



# WADESTOWN SCHOOL

## Community Newsletter

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Dear Parents

As this is the last school newsletter for Term 3 I would like to take this opportunity of thanking everyone for making it so special. As you will see from our Highlights of Term 3 photo gallery in this newsletter it has been a wonderful term of activities and achievements throughout the school. Our photo gallery that we are sharing with you is a small sample of a very busy term.

To the teaching and support staff, thank you for another great term. You continue to amaze me with your energy and enthusiasm and the opportunities you see to make our children's learning come alive through the curriculum. It has been an action-packed term and our students have participated in many and varied opportunities that have been available to them.

To all the wonderful parents who continue to support our school and contribute in so many ways, a big thank you from all the staff and students. Many of our activities this term could not have happened without you. We consider ourselves fortunate to be in a community where parental involvement is such a vital part of the school. A special thank you to the PTA for all the activities you organise throughout the school including such a wide variety of fundraising initiatives for us all to support. To the Board of Trustees thank you for your commitment to governing our school. It has been a pleasure to work with you again this term.

### NIWA Regional Science Fair Results

This year the NIWA Regional Science Fair had 300 exhibits from Year 7-8 students across the region. Wadestown School won 14 prizes, the second to highest number of prizes from any school competing. The chief judge commented at the prize giving that the standard this year was very high compared to previous years. We are thrilled with these results and congratulations to the following students who won prizes:

Cara Homewood "Cheers not Tears - Packaging Materials"	Highly Commended
Evelyn Peacock "Turning Rocks into Paint"	Highly Commended
Isabel Riseley "Which Bridge to Pick?"	Highly Commended
Ollie Taylor "Music and Fidget Spinners! Do they help concentration?"	Highly Commended
Henri Nischalke "Antartica - How does ice react?"	Highly Commended and NZ Antarctic Society Prize
Ben Sneddon "Earthquakes - Slip'n'Slide"	Highly Commended and Geoscience Society of NZ Prize
Angus Miller "Emergency Water- H2O or H2'No'?"	Highly Commended and The Massey University/GNS Science Joint Centre for Disaster Research Prize
Eva Calvert "Do you see what eye see?"	Measurement Standards Laboratory Callaghan Innovation Prize

Harriet Allen "Skin Cancer - Which Sunscreen?"

Wellington Medical Research

Foundation Prize

Josh Bennett "Soils - Reacting to Heat and Water"

Geoscience Society of NZ Prize

### Interzone Swimming Results

#### 25m Freestyle

Year 4 Girls Maia McKee 2<sup>nd</sup>

Year 7 Girls Amy McHardy 1<sup>st</sup>

#### 25m Backstroke

Year 4 Boys Gus McHardy 2<sup>nd</sup>

Year 7 Girls Kate McHardy 1<sup>st</sup>

#### 25m Breaststroke

Year 5 Girls Abby Morton 2<sup>nd</sup>

#### 25m Butterfly

Year 4 Boys Gus McHardy 2<sup>nd</sup>

Year 7 Girls Amy McHardy 1<sup>st</sup>

#### 50m Freestyle

Year 7 Girls Amy McHardy 2<sup>nd</sup>, Kate McHardy 3<sup>rd</sup>

#### 25m x 4 Freestyle Relay

Year 5 Girls 2<sup>nd</sup>

Year 7 Girls 1<sup>st</sup>

## PTA Update

### Watertanks

For those who have ordered tanks, these will be available (or delivered if you order delivery) on Saturday 14 October from the Weld St site. We will confirm time and details by email.

### Calendars

Thank you to all parents who ordered calendars, cards, diaries or sketch pads with their child's artwork on. We have had a great response and expect delivery of them around the end of November (orders are closed).

### Helpers

We are looking for someone to occasionally help print off PTA flyers and newsletters at the Rose St office. Please email [genevieve.hancock@gmail.com](mailto:genevieve.hancock@gmail.com) if you can assist.

### Next PTA meeting

Wednesday 18 October, 7.30pm, Rose St Staffroom. All parents welcome!

### Our Musical Stars in Action



Look at these talented Wadestown School students who took part in the 'Musical Stars' production of "Peter Pan & Aristocats" at the Lower Hutt Little Theatre. Pictured above are Bella Marks, Annabelle McCarthy, Harriet Pearce, Millie Aislabie, Chloe Severinsen, Isabella Ismail-Sanders and Zak Ismail-Sanders.

