

# WATERLEA WEEKLY



**Great Learning Happens at Waterlea by Connecting with  
our Community, Culture, World and Future**

**7 March 2018**

## Calendar

### March:

9th PTA Sausage Sizzle  
9th Happy Hour  
12th Ambury Farm Trip Rm 13 & 14  
13th Ambury Farm Trip Rm 22, 12, 20 & 1  
14th Ambury Farm Trip Rm 19, 18, 4 & 21  
14th Interschool Softball Competition  
14th Maori Whaanau Hui  
16h Ambury Farm Trip Rain Date  
15th Maths Information Evening 6pm-7pm  
21st Year 1 Afternoon Tea 3pm  
23rd **Waterlea Summer Festival 4.30-7.30pm**  
26th Board Meeting 7-9.30pm  
28th Counties Manukau Bikes Rm 10  
30th Good Friday—school closed

### April:

2nd Easter Monday—school closed  
3rd Easter Tuesday—school closed  
6th PTA Mufti Day  
10th Interschool Swimming Competition  
13th Last Day of Term 1  
30th First Day of Term 2  
30th Powhiri for new Principal 9.30-10.30am

### May:

4th Whakatau/Waterlea Welcome 9.15-10.15am  
7th-13th Road Safety Week  
26th PTA Quiz Night  
21st Senior Wero Whitewater Trip  
22nd Senior Wero Whitewater Trip  
25th Senior Wero Whitewater Trip

**Hello, Kia Ora, Kia Orana, Talofa Lava, Taloha Ni, Malo e Bula, Lelei, Deea awit, Fakalofa, Lahi Atu, Ni Hau, Namaste, Vinaka, Dia daoibh, Huan Ying, Hola, Sagutom, Konichiwa, Guten Tag**

Today Rooms 10 and 11 enjoyed a visit to the Farm to hear about native plants. We do appreciate the juggle of time and commitments it is for you so that you are able to join us on events such as these -thank you.

Next week Years 1-3 are off to Ambury Farm to spread mulch around the trees that they planted last year. It is great that classes are teamed up so that they can help each other. A separate notice has been sent out for this.

Next Monday I am in Wellington to represent our Maungakiekie Principals' Cluster at the NZ Principals Federation moot. There will be much to debate and consider due to the new government and direction in education. For example, National Standards are no longer in use.

We welcome back our University of Auckland teacher trainees - they will return each Tuesday until the end of the term.

We wish family members well who may be taking part in the Polyfest event this coming week - for those attending please read the health warning from the Ministry of Education later in this newsletter.

### Softball Competition

Our boys and girls teams are competing next Wednesday 14th at the Interschool Softball Competition at Otahuhu College. Parents and whanau are welcome to come and support the team. Thanks to Hannah Armstrong and Tulsie Ram for preparing the teams - we wish the teams all the best for their games.

### Happy Hour

This week those children who have managed to follow the Waterlea Way will enjoy fun with their friends at our first Happy Hour. Happy Hour is a fun filled time that is held about every 5 weeks as a celebration for those who manage themselves well within the Waterlea Way. From time to time a few children need support with this and where needed, families are involved so that we can all work together, allowing children to enjoy the experience of Happy Hour.

### Teacher Union Meetings

Next week the first group of our teachers will attend their union meeting in the afternoon of the 13th March. Your child's class may be teamed up with another for the last hour to allow the teachers to attend.

### Waterlea Choir Performance

Once again our Waterlea Choir made us proud on the stage at the Onehunga Festival on Saturday. They all looked amazing and made a big sound to go with the beautiful smiles! Thank you to all our whanau for supporting our students to participate in community events such as these. Looking forward now to our own festival! Helen Wedde and Raewyn Leong



### Name Gear

As you can imagine 408 hats and fleeces could easily be mixed up if there are no names on them. We do appreciate it when you name your child's gear as it is easy to return it - so thanks for that. If the children are bringing anything to school like their backpacks, lunch boxes, bikes and scooters we ask that these are named too please - big and bold is best! Sadly last week a blue skateboard went missing after school - maybe it was taken by mistake so if anyone has seen it or knows about it please let the office know - thanks.

### Panui

This Saturday the 10th March from 10.00a.m - 12.30pm Whaea Angelique and I will be fixing poi and mending our kapahaka uniforms in Room 14. If that is something you think you could help with we would appreciate your support. If you have a sewing machine please bring it as many uniforms are held together with pins.

Also the kapahaka group are in desperate need of black shorts for the boys for their performance on the 23 March. If your child has grown out of a pair we would appreciate you giving them to us. Could you hand them to me in Room 14. Thank you for your support whaanau. Whaea Aroha

### Maori Whaanau Hui

Naumai. Haere mai. On the 14th March we invite you to join us for a shared dinner in the staffroom from 6pm - 6.30pm. After dinner our tamariki will watch a movie while we discuss what we are doing in school in terms of all things Maori. We would welcome any ideas you may have that would support and strengthen Te Reo Maori and our tiikanga in our Kura. We look forward to sharing this time with you whaanau. Te Roopu Maori o Waterlea Kura.

