# WATERLEA WEEKLY



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

# 24 July 2019

#### Calendar

#### July:

26th Waterlea Welcome Assembly 9.15am 29th Board of Trustees Meeting 7pm

### August:

4th—10th Cook Is Language Week 6th Interschool Football Competition 8th Interschool Football Rain Date 8th Onehunga High School Dance Performance

26th New Entrant Cohort Starting
26th Board of Trustees Meeting 7pm
28th Senior School Production Matinee 10.30-12.30
28th Senior School Production 6.30-8.30pm
29th Interschool Rugby Competition
29th Senior School Production 6.30-8.30pm
30th PTA Sausage Sizzle

#### September:

1st—7th Tongan Language Week 5th Interschool Rugby Rain Date 8th—14th Maori Language Week 12th Student Led Conferences 22nd—28th Chinese Language Week 27th End of Term 3

#### **2020 Dates**

Term 1—Monday 3 February to Thursday 9 April

Term 2—Tuesday 28 April to Friday 3 July

Term 3—Monday 20 July to Friday 25 September

Term— 4 Monday 12 October to Monday 14 December

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Hello, Kia Ora, Kia Orana, Talofa Lava, Taloha Ni, Bula, Malo e Lelei, Deea awit, Fakalofa, Lahi Atu, Ni Hau, Namaste, Vinaka, Dia daoibh

Welcome back to school and to Term 3. In particular we welcome our newest group of students who had their first day at school in Room 22 on Monday. Please join us on Friday at 9.15am in the David Lange Hall for our Waterlea Welcome where we welcome our new students and their whanau in a more formal way.

If you are new to Waterlea you might be interested to know that we now have four Walking School Buses that travel to and from Waterlea School. Each bus is run and accompanied by parent volunteers and children are collected from stops along a planned route to school. Walking on the buses is a safe and social way for children to get to and from school: the children can spend time with friends, they get the benefit of being active, and they have bus tickets which get clicked to earn them certificates and special bag tags. Other benefits include reduced traffic congestion around the school gates and a more connected community. The map below shows the four routes. If you live further away, you can drive to a Walking School Bus and join in. Or if you live along a route just join in as we walk past!

Wallace route: Meet at the corner of Wallace Rd and McIntyre Rd from Tuesday to Friday at 8.15am. Meet from school from Tuesday to Friday at 3pm. Contact: Rachel Davies racheldavies1102@gmail.com to join.

Ashcroft route: Meet at the corner of Ashcroft Ave and Feltwell from Tuesday to Friday at 8.20am. Contact: Gee Taylor gee.brookes@gmail.com to join.

Muir route: Meet outside 51a Muir Ave every Monday and Friday at 8.30am. Meet from school Monday and Friday at 3pm. Contact: Jess Goodall jess@troygoodall.com to join.

Maunga Route: Meet outside 15 Steen Place from Wednesday to Friday at 8.10am. Contact: Loren Hockly lorenhockly@gmail.com or Abby Spence abbyjts@gmail.com to join.

#### Staff news

In the holidays Hannah Armstrong gave birth to a healthy baby boy. His name is Manny and his birth weight was 3.79kg. We extend our congratulations to Hannah and Nik

We have employed a new teacher Naoki Yajima to open our new Year 0 class halfway through this term. Naoki has been teaching at Tadpoles ECE and we are very happy that he is joining the Waterlea team.

Hamish Bennett's feature film 'Bellbird' opened at the NZ International Film Festival in the weekend and many of our staff went along to the Civic Theatre to support Hamish. By all

accounts it was an amazing evening and we extend our congratulations to Hamish and his whanau for this wonderful achievement.

#### Values Survey

Thanks to all of you who engaged in the survey both Right: Mason and online and during SLC where we asked the question Kevan with their What are some of the most important values/qualities Toitoi magazine Waterlea students should leave Year 6 with?' The team has collated the information received from whanau, staff and students and have come up with 4 draft values encompassing your feedback. These will be shared with you in the coming weeks.

#### Airplane Captain Visit

On the last week of Term 2, Captain Daniel Gola (parent of the Waterlea Community) visited Room 5 and shared his experience about what it is like to be a pilot flying one the biggest commercial airplanes.

