WADESTOWN SCHOOL
Community Newsletter

Principal: Sally Barrett **Website: www.wadestown.school.nz** **Thursday 7 June, 2018**

Dear Parents

Building and Modelling Resiliency in Children and Families/Whanau
Wednesday 1 August 7.30-9.00pm, Wadestown School Hall
Presenter: Dr Chris Bowden

Dr. Chris Bowden is a lecturer in the School of Education at Victoria University of Wellington. He teaches in the area of human and lifespan development, child and adolescent development, child and adolescent mental health and in the Masters of Educational Psychology programme. He has managed a national research project on family resiliency and delivers professional development and education to a wide range of education, health and social service providers. Chris has been a key contributor to our staff professional development programme this year and was the keynote speaker at our recent Teacher Only Day. The staff have been inspired by his solutions-focused and problem-solving approaches to developing resiliency in our children and know you will find this evening stimulating and practical. Come along and learn more about:

- What is resiliency and what makes some people more resilient than others?
- How can we help children learn to be resilient? Tips and strategies.
- What skills, experiences and resources do children need?
- How can parents/caregivers and families/whānau help children better cope and adapt to life events and the world they live in?
- How to avoid “resiliency robbers”.
- What contributes to family/whānau resiliency?
- How can parents/caregivers develop their own resiliency?

There will also be time for Q&A. Further details regarding this parent information evening will be sent to parents shortly.

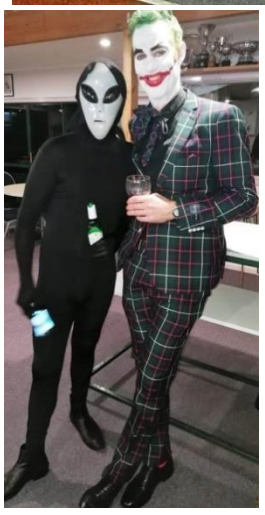
Heroes and Villains Fundraiser – Saturday 26 May

Thank you to everyone who attended the successful Wadestown School ‘Heroes and Villains’ fundraiser. The costumes were amazing and over $4,000 was raised for the school. We would like to thank our generous sponsors:

- ***Jane Higgie at Tommy’s Real Estate***
- ***Wall St Designs***
- ***Moneybox***
- ***Solid Technology Systems***
- ***Thorndon New World***
- ***Shepherd’s Arms Hotel***
- ***Zeal Hairdressing***

Further thanks to the hospitable Wilton Bowling Club, Victoria Smith Designs for yet another great poster and Andy at Hype Entertainment for providing the sounds and lighting. Until next year.....

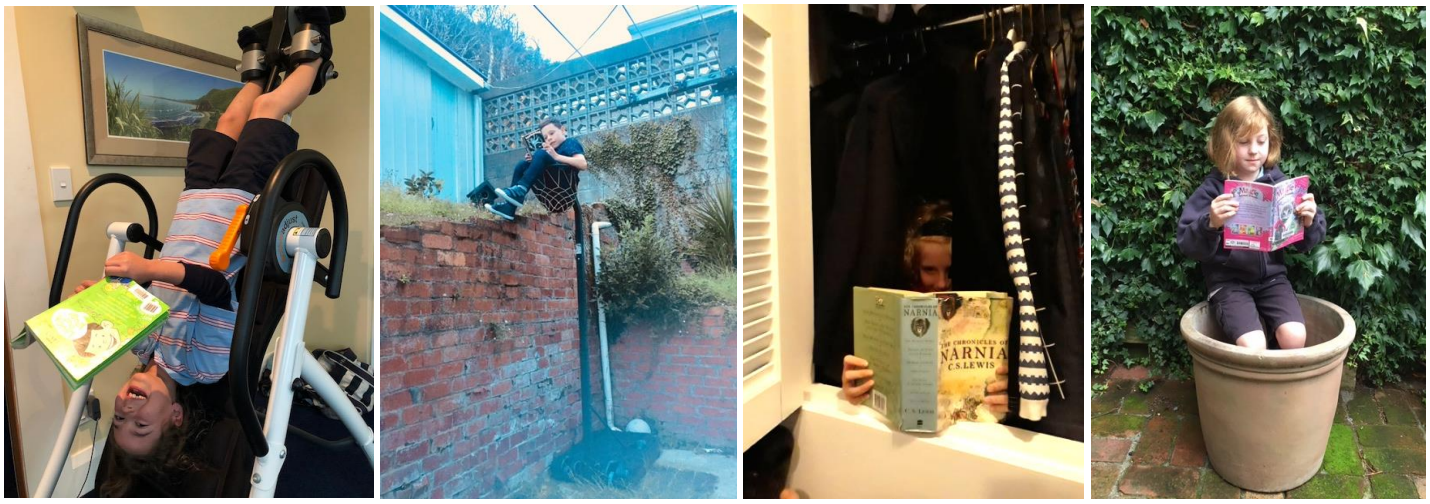
Princess Leia, Hugh Hefner, Dick Dastardly, Maximus and the Wadestown School PTA



