



# 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: Olivia Reynolds (Rm 1), Rose Fuge (Rm 1), Ava Bryant (Rm 1), Sophie Langford (Rm 1), Gabby Walter (Rm 1), Hugo Miller (Rm 2), Ava Brown (Rm 2), Zara Delahunty (Rm 2), Teddy Zohrab-Stewart (Rm 2), Tobiah Maud (Rm 2), Maea Forbes Ballard (Rm 0) and Te Mihinga Forbes Ballard (Rm 14).

### Kiwiana Fundraising Party – Saturday 13 May



Last weekend many of our parents and friends of Wadestown School enjoyed a wonderful fundraiser with the theme of Kiwiana. This event is always a great opportunity each year to have a fun night out and get to know others in the Wadestown School community. A special thank you to the organising committee of Steve McHardy, David Dick, Tim Bennett and Grant Penetito and to Victoria Smith for putting together the fantastic Kiwiana poster. Over \$3000 was raised from this great night out which will go towards extending the scooter



racks in the Old PE Shed. Thank you to everyone who supported this event including our sponsors: Jane Higgle from Tommy's Real Estate, New World Thorndon, Wall Street Designs, Shepherd's Arms Hotel, Moneybox, Zeal Hair Studio and Solid Technology Systems. We are so appreciative of your support.

## **News from the Kowhai Team – Year 7-8**

### Year 8 Leadership Graduation – 10 May



On Wednesday 10 May our Year 8 students graduated from the Toastmasters Leadership Programme with an evening of prepared and impromptu speeches before a large audience of parents and staff. We were very proud of them all and the incredible progress they have made during the 12 week course. We would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank Ohariu Toastmasters who have supported our senior school leadership programme by providing their services to our students since 2007. We value our association with them and the superb contribution they make to our students' public speaking skills and confidence.

### Year 8 Visit to Government House



On Wednesday 17 May our Year 8 students were invited to Government House as part of our student leadership programme we offer our senior students. They participated in a mock investiture which included the reading of citations for those who were recipients of an honour. Our students also discussed the history of our Governors-General and the contribution these leaders have made to New Zealand. It was a memorable experience for our Year 8 students and one they will remember for years to come.



## Roald Dahl Murals



We are thrilled with the wonderful murals that are displayed beside the path leading to the office at the Rose St site. This artwork was designed to celebrate 100 years since the birth of Roald Dahl. A special thank you to the 2016 Environment Team who undertook this major project and to teacher Hayden Trass and parent Russell Murray for ensuring that the challenges faced during this project were overcome.

## Orchestra Performance – 17 May

We had a wonderful concert from our very own Wadestown School orchestra in the school hall this week. They shared with our staff and students a range of orchestral music and showed the audience their musical instruments and the challenges they face in playing them. What a talented group of students we have and we must not forget our inspirational conductor Rupa Maitra. If your child is interested in joining the school orchestra or if you would like any further information please contact Pip Honore at [pip@wadestown.school.nz](mailto:pip@wadestown.school.nz)



## Wadestown School Book Week 22-26 May

Next week is our eagerly awaited Book Week and our Librarian Derek Piper has planned a great assortment of book-related activities. Firstly, we will be having a **Book Fair** after school each day 3.00-4.00pm in the Rose St hall. This year there is a fabulous range of books from Scholastic NZ. There will be an EFTPOS machine or you can pay by cash or cheque. We still need a few more parents to help with recording sales so if you are available that would be most appreciated. Please email Susy Jackson [susyloujackson@gmail.com](mailto:susyloujackson@gmail.com) if you can help us.

Many of the students are already busy working on their **competition** entries – bookmarks, book covers, character letters, shelfies and group posters. Information about was sent home last week but if you need further information please email [derek@wadestown.school.nz](mailto:derek@wadestown.school.nz) All entries are due by 3pm on Wednesday 24 May. There will also be quizzes for each year group during the week.

Book Week begins at the Rose St site on Monday afternoon with our **Super-swap-switcheroo** in which teachers change classes for half an hour to read some of their favourite books. Throughout the week there is also the opportunity for **parents to read one of their favourite books** to the Year 1-4 classes.

