



Community Newsletter

"Learning to Live and Living to Learn"

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Kia Ora Parents and Caregivers

As I write this I am finishing my fifth week at Wadestown School, and what an enjoyable and professionally uplifting time it has been. Whilst I have visited classroom many times since I have been here, this week I have begun formal visits to observe teachers teaching and children learning. I am very proud of what I have seen so far. My observations over these last 5 weeks have seen very dedicated and hard working teachers and children being provided with many spectacular learning opportunities. I have also seen very responsible and mature children engaged in a range of exciting activities.

Merit Certificates

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

Congratulations to them all.

Room 1	Rowan Hewitson, Timothy Crawford, Juliet Leslie, Isabel Possenniskie
Room 2	Madeline Sims, Sam Smith, Nicolas Baines, Harriet Abbott
Room 3	Ned Lutyens, Declan Magee, Shanli Tan, Fred Anderson
Room 4	Rebecca Emanuel, Lucas Toovey
Room 5	Matthew Clay, Sasha Kapica
Room 6	Hamish Higgins, Claudia Strauss-Forster
Room 7	Gina Chamberlain, Tessa Inglis
Room 8	Hugo Hibbert, Ruby Mackle, Maxwell Wickens
Room 9	Isaac Thompson, Isabelle Douglas
Room 10	Vita Elworthy, Sam McGovern
Room 11	Isabel Nicholls, Bede Bennett, Alison Bell, Jack Baines
Room 12	George Sims, Kate Nicholls
Room 13	James Rampton, Miro Macdonald, Harriet Campbell, Kristian Kielland
Room 14	James Ritchie, Huia Fillippi

Congratulations also to Jordyn Chin in Room 8 who competed at the recent North Shore Rhythmic Gym competition held 8-9 August. Clubs from all over NZ competed. Jordyn competed in Level 2 and was placed 1st in Ball and 5th overall for her level!

Congratulations also to Leo Gaynor, Matthew Robertson, Harry Smith and Oscar Dome. These

Year 6 students represented our school at the Wellington Interschool Chess Tournament last week. They played 6 games of chess each and showed great sportsmanship. Well done!

The school Chess Club is meeting next Thursday at lunch time for any interested students, both beginners and experienced. If any students have a chess board, they will need to bring it along as the Club currently has only 1 chess board. Any further donations of "unwanted" chess boards would be much appreciated.

New Students

Welcome to the following new students to our Wadestown School learning community: Luke Mackle, Lachlan Angus and Charlotte Hogan.

Sunhats

The Parents Association has asked the Board if they can implement the sun smart initiative discussed earlier in the year and the board has agreed. The PA has contacted a supplier and the purchase of school sun hats through the office will be available soon, for use during terms 1 and 4 of the school year. We can look forward to seeing our own Wadestown School wide-brimmed sun hats in the near future and, whilst the wearing of these particular hats will not be compulsory, children will need to wear some sort of sunhat protection as has always been the policy. Buying through the school will support the PA with vital fund raising initiatives.

Sausage Sizzle

The sausage sizzle season is back! Next week will see sausages and drinks being available on Wednesday 26 August at the Main School and on Friday 28 August at the Side School. Sausages will be \$1.00 and drinks \$1.50.

Bring and Buy

At Lunchtime on Friday 4 September there will be a 'Bring and Buy' fundraiser. Bring your old toys or books to sell in the hall. Items will be sold for around \$1 and the money raised will help pay for a new lighting system for school productions. Don't forget to bring money on the day!

Lost Property

The lost property bin is located in the corridor outside the library for any property lost during the term. Lost property is collected at the end of each term and held till the end of the following term when it is washed and given to a charity. NB: Any item collected and found to have a name on it is ALWAYS returned to its owner. PLEASE, PLEASE name or label all garments! For any property lost last term please phone Sara Parker on 499-7995.



Has your child been vaccinated against measles?

