



# 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 December 2022

## School finishes this Tuesday 13 Dec at 1pm

7 December - Year 6 Dine and Dance 5.30-7.30pm

8 December - End of Year Assembly 2-3pm

9 December - 2023 New Entrant Visit

9 December - Year 6 Pool Party

12 December - Meet Your Teacher 2023

12 December - Board Hui 6pm

13 December - **Term 4 Finishes (1pm finish)**

1 February - Wānanga Day (Meet the Teacher in a 15 min hui)

2 February - First full day of school for 2023

2 February - Powhiri 9.15am

As this is our last newsletter for 2022 we would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for the wonderful support you have given our staff and tamariki this year. It was lovely to see so many of you at the PTA disco last Friday and congratulations to the PTA team for their amazing organisation of such a successful community event. Well done Room 20 who had the most pre-sales of disco tickets and as a result had a special visit from the police and their dogs. What a wonderful demonstration of skill and training! Thank you to all who attended our Year 6 Graduation Assembly yesterday- it was a fabulous celebration of our tamariki's achievements over their past six years of primary school. There is another opportunity for celebration tomorrow at 2pm in the David Lange Hall where we farewell some staff at our leaving assembly. Also you might like to drop in today at 2pm for our Year 1 Waiata Wednesday Christmas performance. On another note, look out for your child's end of year School

Report which comes home today and you can request a digital copy from the classroom teacher. On behalf of the team here at Waterlea we would like to wish you a very happy, safe festive time with your friends and whānau and a restful holiday.



**Left: Year 6 Graduation**

## Room 8 Project

Room 8 were involved in a Tuwhiri in Schools augmented reality (AR) project. One of the many things we did during our weekly sessions with Ben from ARA Journeys, was to make our own board games. Our group made a snakes and ladders game. Instead of having snakes, there were punishment squares like go back 6 spaces. There were also reward squares like go forward 7 spaces.

We made our own characters for the game. I made an Xbox controller, while other people in my group made a bed, dog and a cat. We made our own dice with five sides instead of six sides.

We also made assets for a game we are releasing and I drew the taniwha for the game, based on the local taniwha Kaiwhare. When I heard the project included art, I got super excited because you could make your own fish/amphibian/creature. So I made my own fish called the hawk eel which eventually became the Taniwha of the AR. When Ben saw it he liked it so much it became the Taniwha so I drew a different pose and that was the base for the taniwha. Class members each had one part of the taniwha to colour in and then it was done on the AR. We had a showcase on Monday and we got to see the AR live for the first time. It looked absolutely amazing. Parents came along too, so they could see the hard work we had put into the project.

By Hayden Waters and Leslee Pennell-Tupou



## Staff News

Congratulations to Zoe Samson, Anna de Heer and Christina Browne who have become fully registered teachers. These three women joined the Waterlea team two years ago having graduated from University and have had the support and guidance of their mentor teachers Emma Dutton, Helen Wedde and Megan Lundberg.

## Board of Trustees End of Year Message

Please click [here](#) to hear an update from our Corinne Cameron, our Board of Trustees' Chairperson.

## PTA End of Year Message

Well Waterlea Whānau, what a blast this year has been. We've been so excited to have delivered nearly 2,000 sausages to hungry tummies, seen some awesome and very creative hair styles and, best yet, we had a Waterlea School Disco to send 2022 off in an extremely vibrant way.

We want to thank all the parents and caregivers of our tamariki for your endless support and enthusiasm with our fundraising efforts for our kura.

To our sponsors throughout the year, you've been incredible and we hope our Waterlea Whānau are continuing to support you like you have done with us.

To the Waterlea kaiako, admin and leadership team - thank you for helping us deliver messages, serve



sausages, fence off areas last minute and collect donations for us. You're all amazingly wonderful people.

Bringing it back to the core reason for the PTA to exist; we announced at the beginning of Term 4 that we had a goal of raising \$50,000 for assisting Waterlea School in funding the project to ensure the David Lange Hall remains watertight. With everyone's collective efforts this term, we have managed to raise \$10,000! We're absolutely blown away by this figure - particularly the school disco bringing in just over \$7,000.

Our highlight of this year has to be the School Disco - this year it was absolutely incredible and your support really took us all by surprise! Despite doubling the numbers of everything we offered on the night, we still managed to sell out of everything! We even had to order more pizzas on the night!