Ardrianna put it best when she wrote Captain Daniel Gola a thank you note the day after.

"Captain Gola, we have all really enjoyed getting to know what being a pilot is like and some of the stuff you have experienced like the kangaroo accident (which was extremely funny). I liked St Elmo's fire because it was beautiful. Now I really want to be a pilot because I have always enjoyed the things like aviation, engineering, building and computer technology. The story about how you became a pilot was interesting because you had to learn many things aside from aviation to get into piloting (or being a pilot as you call it) the best part was learning why it is important to keep learning and push on with your dreams. We all thank you for teaching us about planes and the funny moments of your job."



# Room 7 Superstar Author and Illustrator!

Last term we mentioned that we had some published authors and illustrators amongst our senior school students. Mason (author) and Kevan (illustrator) from Room 7 have made it into the publication "Toitoi" with the story entitled My Most Exciting Life Experiences (So Far). We have 10 copies of Toitoi in the school library so drop in if you're passing if you would like to take a peek.



# Outside providers offering activities at Waterlea:

Gym Club—Mondays at 3.15pm starting 29 July

Gym Club offers gymnastics lessons in the school hall every Monday. For more information and to register go to www.gymclub.co.nz

#### Playball—Wednesdays

Playball offers a specialised series of age specific classes that teach sport and life skills for 5 to 8 year olds here at Waterlea on Wednesdays 3pmwww.playball.co.nz for more 4pm. Contact information.

Shine School of Confidence (Speech and Drama) -Thursday lunchtime and after school

> A specialist, high-quality, fun speech & drama programme designed to build spoken excellence and self-belief in primary school children.

> To enrol: www.shine.school.nz/enrol-waterlea Lessons include vocal skills, public speaking, poetry & prose reading, body language, acting skills and creative movement.

# **Community News**

#### YMCA Mangere Bridge Fun Run

With only 8 weeks to go, it's time to get registering and start training for this years' YMCA Mangere Bridge Fun Run/Walk/Stroll/Stride on Sunday 22 September. Amazing spot prizes up for grabs and a FREE sausage sizzle at the end for all participants. It really is a great event for the whole family.

# What Now in Mangere!

Children's TV programme 'What Now' (8-10am Sunday on TVNZ 2) is broadcasting from around the country, showcasing different community а week. On Sunday 11 August the show will be coming live from Mangere. Families (including adults) are all invited to come and experience live TV being made while being part of our awesome audience...& it's FREE!! As space is limited, we work on a 'first in best dressed' approach. Please register online to be part audience www.whatnow.tv/bonus/audience

#### **Important Notice About the Waterlea Newsletter**

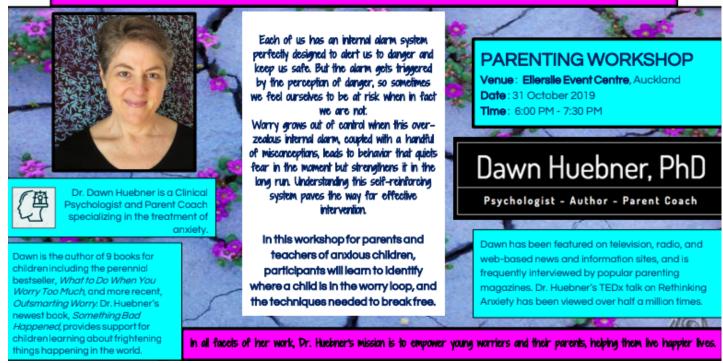
Last term you would have noticed that we started emailing the Waterlea Weekly to all our families. We appreciate the positive response we've had to this move and as we are always looking at ways of being a more environmentally sustainable and efficient school we have decided to make the Waterlea Weekly an electronic newsletter. This means we will no longer be sending home a paper copy with each eldest and only child every Wednesday.

We appreciate that some people might prefer a paper copy and there may be a few of you who have limited access to the internet. If you would like to continue to receive a paper copy or need to change or add an email address please let us know at reception@waterlea.school.nz or pop in to the office. We will also keep some copies in the office for you to view or take home. This change will be taking effect in Week 4, 14 August.



# Dr Dawn Huebner: The Nuts and Bolts of Outsmarting Worry





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