There is a large measles outbreak in Canterbury, which has now spread to other parts of New Zealand, with many cases in both primary and secondary schools. Measles is a serious, highly infectious viral illness which is spread by coughing and sneezing. The first symptoms of measles are:

- Fever
- Runny nose
- Cough
- Sore red eyes (conjunctivitis)

These symptoms usually last a few days, then a blotchy red rash develops on the face and spreads gradually over the body. People are infectious for 3 to 5 days before the rash and until 4 days after the rash has started. Complications include ear infections, pneumonia, croup, and in some rare instances inflammation of the brain (encephalitis) leading to permanent brain damage. The best protection against measles is immunisation. The MMR vaccine is 90-95% effective with the full course completed (2 doses). If students have not had their MMR vaccinations, now is a really good time to catch up! Please contact your doctor or nurse who can arrange FREE immunisation.

If there is a case of measles in our school, unimmunised students and teachers who have been in contact with that person will be required to stay away from school for 14 days from the last day of contact with the case. You can also help stop measles spreading by covering your cough, washing and drying your hands after coughing or sneezing and staying away from sick people. If you think your child or someone in your family has measles, phone your doctor and get their advice. Please do not just turn up at the waiting room at your doctors, as measles is very infectious.

If you have further questions, please contact your school Public Health Nurse directly or phone 04-570-9002 and ask for your Public Health Nurse.

Useful Website: Immunisation Advisory Centre information sheet on measles accessible on www.immune.org.nz

Children's Work

Room 3 have been learning about the weather and different types of clouds. We all chose one type of cloud to write about.

Some stratus clouds bring lightning. Lightning is like a knife but does not touch you. Black stratus clouds bring rain. Stratus clouds are layers of clouds.

Ned Lutyens

Cumulus clouds are white, puffy clouds. They are out in fine weather. You can play outside in the sun.

Ella Dowsett-Farmer

Room 2 have been learning about printmaking. They made butterflies using handprints and then added backgrounds and details using pastel.



Archie Chandler



Harriet Abbott



Sam Smith



Samantha Ewens

Events calendar

26 August	Main School Sausage Sizzle
28 August	Side School Sausage Sizzle
28 August	Rooms 11, 13, 14 and 8 Daffodil Day (Cancer Society) Coin Trail
2 September	Year 8 Mathswell competition
4 September	'Bring & Buy' toys and books fundraiser
10 September	Future Problem Solving Competition Final
15 September	Board of Trustees meeting 7.00pm in the Staffroom
25 September	End of term one 3.00 pm.
12 October	Beginning of term 4
27 October	Board of Trustees meeting 7.00pm in the Staffroom
8 December	Board of Trustees meeting 7.00pm in the Staffroom
18 December	School finishes for the 2009 year

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Principal**

Community Notices

Wadestown Tennis Club Revival

Opening day for the whole family – Saturday 5th September, 1.00- 4.00 pm at Wadestown School tennis courts. Please use the Rose St entrance. The day will include tennis competitions, games, coaching and spot prizes. There will also be Grasshopper tennis for the littlies and sausages and drinks for sale. Thump Sport will be attending with demo racquets and ball machine and a one day only racquet sale.

Part-time Work Vacancy

Childcare/classroom assistant for Family Learning Course, based in Newtown. Two afternoons per week 12.30-2.30pm, term time only until 4th December. For Further information please contact: Emma Roylance 021 0424 193 or home 972 8629

Britannia Sea Scouts

Do you want to learn: sailing, rowing, teamwork, self-confidence, and leadership? Cubs (8-11 years) meet Thursday 6.30-8.00pm, Scouts (10-18 years) meet Wednesdays 7.00-9.00pm and Sundays 1.00-5.00pm. Britannia Sea Scout Hall, Evans Bay Parade. For boys and girls. Phone 386 1978 or visit our website www.britanniaseascouts.co.nz

Dare to Dive

Wellington Aquatic Centre, Kilbirnie, Sunday 4 October 3.30 - 4.30pm. We're looking for

- Boys and girls aged 9–12 years
- Gymnastics, trampolining, sports, tumbling, diving or similar background
- Availability & dedication to join an elite diving programme with high quality coaches
- Desire to compete for NZ
- No diving experience is necessary

To register or for more info contact Luvaine McDonald, phone 021 443 984, email whpa@clear.net.nz, www.whpa.co.nz

Do you want to play Futsal?

Capital City Futsal provide Futsal leagues for youth between 10-12 years and under 10's Futsal with coaching and games. Futsal is a 5-aside football game, played indoors with a weighted ball that gives the players more control. Please see our website www.futsal.net.nz for more information about Futsal in your area or contact Sarah Payne on 021 472 438 / 04 971 7798