



WADESTOWN SCHOOL

Community Newsletter

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Dear Parents

A warm welcome to the following new students and their families who have joined us recently at Wadestown School: Penny Mac Avoy (Rm 2) and Jonty Luscombe (Rm 2).

News from the Kowhai Team (Rooms 13, 14, 16 and 17) 2019 Yr 7 & 8 Camp at Green Pastures, Whanganui



Celebrating Children's Writing

Hello, Parents, Teachers and Students. Last week, the Kowhai team went on school camp to Green Pastures in Whanganui. What a week it was! We got up to so much, and we can't wait to tell you all about it.

On Monday 25th March in the morning, the Year Seven and Eight students met in the basketball courts, all packed and ready for the long bus trip ahead of them to Whanganui. Driving up the driveway to Green Pastures, a stream of smiles appeared as we had been anxiously waiting for 4 hours to reach our destination! The golden sun trickled through the trees as we all got into our cabins and prepared our tents.

Soon after arriving at the camp, the Kowhai team prepared for our challenge, the treacherous, enthralling mud run. We were all buzzing with excitement but there was a daunting feeling of gloom coming over us. "Here we go," beckoned Mr J. Not long after that, we were trudging around in neck deep mud, clinging to trees and trying to get our feet unstuck from that branch they were hooked around. This was nearly impossible because of the thick, gooey mud. Trekking through the mud felt like we would never get out. We got out of the mud grasping for a hand to save us, the kind teachers pulling us out of the most difficult part at the end. Thank you teachers.

The very next day, we got straight into our activity groups. What we didn't know was that we had so much fun in store for us. Here are a few of our favourite activities.

The water activities on the magnificent lake at Green Pastures were life changing. I'm sure no Year Seven or Eight students could disagree.

Raft building was all about strategy, I failed to have a key strategy with this activity, but it was fun all the same. Many boats kept afloat, and many sank to the bottom of the lake. Jumping off the raft and floating up with your life jacket on was quite the experience and a half!

Air Rifles, what a thrill that was. Hitting the target was like winning the gold medal at the Olympics. But it was a challenge, I couldn't even lock my rifle back. Even the people who didn't hit a target had a fantastic experience though, trying their best and supporting their friends.

Some of our highlights at the Year 7 & 8 camp, were playing spotlight, roasting marshmallows on an open fire, hanging out with friends, doing tricks on the trampoline, and an amazing visit to Bushy Park. We also visited Waimarie Paddle Boat but because of the weather, we could not travel down the Whanganui river on it. Nevermind, maybe next time!

The Yr 7 & 8 Camp at Green Pastures is a camp we will never forget. A big thank you to everyone who made this fantastic experience possible, especially Mr Julian, Mrs Greer, Mr Shelton and Miss Kirkpatrick. What a fantastic week we enjoyed.

Shared Writing by Eva Tui Roberts and Ellie Cook



**Congratulations to the
Wadestown School Yr 5 & 6 Touch Rugby team
that won the
Wellington Touch Rugby Competition recently.
We are very proud of you all and a special thank you to
John Griffiths for his contribution to the team.
What a fantastic result!**



Boys Futsal Team at ASB Sports Centre, Kilbirnie



Wadestown Yr 7 & 8 Girls Cricket Team after a game



Wadestown Whirlwinds team won their Netball League

Cricket- What a game! Wellington Finals - Thursday 4th April

On Thursday the 4th of April the Wadestown Year 7 & 8 girls cricket team headed to Tawa for a much anticipated final against Tawa Intermediate. The winner of this clash would head to Christchurch to play in a national tournament.

The game was 20 overs with a hardball. It started well, with Wadestown winning the toss and electing to bowl first. Amy and Rosa got us off to a good start, Tawa was only at 8 runs after 4 overs. Amy got a wicket, and then a solid partnership from the other team had us on the back foot. Some very tight bowling from Abby and Sienna helped to slow things down, along with exceptional fielding from Lucy and Georgie. Poppy chipped in towards the end with a wicket, and an incredible display of wicket keeping from Daphne contributed to restricting Tawa to 111 runs.

Needing 5.5 runs an over for victory, Lucy and Georgie got us off to a solid start, before Georgie was unfortunately bowled, bringing captain Kate to the crease. Lucy departed soon after, and Sienna and Rosa were both out to some very good bowling. Wadestown were looking shaky until a 42 run partnership between Poppy and Kate got us right back in the game.

Needing just 20 runs off 5 overs. Wadestown were looking good until Kate got run out for 46, and then things started to get close. Abby came and went, bringing last batters Amy and Daphne to the crease, needing 7 off 2 overs. It was a nail biter until when we needed just 2 off 3, Daphne was unluckily run out when her bat got stuck in the ground. This concluded an incredible game of cricket.

