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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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## Newsletter 26 March 2025

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### Important Dates

28 March	MANA Assembly 9:45am
7 April	Y2 Teddy Bear Day
7 April	Board of Trustees Hui 7:00pm
8 April	Forest School open day For parents 11:00am
11 April	MANA Assembly 9:45am
11 April	Last Day of Term 1
28 April	First Day of Term 2
1 May	Science in a Van Y5&6
2 May	Royal Oak School Visiting
5 May	Sign Language Week
14 May	Y6 Royal Oak Intermediate Information Evening

### Eagle Helicopter Visit

This morning we were lucky enough to have the Police Helicopter visit us at school. The whole school waited outside with anticipation and there was so much excitement when it was spotted on its approach. After landing, we were able to hear from a Senior Police Constable all about the helicopter itself and the items they carry on board.

We had the opportunity to walk around the helicopter and have a peek inside, with many tamariki asking a lot of questions of the police officers along the way!

Thanks so much to the New Zealand Police for such a memorable experience for our school. Click [here](#) to see a short video of the helicopter landing on the field.



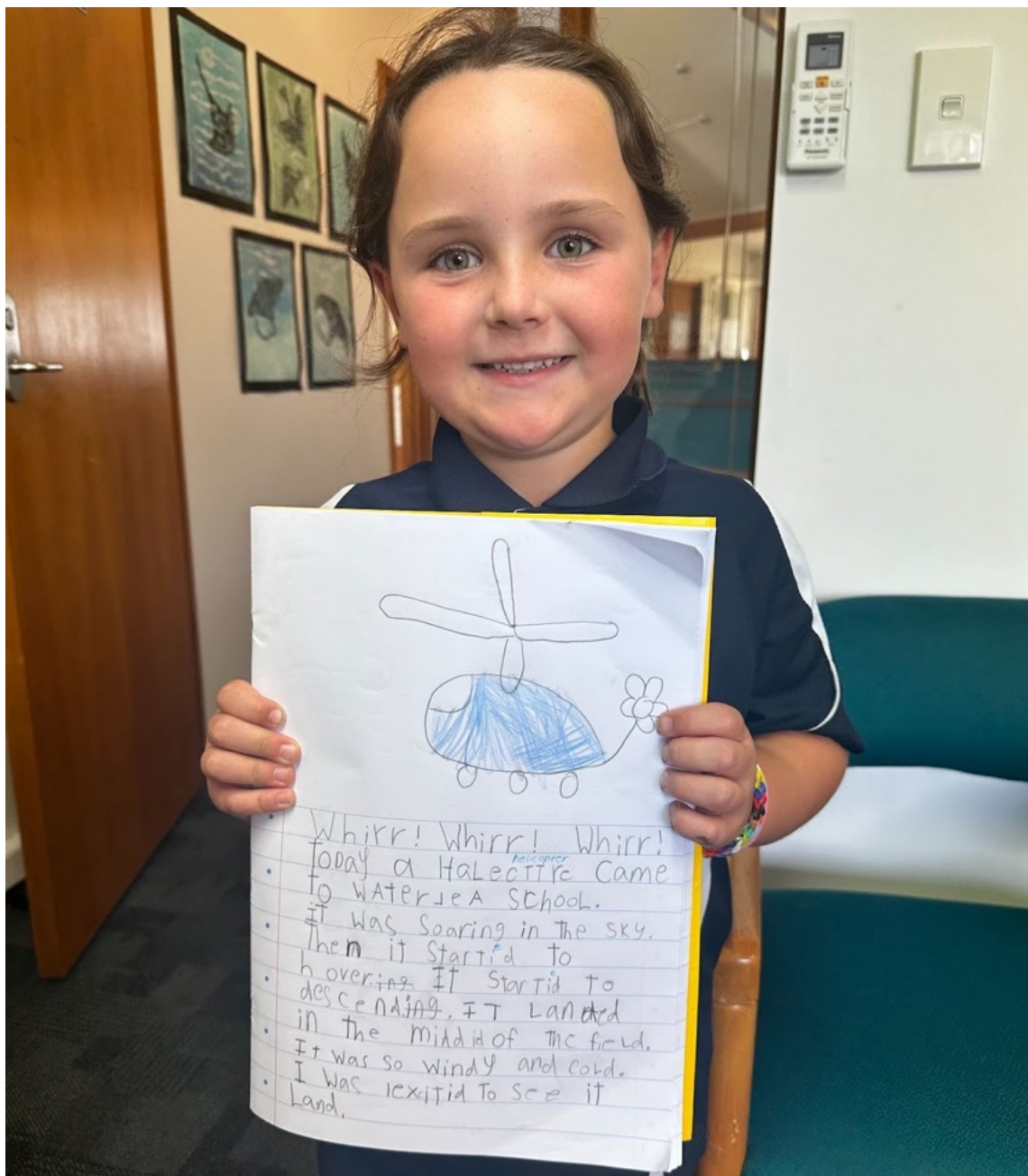
### Senior School Canopy

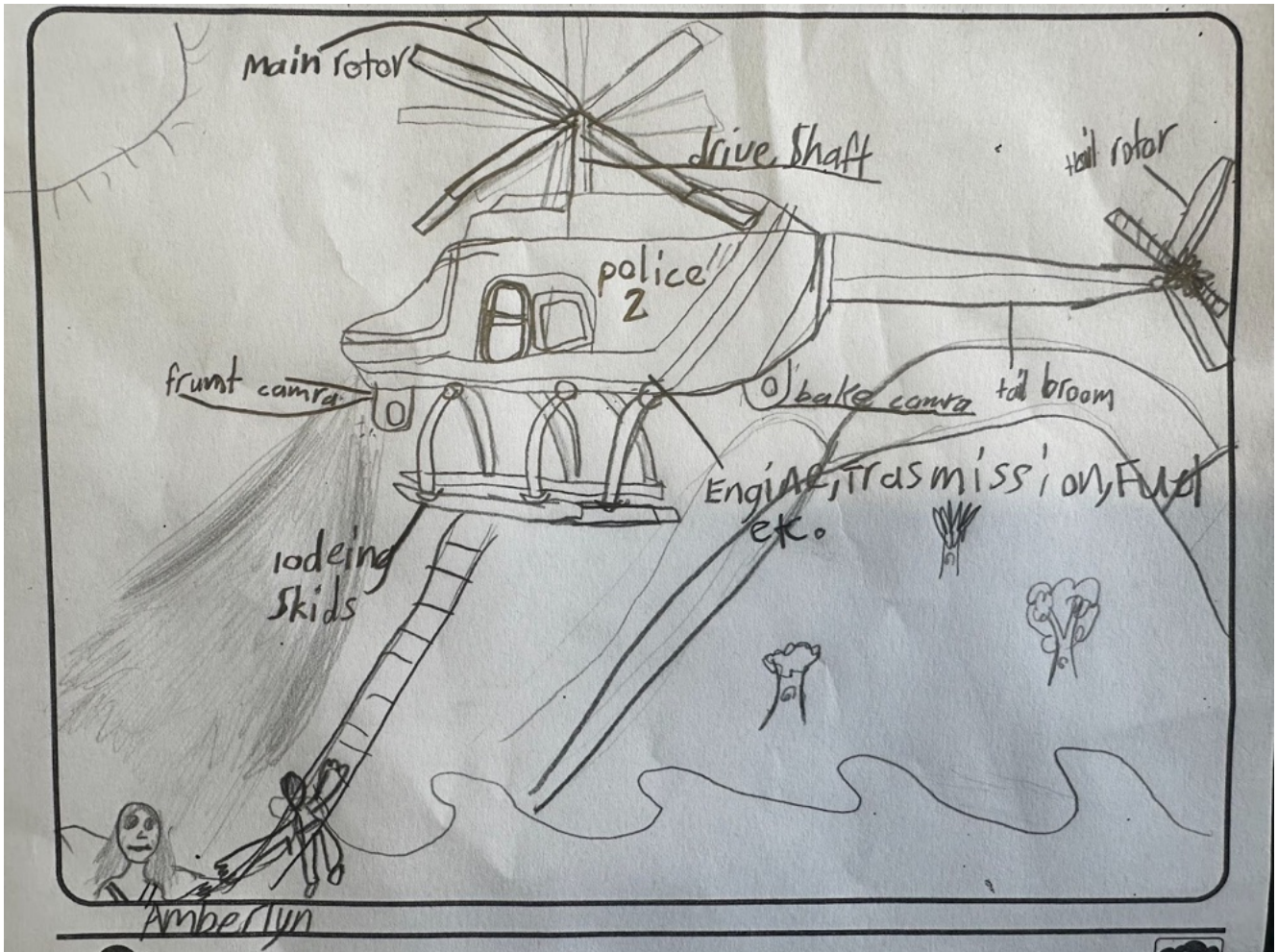
It has finally happened! The scaffolding is down and the Senior School canopy is open for business! What a great new space for the classes to enjoy in all weathers. A huge thank you to our very hard working BOT Property team and their tireless efforts to keep this project moving forward. The PTA have agreed to fund some lovely outdoor tables for this area, and with that, and the great new court markings, we will soon hardly recognise the place!





