

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 August 2024

Important Dates

13 August Inter-school Zone Soccer Boys

15 August Swimming Lessons Day

19 August Tongan Language Week

20 August Inter-school Zone Soccer Girls

22 August Playhouse Show Whole School

26 August New Entrants Cohort start

26 August Board Of Trustees Hui 3:30pm

3 Sept Zone Rugby

6 Sept Kahui Ako event 'All Out Showcase'

Onehunga High School 5pm - 7:30pm

19 Sept Student Led Conferences

Children go home at 1pm

23 Sept Board Of Trustees Hui 3:30pm

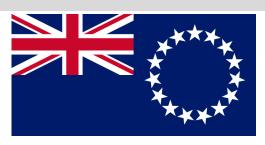
23 Sept Cross Country Yrs 3-6

24 Sept Class & Individual Photos

27 Sept Term 3 Last Day

25 Oct Teacher Only Day (school closed)

Term 4 TBA Maaori Whaanau Hui 6pm - 8pm



Kia orāna and welcome to Cook Island language week, Epetoma o te reo Māori Kūki 'Āirani. The theme for Cook Island language week is Ātui'ia au ki te Vaka o tōku matakeinanga - the connection of my vaka to my tribe. This theme derives from the overarching Language Week Series theme for 2024, 'Sustainability'. Many of our whaanau and tamariki have visited the Cook Islands, but if you haven't, the Cook Islands is made up of 15 main islands that are scattered over a vast area. The largest island, Rarotonga, is home to rugged mountains and Avarua, the national capital. To the north, Aitutaki Island has a vast lagoon encircled by coral reefs and small, sandy islets. The country is renowned for its many snorkelling and scuba-diving sites. As we have quite a number of students at Waterlea with Cook Island heritage we thought we'd add some of the language basics to help you get you started at home:

- Kia orāna = Hello
- Kia orāna korua = Hello to two
- Kia orāna kotou = Hello to three or more
- Pē'ea koe = How are you?
- Pē'ea korua = How are you two?
- Meitaki au = I am fine
- Meitaki maua = We (two) are fine
- Meitaki ma'ata = Thank you
- Aere rā = Goodbye

Yesterday, some of the year 1 classrooms celebrated a small milestone - 100 days at school (and a bit longer for some!). We enjoyed rotation activities including craft, singing and dancing, (and eating cake made by the 100 Days Fairies, of course!). We even received a surprise visit from the Queen! Occasions such as these enable tamariki to experience maths concepts, such as number awareness and measurement, in a hands-on, real-world context.











A big thank you to all our whaanau who attended the structured literacy workshop last week. The feedback was positive and parents were pleased to have an opportunity to hear more about the approach, as well as having their questions answered. We look forward to seeing the progress our youngest tamariki will make over the coming weeks.

Year 2 Museum Fossil Experience-stories and photos







First we got to hold a fossilised shell. They were 3 and a half million years old. They were found near Puketutu Island. Then we could look at some dinosaur bones. Finally we could hold fossilised dinosaur poo. Did you know chickens are related to dinosaurs! I felt excited because I have never seen dinosaur bones. By Buddy







Today a paleontologist brought fossils to school. They were very delicate. My favourite fossil was the Megalodon tooth. By Jax

Kahui Ako event 'All Out Showcase'

Waterlea is part of a Kahui Ako or 10 partnership of schools including Royal Oak Intermediate and Onehunga High School. Our Kahui Ako have a whaanau group called Lalaga and they are holding a celebration called 'All Out Showcase'. We have some tamariki from Waterlea performing at this event happening at Onehunga High School on 6th September from 5 - 7.30 pm. You will hear more details about this event but in the meantime pop the date in your diary.



Waterlea Worm Wee sale

We are the worm bin monitors. We collect fruit and vegetable scraps from around the whole school to feed our worm farms. We also collect the worm wee that our six Hungry (worm) Bin's produce. This is fantastic for your gardens. We are having a sale of 1 and 2 litre bottles on Friday 16 August from 2:30pm - 3pm outside the school hall. The money raised will go towards buying seeds and seedlings for our Spring garden.

