



Community Newsletter

"Learning to Live and Living to Learn"

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Kia Ora Parents and Caregivers

The term is rapidly drawing to a close and has certainly been a very busy one. On Monday we welcome Mrs Sara Williams to the staff. Sara will be teaching in Room 4 for the rest of the school year and we are looking forward to working with her and the range of positive contributions I know she will bring to our school.

We also welcome the following new students to our school: Fraser Forsyth, Harriet Pearce, Edward Abbott, Mikayla Young, Finley Shaker, Claudia Shaker, Henri Nischalke, Matthew Crawford, Ellora Mitchell, Soraya Wyndam and Sophie Smith.

A reminder that school closes for the first term on Friday 15 April and reopens on Tuesday 3 May. Monday 2 May is set aside as a teacher only day where staff will be working on a range of professional development activities.

School Donations

As you are aware our school finds it challenging to provide all the teaching and learning resources that we would like to have from our government operations grant alone. A very big thank you to the 62% of parents who have already paid the school donation to the office. There are many ways that this donation can be paid. Please talk to Bev Truscott in the office about the different options.

Year 8 Student Leaders

Head of Student Council

Caitlin Ferner, Isaac Millar-Jose

Student Councillors

Karl Bennett, Zoe Weirzbicki, Erin Little, Hope Lynch-Gerrard, Gretchen Elliot, Zac Small

House Leaders

Tui – Lucas Toovey, Oscar Dome

Kotare – Harry Seyton-Walker, Charlie Parker

Ruru – Ellie Sinclair, Amy Wilson

Kereru – Bella Nagel, Missy Shepherd

Sports

Captains – Rachel Pattison, Matthew Robertson

Deputy-Captains – Samantha Campbell, Liam McGovern

Leaders – Leo Gaynor, Jamie Probert, Isabella Krebs, Sophie Gutsell-Bright

Head of Assemblies

Hannah Brandeis-McLellan, Isabella Krebs

Head of Road Patrol

Harry Smith

Head Librarian

Adelie Fillipi

ICT

Head – Jamie McClymont

ICT Team – Angitha Ramesh, Harry Smith, Andrew Symmes

Environment

Head – Sophie Gutsell-Bright

Environment Team – Angitha Ramesh, Jasmine Roylance, Jamie Probert, Anna Baines

Wheels

Head – Felix Latham

Wheels Team – Zac Small, Liam McGovern, William Johnston, Dylan Pugsley-Hannigan

Office Helpers

Isabelle Brown-Stott, Rebecca Emanuel

Do you have an old cellphone?

Help the school get digital cameras or even an interactive whiteboard by just handing in your old cell phones. They don't even have to work! All you need to do is pop down to the school office and see the big blue box and put your cell phones down the hole. All of the cell phones we collect are going to help the Starship Air Ambulance so the more cell phones we collect the more we are helping and the more bonuses the school will get in return!

From the Environment Team

Touch Rugby

Congratulations to all the students who played in the term one Touch Rugby competition. The students played with enthusiasm and determination and made tremendous improvements over the season.

Well done to the Year 3 and 4 boys team of Harry Jones, Boston Gutsell-Bright, George Sims, Jakob Vandenberg, Jonathan Crowe, Ciaran Lynch and Eddy Martin who defeated Scots College 2-0 in their final to win their grade.

Well done also to the Year 5 and 6 Mixed team of Elizabeth Crowe, Kayla Bradshaw, Ella Strachan, Gloria Hickey, Joshua Smith, Gerard Hickey, Tim Newell, Jack Baines, Hugo Hibbert, Lachie Krebs and Will Ferrier who narrowly lost to Seatoun School in their final. The scores were even at full time so they went to extra time and Seatoun scored first.

In other results the Year 5 and 6 boys team finished 4th and the Year 7 and 8 mixed team finished 6th.

University of New South Wales ICAS Tests

Wadestown School will be offering students from Year 4 to 8 the opportunity to sit the UNSW ICAS tests in Science, Spelling, English and Mathematics. Please print out and fill in the form on the last page of this newsletter if you would like your child to enter any of these tests.

Board of Trustees meeting.

Please note a change of date to the next Board of Trustees meeting. The scheduled meeting for 17 May is now to take place on Thursday 12 May beginning at 7.00 pm in the staff room.

Term Calendar Dates

5 April Western Zone Football (Soccer) Day, Ian Galloway Park

15 April End of Term 1

Please note: Term 2 starts on Tuesday 3 May. Monday 2 May is a Teacher Only Day.

Kind regards,
Steve Allen
Principal

Community Notices

Growing Together

A parenting education and support programme run by Presbyterian Support Central Family Works unit. In conjunction with Wadestown Presbyterian Church, this eight week programme will be run weekly from Thursday May 12th, 9.30-11.30am at Wadestown Presbyterian Church, cnr Hanover St & Wadestown Rd. Cost: \$80. The programme aims to provide a supportive space for parents/caregivers to share their parenting experiences, and to raise awareness and understanding of positive and nurturing parenting approaches and how children learn and develop. Facilitators: Johanna Pibal (Child and Family Therapist) and Hannah Grove. Please register with Leanne phone 976 3331 or email duqald.leanne@paradise.net.nz Please let us know if you require assistance with childcare.

Nursery Grade Football

Calling all boys turning 5 or 6 and girls turning 5, 6 or 7 in 2011? Come and play football for Onslow Junior Football Club this winter with your friends in a relaxed and supportive environment. Learn some balls skills, have fun and keep fit. Sunday mornings 9.30-10.30am at Raroa Normal Intermediate School. \$60/season. Enrolments are only open until Sunday 3rd April 2011 so get your boots on and enrol now. To enrol visit <http://www.onslow.org.nz> or email julie@onslow.org.nz

Pregnancy Assistance

Do you need clothes, bedding, cloth nappies, or a bassinet for your baby? Pregnancy Assistance gives out FREE baby items to pregnant women and new mothers. Phone 3897122 for more information, or come in and see us at the St Vincent de Paul shop in Newtown. We are open from Wednesday to Friday between 10am and 2pm.

UNSW ICAS Tests

Wadestown School will be offering students from Year 4 to 8 the opportunity to sit the UNSW ICAS tests in Science, Spelling, English and Mathematics. The entry fee for each student is \$7.50 for English, Maths and Science and \$9.50 for Spelling. The sitting dates for each test is listed below

- Science - Wednesday 8 June
- Spelling - Tuesday 21 June
- English - Tuesday 2 August
- Maths - Tuesday 16 August

If you would like your child to enter any of the above tests, please fill in the form below to the office, with the money attached by the end of term 1, 15th April 2011.

I would like my child _____ in year _____ Room _____ to enter:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Science | \$7.50 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Spelling | \$9.50 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> English | \$7.50 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Maths | \$7.50 |

Total: \$ _____

I enclose **cash** **cheque** **internet transaction**

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Wadestown School Board of Trustees

Please make reference to NSW tests and return this form.

Signed _____