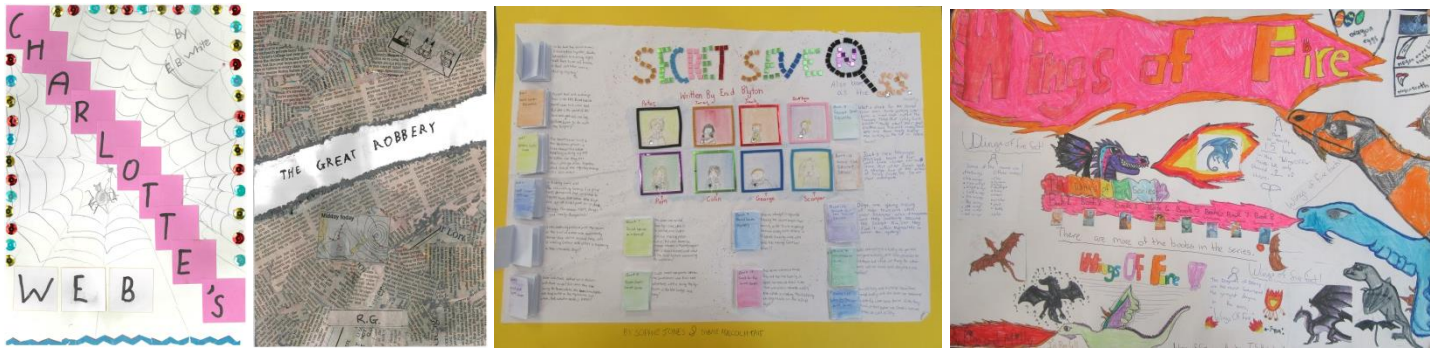
Book Week: 21-25 May

We had a fantastic time during our Book Week. Visiting author Gillian Candler was an excellent presenter and had plenty of great advice for our young writers. We also enjoyed the parents who came in to share their

favourite books. We were grateful for good weather for the book character dress up parades and the costumes were superb! Most of the Book Fair books have now been distributed and Librarian Derek Piper will be in touch with those whose orders are still outstanding at the end of next week. Thank you everyone for your support of our Book Week activities. Book Week at Wadestown School is very special.



Photos from the Shelfie competition



Book covers and posters

Rose St dress up parade

News from the Rata Team (Years 3-4)

Despite the inclement weather Rata Team students have been busy outdoors making the most of the excellent coaching provided by our visiting Rippa Rugby coaches. Games, skills and drills have been taught in a fast-moving sequence which resulted in noticeable progress by all the children.

Today we began our ASB visits where the students' ball skills will be further developed with futsal coaching. The children will also have an opportunity to explore gymnastic activities.

The Rata Arts rotation is in full swing as the children move from class to class for te rakau, hip-hop dance, recorder and singing lessons.

Individual oral language presentations have begun in all our classes and each week we all look forward to discovering what our students will teach us. Thank you families for supporting your children with this challenge.

Rippa Rugby in action

Practicing te rakau

Matty Prebble and his musical bottles presentation

Travel Plan Update: An Important Message to All Parents

<u>Wadestown Road Water Main Renewal Traffic Detour Route</u>

Thank you for your patience while this short-term project is taking place. In order to alleviate some of the traffic issues, due to the narrow roads, we have asked for the area outside the school to be coned off and a 30 kph restriction be put in place. Consequently this has put pressure on the available parks and we ask that you consider parking further away from the school gate and either walking to the gum tree pick-up point or meeting your child at an agreed location. We expect all drivers to consider other road users and to be mindful of safe driving practises so our children are not placed in any further danger.

<u>Drop Off/Pick up Zone</u>

This space is for drop off and pick up only. Please do not be tempted to sit in your car and wait for your passengers to arrive – they need to be ready for collection if you are going to use this pick up point. Parked cars stop the free movement of the designated space and require other drivers to do unnecessary manoeuvres that create extra risks. Particular consideration from parents is required while the current detour is in place.