### Ministry Of Health Notice for those attending Polyfest

- With a large number of students attending Polyfest, there is an increased risk of students catching infections like mumps, measles or whooping cough, through coughs, sneezing and sharing spit.
- Ask your parents if you are up to date with your vaccinations, your doctor or medical centre should have your records. Catch up with your vaccinations at your medical centre – they are free.
- Do not share water bottles or food.
- Wash hands before eating and after using the toilet.
- Cover your coughs and sneezes.
- If you develop fever, headache, swelling in the face, cheeks, or jaw, or cough - do not attend the event and see your family doctor.

### PTA SAUSAGE SIZZLE THIS FRIDAY!

It's sausage time again! Save on making lunch and give the kids a treat. \$2 per sausage.

**PRE-ORDERS ONLY - PAYMENT ON THURSDAY PLEASE (Tomorrow!)**

Note child's name, room number and number of sausages on an envelope, enclose payment and hand to your teacher.



### School Donations

Just a heads up that donation statements will be coming out next week. This is a voluntary donation. These will be emailed in the first instance and those that don't have email addresses in our system will have their statement sent home with their child. Please make sure your email address is up to date with us.

Receipts are also being emailed or handed out at the moment.

A big thank you to all the families that support the school by paying their donation—this helps with our curriculum and resource costs. Don't forget there is a \$20 discount if you pay by 31 March and you are able to claim back a third of what you pay through the IRD as it is a donation. Just retain your receipt and download the rebate form from the IRD website.

### PTA News

#### WATERLEA SUMMER FESTIVAL: SIXTEEN DAYS TO GO!

Please start rounding up your friends and family; it's going to be such a fun night for all ages.

Please help us by:

1. Returning your letter letting us know what time you can help out on a stall, by this Friday. Spare letters are at the office if you don't have one.
2. Selling all your raffle tickets and requesting more books if you can sell more. Cash, ticket stubs and any unsold tickets are due back on Tuesday 13 March. Get selling!
3. Start thinking about what cake or slice you'll bake for our bake sale. You'll receive a letter and baking box to fill next week
4. Let us know if you can provide a gazebo, chilli bin or small prizes. Email [waterleapta@gmail.com](mailto:waterleapta@gmail.com)



### Room 18 Writes about Seaweed

I think we should keep our rubbish to ourselves and keep our sea clean too. *By Daley*

I think we should look after the sea so we can keep making sandcastles. *By Clementine*

I think we should look after the sea so we can have fun playing in the water. *By Ferne*

I think we should look after the sea so we can jump over the waves. *By Annalise*

I think we should look after the sea by not littering. *By Sarah*





**WATERLEA**  
**SUMMER**  
**festival**  
2018



**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March**

**GOLD COIN ENTRY 4:30 - 7:30pm**

**Waterlea School, 17 House Ave, Mangere Bridge**

**Music, Yummy Food, Games, Bouncy Castles**





## Māngere DAVID LANGE PARK 14 - 25 March

ZIRKA CIRCUS, the best known circus in NZ, is coming to Māngere with our NEW TOUR - SEND IN THE CLOWNS! Watch as 20 Award Winning International Artists astound you! Including the UNBELIEVABLE "Russian Swing". Acts of pure exhilaration, glimpses of madness, gasps of enthrallment, squeals of delight... Zirka Circus guarantees you a whole new circus experience!

WED 14 Mar	THURS 15 Mar	FRI 16 Mar	SAT 17 Mar	SUN 18 Mar
7 pm	7 pm	7 pm	2 pm 7 pm	1 pm 4.30pm
21 Mar	22 Mar	23 Mar	24 Mar	25 Mar
7 pm	7 pm	7 pm	2 pm 7 pm	1 pm 4.30 pm

**\*BOOK NOW! 0800 2 Zirka (0800 2 94752)**  
**www.ZirkaCircus.com**

Ticket Prices	VIP	RINGSIDE	ELEVATED DELUXE	ELEVATED SIDEVIEW*
Adult	\$50	\$40	\$35	\$29
Child**	\$35	\$30	\$25	\$19
Concession^	\$48	\$38	\$33	\$27
Family Pass <small>(1 Adult + 2 Child OR 1 Adult + 3 Children)</small>	N/A	N/A	\$110	\$86

\*Sideview: Limited seats subject to availability.

\*\*Children aged 2-14 to be accompanied by an adult.

^ Seniors, Beneficiaries and Full time student, ID required.

\*\*\* Does not apply for Family Pass or Concessions. Each flyer valid for discount on 1 ticket only. No changes or refunds once tickets are allocated. Booking Fees Apply.

**\$2 discount\*\*\***  
on presentation of this flyer

MANGERE BRIDGE  
BUSINESS ASSOCIATION  
PRESENTS ...

# Harcourts Family Music Fest

**8 APRIL**  
10AM-4PM

Coronation Road  
in the village

- ★ Classic car display
- ★ Rides & fun for kids
- ★ Magician
- + loads more entertainment!
- & Free event rides & fun
- ♪ Two stages - All-day music

