



# 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

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### Important Dates

28 Nov	MOSA Athletics Day Y4 - 6
29 Nov	PTA Casual Clothes Day
4 Dec	2pm Y2 End of Year Concert for Whaanau
6 Dec	PTA Sausage Sizzle
10 Dec	Y6 Graduation 11 - 1pm
11 Dec	Dine N Dance 5 -7:30pm
12 Dec	2pm Year 1 Christmas Concert
13 Dec	Waterlea Final Assembly 11:15am
16 Dec	Y6 Leaver's Pool Party
17 Dec	Last Day of School Year 2024 Finish at 1pm
3 Feb	Waananga Day
4 Feb	First Full Day at School

What a great event the PTA organised last Friday with the Waterlea PTA Disco! The weather behaved and lots of tamariki came along with their whaanau and enjoyed the face painting, sausage sizzle, baked goods and other treats that were available to purchase. Waterlea staff would like to thank Sel Dixon and the team for their exceptional organisation and attention to detail - it was a superb community event.



It was a busy day on Friday because we also had a MANA Assembly where we presented the Waterlea Korowai for an outstanding Year 2 student. The korowai this year was presented to Chance Preston from Room 14. Here is what Whaea Jody wrote about Chance outlining the reasons why he was chosen this year.



*'Chance consistently demonstrates the core MANA values with a warmth and humour that lightens up any room. His thoughtfulness and manaakitanga extends beyond just his peers—he's attentive to the needs of others and always considers how his actions can positively impact those around him. Chance's aumangea shines through in his resilience and determination, tackling challenges with a positive attitude. Even when things don't work out how he planned, Chance can bounce back and carry on with his day. This is a very commendable skill!*

*His ngaakau pono is evident in his honesty and integrity. Chance looks after our classroom by listening to instructions and always tidying up with a helpful attitude. Chance is consistently doing what is right and leading by example, while his playful wit and lighthearted approach makes him a joy to be around.*

*He eagerly embraces learning opportunities and is always ready to engage in our classroom activities. Chance has a positive, can-do attitude towards his work.*

*Chance is a true role model who not only embodies these values but also makes everyone feel valued and appreciated through his humour, kindness, and authenticity.'*

Chance's whaanau were at the assembly and were very proud of this achievement. Well done Chance.



Not only did we present the Waterlea Korowai at last week's assembly, Auckland Transport came along to acknowledge the Waterlea Walking School Bus. They presented two very prestigious awards to Waterlea's Walking School Bus Coordinator, Kirsten Robinson. The first award was in recognition of having outstanding creativity and imagination towards engaging community involvement. The second was for the co-ordinator who best embodies the values of Whaanaungatanga. Congratulations to Kirsten and her Walking School Bus team. One of our Waterlea Year 6 students was also recognised by Auckland Transport. Charlotte Cameron was presented with an award in recognition of her leadership and involvement with the Waterlea School bus since the time she was at Maangere Bridge Kindergarten. Well done Charlotte.



The school was entertained by two exceptional performances at the assembly, one from the Waterlea Break Club and the other from Room 9. It was a joyful, celebratory event and we have included some photos below for your enjoyment.



## Mana Certificates Plus



## Shoreline Exploration at the Beach

As Harbour/Moana is our inquiry theme this term, we explored two natural beaches with Room 25 on Monday.

When we got there, we looked for some natural items across the rocky and sandy areas of the beaches. We found things like - sea grass, sea lettuces, beached jellyfish, all sorts of baby crabs, little bones, and more.

Our teacher gave us a recording sheet covered by a piece of card, so we recorded everything we found on the two beaches. It was a fascinating trip.

Reporters: Ahri and Paige from Room 12



## **BSLA -Better Start Literacy Approach**

As part of The Better Start Literacy Approach each class has a Focus Picture Book each week. This is used to explore vocabulary and story structure as part of the daily lesson.

We are hoping to increase the amount of books we have to choose from. If you have any of these books in good condition that your tamariki have grown out of, or see them being given away we would love to add them to our collection.

