you both?</i>
Meitaki ma'ata au	<i>I am very well</i>
Kua kaikai koe? 'Aere mai kaikai	<i>Have you eaten? Come and eat</i>

# MOSA Football Competition

## MOSA Football Interschool Competition

Yesterday 45 of our Year 5 and 6 tamariki participated in the MOSA Interschool Football Competition held at William Green Football Turf. We had 1 girls team and 3 boys teams and they all played fair and supported each other. Additionally they were wonderful representatives of Waterlea and demonstrated our Waterlea MANA values throughout the day. Thanks to our whaanau who came out to Pakuranga to support our footballers and to our coach, Andy Jones. What an amazing result. Both the girls and boys teams are 2025 champions!





## *Football Zones*

We had to be at school by 8:15 and the bus left at 8:30. It took 45 mins to get to Pakuranga, Fencibles football club. In our first three games Waterlea blue drew 2 times and lost one. Waterlea black won all of their games. Waterlea white won 1, lost 1 and drew 1. Waterlea Blue won their semifinals and went through to the finals. Waterlea black won the semifinals and finals. Waterlea blue came 5th out of 15 schools and Waterlea black came 1st out of 15 schools. The Waterlea black and Waterlea girls won both trophies by penalties. Connor scored then Mangere Bridge missed then James scored then they missed and we won.

***BY CONNOR, JAMES, VINCENT, DREW, AIDEN***







## Football Girls!!

**On the 5th of August a group of year six girls went to Fencibles in Pakuranga to play games of football. When we got there, a rush of excitement and nerves went down our spine. Our first game we competed in was against Fairburn, which was a draw. The next game we scored a goal by Emilia! Our next game was against Jean Batten, we scored three goals and Amber, our goalie, made some incredible saves. After all the semi-finals, our defence and the midfielders were awesome! Then before we knew it we had made it into the finals, which was a thriller. Our final game was fast, but ended in a draw so it was all up to the penalties now. Carly, Emilia and Scout got chosen to shoot at the goal. After some great saves from the goalies, Hazel also had to take a shot and we ended up...WINNING first place!!! We came to school with the trophy and a certificate. We want to thank all of our supporters, all of the parents for their help. This was one of the best days ever!**

**By Amber Rm8 & Emilia Rm6**

# Medication at School

Winter has well and truly hit our tamariki hard this year with lots of colds, coughs, flu and covid still around.

If your child is experiencing these symptoms it is always best to have them checked out at the doctor.

If your child is diagnosed with an illness, eg whooping cough, we would appreciate it if you could let the office know so we can alert others.

To keep all our tamariki safe we ask you to send all cold and flu medication to the office. This is so we can monitor use at school and includes medication needed just for the day.

Examples - nasal sprays, cough drops, inhalers, pain relief, antibiotics etc

When these items are kept in a school lunch box, they could accidentally be taken by children who could be allergic.

# Board of Trustees

Below is the election timetable for your kura for the 2025 triennial school board elections

## PARENT & STAFF ELECTION TIMETABLE

CLOSE MAIN ROLL	Wednesday 16 July
CALL FOR NOMINATIONS	Friday 18 July
CLOSE SUPPLEMENTARY ROLL	Monday 4 August
NOMINATIONS CLOSE	12 noon Wednesday 6 August
VOTING PAPERS ISSUED	Wednesday 13 August
ELECTION DAY	<b>Wednesday 10 September</b>
CLOSE POLL	4pm on Wednesday 10 September
COUNT VOTES & DECLARE RESULTS	Tuesday 16 September
BOARD TAKES OFFICE	Wednesday 17 September

Thank you so much to all those who have put their name forward for the upcoming Board of Trustees Election.

Voting papers will come to you in a weeks time for you to vote for the parent candidates standing.

As a community, we are very fortunate to have 15 nominations.



# ATTENDANCE MATTERS

## Attendance

After 4 weeks at school this term, our whole school attendance rate is 86%. Just a reminder about lateness and emailing [principal@waterlea.school.nz](mailto:principal@waterlea.school.nz) if you are going away so these absences can be coded correctly for the Ministry of Education.