The PTA have heard some thoughts from the Waterlea community on how we could improve the disco for everyone even more, and as of last night, are currently putting plans in place to deliver on your feedback. To help make this happen, let us know if you are interested in helping us out in whatever capacity you can at a particular station (i.e., you're a face painter, a baker, a raffle extraordinaire, a bbq warrior) - please let us know and we'll be in touch! We would absolutely appreciate your help.

So, to round this year off – ngā mihi ki a koutou mō tō tautoko tonu – thank you for your ongoing support.

Stay in touch over the break.





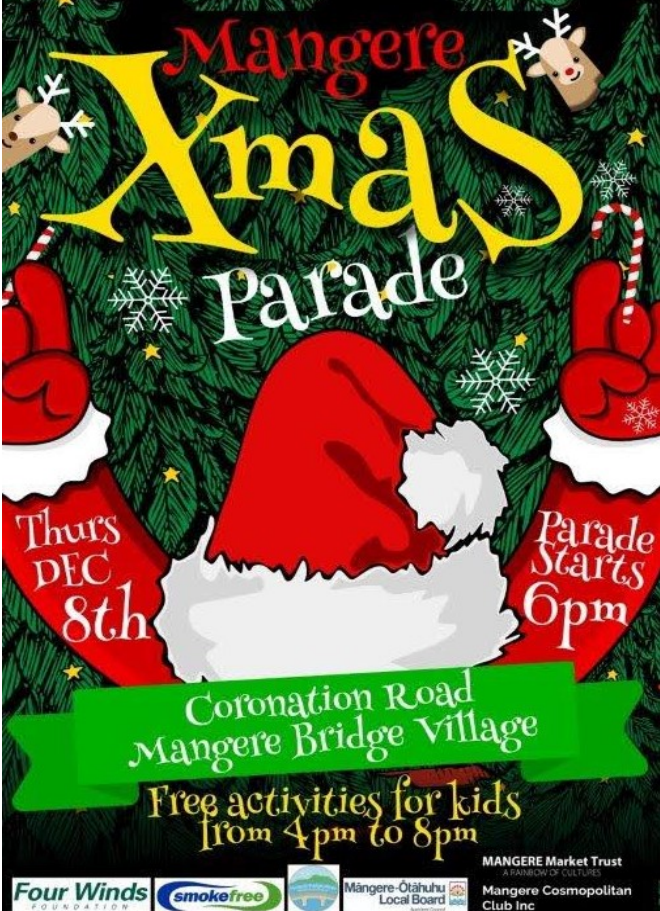
REALLY GREAT SITE

# Christmas Market

FIND YOUR PERFECT CHRISTMAS GIFTS HERE!

**WHEN** Saturday 10 December 2022, 10am - 2pm  
**WHERE** 1 Rennie Drive, Airport Oaks, Auckland

Let's Shop!  
**SATURDAY  
 10TH  
 DEC 2022**

# Mangere Xmas Parade

Thurs DEC 8th

Parade Starts 6pm

Coronation Road  
Mangere Bridge Village

Free activities for kids from 4pm to 8pm

MANGERE Market Trust  
A RAINBOW OF CULTURES

Four Winds FOUNDATION smokefree Māngere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board Māngere Cosmopolitan Club Inc

## School Dates for 2023

### Term 1:

Start of Term: Wednesday 1 February - Wānanga Day,  
 Thursday 2 February - first full day of school

Public Holidays: Waitangi Day- Monday 6 February, Good Friday, Easter Monday and Easter Tuesday

School Holidays: Friday 7 April to Sunday 23 April (includes Good Friday – 7 April, Easter Monday – 10 April and Easter Tuesday – 11 April (a school holiday))

### Term 2:

Start of Term: Monday 24 April

Public Holidays: Anzac Day – Tuesday 25 April, King's Birthday – Monday 5 June, Matariki

School Holidays: Saturday 1 July to Sunday 16 July (includes Matariki - 14 July)

### Term 3:

Start of Term: Monday 17 July

Public Holidays: None

School Holidays: Saturday 23 September to Sunday 8 October

### Term 4:

Start of Term: Monday 9 October

Public Holidays: Labour Day – Monday 23

October, Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year's Day

School Holidays: Saturday 16 December to TBC (includes Christmas Day – Monday 25 December, Boxing Day – Tuesday 26 December and New Year's Day – Monday 1 January 2024)