Although we lost by 1 run, the game was played in high spirits, and we wish the best of luck to Tawa Intermediate at the national tournament. A big thanks to John Chandler, who organised, coached, managed and umpired. Thanks also to all the parents for their help and support during the tournament. We are very proud of our Yr 7 & 8 Cricket Team.

Shared Writing by Kate Chandler and Daphne Ranta.

Emergency Management Update

All class emergency management grab'n go bags have been checked and new supplies added. A special thank you to Helen Dammer our Administration Assistant for undertaking this task with so much attention to detail. Thank you also, to our wonderful parent David Dick who has replaced the water in all our emergency tanks at both sites. David has done this job so willingly over a long period of time and we would like to record our appreciation to him for volunteering to do this very important but necessary task.



Movin'March celebrates the benefits of walking, scooting and biking to school.

Movin'March is run by Greater Wellington with support from local councils and is FREE for all primary schools in the Wellington region.

Wadestown School has been encouraging families to walk, bike or scoot to school, even just part of the way. Movin' March has been a huge success and we want everyone to keep up the good work throughout the rest of the year.

PTA Update

At the Annual General Meeting of the Wadestown School Parent Teacher Association on Monday 1st April our Chair Genevieve Hancock, Secretary Kevin Taylor and Overall Class Coordinator Nicky Ward stood down. We would like to extend our grateful thanks and appreciation for all the work these office holders have done for the Wadestown School Community. Thank you on behalf of us all for your contribution.

The following officers were elected for the coming year:

Dan Buxton	Chairperson
Sarah Kavanagh	Secretary
Duncan McLaren	Treasurer
Esther Goldberg-Contreras	Overall Class Coordinator

We look forward to another year of great PTA activities to support Wadestown School.

Book Week Fundraiser Party – Saturday 25th May 7.30pm until midnight

This annual fundraiser promises to be one of the highlights of the school calendar. Come along dressed as your favourite book character and enjoy a great night out. Remember, "If our kids can do it, so can we". Please see the poster below for more information.

Wadestown School 2019 House and Garden Walk – Sunday 10th November

Thank you to Hannah Small, Andrea Davidson and Victoria Smith for all their work on the House and Garden Walk to date. It is going to be an amazing day. Please read the attached information to this newsletter for further details.

Dan Buxton
PTA Chairperson

Parents of Wadestown School

It's time to get Creative!!

“If our kids can do it, so can we”

“Book Week” Fundraising Party

When: Saturday 25th May from 7.30pm to midnight

Where: Wilton Bowling Club

Theme: Book Week

This is a Wadestown Community Event, therefore we encourage you to invite friends who have been part of Wadestown School in the past, or locals who are keen to enjoy a Great Night Out!

Spread the word far and wide. The more the merrier!

Purchase your tickets by emailing PTAwadestownschool@gmail.com and deposit \$50/head into the PTA bank account 12-3140-0348889-00 with your child's name, room number and “Book Week” as the reference.

If you prefer to pay by cash or cheque please enclose in a clearly marked envelope and place in the box at the Rose street office.

A huge thanks to Jane Higgie from Tommy's Real Estate who will once again be our major sponsor for this event.

We continue to search for additional secondary sponsors, so please put your hand up and make contact, if you are keen and able?



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BookWeek

Fundraiser Party

by Wadestown School

Sat 25 May

7.30pm-12pm

@ Wilton Bowling Club,

122 Wilton Rd

\$50pp

includes beer, wine,
supper & sounds

Tickets:

PTAWadestownschool@gmail.com



Kia Ora tatou

The Wadestown School

House & Garden Walk has been a staple on the PTA fundraising calendar for over 15 years.

It is held every 3 years and this is the year!

So hopefully we all have the date in our calendar -

Sunday Nov 10 10am - 4pm

The Walk involves 14+ homes and gardens, which are generously opened to the around 1000 ticket holders. We have several homes set up to provide am/pm teas, a deli stall full of goodies, and the wonderful Art House full of a wide range of art to purchase, with a generous commission going to the school. In 2016 we raised \$54k and this and other monies, plus what we raise this year will be spent on the Outside learning and play spaces at both school sites.

The committee are moving things along and would love to hear from anyone who has or knows of an interesting property - fun, fantasy, formal, character, cutting edge, - all would be welcome. We love gracious homeowners and everyone seems to think it is a fun experience and a great way to get those little home & garden maintenance jobs done!

We have some fabulous sponsors who have supported us over many years and we would love to see some new sponsorship too - your own business, a local business, or those associated with maintaining & creating a home. Do let us know.

Tickets will be available around August, and if all our school families can sell 4 tickets our job is almost done!