### Responding to all absences

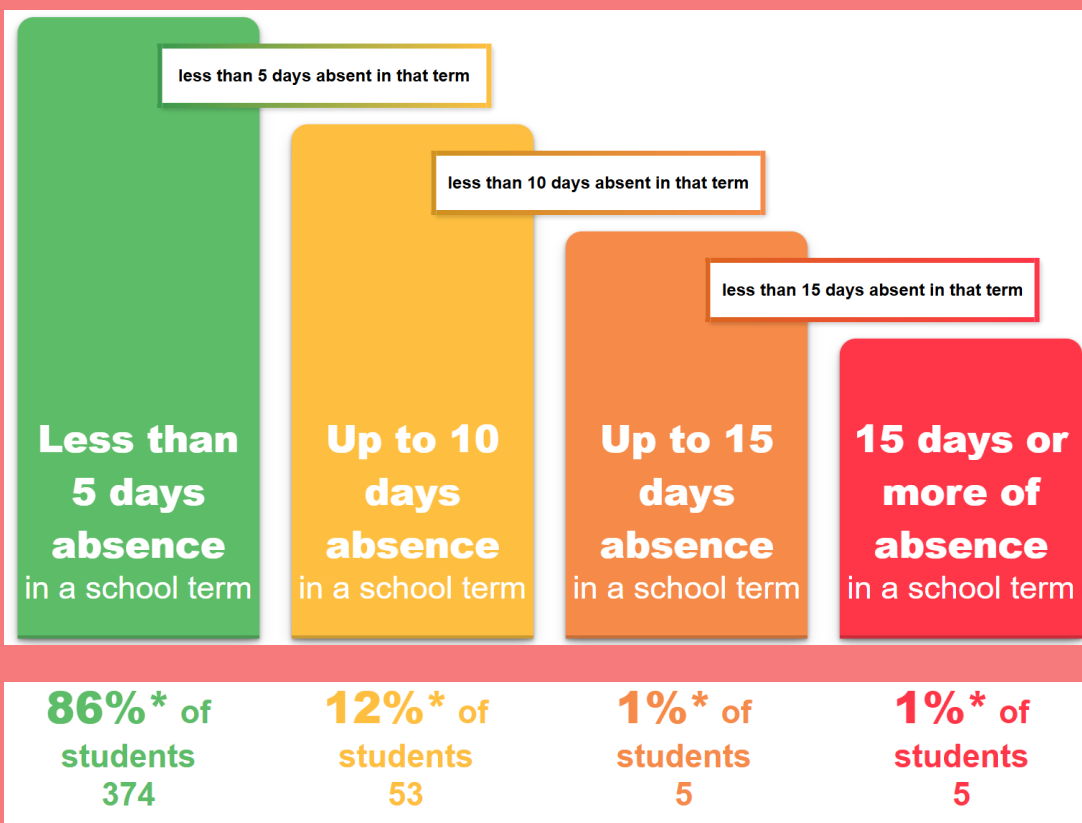
The Government's target is for **80% of students to attend regularly**, that is to attend school more than **90% of the time**.

**GOOD**  
Good chance of success

**WORRYING**  
Less chance of success

**CONCERNING**  
Hard to make progress

**SERIOUS CONCERN**  
Very hard to make progress





## Book Week

In Week 5, Waterlea will be holding Book Week, where we celebrate the joy of reading across the school. There will be chapters and chapters of fun to be had!

Amongst all of the learning opportunities that will be going on, both in class and in the library, there will be a few special events. Years 2, 3 and 4 will be taking a walking trip to the Mangere Bridge Library over the next 2 weeks, Year 5 and 6 are organising a Book Swap event, and everyone will get to celebrate in style on Friday when our Non-uniform day has a book character theme.

If you would like to send in a book for the book swap table, here are some guidelines:

Only donate books that you are ready to release into the wild! No special treasures please!

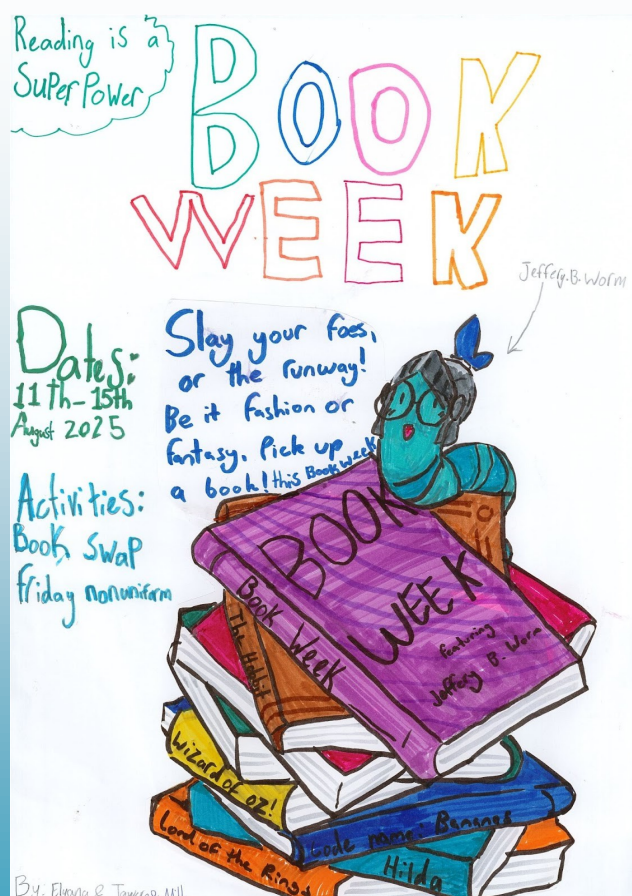
Just bring 1 or 2 books.