On Tuesday morning **Scholastic rep Julie Smart** will be speaking to classes about some of the best new book releases. On Wednesday we were expecting to have a visit from author Brian Falkner but he has had to cancel due to medical treatment. He has indicated that he will try to visit us later in the year. In the meantime the NZ Book Council are attempting to find another author to visit us instead so we will keep you posted with any further information. The week concludes with **book character dress-up parades** at the Weld St site on Thursday and at the Rose St site on Friday which are always a highlight of our much-loved Book Week

## PTA Update

### Committee Vacancies

The next meeting will be the AGM, at which point the Executive will be standing down. The following opportunities are created to enable you to apply your skills:

\* Chair (or 2 co-chairs): leading the meetings and encouraging others to participate in a range of school support and fundraising tasks.

\* Treasurer: you do not have to be an accountant to take up this role - but an eye for detail is essential.

Don't be daunted by the tasks or unfamiliarity. We have made a project based plan for 2017, with people identified to take the lead on a few social and fundraising tasks. Support will be available. If you are interested, please contact Katy ([strawberryfare@xtra.co.nz](mailto:strawberryfare@xtra.co.nz)) or Kirsty ([kirstyandtimbenett@yahoo.co.nz](mailto:kirstyandtimbenett@yahoo.co.nz)) to discuss.

### Entertainment Book memberships available for purchase

The 2017/18 Entertainment Book or Entertainment Digital membership is available through this link: [www.entbook.co.nz/1042a03](http://www.entbook.co.nz/1042a03) For \$65, you can access hundreds of offers for cafes, restaurants, shops, services, etc. 20% from every membership we sell contributes to our fundraising.

### Next Meeting

The AGM will be held at 7.30pm on Wednesday 24 May at the Rose Street staffroom to be followed by a normal meeting.

Kirsty Bennett and Katy Pearce  
Co-Chairs

### **Bee Healthy Regional Dental Service - Free Dental Checks**

Wadestown School students are due for their dental check-ups this term. The Bee Healthy Dental Mobile is unable to visit our school due to access difficulties. You can make dental appointment(s) for your child/children at Selby House 175A Adelaide Road, Newtown. Family appointments are available for pre-school siblings to also attend. To book, please call 04 806 2801 or email: [dental@huttvalleydhs.org.nz](mailto:dental@huttvalleydhs.org.nz) (please type Wadestown School appointment in the subject line). To book or reschedule an appointment or to update your contact details, please call 04 806 2801. For further information please see our website [www.beehealthy.org.nz](http://www.beehealthy.org.nz) or call 0800 TALK TEETH (825 583).

## Wellington College Open Mornings for 2018 Year 9s

- Saturday 24 June 2017 at 10.30am in the Sports Centre
- Monday 26 June 2017 at 9.30am in the Sports Centre

2018 Year 9 Induction Day is Thursday 23 November 2017. The closing date for 2018 Year 9 out of zone applications is Monday 31st July 2017. We would also like all in zone applications in by this date. For further information and enrolment forms please see our website <http://www.wellington-college.school.nz/enrolment-information-20172018>

Kind regards,

**Sally Barrett**

**Principal**

## Dates for Term 2 2017

Week	Date	Event
4	22-26 May	Book Week including Book Fair, Rose St Hall, 3.00-4.00pm daily
	Tuesday 23 May	Year 3 to ASB Stadium, 9.45am-12.30pm Year 5-6 Basketball Skills with Wellington Saints, 1.00-3.00pm
	Wednesday 24 May	Year 5-6 Basketball Skills with Wellington Saints, 1.00-3.00pm
	Thursday 25 May	Weld St Book Character Parade, 9.00am Year 4 to ASB Stadium, 9.45am-12.30pm
	Friday 25 May	Rose St Book Character Parade, 9.00am
5	Tuesday 30 May	ICAS Science exam, 9.00am Year 3 to ASB Stadium, 9.45am-12.30pm
	Thursday 1 June	Year 3-8 School Cross country, 12.30-3.00pm Year 4 to ASB Stadium, 9.45am-12.30pm
	Friday 2 June	Teacher Only Day – school closed
6	Monday 5 June	Queen's Birthday holiday – school closed
	Tuesday 6 June	Year 3 to ASB Stadium, 9.45am-12.30pm
	Thursday 8 June	Year 4 to ASB Stadium, 9.45am-12.30pm
7	Monday 12 June	ICAS Writing exam, 9.00am Board of Trustees meeting, Rose St Staffroom, 7.00pm
	Tuesday 13 June	Year 4-8 Western Zone Cross Country Year 3 to ASB Stadium, 9.45am-12.30pm
	Wednesday 14 June	ICAS Spelling exam, 9.00am
	Thursday 15 June	Year 4 to ASB Stadium, 9.45am-12.30pm
8	Monday 19 June	Online bookings for Parent Teacher Conferences open
	Tuesday 20 June	Year 4-8 Interzone Cross Country
9	Tuesday 27 June	Western Zone Hockey
	Wednesday 28 June	Online bookings for Parent Teacher Conferences close
	Thursday 29 June	Written reports sent home
	Friday 30 June	Year 5-6 trip to Dowse Art Museum, Lower Hutt
10	Monday 3 July	Parent Teacher Conferences, Weld St
	Tuesday 4 July	Parent Teacher Conferences, Rose St
	Wednesday 5 July	Parent Teacher Conferences, Weld St
	Thursday 6 July	Parent Teacher Conferences, Rose St
	Friday 7 July	Final day of Term 2 – school finishes at 3.00pm