The Prices are as follows:

- 1 litre = \$5
- 2 litre = \$10
 - · Cash only



WATERLEA PTA COOKIE DOUGH FUNDRAISER

To sign up to sell cookie dough on behalf of the PTA, here is your step-by-step guide on how to get involved. If last year's cookie dough feedback is anything to go by, make sure you add on some dough packets for yourself! They're delicious. And remember there are spot prizes for those who sign up to sell too!

This fundraiser is similar to the fundraising we used to do as children – knocking on neighbours' doors and asking them to buy various items. However, this one is done online and relies on you as parents to get sharing your child's page link to family and friends to purchase from you.

- 1. Jump onto this website: https://waterleaschoolcookies.raiseit.co.nz/
- 2. Click "Set up a Fundraising page"
- 3. Enter your child and your details this creates their page
- 4. Grab the newly created page for your child, and share their URL with family, friends and work mates.
- 5. Pick up day is scheduled for Thursday 12th September from the school hall after school.

Note: What happens at pick up day is – YOU come and collect the cookies YOUR CHILD SOLD. Then you distribute to those who purchased from your child. Or they pick up from you. Whatever works best for you.

For product information, cooking times, and costs, check out this link:

https://waterleaschoolcookies.raiseit.co.nz/productinfo

You can't directly purchase from the PTA, but you can buy from anyone who has a page set up to sell cookies

If you have any other questions, get in touch with the PTA on waterleapta@gmail.com

Ka rawe!





Matilda The Musical is the multi-award winning musical inspired by the beloved book by the incomparable Roald Dahl.

Inspired by the twisted genius of Roald Dahl, the Tony Award winning Roald Dahl's Matilda The Musical is the captivating masterpiece that revels in the anarchy of childhood, the power of imagination and the inspiring story of a girl who dreams of a better life. With book by Dennis Kelly and original songs by Tim Minchin this musical is a winner of over 100 international awards and continues to thrill sold-out audiences of all ages around the world.

GET TICKETS FOR:

Matilda The Musical

Thursday, 3 October

Show time: 7:30pm – 10:05pm

Bruce Mason Theatre, Takapuna

Thanks to our friends at The Amicii Trust, the PTA have managed to get our hands on 100 tickets to sell at a super discounted price.

Each ticket (both adults and children) is \$65, with \$20 going back to the PTA to contribute to our fundraising efforts. *Tickets are to be paid for in full within 3 business days to secure.*

Ticket sales will close on Friday 23 August. Tickets will be issued to you at the door with careful consideration taken to party sizes.

To register for tickets, please visit the link here:

https://forms.gle/uyasJ4YicxMXDRiw9

This offer is not restricted to only families of Waterlea, so bring your friends, colleagues or extended family members along to help us raise funds for our school.

Swimming - This Term - Years 4, 5 & 6 (please note new times)

Community Swim will happen this term for our year 4, 5 and 6 tamariki. This is a fully funded opportunity for the children to learn water confidence and safety, and have some fun at Moana nui a Kiwa pools in Mangere.

Weekly Lessons start today, Wednesday 31 July.

Times as follows:

Room 10 9:30 - 10:45am

Room 25 10:00 - 11:15am

Room 24 10:30 - 11:45am

Room 5 11:00 - 12:15pm

Room 6 12.00 - 1:15pm

Room 7 12:30 - 1:45pm

Room 8 1:00 - 2:15pm

Room 9 1:30 - 2:45pm



SECOND-HAND UNIFORMS

If you are after any second-hand uniform items, such as tee-shirts, polo shirts, skorts, shorts, or sweatshirts, please get in touch with the Waterlea PTA and we will do our best to help you find what you need.

All items are \$2, except the fleece sweatshirts which are \$10



We also, accept donations of uniform, so please get in touch if you would like to donate.

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14 and 15 August 2024, 11.45am

To attend, register at www.marcellin.school.nz or call (09) 625 6509