Norwich Road Crossing

Due to the increased volume of traffic passing through this area, there is greater risk for the students who cross this intersection. A parent roster for the 3.00pm crossing will be established only if there is sufficient support to enable this initiative to happen. Please email cathrine@wadestown.school.nz if you are able to help, stating the day/days you would be available.

A Special Thank You to Mike Vandenberg

Many thanks to Mike Vandenberg, who has been the Parent Representative on the Travel Plan Team for the last 6 years since its inception. Due to other commitments, he has decided to stand down from this role. Mike has spent many hours ensuring the children of Wadestown School are able to travel safely between their homes and school. We are very appreciative of the time he has so generously given to this role. We are now looking for another keen parent to fulfil this role. If you are interested in providing proactive support and working closely as part of the Travel Plan team, please email Sally Barrett sally@wadestown.school.nz with your expression of interest.

PTA Update

Survey

We had a fantastic response to the online survey that we published. We sent out a summary of the survey responses recently. Thanks to everyone who took part. The One Red Dog voucher has been drawn and handed out.

Te Reo Spellathon

The PTA usually runs a Spellathon or Mathathon each year. This year we are running a Spellathon in Te Reo. We encourage you to korero with your kids to help them learn the words. We will send out more information on this shortly.

Save the date - School Working Bee on 22 September

The school working bee will be on Saturday the 22nd of September. Please put that date in your calendar and get ready to come lend a hand. We will send out the details closer to the day. Malcolm McKee is coordinating the larger building projects for the working bee. If you have any building skills or experience to help with these larger projects on the day please contact him at nessbmckee@gmail.com

Next PTA meeting - 7.30 Monday 18 June

We are trying the approach of alternating the day of the week that we hold our meetings following a suggestion in the survey responses. The next meeting is on Monday the 18th of June, 7.30pm at the Rose St staffroom.

Kind regards,

Sally Barrett

Principal

Term Two Dates

Week	Date	Event
6	Friday 8 June	School Cross Country for Years 3-8 from 12.30pm onwards
7	Tuesday 12 June	Year 7-8 Technology at Karori West Normal School begins for Term 2 today
	Wednesday 13 June	Scholastic Lucky Book Club orders due back today
		ICAS Test – Spelling
	Thursday 14 June	ICAS Test – Writing
8	Wednesday 20 June	Preschool Information Morning, Weld St, 9.30am-12.30pm
	Thursday 21 June	School newsletter published today
9	Monday 25 June	Mid-Year Written Reports go home today
	Tuesday 26 June	Parent Teacher Conferences at Rose St, 3.30 – 6.30pm
	Wednesday 27 June	School Hangi – details to be advised
	Thursday 28 June	Parent Teacher Conferences at Weld St, 3.30 – 6.30pm
10	Mon 2 July	Parent Teacher Conferences at Rose St, 3.30 – 6.30pm
	Tuesday 3 July	Parent Teacher Conferences at Weld St, 3.30 – 6.30pm
	Wednesday 4 July	Parent Teacher Conferences at Rose St, 3.30 – 6.30pm
	Thursday 5 July	School newsletter published today
	Thursday 5 July	Board of Trustees Meeting, Rose St Staffroom, 7.00pm
	Friday 6 July	Last Day of Term 2 – School Closes at 3.00 pm

Community Notices

Disclaimer: Please note that the inclusion of these notices does not necessarily imply endorsement by Wadestown School.

For Sale – CHAIRBAGS BUSINESS

I have been making Chairbags for Wadestown School and other schools throughout NZ for 13 years. My daughter has now left school so I have decided the time has come to pass on this creative little business onto the next "Chairbag Lady or Lad". It would suit someone who can sew (basic sewing only required) and preferably some computer knowledge to maintain the website www.chairbags.co.nz It is fun, rewarding and has lots of potential. Some schools have "chairbags" on their stationery list. If you, or someone you know, might be interested please contact Jane on 4722843 or 0274824420.

Onslow College Open Evening for 2019 Year 9 Students - Wednesday 13 June 5.00-7.30pm

Parents and prospective students are invited to attend our open evening. If you are unable to attend please contact the school for a prospectus and enrolment pack. Classroom visits from 5.00pm. Senior staff will be in the hall for any questions. Welcome and Principal's presentation at 7.00pm. Phone 4788189. Email info@onslow.school.nz

Wellington College Open Days for 2019 Year 9 Students

- Saturday 23 June 10.30am onwards
- Monday 25 June 9.30am onwards

Wellington College extend a warm invitation to all Year 8 students at Wadestown School to visit Wellington College at either of the Open Days in June.