Sushi Lunches

**Sushi Wednesday**

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# Community Notices

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## **Kelly Sports Term 2**

Kelly Sports will be back in Term 2 with their fun and exciting classes. Kelly Sports encourages children to have fun, build confidence and to give sport a go. We believe that sport and physical activity has so much to offer young people; it improves fitness, develops communication skills, team work and gives them a place to channel their energy.

- Winter Sports Warm Up – Thursdays 3.05-4.05pm. Great for the younger ones. Learn the fundamentals of all sports – throwing, running, jumping, striking, balance and many more. Includes fun games & drills to build these skills.
- Winter Sports Warm Up – Thursdays 3.05-4.05pm. Come and try Football, Hockey, Basketball, Dodgeball. It's a great way to try new sports, learn new skills and improve ability. We use games & drills to teach game sense and team play.

We have a walking bus from the Weld St site to the Rose St site. For full details and to enrol into our programmes visit [www.kellysports.co.nz](http://www.kellysports.co.nz) email [adminwgtn@kellysports.co.nz](mailto:adminwgtn@kellysports.co.nz) or call 04 972 7201.

## **Northland Memorial Community Centre**

Northland Memorial Community Centre main hall will be open for FREE play every Saturday morning for term 2. The perfect space for children to burn off some energy, especially on rainy days. Please note, children under 14 years of age must be accompanied by an adult. BYO balls and toys to play with. Northland Memorial Community Centre, 5 Woburn Road, Northland.

## **Wellington Zoo and Zealandia - \$2 donation per entry 27 & 28 May**

Next Saturday and Sunday, you can visit the Zoo and Zealandia for just a \$2 donation per entry! Wellington Zoo will be open from 9am until 5pm giving you a great opportunity to explore the Zoo and check out our new walk-through Kea experience in Meet the Locals He Tuku Aroha. All Zoo entry donations will go towards the Wellington Zoo Conservation Fund which helps to save animals in the wild.

## **The Great Wadestown Quiz Night**

When: 7.00 pm, Saturday 10 June, 2016 (Quiz starts at 7.30)

Where: Wadestown Presbyterian Church, cnr Wadestown Road & Hanover St

Tickets: \$15 a person (supper included, BYO drinks)

Join us for a fun-filled quiz and auction, including a mystery bottle auction (who knows what you'll get!) Get some friends together to make up a team (4-6 people). If you don't have a team just let us know and we can put you into one. Email [wadestownpc@xtra.co.nz](mailto:wadestownpc@xtra.co.nz) to reserve your ticket/table.

## **Kids Cross Country Series starts in May**

The Brendan Foot Supersite Kids Cross Country Series is back this winter. Each event has 500+ kids, aged 3 to 13. There are five events through the Wellington region from May to August with the first one in Upper Hutt on Sunday 14 May, and the second in Karori on Sunday 28 May. Your choice if do you one, two, or all five events. Come along, join the fun. Complete them all and receive a commemorative medal and Drink Bottle. Only \$8 to enter. For more info or to enter go to [www.athleticshub.co.nz](http://www.athleticshub.co.nz) or contact [jo@athleticswellington.org.nz](mailto:jo@athleticswellington.org.nz)



### **Springboard & Platform Diving at Kilbirnie Pool**

Wellington Diving Club has a range of diving classes for kids aged 5 years and up. Why not try something new this year? Visit our website and come along for a free trial lesson! We have several after-school sessions and cater for kids of any level from beginners to competitive. We also run fun casual sessions on Sundays. For more information, please visit our website [www.wellingtondiving.org.nz](http://www.wellingtondiving.org.nz) or call/text Barbara on 027 485 8888.

