

# WATERLEA WEEKLY



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

**20 November 2019**

## Calendar

### November:

21st Auckland Museum Trip Rm 11, 15  
21st Royal Oak Intermediate Orientation  
for next year's Year 7 students  
22nd Interschool Athletics  
25th Board of Trustees Meeting 7pm  
26th Interschool Athletics Rain Date  
29th MB Library Trip Rm 15 11am-1pm

### December:

2nd MB Library Trip Rm 14 11am-1pm  
3rd MB Library Trip Rm 10 11am-1pm  
4th MB Library Trip Rm 13 11am-1pm  
5th MB Library Trip Rm 11 11am-1pm  
5th Choir at Mangere Bridge Santa  
Parade 4.30pm  
6th MB Library Trip Rm 12 11am-1pm  
6th PTA Mufti Day  
6th Year 6 Rainbows End Trip  
10th Year 6 Graduation 11am  
11th Year 6 Dine and Dance 5.45pm  
12th Year 1 & 2 Athletics 9-11.30am  
12th Choir 'Carols by Glowlight' 7.15pm  
13th Last day of EZ Lunch Orders  
16th Year 1 & 2 Concert  
16th Board of Trustees Meeting 7pm  
17th "Meet Your Teacher for 2020"  
Morning 9.30am  
18th Last day of school (full day)

### February 2020:

3rd Wananga Day (Short meeting with  
child's teacher)  
3rd First day of EZ Lunch orders  
4th First full day of school

### 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

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

Welcome back to Whaea Aroha who has opened the class with our newest cohort of 5 year olds this week. This group of children have the rest of the term to settle into their school routines and then come back at the beginning of the year ready to go again.

Later this week we are holding the first of our final transition to school visits for tamariki and their whanau who are starting school at the beginning of 2020. Waterlea has actively sought our whanau feedback regarding transition to school and our processes are changing as we respond to your suggestions. One such change is that we are now holding some specific parent information sessions as part of these transition visits so whanau have the information they need before their children start school. We will trial these sessions at these next transition visits and get some feedback as to their effectiveness, make necessary changes and then roll them out next year. Feedback from our Year 1 parent survey also suggested that the vast majority of you are in favour of the shift towards Student Led Discovery - a more play based approach to learning in Year 1, and would like further information regarding this shift. We are giving parents a variety of opportunities to access information through newsletters this year and parent information sessions next year. In our weekly newsletter we will feature a link to an article or video (check this out below). The parent information sessions will further unpack what Year 1 learning and progress in literacy and numeracy will look like within Student Led Discovery. Additionally, we will plan some whanau days whereby parents can come and see the learning in action and chat with teachers. We'd like to thank our families who have taken the time to give us feedback- we really value your thoughts and suggestions. The link will be open until the end of the week so if you haven't completed the survey there is still time: <https://forms.gle/6eWydKU86LG8HjQo7>

Year 1 Student Led Discovery  
Waterlea's shift to a more play based approach to early learning is called Student Led Discovery. We will feature some articles and videos regarding

this approach in the coming newsletters. The first link we are sharing is from the Ministry of Education site—check it out and come and chat to us about your thoughts and questions. We will refer to these links posted at our follow up parent information sessions at the transition visits and at the beginning of the year.

<https://nzcurriculum.tki.org.nz/Curriculum-resources/NZC-Online-blog/Learning-through-play-What-s-it-all-about>

### Planning for 2020

If your child will be leaving Waterlea and going to a new school next year, please get in touch with the office and let them know. Staff are finalising classes for 2020 so this info would be a really helpful.

### PhotoLife Key Codes (Class Photos)

Last week every child received a slip which has their online ordering photo access key printed on it. Photos can only be ordered directly from PhotoLife and you need the key code to access, view and order the photos. We advise you order as soon as possible as the **free delivery period expires at midnight on Sunday 1 December 2019.**

If you have any queries about ordering, please contact PhotoLife directly on 0800 501040 or 09 262 1040.

### Plans for the Start of School 2020

We will be starting the 2020 school year in the same way as we always do with our Waterlea Wānanga (Monday 3 February). If you are new to Waterlea, this is when we make time for your child's teacher to meet with you and your child in a personal 15 minute interview. We believe our wānanga is a great opportunity to start building positive relationships between the teacher and whanau

so that learning gets away to a great start. SKIDs will be open that day for childcare.

On Tuesday 4 February all children will be at school starting at our usual time of 8.50am for their first full day of school.

### Small Boxes Needed Please!

The Year 1s have asked for any spare small boxes from home such as small food or toiletry boxes which they can use for their creations in makerspace. Feel free to drop them at the junior block or the office.

### Sustainable Coastlines Mobile Phone Collection

It would be great if you could have one final rummage before the end of term for any unwanted mobile phones you may have at home. It is estimated that each year up to three million phones become obsolete in NZ, of those only 2% are recycled.

Phones collected help our School gain valuable rewards and the environment benefits as well, keeping our landfills free of mobile phones and their array of hazardous toxic substances.

Please drop any unwanted mobile phones you may have collected in the collection box in the office.

### PTA News

#### Waterlea Tea Towels

Our tea towels are ready to order, in plenty of time for Christmas! You have the choice of the new Waterlea 65th anniversary commemorative option, which includes native birds drawn by our students, or the 'Local places' tea towel we designed last year. There are spare forms at the office.

## Catch up on measles vaccination

The measles outbreak is continuing, so it's still important to catch up on your children's vaccinations.

Children will get very sick with measles.

They also can miss school activities like sports, concerts and camps.