Later, we will request help on the day and we will need every family's support.

- Pickles, preserves, treats for Deli stall
- Baking (dropped off on the day) for teas
- Rosters for gatekeeping duties at the houses & for am/pm teas.

Please do get in touch -

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On behalf Wadestown School PTA

2019 Term 1 Dates

Week	Date	Event
10	9 th April, Tuesday	Yr 7 & 8 Technology
	9 th April, Tuesday	Yr 3 Sports Festival at Marsden School
	10 th April, Wednesday	Lunchtime – Orchestra in Room 8
	10 th April, Wednesday	House and Garden Walk Meeting, 7.00 pm at Rose Street
	12 th April, Friday	3.00 pm – End of Term One

Kind regards

Sally Barrett

Principal

Community Notices

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

Leaping Lizards School of Dance

Fun, friendly classes for girls and boys aged 2 years and up. Jazz, Hip-Hop, Ballet, Contemporary, Tap and Pre-School Dance. Churton Park, Johnsonville and Wellington City. Email leapinglizardsdance@outlook.com, visit www.leaping-lizards.co.nz or call Lorna on 021 1770685.

ONSLow GYMNASTIC CLUB

Kids got energy to burn? Gymnastics is the answer! Have Fun – Learn Skills – Build Confidence! Onslow Gymnastics has Recreational, TeamGym and Competitive classes for girls ages 5+ years. Recreational Gym-for-All classes are held at Khandallah School Hall (ages 5-9 years) and Onslow College Rec Centre (ages 7-14+). No previous experience is required to join any of our recreational classes. TeamGym (ages 10+) brings together tumbling, mini-tramp and dance to provide an energetic and creative performance. Register now at www.onslowgymnastics.org.nz or email onslowgym@xtra.co.nz.

Wellington South Fencing Club is running a Beginners Fencing Programme from Monday 15 - Thursday 18 April 2019, 9am-12pm at Queen Margaret's College, for anyone interested in giving fencing a go. Check out www.wellingtonsouthfencingclub.com for more details, find us on Facebook, or call Catherine on 027 2132 700 for more information.

The Pantaloons present

Peter Pan

A magical musical pantomime at the Hannah Playhouse

24-26 April

Tickets \$12

www.iticket.co.nz

'What Now' - only two shows left in Wellington!

Due to the recent sad events in Christchurch we decided to postpone our show on 17th March at Mt Cook School. We are aware that many of your families missed out on attending the live broadcast of What Now. As

we have only **two available shows left in Wellington** before heading north, I would like to invite your families to re-register to be part of the live audience!

They can register online to be part of the audience at www.whatnow.tv/bonus/audience (please feel free to include this link in your notices).

Available dates/locations: 14th April – Roseneath and 28th April – Miramar

Sunshine Drama provides a creative and fun learning space for preschool to high school aged students. Sessions engage imaginative minds, grow confidence & build communication, performance and social skills. Enrolments are now open for Term Two. Classes are held weekdays and Saturday mornings. For enrolments, class information, or to arrange a free trial class contact: Jenae Ryan 027 438 0533, sunshinedrama.nz@gmail.com or visit www.sunshinedrama.co.nz

Sportlight Performing Arts

Does your child love to **SING, DANCE** and **ACT**? **Dance, Drama and Singing** for students aged 4 - 16 yrs old.

Led by London West End performer Sherene Clarke. **AOTEA-JONSONVILLE-LOWER HUTT. Now taking bookings for TERM 2 BOOK YOUR PLACE NOW!** www.sportlightperformingarts.co.nz

Kāpiti Island for Kids school holiday programme for ages 9-12 from 22nd - 24th April 2019.

3 days/2 nights - Includes: night time kiwi spotting, nature adventures, fishing, swimming, games, wildlife discovery, harakeke weaving, cabin accommodation (quad share), delicious food, ferry and DOC permits. \$395pp. Limited to 14 spaces. Email: bookings@kapitiisland.com

The Karori Arts and Crafts Centre have some great Term 1 Holiday art classes these holidays:

- Exploring art through play for ages 3-5 with Margaret (Mon April 15th 10am - 12 noon \$25)

- Learn to draw COMICS with Sarah Laing (Tues April 16th 9.30am to 4pm \$75 full day or half day \$40 [less \$5 for kids club members])

- Exploring Shadow and Ripples with Margaret (Thurs April 18th. 6-14 yrs. 9.30am to 4pm \$75 full day or half day \$40 [less \$5 for kids club members])

Now's a great time to join our kids club, it's only \$40 and you get a free half day school holiday class as well as discounts for kids classes, and a fun Easter session!

To book please go to: <https://www.kacc.org.nz/children-s-programmes>