## Action from the Sports Field



Congratulations to the Wadestown School students in the Karori Premier 1 and Premier 2 hockey teams who both won their grades this season. In the photo on the left of the Premier 1 team are Bella Marks, Cara Penetito, Amy McHardy and Charlotte Talbot. In the photo on the right from the Premier 2 team are Isabel Riseley, Lulu Shepherd, Rose Small and Violet Nolan. What a fantastic result.

Angus Miller (U13), Ben Sneddon (U12), Max McLachlan (U12), Ben Hogan (U11) and Archie Sims (U10) were in their Wests Rugby Representative Teams that competed in a tournament held in Taupo. Lots of great rugby was played against teams from all over New Zealand and Wadestown School was well represented.



Kind regards,  
**Sally Barrett**  
Principal

# Happy Holidays Everyone!

# Dates for Term 4 2017

Week	Date	Event
1	Wednesday 18 October	Year 4-8 School Athletics, Ben Burn Park, Karori
		PTA meeting, Rose St Staffroom, 7.30pm
	Friday 20 October	Teacher Only Day
2	Monday 23 October	Labour Day holiday
	Thursday 26 October	Whanaungatanga Kapa Haka Festival, St Patricks College, Kilbirnie
3	Monday 30 October	2018 Road Patrol training for 2017 Year 5 students
	Tuesday 31 October	Board of Trustees meeting, Rose St Staffroom, 7.00pm
	Thursday 2 November	Year 4 Overnight at Wellington Zoo
4	Friday 10 November	Year 4-8 Western Zone Athletics
5	15 and 16 November (TBC)	Year 7-8 Production, Rose St hall
6	Tuesday 21 November	Puss in Boots Pet Detective (NZ Playhouse), Rose St hall, 9.00am
7	Wednesday 29 November	Year 7-8 Tri-tournament at Brooklyn School
	Friday 1 December	House Day
8	Tuesday 5 December	Regional Athletics
	Friday 8 December	Year 8 Leavers Dinner
9	Friday 15 December	Final day of Term 4 – school finishes at 12.30pm

## Highlights of Term 3



*100 days of school celebration*



*Sports at the ASB Sports Centre*



*School Swimming Sports*



*Book Bingo*



*Mathswell competitions*



*Kapa Haka with Hemi Prime*



*Orange Day Parade for Road Patrolters*



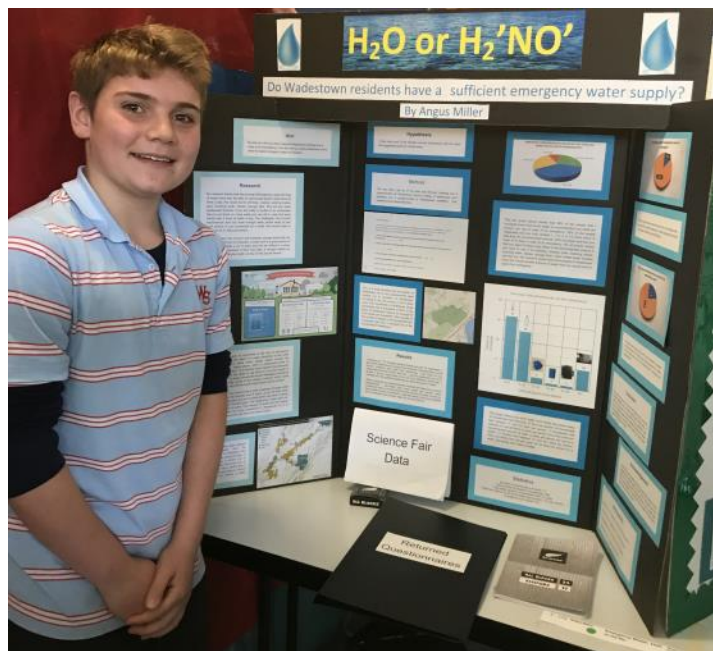
*Visiting author Avril McDonald*



*Tumanako Peace Day*



*Year 5-8 students held their own general election*



*Year 7-8 Science Fair*



*Artsplash and Dancesplash*



*School Working Bee*



*Great excitement with huge cranes moving the new classroom puzzle pieces into place this week*

## ***Celebrating Children's Writing from Room 10 about the New Classrooms***

*Today is the day when I came to school and saw a lot of people gathered around the cranes. Finally they were moving on the new classrooms. The rooms were made out of three pieces but there were two classrooms so the builders had to lift 6 pieces of classroom by crane. It has taken weeks and weeks for the classrooms to finally be lifted into place and unwrapped. All that work and waiting would have paid off once we have the new classrooms.*

