



Community Newsletter

"Learning to Live and Living to Learn"

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Kia Ora Parents and Caregivers

This is my last newsletter at Wadestown School and I would like to take this opportunity to thank the many people who have supported me and our leadership team during my tenure here. I leave the school with the knowledge that we have a superb group of students, some of the best I have encountered during my 36 years in teaching, and dedicated and hardworking teachers who are giving your children a very good education in a sound teaching and learning environment. I wish them all well for the future.

Continuing with the health theme from the last newsletter, we seem to have had a number of cases of conjunctivitis at school recently. This is a very infectious condition and we would ask that parents keep children home while it is treated and has cleared up. Thank you for your help in this regard.

Welcome to the following students who have begun at Wadestown School: Filippo Marotta-Cavalcanti, Benjamin Hogan, Tom Blundell-Myers, Zach Orson, Amelia Brown, Kate and Amy McHardy, Megan Sushames, Isabella Lindsay and Noah Patton-Jensen.

P2 Drop Off/Pick Up Area

Please do not get out of your car to assist your children. No stopping and leaving vehicles unattended. This area must have traffic flowing through it. Children need to be all ready to exit or enter car promptly with belongings ready to go, no retrieving bags, scooters, etc from car boots or over seats etc. Please move vehicle as far forward as possible to be courteous to those behind you.

New Kerb Extension - Mairangi Rd Footpath

This area is not complete there is no signage or warning of this change to motorists. Crossing at this area is no safer than any other area of Mairangi Road. It is not an established crossing area yet and is currently dangerous as children are taking for granted it is safe yet there are no warning signs for

motorists. Please be very careful as there have been a number of near accidents. The Police and Council are working to make this area safe.

Inter-zone Cross Country

Congratulations to the Wadestown School students that competed in the recent Inter-Zone event at Martin Luckie Park. In very muddy conditions all the Wadestown School runners finished in the top half of the field. This was just reward for their effort and training over the last 7 weeks. Special mention should go to Eddy Martin for winning the Year 4 boys race, James Knott for leading the Year 6 boys race from the start to be just piped on the line and finish second, Maddie Ferrier for coming 3rd in the Year 7 girls race and Olivia Wickens for winning the AWD race.

Wadestown School had 9 runners qualify for the Regional competition to be held on Tuesday. These are Eddy Martin, Boston Gutsell-Bright, Jade Jones, Kristian Kielland, James Knott, Olivia Wickens, Elizabeth Crowe, Maddie Ferrier, Ryan James. For the second year in a row we were the most successful school at the Inter-zones, with the most number of entries going through to the Regional finals.



In red and in the mud at Martin Luckie Park (L to R): William Ferrier, Jack Baines, Kristian Kielland and (obscured) Joseph Bahr.

An opportunity for some beautiful family photos

The Wadestown School PTA has arranged free sittings for families on Saturday 13th and Sunday 14th August at the Side School. Photos will be taken by Duo Photography who specialise in children and family portraiture. To see examples of Duo's work, visit <http://www.duophotography.co.nz/gallery> This is a great opportunity to get some fantastic photographs of your family at very reasonable prices. Sittings are free, and you have no obligation to purchase. Any photographs you do order will be available well before Christmas, and 10% of proceeds from the sitting will be donated to Wadestown School. A flyer about the sittings will be emailed within the next couple of weeks, but if you want to secure your sitting ahead of time, please email philandlouisa@xtra.co.nz with the day and time you would prefer.

Reading Resources Working Bee

Thank you to the group of parents who came to the working bee last week. We got a lot done but are having another working bee next Thursday 7 July from 9.00-10.30am at the Side School to prepare more new books for use in classroom programmes and the library. If you are able to help please email Derek@wadestown.school.nz

Wellington College Open Day

Wellington College are having an Open Day on Saturday 2 July at 10.30am. There is an abbreviated tour at 1.30pm.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Jennifer Talbot, Phoebe Pottinger and Poppy Wyndham who won a Highly Commended award in the Newspapers in Education Bird Poetry Competition:

Kotare

Screeching, diving,
Swooping, twirling
Whizzing
Small deep green
Aqua blue
Trying to catch its food
Whoosh! And off it goes.

The school choir, led by Lynne Dunne, performed for their parents last Wednesday 22 June.



Coming Events

1 July	Reports go home
4 July	Parent/Teacher Conferences, 3.15-8.15pm
5 July	Parent/Teacher Conferences, 3.15-6.00pm
5 July	Regional Cross Country
6 July	Parent/Teacher Conferences, 3.15-6.00pm
12 July	Western Zone Hockey
15 July	Term 2 finishes 3.00pm
1 August	Teacher Only Day
2 August	Term 3 begins
4 August	School Swimming Sports 10am-1pm, Kilbirnie Regional Aquatic Centre
16 August	Western Zone Swimming 9.30-1pm, Kilbirnie Regional Aquatic Centre

Kind regards
Steve Allen
Principal

Community Notices

Skids Holiday Programme

Where has this term gone?! It is time to start thinking about the upcoming school holiday's which are just a few weeks away. We have an awesome programme planned for the holidays with fun activity days and trips to Carters Observatory and Laser Force and the Movies. If you think you might need care for your children during the holiday's please contact Neil on 972 2163, 027 230 2219 or newlands@skids.co.nz

Waterside Karori Football Skills Clinic

For those keen on fun while developing their football - ages 5 to 14. The Clinic is at Vic. Uni. Boyd Wilson and Arena. (Situated in Kelburn campus with map on web site) It runs 9am-12pm and 1-4pm over four days per week. The Clinic will run with excellent care and coaching rain or shine. One place to drop off and pick up. Facilities include changing rooms, amenities, indoor and outdoor modern artificial playing surfaces. Clinics led by professional director of football Ian Porteous and lead Coaches Academy players. There are limited spaces available and the spaces usually fill up fast - please register early. Register by email to registration@wkafc.org.nz or visit www.wkafc.org.nz

Messy Church

Wadestown Presbyterian Church is excited to announce the launch of Messy Church. Messy Church is a fresh expression of church for all ages. It includes crafts, activities, 20 minutes of relaxed worship, music and a meal. Our first Messy Church event is on Sunday July 10, 4.30-6.30pm in our church buildings, 118 Wadestown Rd (cnr Wadestown Rd and Hanover St). Children under 14 are to be accompanied by an adult. The event is free. Want to know more? Contact Rev Sharon Ross Ensor 472 6402, ministerwpc@xtra.co.nz or www.wadestownpresbyterian.org.nz

Maranui Waterpolo Club

If you enjoy swimming this sport is for you! Maranui Waterpolo Club is one of the country's oldest and most prestigious clubs having supported young people in this sport for over 75 years. Children, teenagers and adults can all take part. There are currently team openings available for boys and girls U12, U14, U16, U18, U20. Phone Geoff and Catherine Burt on 3885-426 or email The_Burts@xtra.co.nz