



# Wadestown School

Steve Allen Sally Barrett Marshall Clark Alison Douglass Julie Gerrard Jo Moyer Neil Paviour-Smith Richard Waddy
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## ***News from the Board – September 2009***

### **Board of Trustees elections due in March 2010**

The three year term of office of the current elected trustees will finish around the end of the first term in 2010, when new elections will be held. There will be further information about the trustee elections in the months ahead.

In some schools, the trustee elections result in considerable change that can be disruptive. The Board has been considering what steps it might be able to take that could help with succession.

### **Changes on the Board**

Marshall Clark and Richard Waddy have indicated that they will not be standing for re-election. To help improve the likelihood of a smooth transition to the next Board, the trustees have therefore agreed to elect Neil Paviour-Smith as the Board Chair, with immediate effect.

We have also co-opted Joanne (Jo) Moyer to become a trustee until the elections in 2010. Jo has provided this information about herself, by way of introduction to the community:

Joanne has a keen interest in music and the arts. She has a Bachelor of Arts degree from Nottingham University in the UK and worked in the music division of Faber & Faber publishing before coming to New Zealand. Joining the New Zealand Symphony Orchestra in 1994 as part of their administration team, Joanne went on to head the orchestra's Artistic and Education department. Since 2007, Joanne has undertaken part-time contract work with the Ministry of Education to work around family commitments. Joanne is married to Tom and they have two boys at Wadestown School (John-Ross in Year 3 and Jack in Year 1).

We welcome Jo to the Board.

### **Education Review Office visit announced for the 4<sup>th</sup> term**

We have been advised that the Education Review Office (ERO) will be visiting the school in the 4<sup>th</sup> term, in the week beginning Monday 23 November. The last ERO visit was in November 2006.

The Board is required to undertake some preparatory work in advance of this visit, and this is now in hand. The trustees look forward to the opportunity to obtain some independent feedback about the performance of the school.

### **The next Board meeting**

The next Board meeting will be held on Tuesday 27 October in the Staff Room at the Main School at 7:00 pm. Our meetings are held in public, and you are welcome to attend. If you do plan to attend, please let the school office know in advance. You may also request copies of Board papers.

**Neil Paviour-Smith**  
Chairman