*By Isobel Robinson*

*Today is the day the new classrooms came! When I saw the two gigantic cranes I was surprised. The big crane lifted one piece of the classrooms and it looked as if it was flying. There were two cranes because one lifted the piece from the bottom field onto one of the tennis courts. The other crane lifted the piece over the fence of the tennis court and placed the classroom piece onto the concrete. When I saw the giant classroom with quite a small chain carrying it, I thought in my mind that the chain should be very strong! I was very excited that there will be new classrooms at Wadestown School.*

*By Toem Wongsurawat*

*Today was the day that the classrooms came. When I came to school today all of the Year 5 and 6's were crowded around the fence and then it hit me, the classrooms were here!! I was so excited I watched for about a minute and then I went to my class Room 10. I put my bag away and went back to watch.*

*By Braedon MacDonald*

*I had a great surprise this morning. The cranes had come! When the bell had rung and after the roll our class went to look at the building site. It was amazing! I saw a chain and a hook and also the new classrooms getting lifted. I loved watching it all happening. There was iron and plastic and a hydraulic arm. We went back to class to do some writing for a few minutes and then went back for some more ideas. We also saw a beautiful rainbow. There were lots of workmen.*

*By Ollie Lindsay*

*Today was a special day. Two cranes came in and lifted the classrooms up from the bottom field. Room 10 got to see the classrooms and I loved it! The classrooms swung in the air. Some people called them flying classrooms. I'm not sure when they started building but I think they started around about June.*

*By Madeleine Beardmore*

*What a big surprise I had when I got to school. There were two big cranes!! One was yellow and the other was white. There were lots of men too. They all had hard hats, funny coats and trousers. Today was the day when the builders were putting in the new classrooms. There was a big yellow truck that connected to the yellow crane. We looked past the Tui in the Kowhai tree and saw a rainbow. It was very colourful.*

*By Bridget Murray*

*Wow! What a sight. Those cranes are huge!! Today our classroom was so excited because the new classrooms in the bottom block were finally here. We all went out to look at the huge cranes putting the pieces on the ground. A rainbow suddenly caught my eye and I heard a non- stop singing Tui in the Kowhai tree. This was a great morning! People were chattering away but I was just staring at the exciting sight. When it was time to go inside I was pretty impressed because the builders had done their work quickly. When we went inside to start our word bank I could still see the crane.*

*By James van der Zouwe*

# Community Notices

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

## **Pride Lands Holiday Adventures at Otari School**

Dates: 2nd – 13th Oct 2017 from 7.00am-7pm daily. Fees: Daily \$81/cub per session or \$148 for two or more siblings per session ; Weekly: \$238 per cub/week or \$448 for two or more siblings/week. Discounts Available: Wild Card (15%). Interactive Activities and Morning Tea, Lunch and Afternoon Tea provided. One-on-One Care: Provided for cub(s) if needed for extra support. Shuttle services available. Please contact us: 0800 PRIDE 4 U Or Register online: [www.pridelands.org.nz](http://www.pridelands.org.nz)

## **Wellington Collegians Junior Cricket Club**

Online Enrolments for the 2017-2018 season open on Monday 21 August <https://wellingtoncollegians.org/pages/juniors>  
We have teams from Nursery Grade (Year 0-1) to Year 8 – catering for primary school boys and girls of all ages and abilities. Dual pitch cricket is a great, fast format for Years 2 & 3 played with a soft cricket ball. All players get a good bat and bowl, participating in the game the entire time. Finished in about an hour. Indoor training for hard ball grades, (Years 5-8) starts on the weekend of 9 September at the Basin Reserve. This 6 week indoor pre-season programme is very popular and prepares the players well for the start of the season. You may prefer to come along in person to our Enrolment Day Saturday 23 September, 10am – 12pm at our Anderson Park Clubrooms at the Botanic Gardens (next to the Rose Gardens). Committee members will be on hand to answer any questions.

## **Kelly Sports**

### October Holiday Programmes

Kelly Club offers full time Holiday Programmes during the October school holidays at the Wests Rugby Clubrooms in Wilton from 2nd – 13th Oct 2017. Kelly Club Holiday Programmes focus on giving children aged between 5 and 13 the opportunity to do things they enjoy in a safe, supportive and encouraging environment. The programmes are packed with activities to entertain and inspire children. For full details and to enrol into our programmes visit [www.kellyclub.co.nz](http://www.kellyclub.co.nz) email [adminwgtn@kellysports.co.nz](mailto:adminwgtn@kellysports.co.nz) or call 04 972 7201.

