

# VILLAGE NEWSLETTER



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### Waterlea Primary School

Waterlea aims for 100% Parent turnout at Student led conferences: Waterlea students proudly shared the progress they are making with their families during their student-led conferences. The children talk confidently about their achievements and share examples from their personal portfolios of what they can do and what they need to do next. The fantastic parent turn out of almost 100% helps build the home school partnership which the school really values. Education outside the classroom is very much a part of school life.



Our Senior School undertook some outdoor challenges at Arataki in the Waitakere Ranges as part of their Survival inquiry. The children had fun while learning how to pitch a tent, administer basic first aid and cook their lunch.



Waterlea gives its support for things done locally - Local author Robyn Murray attended the Year 1 assembly to read her new book "The Rooster of Ambury Park Farm". It was great for the children to hear a story written in a familiar local setting and to see the illustrations by local artist Robina Adamson.

Sponsors are now being chased up by our students as they collect funds they raised by learning to spell. This years spell-a-thon proceeds are to help fund trips, shows and other activities that enhance our programmes. We wish to thank all those who generously supported the school in this fund raising venture.

### Mangere Bridge Community Patrol

**WE NEED YOU!** - If you have a spare two hours a month we would love to utilise your skills as a caring resident to help the Police protect our community. Police checks are completed on all applicants for this voluntary position. If you feel you have the qualifications which include a full drivers licence and a desire to make a difference in our unique Mangere Bridge environment, then contact Robin Bovey Ph:634 2208.

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### What's on in the Bridge

- Monday:** Guides 6 - 8pm.  
CMA Day Care 9:30am - 12:30pm.  
Methodist Church Hall.  
St John Youth- every Mon 6:30 - 8:00pm.  
Tai Chi All ages, \$6 for students - 7pm  
St James' Church Hall - Phone 266 7473.  
Wriggle & Whyne 9:30 - School Term only, MB Library  
Senior Citizens Housie, 1pm Bridge Crt Hall
- Tuesday:** Keas 5 - 6pm  
Cubs 5 - 6:30pm
- Wednesday:** Brownies 6 - 7:30pm  
Tibetan Buddhist Class 7:30pm  
Plunket Toy Library 9:30am - 10:30am  
Yoga 6.30 - 8 pm Mangere Mountain Education Centre.  
Mangere Bridge Plunket Indoor Bowls Names by 7.20pm Mangere Memorial Hall.  
Plunket car seat rentals 9:30 am- 12:30pm  
Plunket Rooms, 5 Taylor Road
- Thursday:** Pippins 4:30 - 5:30pm  
Bridge Art Group, 9am - Noon, Memorial Hall  
Scouts 7 - 9pm.
- Friday:** Sing-a-long storytime 10:30am Library.
- Saturday:** Plunket Toy Library 9:30 - 10:30am
- Sunday:** 9am - 1pm Village Boutique Market
- Mon/Tue/Thur** - Plunket Playgroup 9am - 11:30am
- 2nd Sun's:** Sunday Walking
- Tue - Thur:** Mangere Bridge Walking group 9:00am
- Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri** Mangere Bridge Playcentre 9.15am-12.15pm, Domain Road
- 3rd Wed:** R & R Meeting 7.30pm St.James Church Hall
- 1st Thu:** Senior Citizens Travel Clue, Day Trips phone 634 1062.
- 3rd Thurs** - Library Book Club 7pm - 7:45pm  
**4th Wed** - Library Tea & Topics 10:30 - 11:30  
**4th Fri** - Probus, Mangere Bridge - Bridge bowling club information call 634 6091

### Opening Hours

Monday - Wednesday 9am to 5:30pm  
Thursday - Friday 9am to 6:00pm  
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## Village Happenings

*with Carol Anne*

There is some really good news on the funding situation for the Business Association. The Auckland Council Strategy and Finance Committee has made a determination that the monies previously set aside by Manukau City Council, towards their partnership with the 13 business associations in their area, cannot be used for any other purpose. This will be in force until 2018. This Business Improvement District (BID) money is held in each local board's budget. The local board representative who sits on our Executive Committee has confirmed that they will honour this.

This means that the business association will continue to function as it has done since becoming a BID in 2005. These funds cover the basic day-to-day requirements of the village. However, we are still wholly dependent on grants to help run the various events that we run. The income from the Boutique Market is still an essential source for events and other requirements, including more CCTV cameras. Please support the market as much as you can and spread the word to others outside of the area. We also need more stallholders so if there are any entrepreneurial children or adults who have some fundraising ideas please contact me or talk to Donna at Bridge Fruit 'n Veg.