Only children's books that are age appropriate please.

If you bring, you don't have to take and if you take, you don't have to bring!

The first swap time will be Morning Tea on Monday 11th August. Books delivered to Room 6 please.

Here are some examples of the fabulous posters that Senior Students have made to display around school.



★ This Week We are having... ★

# Book Week!

Date: 11-15 August 2025!!

Book Week! Book Week!



Book Week! Book Week!

• Fun activities!

• Book Swapping!

Made By: And Kiara

Gabi, Ono, Gracie, Chey! ★

# BOOK WEEK

11-15 August



• Book Week will be Week 5 11-15 August  
• There will be a book swap table run by the Seniors.

Friday 11th August

• It will be casual clothes day but we will encourage you to dress up as a book character.

# BOOK WEEK!

11 of August Week 5  
It will be casual clothes day but we will encourage you to dress up as a book character

August 11th Date: August 15th  
Don't miss out!



Who's your favourite book character?

Don't like any books?  
Do a book swap! Trade in your own books for some new ones!

So many fun secret activities! So keep an eye out!



# CASUAL CLOTHES DAY!

WITH OPTIONAL DRESS UP FOR BOOK WEEK

FRIDAY 15TH AUGUST



WANT TO BE A DINOSAUR FOR THE DAY, DUST OFF YOUR SUPERHERO CAPE OR DAZZLE LIKE ROYALTY?

MARK FRIDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST IN THE CALENDAR AS WE'RE SWAPPING OUT UNIFORM FOR SOME FUN!

YOUR CHILD HAS THE OPTION TO COME DRESSED AS THEIR FAVOURITE CHARACTER FOR BOOK WEEK OR WEAR THEIR OWN CASUAL CLOTHES FOR THE DAY. YOU GUYS CHOOSE!

PLEASE BRING A GOLD COIN DONATION IF YOU CAN, WITH PROCEEDS SUPPORTING PTA.



### 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, please contact us to arrange a visit!

- Add a comment
- Draw freehand
- Crop pages



**Come learn with us!**

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**Māngere Bridge Kindergarten**





TE ITI KAHURANGI  
KAHUI AKO  
***PRESENTS...***





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*Come and be part of something inspiring!*



*"Share joy"*

TUES @ 4PM  
TE PAPAPA PRIMARY SCHOOL  
MEET @ STAFF RM

ALL WELCOME!!

EMAIL [LALAGATIK@GMAIL.COM](mailto:LALAGATIK@GMAIL.COM) FOR MORE INFO  
OR TXT 02108853324





MANGERE COMMUNITY CONNECT MANGERE MAANAKI COMMUNITYCONNECT

22nd July - 26th August  
EVERY TUESDAYS

Moana-Nui-a-Kiwa Pool & Leisure Centre  
66R Mascot Avenue, Māngere, Auckland 2022  
3pm-6.30pm

**VOLLEYBALL ACTIVATION**  
come through and join us for our 6 week activation of volleyball

Free food, Prizes and vibeess

All Ages  
Beginner | Intermediate | Advanced

EMAIL-ADMINMANGERE COMMUNITY @CONNECT.NZ  
PHONE - 0220213049

SCAN ME

Māngere Town Centre, HANGERE, CLM, Papatūmaka, IPR, Māngere Ōpāhuhu Local Board, Auckland Council

### Royal Oak Intermediate Open Days

On these days, Year 6 taura and whānau/parents are welcome to visit Royal Oak Intermediate School. Parents will be welcomed by prefects who will then give whānau and taura a guided tour of our kura. A booking sheet will be available on our website.

**DATE:** 30 July 2025; 13 August 2025; 20 August 2025

**VENUE:** Royal Oak Intermediate School

**TIME:** 9:00am – 10:00am





## 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 received by us by Tuesday 24 September.**

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



Onehunga Mangere United Softball Club is running a FREE Softball Skills Clinic every Sunday in August (3, 10, 17, 24 and 31 August) 11am to 1pm at Norana Softball Park, Fayona. This clinic is supported by Tu Manawa, CLM Community Sport and AKTIVE and is a fantastic opportunity for our tamariki to participate in activity, meet others and learn/develop some softball skills. We have expert softball coaches leading the clinic and all are welcome from beginners to more experienced players (Years 5-9).

Register now at: <https://forms.gle/ohq3YgfcUrCNhEmj9>

or using the QR code:



Calling all 9 - 13 yr olds

## Softball Skills FREE CLINIC

Every Sunday in August  
11am - 1pm

NORANA SOFTBALL PARK

SAVE THE DATES  
August 3, 10, 17, 24, 31



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