### Football Morning Holiday Workshop

Wests Rugby Clubrooms, Wilton (all weather indoor surface). Improve technique by working on the core skills of control, dribbling, passing, tackling & shooting. Great practice for the up and coming Summer Series Competition! Week 1 - Tues, Wed & Thurs 9.30am-12.30pm, Week 2 – Tues, Weds, Thurs 9.30am-12.30pm. “GIRLS ONLY FOOTBALL” – Week 1 Fri 6th Oct 9.30am-12.30pm.

### Kelly Sports Term 4

Kelly Sports will be back in Term 4 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.

- Summer Fun in the Sun! – Thursdays 3.05pm-4.05pm. Learn the fundamentals of all sports – throwing, running, jumping, striking, balance and many more. Includes fun games & drills to build these skills.
- Summer Fun in the Sun! – Thursdays 3.05pm-4.05pm - Come and try Football, Tball, Athletics and Basketball. We use games & drills to teach game sense and team play.

### Summer Series Football & Netball

Get your friends together and enter a team in our popular 5-a-side Football or Netball Summer Series Leagues. Played on Friday afternoons at Ian Galloway Park (Football) and Samuel Marsden and Vic Uni in Karori (Netball) beginning 20 October 2017 (Netball) and 27th October 2017 (Football). A great way to maintain and improve your skills over the summer months. 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.

### **Wellington Music Academy Music Lessons at Wadestown School**

The Wellington Music Academy has been providing professional and fun music lessons to the students of Wadestown school for over 23 years! All lessons take place onsite at the school. Our experienced and enthusiastic teachers will ensure all lessons are fun and appropriate for your child's level of musical development. Phone: 0272115077 Email: [admin@musicacademy.co.nz](mailto:admin@musicacademy.co.nz)

### **Johnsonville Softball Club**

It's not too late to register your child to play T-Ball, Mini-Pitch or Softball this season!!! We need more players. It's a great way to spend a Saturday morning. Come along and be part of the fun family-friendly Johnsonville Softball Club. Enquiries to [Lee-ann.coutts@vodafone.co.nz](mailto:Lee-ann.coutts@vodafone.co.nz) (0272221668) or visit our website [www.jvillesc.org.nz](http://www.jvillesc.org.nz)

### **Karori Amateur Athletics Club, Ben Burn Park, Wednesdays 6pm**

Season starts 25th October & runs for 2 terms. Do you know a child who loves to run, jump, throw? Or do you know a child who would benefit from having an evening off screens each week? Would you like your family to spend more active time together? The Karori Athletics Club provides a fun environment with a mixture of games for ages 6 & under and track & field athletics for children from 7-15 years old. Keen athletes can represent Karori & compete in Inter-club events & other competitions during the season. Parents measure & time, supervise & guide, encourage & cheer the kids on. It's a lot of fun & there's even a sausage sizzle! The Club meets weekly at Ben Burn Park in Karori on Wednesday nights (6.00pm-7.30pm) over the summer from October to March. For more information including details on online registration, visit our website: [www.karoriathletics.org.nz](http://www.karoriathletics.org.nz)

### **Animates School Holiday Free Workshops - Safe With Dogs**

Animates is partnering with 'Kids Safe with Dogs' to provide the perfect activity to help educate children how to behave around dogs. Your local Animates store will be hosting free seminars at 11am on Thursday 5th and 12th of October. Trained staff will use interactive real life scenarios, using a toy dog, to teach children how to behave around their own dog, and those that they encounter on the street. There will also be the opportunity to ask the in-store experts for advice, and children who complete the workshop will take home a free activity book and certificate to proudly display on their wall or fridge. Although bookings aren't necessary, the events are usually well attended so it's advisable to arrive early.

