



Community Newsletter

"Learning to Live and Living to Learn"

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Kia Ora Parents and Caregivers

A very big thank you to all those people who stood in the recent Board of Trustees election. We had a very capable field of candidates. Election results have been declared and I would like to congratulate the five successful candidates, these being:

Carolyn Coldstream

Alison Douglass

Julie Gerrard

Jo Moyer

Neil Paviour-Smith

The community looks forward to your stewardship of Wadestown School over the next three years.

Auditions for the School Production

We are pleased to announce that auditions for speaking/solo singing parts will be held for the whole school production, "The Piperman", on **Wednesday 26 May**. The auditions will take place in the hall at the Main school, and ANY Year 4 to Year 8 student is welcome to try out for these auditions. In order that auditions will be fair, a page from the production has been selected. This page has three of many speaking parts on it, and will be handed out by the classroom teacher before the end of this week. Students are then welcome to decide which of the three roles they want to read for, bearing in mind that, should they be successful in the auditions, they could be allocated another role. We encourage parents and caregivers to assist their child/children with preparing for the auditions. Pupils will be auditioning before Mrs Sally Barrett, Mrs Lynne Dunn and Mr Martin Venter. Please note that only children who will be physically present for the production in week 9 of the third term (Monday 13 - Friday 17 September 2010) should audition.

We also encourage any "sewing" mums (or dads!) to make themselves known to your child's classroom teacher. Similarly - dads (or mums!) willing to assist with set-building, please make yourselves known to your child's classroom teacher as well. The teaching staff look forward to working together with you to make this school production one that your child/children will remember in years to come!

Road Safety – Rose St

Just a reminder of the procedures using this area when you drop off/pick up your children via car. The

P2 area is intended as a moving drop off/pick up area rather than as a parking area. From now on drivers who flout this request will be receiving a friendly email reminder from me, and those who continually and obviously disregard the law (e.g. parking on the yellow lines etc) will be reported to infringement agencies.

Year 7-8 Camp

Our year 7 and 8 children have returned from an exciting and challenging Education Outside the Classroom experience at Curious Cove, Marlborough Sounds. For many they tried new and demanding activities, both from the point of view of physical exploits and the requirements of communal living. I was lucky enough to spend a couple of days down there with them and would like to take this opportunity of thanking all the parents who gave up their valuable time to be there and support the camp activities and also the teachers who, always on these types of occasions, go well beyond the call of duty. Well done to everybody involved.

Book Week

We are in the middle of an extended Book Week celebration with lots of wonderful activities taking place. It was a pleasure to be at the Side School to be part of the book character dress up parade. The links between simply dressing up and book characters was well reinforced with these children – and they had great fun. At the Main School we have had visits from book illustrators as well as publishers. Teachers have also swapped classes and read their favourite books to children and at the Side School parents have been invited in each day to read a favourite story to their child's class. Mr Piper, in the library, is also running a number of competitions including making book marks, book covers and writing book reviews. This literacy focus within the library will continue throughout the year with a library fundraiser later in the year supported by the PTA.

School Disco

Just to clarify, the junior and senior school disco on 18 June referred to in the last newsletter is for Years 4-8. Years 4-6 will be from 5.00-6.30pm and Years 7-8 will be from 7.00-9.00pm.

Found

A pair of mustard coloured leather gloves were left at the top entrance to the Main school (by the gum tree) last week. If they are yours you can reclaim them from the school office.

Coming Events

20 May	Year 8 Leadership Graduation Evening
25 May	Western Zone Cross Country
27 May	Storylines Festival 'Jungle Bungle'
1 June	Side School Wheels Day
2 June	Main School Wheels Day
7 June	Queen's Birthday holiday
9 June	Western Zone Hockey
15 June	Inter-zone Cross Country
15 June	Board of Trustees Meeting, 7pm.
18 June	Year 4-8 Disco
29 June	Regional Cross Country
1 July	NZSO concert at the Town Hall
2 July	Term two finishes
19 July	Term three begins

Regards

Steve Allen
Principal

Community Notices

A for Art Classes

I have art classes each day (except Wednesday) 3.30 - 5pm for 6 - 8 years, and 2 classes for 10 - 13 years from 5.30 - 7pm each Monday & Thursday. My classes are well established, and the results are rewarding. I teach drawing & painting, clay sculpture, sewing and construction. a for Art also has two Adult classes: Monday - 9.30 - 11pm, Tuesday - 5.30 - 7pm. The term fee is \$150 per term (8 weeks) All materials included. 20% discount for second family member - \$120, so \$270 for both. a for Art does a week long Holiday Programme - 9.30-12pm, and 1 - 3.30pm, each term break. Cost is \$20 per session. Contact Dianne Baker, 74 Heke St, Ngaio, 971 4614 or 021 2677106