



## Community Newsletter

*"Learning to Live and Living to Learn"*

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### Kia Ora Parents and Caregivers

Oh such a busy time of the year for everybody! Teachers are presently working on finalising the end of year reports for your children. This is likely to be the last time that reports will go home in the format that they are. I am sure you are all aware of the new government initiatives for all schools to align their assessment practices and reporting processes to the National Standards. Our school is well placed to be able to meet these requirements. During term three we developed a new assessment procedures manual that included the setting of school based expectations for achievement at all year levels in reading, writing, mathematics and numeracy.

When the National Standards were announced we compared our expectations with those of the government's and were pleased that there was a very close alignment between the two. What we now need to work on is how we might report these Standards to the community through our annual report for the school as a whole and to parents for individual children. The Ministry of Education has provided a range of examples that we will be exploring in the new year so that we can develop a format that is appropriate for our school. If you are interested in any of the detail regarding National Standards and Reporting to Parents please visit the Ministry of Education website [www.minedu.govt.nz](http://www.minedu.govt.nz).

### ERO Visit

A reminder that our friends from the Education Review Office will be visiting us during the week beginning 23 November. At this stage they will be focusing on "Strategies that Support Teaching and Learning." We are looking forward to the visit as it is an opportunity for us to celebrate those things that are going well and have an outside agency provide feedback on areas that we might like to develop further.

### Parents Association

Our hard working Parent Association has a couple of great fundraising ventures on the go at the moment. At the end of this newsletter is a flyer about the "Is Your Style Right?" event that is being held on 24 November. The second is the calendar and greeting card promotion. A reminder that

orders for these items need to be in by 18 November. Also the School and the Parents Association are seeking a couple of volunteers who might like to finalise the development of the Emergency Food Kit project for 2010. If you are interested please let me know through the school office. You don't need to be an active member of the Parent Association to take on this job and there would certainly be no requirement for you to do so.

### Purakau Avenue Entrance

A very big thank you to those people who have volunteered to go on the roster for the crossing at the bottom of Purakau Avenue. Your support is much appreciated. A not so gentle reminder to those drivers who continue to flout the law regarding parking and general road safety in that area. Your actions are putting the safety of your and others children at risk. Please think about your driving behaviour in this area.

### Certificates

The following children have received merit certificates for their efforts at school.

Congratulations to them all.

Room 1	Ashlee Pearce, William Chandler Rowan Hewitson, Amelie Greenwood, Ellie Glaister-Clarke
Room 2	Caitlin Young, Tom Pottinger, Brooke Candy
Room 3	Joshua Edwards, Lulu Shepherd, Josh Young, Declan Magee
Room 4	Bella Nagel, Zoe Wierzbicki
Room 5	Gemma Hales, Braydon Mahoney
Room 6	Hamish Higgins, Lisa Heeseon-Chae
Room 7	Taylor FINDERUP, Elise Hampton
Room 8	Kayla Bradshaw, Celia MacDonald
Room 9	Paige Goodall, Matthew Bevan
Room 10	Charlie Plimmer and Katie Bilbrough
Room 11	Theo Gabites, Pippi Orr, Jenna Eagleson, Rose Taylor
Room 12	Samuel Paviour-Smith, Jack Comesky
Room 13	Jack Spencer, Ashley Toovey, Jacques Saker, James Halliday, Lachie Krebs
Room 14	Ailie Wallace, Henry Chandler

## School Athletics Day

Year group winners were:

Year 4 Boys – James Knott (Tui)  
Year 4 Girls – Charlotte Leslie (Kereru)  
Year 5 Boys – Ben Strowger-Turnock (Kereru)  
Year 5 Girls – Emma Crampton (Kereru)  
Year 6 Boys – Lucian Lau Young (Kereru) and Felix Latham (Ruru)  
Year 6 Girls – Madeline Wilson  
Year 7 Boys – Hamish Higgins  
Year 8 Boys – Hamish Moffatt (Ruru) and Eddy Lovell (Kereru)  
Year 8 Girls – Emma Campbell (Kotare)  
House competition: 1<sup>st</sup> – Kotare, 2<sup>nd</sup> – Kereru, 3<sup>rd</sup> – Tui, 4<sup>th</sup> – Ruru

## Western Zone Athletics Results

### Short Sprints

Year 4 boys – Maxwell Wickens 1<sup>st</sup>, James Knott 2<sup>nd</sup>

Year 4 girls – Charlotte Leslie 1<sup>st</sup>, Lucy Jones 3<sup>rd</sup>

Year 6 boys – Lucian Lau Young 1<sup>st</sup>

### Long Sprints

Year 4 boys – Maxwell Wickens 1<sup>st</sup>, James Knott 2<sup>nd</sup>

Year 4 girls – Charlotte Leslie 1<sup>st</sup>, Lucy Jones 2<sup>nd</sup>, Elizabeth Crowe 3<sup>rd</sup>