### **Does your child love to write stories? Do they dream of being an author?**

"Write like an Author" is an internationally acclaimed writing course that teaches young writers the skills and techniques that professional authors use to create their stories. During the camp, each participant will develop and write an original creative story under the guidance of well-known author and writing coach Brian Falkner. The camp will be held at Raroa Intermediate School during the school holidays, starting on Monday, 3rd October 2016 and running until Thursday, 6th October 2016. The camp is non-residential, and runs from 9am - 3pm each day. Students will need to bring their own device (a laptop or tablet to write their stories on). The course fee is \$260.00, and there is a discount for early registration which brings the fee payable down to \$195. For more information and to register, please visit [www.writelikeanauthor.com](http://www.writelikeanauthor.com)

### **Guitar Lessons**

Weekly 30 minute one-on-one sessions, with a friendly and skilled young musician. \$20 per lesson. Days and times are flexible. First lesson is free so come and try it out and see if it's for you! Contact Jackson on 022 0743058 or [jacksonbagge@yahoo.com](mailto:jacksonbagge@yahoo.com)

### **Book now for Wilderkids school holiday programme**

Run by Sustainability Trust, this programme gets kids aged 5 to 12 outside into Wellington Town Belt, connecting with nature and learning about birds, bugs, bees, trees! \$56 a day, or if you have a Community Services Card apply for a \$10 place. Runs Oct 2 to 13. More at [www.sustaintrust.org.nz/wilderkids](http://www.sustaintrust.org.nz/wilderkids)

**Intro to Acting Boot Camp: 9-11 October, 9-12pm each day, Pump Dance Studios, Level 1, 302 Taranaki Street**

These holidays, come join in some ACTING FUN, taught by Industry professionals and graduates from the New Zealand Drama School. Come boost your confidence, learn how to stand out in auditions and work all your best angles on stage. We'll give you tricks to express emotions with skill and ease and even throw in a bit of choreographed stage fighting. \$30 a day or \$75 for all three days. Sign up special: Sign up with a friend for the first two days and you'll both receive the third day free! To enrol or for more information, email [info@pumpdance.com](mailto:info@pumpdance.com)

**Drama Club**

Drama Club is running a drama holiday programme in the upcoming school break – Monday 2nd - Friday 6th October based in Karori. The classes are held each morning from 9.00am (drop off from 8.30am) till 12.30pm. We have a different topic each day so students can pick and choose which days they would like to attend. Enrol on the Drama Club website - [www.dramaclub.co.nz](http://www.dramaclub.co.nz) or contact Bridie on [bridie@dramaclub.co.nz](mailto:bridie@dramaclub.co.nz)

**YMCA Camps and Holiday Programmes**

Every child deserves to experience a Y Camp or holiday programme! At our Y camps and holiday programmes, kids and teens learn values and positive behaviours. It is an opportunity to explore their unique talents and interests, helping them realise their potential. That makes for confident kids today and engaged adults tomorrow. Our camps and holiday programmes are a truly memorable experience and can be a life changing one for many people and families. To find out more, and to book, visit [www.ymcawellington.org.nz](http://www.ymcawellington.org.nz)

**Yoga For Kids - Aro Valley Community Centre, 48 Aro Street**

Every Monday 3.30 - 4.15am. Starts 16 October. Experienced Yoga Teacher: Bibi. To Register Email: [bibibibiworld@gmail.com](mailto:bibibibiworld@gmail.com) \$5.00 per class

**“Starting a Business in New Zealand”**

Wellington Citizens Advice Bureau is running a seminar for newcomers to New Zealand on “Starting a Business in New Zealand” on Thursday 26 October 2016 at 5.30pm in the mezzanine meeting room in the Central Library Building at 65 Victoria St Wellington. For further information contact [wellingtoncentral@cab.org.nz](mailto:wellingtoncentral@cab.org.nz)

**You and Your Child, Sunday 15 October at Westpac Stadium, 10am – 6pm.**

\$10 per adult. Tickets available from Ticketek. Parents and children (0 – 8 years) will enjoy exploring the experiences on offer, including sensory areas for babies, children's theatre with Capital E, crafts with Hutt City Kindergartens and creative play with Wellington Playcentre. Toddlers will enjoy discovering the KidSmart Box City and exploring the activities provided by Kiwibounce. Hutt City Library will be there with Lego for constructing, and children will experience the joy of making music with Goodtime Music Academy! Well known speakers include popular blogger Emily Writes on parenting and community, Kathryn Berkett on how to improve the calm. The Parenting Place's Jenny Hale talks about the tricky situations, with Pio Terei speaking on fatherhood. Kate Meads has a wealth of information on modern cloth nappies and Sarah Best, from Brainwave Trust Aotearoa shares about early brain development. For a full list of speakers visit <http://www.space.org.nz/you-and-your-child-expo/speakers/>