Please send them into the office where we will have a box to collect them.

Thank you so much.

<b>Have you seen tomorrow</b>	<b>The book Family Robinson</b>
<b>The Grizzle Grist Does Not Exist</b>	<b>The Star makers apprentice</b>
<b>The Marble Maker</b>	<b>Tuna and Hiriwa</b>
<b>The Lighthouse Princess</b>	
<b>Kowhai Kids</b>	<b>The Woolly Bear Caterpillar</b>
<b>Iggy Peck, Architect</b>	<b>Elvie the sheep</b>
<b>A Hippo Lives in Havelock</b>	<b>Kuwis Very Shiny bum</b>
<b>One Day on our Planet the Rainforest</b>	<b>Tiny owl on the ramshackle farm</b>
	<b>Hope the whale</b>
<b>The Detective Dog</b>	
<b>Starbird</b>	<b>Sun</b>
<b>The Star in the Forest</b>	<b>Kakapo dance</b>
<b>Nanny Mihi's Medicine</b>	<b>The Lonely Giant</b>
<b>Aaron Slater, Illustrator</b>	<b>The Lighthouse Keepers Tea</b>
<b>Fledglings First Flight</b>	<b>Wise Ole Whiskey</b>
<b>Arlo the Lion who couldn't sleep</b>	<b>Gigantic</b>
<b>Too much stuff</b>	<b>The Curious Ar-chew</b>
<b>The bookshop cat</b>	<b>The Leaf Thief</b>
<b>GRRRR</b>	<b>Of Course you can</b>
<b>Hound the Detective</b>	
<b>Kuwis Rowdy Crowd</b>	<b>Kuki's Rowdy Crowd</b>
<b>Tu Meke Tui</b>	<b>Out in the Ocean</b>
<b>Dobby</b>	<b>The Tuatara and the Skink</b>
<b>Moose the pilot</b>	<b>The Paper Bag Princess</b>
<b>The day the plants fought back</b>	<b>You dont know how lucky you are</b>
<b>The Last Garden</b>	<b>Perky the Pukeko goes to school</b>
<b>Puffin the architect</b>	<b>Kowhai and the Giants</b>
<b>Nanny Mihi and the bellbird</b>	<b>Pearl in a whirl</b>
<b>Lost in the Museum</b>	<b>Takahe Trouble</b>
<b>Of Course you can</b>	<b>When We went Wild</b>
<b>Peka and koro, friends of the forest</b>	

## PTA CASUAL CLOTHES DAY — THIS FRIDAY 29 NOVEMBER

This **Friday 29 November**, we have our Term Four Casual Clothes Day. There is no theme to this one so enjoy taking a little break on getting wild and creative tomorrow night! Phew!

Please bring a **gold coin donation** in support of our fundraising efforts to give to your child's Kaiako on the **Friday 29 November**.



## FRIDAY 6 DECEMBER—TERM FOUR SAUSAGE SIZZLE

On Friday 6 December, the Waterlea PTA are hosting the Term 4 Sausage Sizzle.

On Wednesday 4 December, please send in a named envelope \$2 per sausage wanted, your child's name and their classroom number.

Please note: we have vegetarian sausages available. They are prepared and served separately. Please indicate CLEARLY if you would like a vegetarian sausage.



All library books due back to the library





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## COLLECT YUMMY STICKERS AND GET SPORTS GEAR FOR OUR SCHOOL!

Collect the Yummy cut-out labels from bags (each cut-out label is worth 10 stickers) and individual Yummy apple stickers for Waterlea School's share of the \$200,000 free Sport sports gear prize pool.



Yummy apples are available from New World, PAK'nSAVE and participating Four Square stores. The more you collect, the more sports gear we can get so get going and start collecting your Yummy cut-out labels and stickers now!



**All stickers/cut-outs along with your school's Total Tally Sheet must be received by us by Tuesday 24 September.**

[Download your sticker collection sheet here or pick one up at the office.](#)



## 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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