### **The Heart Foundation and the Wellington Marathon**

The Wellington Marathon is on 18 June 2017 and includes a Kids Magic Mile with major spot prizes from Mizuno and Thermatech, girls and boys mountain bikes, plus family travel on Bluebridge. For those running the full/half marathon/10k/5k then join Team Heart Racer and help raise vital funds for the Heart Foundation. Every Heart Racer receives a Heart Racer dry-fit running t-shirt, regular newsletter with training /nutrition /fundraising advice, an online fundraising page, plus a FitBit Surge for those who raise over \$750!

[www.everydayhero.co.nz/event/wellington-marathon-2017](http://www.everydayhero.co.nz/event/wellington-marathon-2017)

### **Montessori at Otari Preschool and Playgroup is having an Open Day**

Montessori at Otari Preschool and Playgroup is having an Open Day on Saturday 27th May, 10am – 12 noon, at the Preschool (166 Wilton Road). The Preschool and Playgroup offers quality early childhood education for children between the ages of 0 and 6 years, based on the Montessori Philosophy. Please come along to discover our environment, meet the teachers and find out more about our programme. For more information phone 475 9688 or [wcmp@xtra.co.nz](mailto:wcmp@xtra.co.nz)

### **2017 NZ Sport Stacking Open Championships**

The 2017 NZ Sport Stacking Open Championships are being held at Northland Memorial Community Centre, 5 Woburn Rd, Northland, Wellington, on Sunday 04 June 2017 (Queen's Birthday Weekend). This competition is open to everyone, with our Novice section enabling those new to the sport to compete alongside seasoned stackers, facing the same thrill of a competition whilst striving for goals and records amongst those of equal experience. Registrations can be done online. All details are on the Speed Stacks (NZ) website Tournaments page: [www.speedstacks.co.nz/pages/nationals](http://www.speedstacks.co.nz/pages/nationals) Registrations close on Friday 26 May.

### **Elements Rhythmic Gymnastics**

Is your daughter looking for something a little different? We still have spaces available in our recreational classes this term. Come along and try out our new badge programme. Your daughter will work through Levels 1 to 10 over time. We have classes available from Mon to Sat, min. numbers apply. Our classes are in Thorndon, just opposite the Botanical Gardens. Rhythmic Gymnastics is a mix of dance and gymnastics. It develops hand-eye co-ordination through the use of apparatus – rope, hoop, ball, clubs and ribbon. We are the only Rhythmic Gymnastics Club in the Wellington region. If your daughter loves to dance and is looking for something a little different, then come along to a class and give it a try! Email [info@rhythmicgym.nz](mailto:info@rhythmicgym.nz) to arrange a FREE trial. For more information about Elements and our classes, visit [www.rhythmicgym.nz](http://www.rhythmicgym.nz)

### **Blended Family Success**

Discover how to help children adjust to step family life and create a united, supportive home atmosphere. Overcome common challenges and learn practical strategies that really work from New Zealand's leading stepfamily presenter. Live happily ever after in your stepfamily! Only ONE Wellington workshop this year. Numbers limited. You must register to secure your place. When: Saturday 24th June, 9am – 4pm. For more information go to: [www.blendedfamilysuccess.nz/events](http://www.blendedfamilysuccess.nz/events) email: [adele@stepfamilyhelp.info](mailto:adele@stepfamilyhelp.info) Or phone/txt: 021 404 742.

### **Family night out - Marsden School presents Jesus Christ Superstar**

Bring your friends and family to the Marsden School musical of the contemporary retelling of the final weeks in the life of Jesus Christ, as seen through the eyes of Judas Iscariot. Don't miss this powerful, high-energy production from team Marsden, on 23-26 May at 7.30pm in the Marsden School Auditorium. Tickets are limited and are \$20 for adults and \$16 for students. Purchase yours at [www.marsden.school.nz](http://www.marsden.school.nz)

### **Fun French and Spanish language classes for 3 - 12 years olds**

- Lots of fun activities, drama, music & games taught in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere!
- Language resources available to support parents at home.
- Free Trial Lesson Available
- After-school, lunchtime and pre-school French classes available throughout Wellington.
- Spanish classes are waiting to start depending on class numbers.
- New: Easy online registration

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