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Waterlea Primary School

Waterlea School take to the Streets to share message on Road safety around their school:

There was great support from our families for Room 15's roadside reminder campaign recently. The big message the children wanted the drivers to get was to slow down around schools and remember to look out for kids because they can be very unpredictable.

The 'sign wavers' were enthusiastic and were spurred on by the honking horns, the many waves and encouraging smiles!!

Please always slow down around schools and look out for kids.

Ambury Farm nurtured our Year 4 learners in a programme called Natives in a Nutshell. The children all about growing local plants. If all the take home samples grow Mangere Bridge will be for ever green!

Counties Manukau Sports have been in helping our children learn new games and skills for team sports. It is great having these experts share their skills.

The Year 1 and 2 students have been learning new skills in a new innovation we call 'Shine'. They have chosen what they wanted to learn about such as visual art, soccer, gymnastics, music, dance, drama and photography. Lessons have been popular with the children buzzing about their new found skills.

The netball club is in full swing again this season. Our players are all showing great promise and our willing coaches are very enthusiastic. We had a number of our year 5-6 players trial for the Mangere Otahuhu Netball centre Yr 7 rep team, we had 3 players make the call back - Cohyn Felise, Jordan Hatcher and Morgan Loftus-Brigham. We are very proud to announce that Cohyn was selected for the Year 7 development team.

Here are our youngest players getting ready to give netball a go.



What's on in the Bridge

- MONDAY** Guides 6-8pm.
CMA Day Care 9:30am - 12:30pm.
Methodist Church Hall.
St John Youth - 6:30-8:00pm.
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 9:30 - 10:30am
Yoga 6.30 - 8 pm
Mangere Mountain Education Ctr.
Mangere Bridge Plunket Indoor Bowls
Names by 7.20pm Mangere Memorial Hall
- THURSDAY** Bridge Art Group, 9am - 12:00,
Memorial Hall
Scouts 7-9pm.
Bridge Park Tennis Club Night 6:00pm
- FRIDAY** Sing-a-long storytime 10:30am Library.
Playball 2-5 years 9:15-9:55am, Mangere
Bridge Scout Hall, Taylor Rd
- SATURDAY** Plunket Toy Library 9:30 - 10:30am
- SUNDAY** Village Boutique Market 9am - 1pm
- Mon/Tue/Thu Plunket Playgroup 9am - 11:30am
- Tue - Thu Mangere Bridge Walking group 9am
Meet at Village notice board - 636 3556
- Mon/Wed/Fri Mangere Bridge Playcentre
9.15am-12.15pm, Domain Road
- 2nd Wed R & R Meeting 7.30pm
St James Church Hall
Library Book Club 10:30am
- 1st Thu Senior Citizens Travel Clue, Day Trips
phone 526 0250.
- 3rd Tue Mangere Historical Soc 1:30pm St James
Hall Church St
- 4th Wed Library Tea & Topics 10:30 - 11:30
- 4th Fri Probus, Mangere Bridge - Bridge bowling
club phone 634 6091 for information

Opening Hours

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Village Happenings

with Kate

Well it's definitely getting chilly out there, time to rug up and keep warm and dry.

Not much is happening over the winter month's event wise but lots of planning for summer months. We hope to get some more community events up and running over the next 12 months so watch this space.

Village Focus

Ruby Red - Have you tried there "Amanda's mums chocolate cake" it's absolutely amazing! It's not available everyday so if you are lucky enough to be there when it's for sale it's a must have!

There are always plenty of other beautiful cakes on offer too

House of Natives - Wow what an amazing shop! Have you been in to check it out?

They have merchandise, carvings, and art works on sale. Definitely worth popping in to have a look.

Upcoming events 2015

Residents and ratepayers meetings -

These meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month at the St James hall on church road at 7.30pm new members welcome so come along.

Santa Parade 2015 - 3rd December

Anyone that would like to participate or have a stall at this year's parade please contact me on info@mangere-bridgevillage.co.nz

Boutique Markets - Still running every Sunday with great food and craft ware available its worth stopping in and having a look as there are new stalls.

Every Sunday 9am-1pm.

I can be contacted through the Business Association's website:

www.mangerebridgevillage.co.nz

kind regards

Kate Adams

Village Manager

Mangere Bridge Progressive Business Association

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Mangere Bridge School



On Friday 22 May, we celebrated Pink Shirt Day. This is an annual event celebrated in many countries around the world. Pink Shirt Day encourages people to talk about bullying and take action against it. The catch phrase from Pink Shirt Day is to... "Speak up. Stand together. Stop bullying."

Pink Shirt Day began in Nova Scotia, Canada in 2007. A group of students decided to defend a child who was bullied for wearing a pink shirt. In a show of solidarity, many of his peers turned up to school the next day wearing pink shirts, and Pink Shirt Day was born. By wearing a pink shirt, people identify themselves as an ally. The pink shirt is a way of showing those being bullied that there are many people around who care.



At the recent MOSA Hockey tournament, our students represented the school very well. Our boys' team came 2nd overall in the boys' division, with 4 wins and 1 loss. The boys played very well as a unit and fought for every ball on the turf. Great effort, boys! The girls' team came 4th overall in the girls' division with 2 wins and 3 losses. The girls impressed with their commitment given they lost their first 3 games. They did not give up and fought back to take out their remaining games. Well done, girls!