The friends of a child with measles may also have to stay at home if they are unvaccinated.

**See your doctor - it's FREE.**

Do it now, so measles doesn't interfere with end-of-year activities and get-togethers.

**If you suspect measles please stay at home and call your doctor or Healthline (0800 611 116) for advice.**

**Measles info at: [aphs.health.nz/measles](http://aphs.health.nz/measles)**





**Mangere Bridge**  
Kindergarten



ENROL NOW

**Mangere Bridge Kindergarten boasts an amazing outdoor environment for your child to run, explore, discover and learn. Now's your opportunity to enrol your child if they're between 2 and 5 years old. Meet our team today to find out more!**

We provide:

- 20 Hours FREE ECE per week\*
- Supportive and passionate qualified teaching team
- An excellent learning journey programme including transition to school
- Winner of the 2015 The Prime Minister's Education Excellence Awards

Come along and see us in action! Contact us today.

\*Terms and conditions apply.

### **Mangere Bridge Kindergarten**

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[www.aka.org.nz](http://www.aka.org.nz)



## Past Present Future Dare to Explore 2019-2020 at Auckland Libraries



Sign your children up for the penultimate Auckland Libraries Dare to Explore summer reading adventure! We will be looking at the Past Present and Future with some exciting fun activities all for **FREE**. Registrations open on 18 November with the adventure starting on 9 December.

It is a great way to maintain your children's reading levels over the long summer holiday. And it is all totally **FREE!**

We look forward to seeing you at one of our libraries soon.



## Christmas Adventure Holiday Programme



Come and join us for a Christmas Adventure.

Where children, snowmen, cheeky elves and artistic gnomes come alive, talk, dance and act out stories.

Our Shining cast will create an extravaganza from the ground up, experiencing creation, rehearsals and culminating in a live performance in front of family and friends.

**WHERE:** M & R Learning Centre

**ADDRESS:** 114 Lunn Avenue, Remuera (entrance off Abbotts Way)

**WHEN:** Monday 16th to Wednesday 18th December (join us for 1, 2 or 3 days)

**WHO:** Years 1 - 8

**TIME:** 9.00am - 3.00pm daily

**COST:** \$95.00 per day (\$270.00 for 3 days)

**ENROL:** <http://www.shine.school.nz/enrol-in-christmas-adventure-holiday-programme>

**PS - Keep your eyes out for our January Holiday programme -  
Wednesday 15 - Friday 18 January 2020**

**Enrol:** <http://www.shine.school.nz/enrol-in-january-holiday-programme>

Keep Shining!  
Nina & the Shine Team



The 2019 Onehunga

# Christmas Parade

11:00 am – 1:00 pm

**SAT 23RD**

**NOVEMBER**

## POST-PARADE ACTIVITIES

YMCA JORDAN  
REC CENTRE  
12:30 pm – 3:00 pm



MATTY MCLEAN  
MC

ONEHUNGA MALL

BETWEEN ARTHUR &  
PRINCES STREETS



**FREE  
FAMILY FUN!**

FACE PAINTING • BALLOON ART  
• MEET SANTA •



## Come & celebrate the start of the festive season

*Walk, cycle or ride the bus to the parade  
See website for bike parking locations*

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[onehunga.net.nz/christmas](http://onehunga.net.nz/christmas) [facebook.com/onehunga](https://facebook.com/onehunga) [www.instagram.com/onehunga\\_](https://www.instagram.com/onehunga_/)

**MANGERE BRIDGE**  
**THE VILLAGE**  
 MANUKAU HARBOUR  
 KIWI ESPLANADE  
 MANGERE MOUNTAIN  
**AMBURY FARM**  
 WATERLEA PARK  
**WALLACE ROAD**  
 PUKETUTU ISLAND  
**THE BRIDGE**  
**CORONATION RD**  
 SWANSON PARK

## Waterlea School PTA TEA TOWEL FUNDRAISER



Thank you for ordering our Tea Towels :)

Profits will go towards a new  
**JUNIOR PLAYGROUND**



**NATIVE BIRDS OF NEW ZEALAND**  
WATERLEA SCHOOL CELEBRATING 65 YEARS IN 2019

By purchasing you are not only receiving a great keepsake or gift, you are also helping achieve our fundraising goal, which would not be possible without your support. A great idea for Christmas too! :)

Please advise chosen payment with your order by circling either 'Cash' or 'Online' on your order form.

Internet Bank details... Waterlea PTA, ASB Bank: 12-3054-0188049-00  
 With Reference as follows: Name - TeaTowel & Qty (ie, N Bird x 2, MB x 2)

If you have any questions you can contact by email [waterleapta@gmail.com](mailto:waterleapta@gmail.com) or facebook Waterlea PTA.

### TEA TOWEL ORDER FORM

Purchaser Name & Ph: \_\_\_\_\_

Waterlea Student. Name & Rm: \_\_\_\_\_

OPTIONS: Collect from WATERLEA School or Deliver to my HOME address (if very local)

Tea Towel Design	Price (each)	Qty	Total
NATIVE BIRD x 1	\$15	1	\$.....
MB LOCALS x 1	\$15	1	\$.....
Additional NATIVE BIRD	\$10	.....	\$.....
Additional MB LOCALS	\$10	.....	\$.....
<b>Circle Payment method</b>	<b>Cash / Online</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$.....</b>

Please include payment with your order: Cash or Online payments to Waterlea School PTA.

Online: Internet Bank details... Waterlea PTA, ASB Bank: 12-3054-0188049-00  
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Delivery address: \_\_\_\_\_