



Community Newsletter

"Learning to Live and Living to Learn"

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Kia Ora Parents and Caregivers

A warm welcome back for term four. Already this term is panning out to be a very busy one.

Parents Association Open Afternoon

Tomorrow afternoon, Friday 16 October, the Parent Association invites everybody along between 4.30-6.30pm to view the many additions to school resources that they have provided funding for. Please refer to the separate flyer distributed by class co-ordinators for details. The PA will also be providing some yummy food and time to acknowledge the contribution that our retiring Board Chair Marshall Clark has made to Wadestown School. There will also be an opportunity to hear some of my ideas in regard to Wadestown School's future direction. We look forward to seeing you during this time.

Teacher Only Day – Friday 23 October

A reminder that school will be closed for instruction next Friday 23 October so that staff can be involved in professional development relating to the New Zealand Curriculum and other topics. This day has been provided by the Minister of Education for this purpose. To help out with childcare a SKIDS programme will operate on that day from 8.00am to 6.00pm. The cost will be \$35 per child. As usual the children will need to bring a lunch with them but morning and afternoon teas will be supplied. Please bring sunhats along for outside activities. Come along for a day of fun activities rain or shine. Numbers are limited for the day so parents please email wadestown@skids.co.nz for bookings and payment options or phone Neil Hancock on 027 230 2219.

SunSmart Initiative

Through endeavours by the Board and Parents Association, Wadestown School is moving towards becoming an accredited SunSmart School. Part of this process is educational and involves children gaining a greater understanding of the effect of UV rays. As part of this programme the Parents Association has set up a sun hat purchase scheme. A flyer and order form for the purchase of these hats is being sent home. Please follow the instructions included on the form and have your orders back to school by Friday 30 October.

Scooter Licences

A reminder that children who have gained a scooter licence have agreed to the following points:

1. Stay on the footpath at ALL times.
2. If I am crossing a road – STOP – check to make sure it is safe to cross. I will not ride across the road.
3. Let people know if I am coming up behind them – I will say "excuse me", and pass carefully.
4. Not race or play carelessly on the way to or from school.
5. Have respect for cars and people.

It would be very helpful if parents can remind children of these points and reinforce the safety aspect of bringing a scooter to school. Thanks for your support with this.

Relief Teacher Aide

From time to time we have teacher's aides who are away for a variety of reasons and we are seeking someone, who, sometimes at short notice, would be able to fill in during these absences. This would be a paid position on a relief basis. If you are interested and are available, please give me a ring at school to discuss the details.

New Children

Welcome to the following pupils who have started this term: Jessica Pearce, Oliver Pope, Hannah Olphert, Yeojun Yoon and Lisa Chae.

Certificates

Room 2	Maxwell Wallace, Brooke Candy, Mia Williams, Thomas Wilton, Harriet Abbott, Nicholas Baines
Room 3	Joshua Young, Luke Mackle, Arielle Pellenard, Charlotte Hogan, Ella Dowsett-Farmer, Jack Bromwich, Paris Simpson
Room 5	Rupert Steele, Sam Dick
Room 6	Ellie Sinclair, Jasmine Roylance
Room 7	Ella Oughton, Emma Crampton
Room 8	Seth Smith, Samanyu Turukapalli
Room 9	Xavier Bahr, Sophie Hargreaves
Room 10	Maia Jackson, Toby Marks
Room 11	Harriet Leslie, TJ Shirtcliffe
Room 12	Magnus Pechan, Ben Stirling
Room 13	Charlotte Johnstone, Harry Williams
Room 14	Ethan Roylance, Joshua Smith

Congratulations to Madeline Wilson who came runner-up in the Wellington Primary Schools tennis tournament on 13 October. She also came 12th in the NZ Cross Country Nationals in Nelson on 24 September.

Sports Fixture with St Mark's School

On 20 August the Year 6-8s went to St Marks School to compete in a number of sports. The rugby team played a good game but lost 36-0. The football team worked well as a team and won 2-0. In netball the Phonomotronics played extremely well and managed a 17-all draw, the Wanderers won their game 26-13 and the Year 6 team won 8-7. Overall there was great sportsmanship between the two schools and we look forward to another fixture in the future.

Coming Events

16 October	Parent Association Open Afternoon
23 October	Teacher Only Day – school closed
26 October	Labour Day – school closed
27-28 October	Ballet Workshops Year 3-8
27 October	Board meeting 7pm, Staffroom
29 October	Battle of the Bands
30 October	School Athletics Year 4-8, Nairnville Park
5 November	Peter Pan Ballet Year 3-8
10 November	Western Zone Athletics, Newtown Park
23-27 Nov	Education Review Office visit
8 December	Board 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

Community Notices

Summer football

Karori, Onslow and North Wellington football clubs are again running summer football.

- Summer Soccer Skills and the Girls Only League on Fridays
- Summer Soccer Skills has the excellent coaching and works to lift the skills and techniques levels for all participants as well as being fun
- Friday sessions are a girls only league
- Enter a 5 a side team or join as an individual and we will put you in a team

See all the details including registration forms on the website at www.wkafc.org.nz

Onslow Amateur Athletic Club

The Onslow Amateur Athletic Club invites all children aged 6 to 14 years of age to join our track and field club. We are the largest in the northern suburbs and hold sessions on Monday evenings at Nairnville Park between 5:50 - 7:20 pm. The 2009/10 season will commence on 2 November 2009 and we look forward to another great season of junior athletics. Registrations will be taken on 12 and 19 October 2009 from 6 to 7 pm at the Nairnville Recreation Centre. For more information, please contact Stuart Beresford on 04 977 1302 or s.beresford@paradise.net.nz or check out our website www.sportsground.co.nz/onslowaac.

Flamenco Dance Workshops

- Open to Year 7 - 13 Students
- Introductory Saturday October 31st
- Progression Saturday November 21st
- Timetable: 1pm -3pm continues at 3.30pm-4.30pm with Castanet Tuition
- Venue: Hall 1 Wesley Methodist Church Taranaki St Wellington
- Cost: \$50 for both workshops.
- Registration Fee \$10 [non refundable]
- Registration and enquiries to Marilyn Swan 06 835 5491 or swanebbs@xtra.co.nz