



## Waterlea Primary School Has Talent

Families have been spell bound by the clever kids at Waterlea performing in a number of musical shows. Individual talent was able to bubble to the surface and lively group items showcased the children's many talents in dance, waiata, and drama. The Years 4-6 tried something different from the usual grand scale event with each class preparing their individual concerts. This meant those taking to the stage not only had to work really hard remembering all the actions, words and moves in the hour long performances, they also had to manage the transitions between items by being slick at costume changes and shifting props to keep their performances lively. The Years 1-3 classes took to the stage like ducks to water showing off their talent in a combined creative cultural extravaganza. The school acknowledges the tremendous help received from many sources to make these events so successful. Opportunities such as these musicals showcase our creative talents on stage and add to the all-round approach to education at Waterlea.



The fact that Great Learning Happens at Waterlea was endorsed in the school's latest ERO report with the report's conclusion confirming this. It reads "Students at Waterlea Public School benefit from good quality teaching and are responding well to a curriculum that is relevant, increasingly student-centred, and appropriate for modern learners. School leadership and governance make good use of self-review to maintain and build the school's performance".

## International Day of Older Persons

Age Concern Counties Manukau is holding an International Day of Older Persons event at the War Memorial Hall, 9.30am - 12.30pm. The theme is SAFE - Safety Awareness for Elders. Audience-led workshops on personal, property and community safety. Experts on site, resources, info and refreshments. Bookings essential 279 4331 ext 800.

Please spread the word to older parents, relatives, friends and neighbours living in the wider Mangere/Mangere Bridge Area. There have been some shady characters hanging around and the theme of this workshop SAFE - Safety Awareness for elders is very appropriate at the moment.

## Ambury Farm Day 2015

The annual Ambury Farm Day is once again happening this month on Sunday the 4th of October from 10am to 4pm at Ambury Farm, at the end of Kiwi Esplanade

Come down and join in the gumboot throwing, sheep shearing, bouncy castles and lots more! Entry is free but rides cost extra.

## 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  
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# Village Happenings

*with Kate*

## Village Focus

Daylight savings has now started and what an amazing difference it has made, the weather that we have had over the last week has also been fantastic, fingers crossed it stays this way.

With the lighter evenings I have noticed more people out and about and walking, we are so spoilt with the surroundings here in Mangere Bridge with the waterfront and mountain it's great to see people out making the most of it.

You may have noticed that the yarn bomb has been removed, we have taken it down to be washed and hope to use the materials on another project.

## Upcoming events 2015

**Craft Sundays** - Over the summer months we will be having craft Sundays, these will be on once a month and be in Naomi and bill Kirk Park and run in conjunction with the boutique markets. The first one is the 8th of November. We will have them the first Sunday of every month over the summer period.

**Summer Series Live Music** - Summer live music at the café strip starts 1st October and will be on every Thursday evening throughout the daylight savings period. Be sure to stop in have a meal or drink and listen to the music

## Neighborhood support Mangere Bridge

This is something new that we are starting up in the Mangere Bridge area, we are having a info night on the 15th October at the village square where will have a BBQ and info packs for everyone, From 4-6pm -- Great way to meet new people in your street and create a great sense of security for you and your neighbors.

If you can't make it but are still interested please email, [nhsmangerebridge@gmail.com](mailto:nhsmangerebridge@gmail.com)

**DJ required** - Looking for a DJ / MC for an upcoming event, anyone interested please email me

I can be contacted on email  
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kind regards

*Kate Adams*

Village Manager  
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# Mangere Bridge Viper Netball Club

You might of read recently in the Manukau Courier about the new netball club that has been established in Mangere Bridge. The Mangere Bridge Vipers Netball Club was established earlier this year and was formed by coaches/ parents from Waterlea School as a way of keeping young players together once they leave primary school. The club took a team down to Rotorua for the Kurangaituku netball tournament. They were the talk of the tournament and the word going around "don't under estimate the little team from Mangere Bridge- the Vipers, small team but very determined and very fast. (Our team was made up of 6 Year 6 children and 2 Year 7's) They went into the tournament with an open mind, the girls knew they would be playing Intermediate teams and weren't expecting to win any games, to take the weekend as a good experience and an end of season blast. These girls blew us away, they played way above their maturity, didn't let anything stop them and nothing seemed to faze them, especially the players that stood taller than myself! The first day they had 3 games and after the first game losing 8-12 the girls were buzzing, and so were the parents! Next game we went down to a Year 8 team (and the section winners) 5-25 but the girls were still happy. The Sancta Maria players and parents were amazed at how courageous our girls were, and this seemed to be the reaction we got from all the teams we played. Last game for the day we came away with a very close exciting game and a win 14-13, the team went back to the hotel with massive smiles and very proud parents. The Sunday this amazing playing continued. They played a game against a very big year 8 team- they fought back in the 2nd half and went down 11-17! This courageous play by our girls did not go unnoticed and the tournament committee awarded us the Sportsmanship award of the tournament- very proud moment as the girls went up to receive their trophy.

# Mangere Bridge Residents and Ratepayers

Mangere Bridge Residents and Ratepayers thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to consult with Rob Fenwick from Living Earth on the operation of its efficient composting plant on Puketutu Island.