The library has a craft group that meets on the first Thursday of the month. Children and adults are welcome. The idea is to share your craft skills with others or learn a new one. For example, if a child/adult wants to learn to knit a member of the group could teach them. Some other ideas could be crocheting and embroidery – any craft that is portable! It runs between 4:30pm and 7:00pm and anyone is welcome to pop in at whatever time they have available. The next one is on June 7. Tea/coffee is provide.

The stationery shop is selling tea towels on behalf of Starship Children's Hospital. They are designed by Ruby Seeto who is 14 years old. When she was nine she was diagnosed with a rare liver cancer. Since her recovery she has been designing tea towels to raise funds for Starship.

The new hours for the Village Butchery are Mon to Fri 8am-6pm, Sat & Sun 8am-3pm.

Running late or unexpected visitors for tea? Brandy's Roasts takeaway dinners are just the thing.

You can contact me via the Business Association's website: [www.mangere-bridge.co.nz](http://www.mangere-bridge.co.nz).

kind regards *Carol-Anne Armitage*

Village Manager

Mangere Bridge Progressive Business Association

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### Mangere Mountain Education Centre

We are looking for a reliable, experienced and very organised person with high attention to detail to be employed as the Administrator of the Mangere Mountain Education Centre. - Please contact the Education centre for more information.

### Mangere Bridge Library 'Craft Club'

On the **first Thursday** of each month, a place to meet other people interested in crafts. Kids welcome. Suggested crafts: Knitting, Crocheting, Scrapbooking, in fact - anything portable and that won't take up too much space.... We look forward to seeing you here.

Venue: In the library. Time: Any time between 4:30pm – 7:00pm.

Tea and Coffee will be provided. Next date: Thursday 7th June 2012

Contact the library on 6366797 for any further details.

### Mangere Bridge Plunket Indoor Bowling Club

Congratulations to our Championship winners:

**Mixed Pairs Winners** – Ian Price and Gloria Maughan

**Runners up** – Murray Keesing and Maria Reid

**Fours Winners** – Marilyn Baskiville, Maryann Stipich, Mamie Finau, Eru Pairama

**Singles Winner** – Helen Robinson and runner up Marilyn Baskiville

New members are welcome, so if you have some spare time on a Wednesday evening come along and give Indoor Bowling a go.

Secretary: Marilyn Ph 634 2241

### Icon Security

It is pleasing to again comment that we have seen minimal reported crime in the Mangere Bridge Village area over the last two months.

We are aware of one break-in where the property was monitored but the instructions were for the monitoring company to call the key holder but not despatch a security patrol. Unfortunately the owner of the property was out and not contactable and received a nasty shock when he went to open up the next morning! In this type of situation we always recommend sending a security patrol to check the property and prevent any further loss if a break in has occurred. Credit for the continued low level of crime must go to the NZ Police, the Mangere Bridge Village Business Association, ICON Security Patrols and those business owners and workers in the village who have taken stronger ownership of security within the area.

Over the last few months we have seen other business areas in Auckland targeted by opportunist thieves where the offenders have entered unattended shops and offices during business hours and removed property such as wallets, phones, laptops and high value small stock items.

For those businesses who only have one or two staff in the store or office we recommend the following actions:

- 1) Implement policy that staff must lock the office when going out and leave a message in the doorway indicating when they will return
- 2) Install an entry buzzer and ensure audible from other areas in the business
- 3) Consider installing CCTV and place prominent signage that 'area is under surveillance'
- 4) Ensure that all personal property is kept in a locked area, drawer or cabinet
- 5) Ensure that high value and mobile stock items are secured

Should you receive any suspicious visits please record as many details as possible (description, vehicle type, colour and registration) and report them to ICON Group ([awelsh@icongroup.co.nz](mailto:awelsh@icongroup.co.nz)) or phone (09) 837 3606).

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## Letter from the council, Re Mangroves

The management of the mangrove population on the coast at Kiwi Esplanade remains an issue of high interest for local residents, not to mention the many others who use and enjoy the coastline for recreational use, and of course, to us in the Coastal Team at Auckland Council.

In recent months, we've seen the mangrove issue provoke a wide range of views among local people, and even action, both lawful and unlawful.

It is in this context that we would like to take the opportunity to remind people what the rules are in relation to mangrove removal.

Under the Auckland Council Regional Plan (Coastal), mangrove seedlings can be removed as a permitted activity. Mangrove seedlings are defined as being up to 600mm in height, with a single supple stem. They must not have flowers or propagules (seed pods). Council would like to acknowledge the Mangere Bridge Residents and Ratepayers' Association, which recently held a successful working bee to remove plant seedlings, within these rules.

