



Community Newsletter

"Learning to Live and Living to Learn"

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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

School Picnic tonight 5.30-7.30pm

Come along for an informal opportunity for parents, children and staff to enjoy the convivial atmosphere of our school community. There is no particular organisation to the night other than for you to bring along a picnic, wine, sausages (BBQ provided), fish 'n' chips, etc. to the lower courts at the Main School.

At the end of this week we are half way through the term! I'm pleased with our classroom learning programmes and delighted with the 'spirit' in the school. I continue to appreciate the number of parents who introduce themselves and continue the welcoming process. I'm just sorry old age doesn't allow me to remember all the names.

James Bond Night

What a great night; not just as a fundraiser but as a community function. Normally I would name the people responsible but the team was so large I fear I may miss a name. I simply repeat Sally Barrett's words on the night. "From all the children, thank you, thank you, thank you." \$19,000+ in net profit from one night is an outstanding achievement in anybody's terms.

School Donations

More good news. We are half way through term one and have 67% of school donations in. This is a huge help to our cash flow. We just want you to know it is noted and appreciated and not taken for granted. If you wish to make your donation payments by internet please return the Donations invoice with details of the date you have deposited and to whom the receipt is to be made out.

Payments for trips and performances

Please send money for trips and performances to your child's teacher in a named, sealed envelope. The teacher will hold these payments until the trip or performance has been held and if your child does not attend or the trip is cancelled the envelope will be returned to you. Please do not use internet banking for trips and performances.

Congratulations

Nicole Rennie and Matthew Clay have been selected as our Student Council Leaders. Student Council gets underway this week.

Main School Drop Off and Pick Up

A **BIG** thank you. This is such a tight area it only takes one car to stop in the wrong place or delay in the P2 for it all to go wrong. I've watched this in action on several occasions, before and after school, and it has been near perfect. I want to say thank you for making it work.

Your Support Please

This is real responsibility and leadership education: Declan Gallagher is our Sport Captain. With his friends he is running two stalls at the Wadestown Fair on Saturday 14 March. Proceeds will go to school PE equipment. One stall will have 2nd hand books and the other will be a Tombola (buy a ticket and win a bottle or jar of) So Declan and friends need your donations of 2nd hand books and jars or bottles or containers of (sauce, lollies, dishwash, fizzy drink, jam etc etc) Please take all donations to Room 5 daily before school.

Entertainment Book Sales

Flyers have gone home this week offering a first opportunity to buy the Entertainment Book. Early-bird purchasers get six bonus vouchers and the use of the Entertainment Book from the end of March. For those who would rather review the book before purchasing, we'll be sending sample books home to each family at the beginning of Term 2. The timing so close to the fabulous Licence to Party is unfortunate, but other schools and organisations are already out there selling and we'd rather you bought from Wadestown School! \$11 from each book purchased goes to the school. With thanks from the Wadestown School Parents Association.

ASB School Banking

ASB bank is delighted to announce that we are bringing School Banking back to the schools and this is being launched now. Our Kashin deposit box has been installed in the office foyer ready to take the first deposits. Prior to the Christmas break, or in the school pre-enrolment pack, your child was given an information pack containing application forms to be part of School Banking. Please complete the forms and return them to the office so their account can be opened and the savings can begin. Once the account has been opened your child will receive a goodie bag full of things to help them with their banking. ASB representatives will be at our school picnic tonight to collect and help you complete your forms. Parents, can you please provide 2 forms of identification – 1 to be photo ID if you are not an existing ASB Bank client. Banking can be dropped off in the box in the office foyer at any time and is deposited weekly on a Friday.

Choir and Rock Band

These both start in term 2. This then coincides with Art Splash and Rock Fest.

Parents Association Meeting

Wednesday 11 March, 7:30pm at the Side School.
Any questions please contact Carolyn Coldstream on 472 1359 or Jackie Gallagher on 479 6978.

Walking to School

Thank you for your support of Feet First, Walk to School Week. Lets keep the momentum of this going and make it even bigger.

"But we are not on a route"

1. We can organise more buses.
2. Be creative. Park on a walking route and let your children join the bus. Saves that school gate hassle as well.

Please Please Please

If you have any concerns please approach us. It has been confirmed that I don't bite, hit, yell or scream but I do listen. I've always had the same mantra in this area: "Don't tell neighbours, friends and relatives because there's nothing they can do about it. Come and tell us."

Teacher Only Days

Thursday 9 April is a Teacher Only Day as is Friday 23 October. These two days have been granted by the Minister of Education for implementation of the revised curriculum.

Coming Events

10-13 March	Life Education Trust week
Wed 11 March	Parents Association meeting
16-20 March	Year 7 & 8 Camp
20 March	Junior Sports Day
Tue 31 March	Year 3 & 4 Sports Festival
Tue 7 April	Board of Trustees meeting, 7pm
Wed 8 April	Final day for Term 1
Thu 9 April	Teachers Only Day
Mon 27 April	First day for Term 2

Lloyd May Acting Principal

Community Notices

Raroa Music Centre

The Raroa Music Centre still has places free in composition (9-10am) & theory (12-1pm) classes. We also have a fab orchestra, well supported by helpful musician-tutors (10-11) and a great repertoire of fun music. Parents welcome to join in too! For on-line enrolment, minimum skill and age requirements please visit our website www.raroamusic.org.nz.

Girl Guides

Places available now for Girl Guides: 5&6 year old girls (Pippins), 7-9 year old girls (Brownies) and 10-12 year old girls (Guides) meet in Wadestown on Wednesdays. Join us for fun and friendship, games and badges, camps and cooking. Phone Inge on 499-0489 for details.

Guide Biscuits

On sale from Saturday 7 March through your local Girl Guides and at David's in Wadestown. \$3 per packet, traditional plain, chocolate or choc minis.

Bubble Dome Holiday Programme

Have you ever wondered how computer games and movies like Shrek are made? Learn the latest in 3D Animation and Games Design on a Bubble Dome School Holiday workshop this Easter. Running at Samuel Marsden Collegiate School in Karori. Ph: 0800 GET BUBBLE or 021 607 190 or email info@bubbledome.co.nz or www.bubbledome.co.nz

House for Rent

4 bed rooms house for rent, Wadestown area. Available from 14th March. Please phone QUINOVIC on 4774754 or Judy on 9763933

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SKIDS HOLIDAY PROGRAMME SURVEY

We need to find out if there is enough interest in SKIDS offering a programme at Wadestown School. Please complete this form and return to the SKIDS survey box at the school office by 13 March – thank you.

Do you need school Holiday care for your child(ren)?
Y / N

Do you currently use Holiday care somewhere else?
Y / N

Would you be more likely to use our service if you could access the WINZ / OSCAR childcare subsidy? Y / N

Would you use a Holiday Programme if we ran one?
Y / N

Please circle which days/times you would need

Full day 8am - 6pm Y / N

Half Day – 8am – 3.30pm Y / N

Half Day – 1pm – 6pm Y / N

Please note Half days don't apply on trip days

If you are interested in any of these services please write your name and contact details below

Name _____

Phone _____ Home _____ Mob _____

Email _____

Names and age of children