Here is some outstanding writing from Poppy Thompson about the helicopter visit this morning. What amazing descriptive words you have used Poppy!





A picture of the Police Helicopter drawn by Amberlyn. Kai pai Amberlyn!

### **Middle School Ukulele Group**

A few weeks ago, a group of our middle school tamariki had their first ukulele session with Whaea Annabel, Whaea Megan and Whaea Aroha. We are very fortunate to have this opportunity, special thanks goes to Whaea Annabel for setting the group up. We are looking forward to hearing from them during assembly time in the coming months.



## **Feet first**

Last Friday we had our hikoi to Ambury Farm. We were so fortunate to have so many whaanau members join us and we were so lucky with the beautiful weather! Thank you to all who were able to make it along to support us and enjoy some time together as a community. Check out some of the photos below.





# ***Softball field day***

On Thursday the 20th of March, we went to Otahuhu College sports grounds to play in the softball tournament. There was a girls team and a boys team. The girls won one game, drew one and lost two. The boys won two games, lost one and had a bye. Overall the girls placed 7th and the boys placed 5th. It was a great day!

**By Cleo & Hayden**



# Current Total: 2,136



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**Sports Uniform Amnesty**

We are looking for any Waterlea school sport uniforms that need to be returned to school. Shirts will have Waterlea printed on the back of them. If you find one at home could you please return it to the office as soon as possible?





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From 6.45pm, Saturday 24 May 2025

Waterlea School Hall  
17 House Avenue

Doors open for drinks at 6.45pm; Bingo starts 7.30pm  
Tickets will go on sale on Wednesday 30th April via a link on  
our social media channels and in the newsletter.

Tables are \$400 for a table of 10. Tickets include entry and  
pizza delivered to your table.



Dress Up Theme: anything music!



**We need items for our online auction at the Beats by Bingo event.  
All proceeds go towards supporting Waterlea school; donations  
are recognised on social media and newsletter.  
Email [waterleapta@gmail.com](mailto:waterleapta@gmail.com) if you can help!**



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## Join The Ambury Express – Waterlea’s New Walking School Bus

All aboard The Ambury Express!

Running **Monday to Friday**, we depart at **8:20am** from the corner of **Muir Avenue and Yorkton Rise**, walking to school **Monday to Thursday** and rolling in on **wheels (bikes or scooters) every Friday!** It's a fun, active, and safe way for kids to get to school with friends.

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6 WEEK PROGRAMME  
Starts Monday 3rd March

**Ages 4-6 (Boys & Girls)**  
**MONDAY**  
3:30 PM - 4:15 PM @ Waterloo Park, House Ave, Māngere Bridge (coaches will be present from 3pm)  
5:00 PM - 5:45 PM @ Williams Park, Manukau Rovers Rugby Club

**Ages 7-12 (Girls)**  
**WEDNESDAY**  
5:00 PM - 5:45 PM @ Williams Park, Manukau Rovers Rugby Club

**Ages 13-17 (Girls)**  
**WEDNESDAY**  
5:50 PM - 6:45 PM @ Williams Park, Manukau Rovers Rugby Club

**TACKLE/CONTACT SESSION**  
**Ages 11-15 (Girls)**  
**WEDNESDAY**  
6:45 PM - 7:30 PM @ Williams Park, Manukau Rovers Rugby Club

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- Do you enjoy swimming? Are you keen to join a fun competitive swimming club?
- Onehunga Swimming Club offers a squad team, targeted at those children interested in swimming competitively.
- We also provide swimming lessons to enhance swimmers' abilities and support their progression into squad training
- The squad is generally ages 8-18 and all swimmers are invited to join. We have a suitable class for all levels and abilities.
- Squad training is up to 4 evenings per week.



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## OPEN TOUR DAYS AVAILABLE

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### **Royal Oak Intermediate Visiting**

**Waterlea School, 2 May 2025 9:30am**

Prefects from Royal Oak Intermediate will visit Waterlea School to showcase skills learnt at Royal Oak Intermediate and answer any questions asked of them.

### **Royal Oak Intermediate Year 6 Information Evening, 14 May 2025**

**Time: Session 1 4:00—5:00pm**

**Session 2 5:30—6:30pm**

**Venue: Royal Oak Intermediate School Hall/Module Classrooms**

Prefects and teachers will be presenting information about Royal Oak Intermediate School to the Year 6 taura and whānau/parents. Module and Whānau teachers will have their rooms open –whānau/ parents are welcome to ask teachers questions and find out more about teaching and learning at Royal Oak Intermediate School. A light supper will be served when you visit the Bio Food Technology Room.

## 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 received by us by Tuesday 24 September.**

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



## SECONDHAND UNIFORMS

If you are after any secondhand 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.



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