At the same time, it is important to emphasise that mangroves that do not meet this definition can only be removed with a resource consent. Following residents' complaints, our team recently investigated and confirmed claims of unlawful felling of mangroves at Kiwi Esplanade.

It goes without saying that Council's strong preference is to work through proper channels with local communities, rather than to undertake compliance action after the event.

If any residents would like further information about mangrove removal or applying for a resource consent, they should contact Sarah McCarter, 09 352 2647, or any other member of the Coastal Team in the Natural Resources and Specialist Input Unit.

For those interested in finding out more about opportunities for financial assistance for environmental initiatives, residents should contact their local board advisors. For contact information, please visit the council's website at: [www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz](http://www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz).

Sarah McCarter - Senior Consents Planner – Coastal - Auckland Council

### Citizens Advice Bureau

'Citizens Advice Bureau Mangere is looking for Volunteers for the July intake of the CAB Basic Training Course. If you have time to spare and are interested in joining a committed fun team of Volunteers phone 275 9217 or 275 6885, or visit the Bureau at the Mangere Town Centre (Orly Avenue side behind the library and opposite Pak 'n Save) Monday-Friday between 10.00am and 1.00pm for a chat.

### Mangere Community House

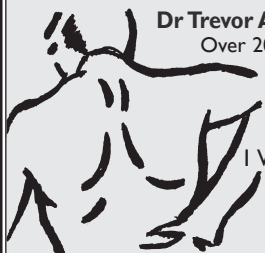
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Sew Style (L2)	Monday	12.30pm - 2.30pm	\$5	(sewing machines provided)
Flax Weaving	Monday	11.30am - 1.30pm	\$5	(learners - advanced)
Jewellery Making	Tuesday	12.30pm - 2.30pm	\$5	(soft tech & recyclables)
Drawing Classes	Wednesday	9.30am - 12.30pm	\$5	(art with Rick Julian)
Create with Milly	Thursday	11.00am - 11.30am	\$5	(Learn to make crafts)
Yarns	Thursday	1.00pm - 3.00pm	Gold Coin	(Knitting/Crochet/needlework)
Painting Classes	Friday	9.30am - 12.30pm	\$5	(art with Rick Julian)
Onehunga Art	Saturday (3rd Sat mthly)	10.00am - 1.00pm	\$5	

## ADULT INTEREST

High Notes	Monday	12.30pm - 1.00pm	Free	(music for special needs adults)
Waiata (Maori Songs)	Monday	1.30pm - 2.30pm	Free	(learn Te Reo thru song)
High Notes	Thursday	10.30am - 11.30pm	Free	(music for special needs adults)
Art Therapy	Friday	1.00pm - 2.30pm	\$4	(art for special needs adults)
Scene	Tuesday (1st Tues mthly)	1.00pm - 3.00pm	From \$3	(social club for 55+ adults)
Scene	Friday	1.00pm - 3.00pm	Gold Coin	(bowls, cards etc 55+ adults)

## CHILDREN & YOUTH

Music Mondays	Monday	9.30am - 10.10am	Gold Coin	(pre-school age)
Looney Tunes	Monday	10.30am - 11.10am	Gold Coin	(pre-school age)
Kumon	Mon & Thur	3.30pm - 6.00pm	Ph 5799229	(5-12yrs learning)
St John Youth	Monday	6.30 - 8.30pm	\$10 p/term	(6-18yrs)
Picasso Kidz	Tuesday	9.30am - 10.30pm	\$5	(pre-school age)
Picasso Kidz	Tuesday	11am - 12pm	\$5	(pre-school age)
Zumbatomic	Tuesday	3.45pm - 4.15pm	\$2	(5 - 11yrs)
Pre-School Ballet	Wed & Fri	1.45pm - 2.30pm	\$7.50	(2-4yrs)
Renaissance Dance	Wednesday	3.30pm - 6.15pm	Ph 2759552	(5-16yrs Tap/Jazz/Hiphop)
Box Fit	Thursday	4.00pm - 5.00pm	Free	(10 - 17yrs)
Kidz Club	Friday	9.30am - 11.30am	Gold Coin	(pre-school age)

## EXERCISE

Chi Ball	Mondays & Wednesday	10.00am - 11.30am	\$5	
Zumba	Tues, Wed & Thurs	9.30am - 10.30am	\$3	(children welcome)
Zumba	Wednesday	7pm - 8pm	\$5	
Boxfx	Tuesday & Friday	12.00pm - 1.00pm	\$5	(children welcome)
Hot Hula	Thursday	11.00am - 12.00pm	\$3	(children welcome)
ACC Tai Chi	Thursday	12pm - 1pm	Free	(assessment required)
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Zumba	Sunday	8am - 9am	\$5	

## Mangere Boating Club Inc.

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