St Mary's College Open Day - Thursday 14 June 2018 9am or 11.30am

All Welcome – St Mary's College, Guildford Terrace, Wellington. We'd love to see you there!

Babysitter Available

My name is Isabel Parker and I am a 23 year old postgraduate student at Victoria University. I am looking to do some evening babysitting for families in the Wadestown area. I am Wadestown based, went to Wadestown School myself, and have been

babysitting for the past 9 years. I have looked after children aged 1-14, and au paired in Austria and England for 14 months. I also have my restricted licence, so can drive myself home. References available on request. For further information or queries, please text or ring me on: 021 499 750, or alternatively email me at: isabelalexandraparker@gmail.com

Wadestown Community Creche Open Day - Thursday 14 June, 9am-12pm

Come and check us out at our open day! We'd love to see you and feel free to bring your little one for a play. If the timing doesn't work for you please give us a call on 04 499 1574 and we can plan a visit to suit. Wadestown Crèche is a high quality Early Childhood Education Centre offering part-time sessions (8.20am - 12.30/2.30pm) for pre-school children aged 12 months - 4 years. It's owned and managed by parents, on a not-for-profit basis. Our team of experienced fully qualified teachers supports each child's development and learning through play, rich and varied experiences and stable routines.

Pride Lands Fun Holiday Adventures: Winter Holidays at Otari School

Dates: 9th – 20th July 2018 from 7.00am-7pm daily

Fees: Daily $81/cub per session or $148 for two or more siblings per session ; Weekly: $239 per cub/week or $449 for two or more siblings/week. Discounts/Funding Available: Wild Card (15%) off across all our services MSD approval providing WINZ Subsidies for eligible families.

Social Development: Interactive Activities and NO TV or Video Games Kai Cubs Cooking and Life Skills Programme designed to teach our children how to prepare Healthy Breakfast, Lunch and Afternoon Teas.

Qualified 1st Aid Trained Activities Coordinators. One-on-One Care: Available for cub(s) if extra support is needed

SHUTTLE SERVICES (with booster seats) AVAILABLE. Please contact us: 0800 PRIDE 4 U Or Register online: www.pridelands.org.nz or Visit our Facebook page: www.Facebook.com/PrideLandsChildcare

Sunshine Drama

Sunshine Drama provides a creative and fun learning space that engages imaginative minds, grows confidence & builds communication and performance skills. Our new Karori evening class for 11-13 years, starts Thursday, 7th June. This is a 4 week block course for $40. In Term 3, these classes will run for nine weeks like our preschool and junior sessions. For more information Contact Jenae Ryan 0274380533 to or visit www.sunshinedrama.co.nz

Northland Kidz Club 9-20July Holiday Programme

Join us in our adventures each day as we explore the Wellington region. We'll be ice-skating, swimming, go-karting and playing mini-golf ; going to a kids theatre production, touring the National Library, doing a circus workshop and watching magician Nigel Kennedy at work, not to mention Time Cinema where we'll see another selection of original cartoons and films. $45 per child per day (third child onwards :$20), 8.30 a.m to 6 p.m each day. For details, check out our website www.nkc.org.nz or contact Jan on cell 022-140-2612 , e-mail nkc.jan@gmail.com

Wellington Phoenix are running two holiday programmes during the July school holidays!

This is an opportunity to play your favourite game all day, develop your skills, make new friends and rub shoulders with members of the Wellington Phoenix Academy.

- Thursday 12 – Friday 13 July, Memorial Park, Petone, 9am-3pm
- Monday 16 – Tuesday 17 July, Wakefield Park, Island Bay, 9am-3pm

Includes coaching from Wellington Phoenix Academy Youth coaches, a Wellington Phoenix holiday programme t-shirt and a Wellington Phoenix football. Prices: $150 or $120 for Wellington Phoenix Members. 1 day option available. To register, visit www.wellingtonphoenix.com/community-programs or email beckyc@wellingtonphoenix.com

Weta Workshops: School Holiday Workshops – Calling All Superheroes 16-20 July

In the upcoming school holidays, Weta Workshop is opening its doors to a new cohort of creative superheroes! We warmly invite the children of Wadestown School to come along. From sketching to sculpting and costume making, our workshops for ages 6 – 12 years old will excite and delight! Book online at www.wetaworkshop.com/school-holidays