## MANGERE BRIDGE LIBRARY SUMMER READING PROGRAMME

Sign up using the beanstack app or at your local library

Get a badge from the library just for registering

Complete a quest and get a quest badge from the library

Complete quests at home or in the library. Mark them off in the beanstack app or at the library

Read everyday. Track your reading in the beanstack app or tell a librarian

Read for 7 days and collect a reading badge from the library

Be in quick badges only available while stocks last



# TE ARA POUTAMA

## LEVEL UP

### School Holiday

# PROGRAMME

DECEMBER 12TH 2022 - JANUARY 22TH 2023

JOIN UP WITH  
BEANSTACK



SIGN UP ON LINE OR AT  
THE LIBRARY FROM  
DECEMBER 12TH 2022

STOP MOTION ANIMATION  
MONDAY 12TH DECEMBER  
3:30PM-4:30PM



MAKE A STOP MOTION  
ANIMATION MOVIE STARRING  
YOURSELF  
BEANSTACK - CREATE A MOVIE OR  
SCRIPT ABOUT YOURSELF

BUILD A SCAVENGER HUNT  
WEDNESDAY 14TH DECEMBER  
3:30PM-4:30PM



MAKE YOUR OWN  
SCAVENGER HUNT  
BEANSTACK - GO ON AN URBAN  
WALK OR A NATURE WALK AND  
DO A SCAVENGER HUNT

Check out our facebook page for more information

MAORI ART & CRAFTS  
SATURDAY 17TH DECEMBER  
2:30PM-3:30PM



MAKE A WHEKE MASK  
BEANSTACK - CREATE SOME  
MAORI ARTS AND CRAFTS

BUILD A PARK  
SUNDAY 18TH DECEMBER  
10AM-11AM



CONSTRUCT YOUR DREAM  
PARK WITH THE MATERIALS  
PROVIDED.  
BEANSTACK - DRAW OR BUILD  
YOUR DREAM PARK

I LOVE JAPAN  
TUESDAY 20TH DECEMBER  
3:30PM-4:30PM



LEARN ABOUT JAPAN, MAKE  
MISO SOUP, DO SOME  
ORIGAMI AND LEARN SOME  
JAPANESE WORDS  
BEANSTACK - RIE A TOWN  
CHOICE FOR TE AHO/WORLD

CHEMICAL REACTIONS  
THURSDAY 22ND DECEMBER  
2:30PM-3:30



CHEMICAL REACTIONS AND  
EXPLOSIONS WHAT FUN  
BEANSTACK - DO A SCIENCE  
EXPERIMENT WHICH HELPS YOU  
LEARN ABOUT THE WORLD

FINGER PRINT POEMS  
SATURDAY 24TH DECEMBER  
10AM-11AM



WHERE GOING TO TAKE  
YOUR FINGER PRINTS  
BEANSTACK - CREATE AN ALL  
ABOUT ME POEM IN YOUR FINGER  
PRINT

PEPEHA  
WEDNESDAY 28TH DECEMBER  
2:30PM-3:30PM



LEARN WHAT GOES INTO A  
PEPEHA AND HOW TO  
PRONOUNCE IT CORRECTLY  
BEANSTACK - DISCOVER AND  
WRITE YOUR PEPEHA

GAMES FROM THE PAST  
FRIDAY 30TH DECEMBER  
10AM-11AM



LEARN SOME GREAT GAMES  
THAT LIBRARY STAFF USE  
TO PLAY AS CHILDREN  
BEANSTACK - ASK YOUR PARENTS  
OR ELDERS TO TEACH YOU A  
GAME FROM THEIR CHILDHOOD

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FRIDAY 6TH JANUARY  
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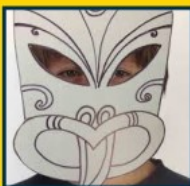
CONSTRUCT YOUR OWN  
FAMILY TREE  
BEANSTACK - MAKE A PICTURE  
TREE ABOUT YOUR FAMILY

I LOVE JAPAN  
SUNDAY 8TH JANUARY  
10AM-11AM



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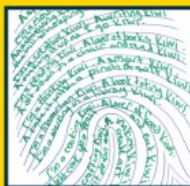
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