For the last seven years Living Earth has composted garden waste on the island's south west corner. The company hopes to expand to food waste which would extend its footprint by an acre. Composting is done inside a building, and Living Earth has had no complaints from Mangere residents. For 20 years the company has diverted 1.3 million tonnes of waste from landfill sites. The process takes 90-120 days to produce weed-free compost. Living Earth complies with rigid resource consent conditions regarding noise, dust, odour, water run-off, traffic, rodents and insects.

Living Earth has supported local Mangere schools and groups such as Altus Enterprises, Womens Refuge, Tamaki Makarau Marae, and Te Kainga Young Mums, who created gardens on their properties. Commercial landscapers, growers, Villa Maria Vineyard and farmers use the finished healthy compost.

Rob explained it takes 50 days to compost food waste. Any water runoff is carefully cleaned before release into the harbour and some stored for use during summer to water composting. Living Earth has a green and food waste composting plant at Bromley, Christchurch, and a Wellington plant combining sewerage, green waste and also abattoir waste contracted to them. Puketutu Island is now owned by Te Motu o Hiaroa Trust. Living Earth shows to be an ecologically responsible company wanting to extend its lease to 2027 on Puketutu Island. Everyone learnt so much from this meeting. All welcome to join Resident and Ratepayers on the second Wednesday of the month at St James Hall Church Rd at 7.30 p.m.

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## Plunket Indoor Bowling Club

Congratulations to the following Championship winners:

Plunket Shield Champ Fours Winners – Helen Robinson, Maryann Stipich, Dolly Lowe, Beverley McCallum

Runners up – Jeanne Carey, Alison Smith, Judy Maguire, Ron Slow

Graded Fours Winners – Ian Price, Maria Ried, Jocelyn Rose, Beverley McCallum

Runners up – Danny Madden, Nessie Thomson, Judy Maguire, Graham McCallum

Thank you to all those Mangere Bridge Businesses that sponsored us for the September Tournament helping to make it a great success and to Plunket Playgroup members for the wonderful suppers provided for our tournaments.

We invite members and supporters of our tournaments to our Prizegiving on Wednesday November 11th 7.30pm.

## Mangere Bridge Trolley Derby

The 2015 Mangere Bridge Trolley Derby is coming up Sunday November 22nd., that's less than 2 months away. If you need help building your trolley we've got our first Trolley Build clinic and parts day on Saturday 10th October at the Mangere Bridge Scout den. Check out our website for full details about this, we'll also be having weekly clinics from late October through to the event. - Come along if you need any help building or designing your trolley, or if you're looking for spare parts, even if you've never built anything before, we can help you sort your Phillips head from your Allen key. Bring your trolley down and test it on our scrutineering ramps to make sure it complies with the regulations.

Remember the Mangere Bridge Trolley Derby is open to everyone - little kids, big kids, and adults. If you can build it, you can race it. Kids, get a parent, Uncle, Neighbour or grandparent to help you out. Adults, you can build a cart and race it yourself, or why not get a corporate team together at work and build and race it together.

For further information contact Angela or Andrew on 09 634 1725, For all the race and trolley rules and categories check out the website to find out more at [www.mbtrolleyderby.com](http://www.mbtrolleyderby.com) and to be kept in the loop Like Us on facebook <https://www.facebook.com/Mangere-BridgeTrolleyDerby>

## Mangere Bridge Library

Wednesday 14 October 10:30 am

Book Chat – our monthly book club meets to discuss what they've been reading – good or bad. Please join us for a cup of tea or coffee and some lively discussion!

### New Open Hours:

A reminder that our new opening hours are as follows:

Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays  
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## Ellerslie Cricket Club

The Ellerslie Cricket Club are holding a Junior Open Day on Sunday 11th October from 3 - 5pm at the YMCA in Michaels Avenue, Ellerslie.

This is a free community event and all are welcome to attend. There will be fun activities including mini cricket games, a free sausage sizzle and it is an opportunity for parents and children to find out about the Ellerslie Cricket programme this summer. For more information please email [manager@ellersliecricket.co.nz](mailto:manager@ellersliecricket.co.nz)

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## Household Waste Pilot Project

Following on from our Sweet Talks event earlier in the year, Friends of the Farm are now developing a Household Waste Pilot Project as part of our wastewise commitment. Our trained mentors live in the community and are working alongside Mangere Bridge households to find ways to reduce the amount of waste going to the landfill. This might include:

- Learning more about what else you can recycle along with what you're already doing.
- Trying a Bokashi or composting system to deal with food waste
- Finding out where to dispose of other household items.

A mentor is available to answer questions along the way about certain kinds of packaging or other things you're not sure how to get rid of. We're also measuring the volume of waste diverted over a number of weeks so households can appreciate the gains they're making.

Eventually Council plans to charge households to take away waste destined for the landfill, so there's an added incentive to reduce as much waste as possible, to save money down the line.

We're now looking for more households willing to take part in the project. So if you're interested, please send us an email ([friends@fof.nz](mailto:friends@fof.nz)), and we'll connect you up with one of our trained mentors. It's a small time commitment - just an hour to get started - that will produce a real sense of satisfaction.

### Copy Deadline for November 2015

Deadline for the November Issue is the 22nd October. To ensure that your article makes the November issue please email your articles to [articles@mangerebridge.co.nz](mailto: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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