Copy Deadline for July 2015

Deadline for the July Issue is the 22nd June. To ensure that your article makes the July issue please email your articles to articles@mangerebridge.co.nz. We cannot guarantee a definite delivery time for the Village Newsletter, however we will do our best to have it delivered before the advertised upcoming events.

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Unusual Recent Petty Crime

We seem to be having lots unusual of petty crime in the area at the moment; you may have noticed that there is now a Facebook page dedicated to this - called 'Mangere Bridge Crime watch'.

Also be mindful that those that perpetrate these crimes may well be members of our FB pages so whilst it's good to post that the crime has occurred it would be better if we don't comment further and that way do not boost their egos.

Most importantly as always please make sure you always contact the police and report each incident, if it's happening call 111.

This way we can now get back to posting community events, activities and day to day dealings on our community page.

There will be a community meeting held shortly for local business and residents to attend with our local Police constable

Mangere Community House

Love and Light Soup Kitchen every Monday 11.am – 1.00pm come and share a homemade soup and connect with your local community and services, clothing available,

Free Driver's License Courses, Mon, Wed, Thurs from 6pm – 8pm and Thurs morning 9.30am – 11.00am,

Learn how make Cook Island Tivaevae classes Mondays 9.30am

Free After School care Mon – Fri 3.00pm – 6.00pm

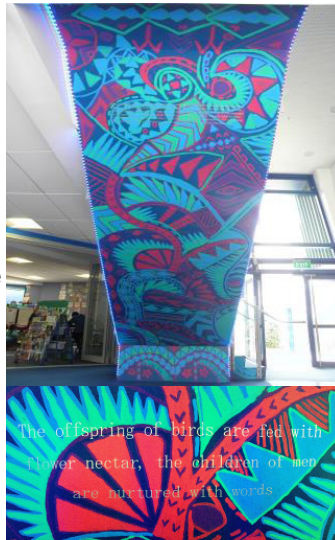
AA classes Sundays 7.00pm, watch out for our up and coming services, Free Budgeting advice, Whanau support, and our Love and Light 'Op Shop'

Our very own 'Dress for Success' opening soon please call Mangere Community House 09 2754920 or email to Mangerecommunityhouse@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz spaces for hire available now!

Mountain View School

Mountain View School Staircase Artwork

The proverb that the Governor General used in his speech at the Opening of the Silasila Modern Learning Environment is now part of the Pasifika Artwork on the staircase in the Building. "O fanau a manu e fafaga I fuga o la'au, ae o fanau a tagata e fafaga I upu ma tala. The offspring of birds are fed with flower nectar, the children of men are nurtured with words." The changing colours of the L.E.D lighting on the side of the staircase enhance the Pasifika artwork as well as being a safety alert.



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Mangere Bridge Residents and Ratepayers

A good muster at the May meeting of the Assoc. We have received a resignation from our long serving secretary, Brian Pilkington. Brian has always been the doer in the neighbourhood, but his time has become too crowded as he has taken up a position with the Manukau Trust that runs all the Community Patrols in the area. He and Kay will still be very much involved with our own Local Patrol that has been in existence for many years. We were the second group to operate in Manukau. Howick was the first, using their own cars with stick on labels. We managed to raise funds to own our own car. Anyone interested in joining the group can drop into the Community constables office and find out how you can help protect our lovely Mangere Bridge. The meeting was concerned with the way the Auckland Super City was developing. Higher rates, more red tape, and residents not being listened to. It was resolved that we join a new residents group that has been formed specifically to provide one voice for the whole area. It was pointed out that it seems wrong that only property owners had to provide all the services that the million or more non property owners enjoy. There was concern expressed that there were many illegal discharges in the upper harbour that have never been addressed. Jim Jackson of the Manukau Harbour Restoration Society was asked about this matter and perhaps come to our AGM in August to tell us what is or is not being done about it. There is to be a mangrove seedling pluck on May 23rd hail rain or snow. This is needed as there has been an enormous strike of seedlings along our foreshore. Gather at the Boat Club at 9.30 for a briefing.

A leg clean down service is to be provided. It was noted with great interest, that the Local Board through Auckland Council has called for tenders to remove all mangroves from the Mangere inlet that borders on the Board's area. Wow! The next meeting will be held at the St James Church Hall on Wednesday 10 June at 7.30PM.

The mangrove seedling pluck went ahead on Sat 23 May even though it rained continuously. Some fifty residents and children sloshed around in mud up to their knees and collected 70 bags of the intruders. This was about 4000 seedlings! Well done Mangere bridge good folk. Bags and gloves were provided by Auckland Council and Ambury Farm Park Staff did all the collecting and piling the bags for Council collection. Our good owner of the Fresh Choice Supermarket provided fruit juice and cups for the thirsty. Thank you very much Andrew. Tonnie Geux proved hot muffins to the hungry and Bill Kirk proved the wash down. Just squirted the water, no contact!!

Mangere Bridge Library

Monday: Wriggle & Rhyme 9.30am – School Term Only, Mangere Bridge Library

Tuesday: Book a Librarian 10am – 12 pm

Wednesday: Rhyme Time 2-2.30 pm

Friday: Sing-a-long storytime 10.30am Mangere Bridge Library

Friday: Children's Book club 3.30-4.30pm Mangere Bridge Library

2nd Wed 10th June: Library Book Chat Group 10.30am

Last Wed 24th June: Library Tea & Topics 10.30 – 11.30am, Celebrating Matariki – Mangere Bridge School - Kapa Haka Group performance)

Thursdays 4th and 18th June: Sustainable Crafts Group 10.30 – 11.30am



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