Year 6 boys – Lucian Lau Young 2<sup>nd</sup>

Year 6 girls – Madeline Wilson 2<sup>nd</sup>

### High Jump

Year 4 girls – Charlotte Leslie 2<sup>nd</sup>, Jordyn Chin 3<sup>rd</sup>

Year 6 girls – Samantha Campbell 3<sup>rd</sup>

Year 8 boys – Eddy Lovell 3<sup>rd</sup>

Year 8 girls – Emma Campbell 2<sup>nd</sup>

### Long Jump

Year 4 girls – Charlotte Leslie 1<sup>st</sup>, Lucy Jones 2<sup>nd</sup>

Year 6 boys – Lucian Lau Young 1<sup>st</sup>

Year 7 boys – Tim Crampton 2<sup>nd</sup>

### Quoit Throw

Year 4 girls – Macy Toovey 3<sup>rd</sup>

Year 6 boys – Harry Seyton-Walker 1<sup>st</sup>

Year 8 girls – Isabella Castle 2<sup>nd</sup>

### Vortex

Year 5 boys – Arthur Coldstream 3<sup>rd</sup>

Year 8 girls – Julia Montague-Cripps

### Relays

Year 4 boys – 3<sup>rd</sup>

Year 4 girls – 2<sup>nd</sup>

Year 6 boys – 2<sup>nd</sup>

## Shooting Stars Hockey Team

The Shooting Stars Hockey Team made up of Jade Jones, Phoebe Pottinger, Lucy Hibbert, Harriet Leslie, Emma Brokenshire and Gloria Hickey had a fantastic season. The girls practiced every Friday before school and all the hard work paid off as they won every game except one. Their ball skills and understanding of positioning improved hugely. It was fantastic for parents to watch them each Saturday at their games. Well done to all of them and here's to 2010!

## Room 5 & 6 Fixture with Brooklyn School

Rugby – Lost 40-45

Soccer – Lost 0-2

Netball – Phonematonics won 23-22, Wanderers lost 4-20, Year 6 won 15-10

Basketball – Won 42-20

Uni-hockey – Won 10-4

## School Dates for 2010

The Board of Trustees has approved the following dates for the 2010 school year.

Wednesday 3 February	Term 1 begins
Thursday 1 April	Term 1 finishes
Monday 19 April	Term 2 starts
Friday 2 July	Term 2 finishes
Monday 19 July	Term 3 starts
Friday 24 September	Term 3 finishes
Monday 11 October	Term 4 starts
Thursday 16 December	School year finishes

## Coming Events

23-27 Nov	Education Review Office visit
8 December	Board of Trustees meeting, 7pm staffroom
11 December	Year 8 Leavers Dinner
16 December	Student Reports go home
18 December	School closes for 2009 at 12.30 pm.

## Steve Allen Principal

## Room 9 Writing Inspired by "Crumpet the Cat"

Crumpet was very, very annoyed with Lily. He went to the library and found a book of wishes. He wished that Lily was an ant and then he wished himself back to Lily's house.

**By Matthew Bevan**

Crumpet sulked all the way to the library. In the library the librarian found him in the kids section and they gave him some milk and some bird. Then Crumpet was the library's cat.

**By Moya Bird-McKenna**

Once upon a time Lily lived with her bad cat Crumpet. Actually one night when Lily was asleep Crumpet meowed and the cats came jumping. They scrambled up the steps, they played in the dishwasher and turned the table into a disco ball. They jumped on the trampoline into the lake swamp. When Lily woke up Crumpet was by the doorstep. When Lily went to the mall Crumpet meowed and all the cats in the city came hopping and jogging and running. They danced on the lights and they ate cake and bounced on the beds. On the next party Lily buzzed the cats out and looked at Crumpet and said "What happened here?"

**By Charlotte Symons**

## Room 10 Writing About "Silly Billy" by Anthony Browne

"Silly Billy" introduced us to Worry Dolls. They come from Guatemala. Children made Worry Dolls out of wood and fabric. At night time, they would put them under their pillows. They would tell their dolls all their worries. This would help them sleep as still as a stone.

**By Jonathan Crowe**

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**By Jonathon Hill**

## Room 14's Fireworks and Peter Pan Ballet Writing

### **Fireworks**

As the colour explodes into the sky we watch with full amusement. The colour is so spectacular that almost everyone in the city has their eyes glued to the scene. The colours start to fade and after the final fireworks explodes we start going home.

**By Ryan Small**

### **Peter Pan Ballet**

I went to the Peter Pan Ballet with my class and other kids from school. There were kids from other schools there. The children all cheered when the ballet started and it was too noisy! The pirates and Peter Pan had pretend swords. Captain Hook gets eaten by a crocodile. The show was good.

**By James Ritchie**

### **Peter Pan Summary**

Captain Hook is a pirate with heaps of other nasty pirates as his crew. His worst enemy is called Peter Pan. One day they had a big fight. Captain Hook ended up in a crocodiles tummy.

**By Hugh Morrison**

### **Peter Pan Characters**

Wendy is kind and gentle  
Captain Hook is evil and bad  
Peter Pan is a hero  
Tinkerbell is angry  
Lost Boys are joyful  
Tiger Lily is a beautiful Indian Princess  
These are the characters of Peter Pan

**By Huia Fillippi**

### **Captain Hook**

Captain Hook owned a throng of pirates  
Who all seemed to be primates.  
His hobby was plundering  
He was always blundering.  
Which got him in a crocodiles tummy  
Only the croc knows if he was yummy!

**By Jesse Richardson**

### **Captain Hook**

Captain Hook doesn't like to cook and he is very strict, dull and lazy. However he is a good fighter. At the end of the story he died with great sorrow. All of us will remember that bad character called Captain Hook.

**By Joshua Smith**

## Community Notices

### **St. Luke's Church Fair**

Spring cleaning? This is your chance to donate your good quality second-hand clothing (for adults and children), toys and books prior to the fair to the parish office, 34 Pitt Street on Tue-Thu 9am-12noon by 20<sup>th</sup> November. Then come along to the fair for fun, food, and great bargains!! Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> November from 10am at St Luke's Church, corner Pitt Street and Wadestown Road. Homeware, food, crafts, second-hand clothing (for adults and children), books, toys and face painting. For more information contact Jennifer Harris on 027 4450930 or jenniferandlaurie@xtra.co.nz

### **Electronic Wizard**

The Electronic Wizard course provides kids aged 9-15 years with knowledge and understanding on how we use energy and electricity in a fun and challenging way. The Wizards will build and do experiments every week. Starts on Monday 23 November at the Wadestown Community Centre hall. For more information go to [www.ewizard.ac.nz](http://www.ewizard.ac.nz) or contact Karen on 021125 9514 or kkehela@xtra.co.nz

### **Crofton Downs School Matsuri Gala**

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> November, wet or fine, 11am-2pm. Featuring international food stalls, Japanese dancing display, the Great BIG Ginormous Jaffa Roll, heaps of childrens activities for ALL ages, plants, café, white elephant, second hand clothes, toys, books. Eftpos available. Located on Chartwell Drive, Crofton Downs, just off Churchill Drive between Ngaio & Wadestown. Phone 479 2429 for further details.

### **Karori Cricket Coaching Camps**

Karori Cricket Club is running coaching clinics at Karori Park over the summer school holidays for ages 6 years+ \$120 per week for five 3 hour sessions, either 9am-12pm or 1pm-4pm, Dec 21-23, Jan 4-8, 11-15, 18-22, and 25-29. Wet weather activities provided. Coaches include Wellington Firebirds Steve Murdoch and Simon Allen. To book or for more information contact Marc Ellison on 027 414 4036 or karoricricketcamp@gmail.com



## WADESTOWN SCHOOL IS YOUR STYLE RIGHT?

**Tuesday 24 November  
6.30pm – 10.00pm**

If you've heard of Trinny & Susannah or Gok and thought how useful it would be to gain some personal styling tips of your own, then the Wadestown School "Is your style right?" fundraiser night is for you.

We have a great line up for the evening with wardrobe stylist Lisa O'Neil and The Mews boutique on the catwalk. Lisa regularly runs style evenings and has gained a great reputation for providing a fun and motivational night of entertainment. Lisa's talk covers body shapes, how to dress wise and many other tips to help you with your own style sense. There will be the famous Wadestown Deli stall to browse and in addition, The Mews will be showcasing the new seasons fashions with help from the Yummy Mummy Models from Wadestown School.

Nibbles are also included in your ticket price.

Wine and juice will be available to purchase.

**Come along and enjoy an evening of style and flair.**

Wellington Girls School Hall, Pipitea Street, Thorndon.

Parking available at the school

Yes please, I would love to attend the Wadestown School "Is your Style Right" fundraising evening.

I would like to buy \_\_\_\_\_ tickets.

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Your Contact number: \_\_\_\_\_

### Payment options

1. Please write your cheques out to: Wadestown School Parents Association
2. Deposit via internet banking to ASB Society Cheque Account - 12-3140-0348889-00 - Wadestown School Parent Association

### Please indicate your preferred delivery option from 1, 2, or 3

1. Send tickets home with: Your Childs Name \_\_\_\_\_ Classroom : \_\_\_\_\_
2. Please deliver/post tickets to: \_\_\_\_\_
3. Please leave tickets at the school office, I will come and pick mine up

Thank you.

**\$30 per ticket  
Bring a friend  
(get 2 tickets for \$50)**

**For all payments (cheque  
or direct debit) please  
make reference to your  
Childs Initial, Surname and  
Room Number either on the  
back of the cheque or in the  
Reference field on internet  
banking**

**eg Magnus Pechan Room 12  
would be 12MPechan**