



WADESTOWN SCHOOL

Community Newsletter

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Dear Parents

News from the Kowhai Team (Year 7-8)

Year 7-8 Production: "Taken"

Last night the Year 7 and 8 production team had a very successful first performance for family members. It has been two months of intense preparation for the students, creating music, props, backdrops, organising lighting and many other tasks associated with putting a school production together. It has been much longer for the script writers who, under the leadership of Izzie Riseley, had the mammoth task of writing an entertaining script for a huge cast. There has been a buzz about the Kowhai team in anticipation of these performances and the Year 7-8 students should be very proud of what they have achieved. Congratulations to you all.



The Cast and Crew of Taken

Script Writers: Izzie Riseley, Lily Haldane, Rafe Dunlop and Zara Vaughan

Actors: Jess Pearce, Cara Homewood, Violet Nolan, Lulu Shepherd, Ariella Angus, Danielle Ewens, Charlotte Talbot, Charlotte Hogan, Cara Penetito, Minnie O'Brien, Cecile Aldridge, Shayla Chin, Sam Elliott, Luke Rhodes, Ollie Taylor, Ollie Severinsen, Max Wallace, Lorne Ferguson, Nic Baines, Hugo Nicholls, Edward Abbott, Lachie Candy, Ben Sneddon, Joe Carlyon, Olivia Bain, Harriet Pearce, Evie Feltham, Kate McHardy, Mikayla Young,

Abbey Reid, Olive Lynch-Gerrard, Shayla Ashton, Bella Marks, Sophie Hull, Amy McHardy, Izzy Lindsay, Madi Lilley, Amy Frisby-Brocket and Holly Knight

Scene Changes and Comic Relief: Angus Miller, James Richards, Hugo Nicholls, Bella Marks, Olive Lynch-Gerrard, Lorne Ferguson and Max Wallace

Music Composition: Louis Holland, Sam Cornford, Cian Meech and Edward Abbott

Visual, Lighting: Luke Mackle, Thomas Nicholls, Declan Magee, Josh Bennett

Sound Effects: Max McLachlan, Henri Nischalke, Ben Edwards, Lucas Carden, Matthew Crawford

Music Selection: Rose Small, Shayla Chin and Taya Lewis

Extras: Eva Calvert, Henri Nischalke and Rose Small

Prop Design and Creation: Kana Shinoda, Thisumi Goonawardana, Soraya Wyndham, Evelyn Peacock, Sienna Goldstone, Lily O'Brien, Lucia Joyce, Holly Taylor, Nate Hough, Sophia Hastrop and Lachie Angus

Set Design and Creation: Fraser Forsyth, Zara Vaughan, Lily Haldane, Charlie Sims, Liam Gibson, Murad Salayev and Ryan Hurst

Advertising, Communications: Ellie Glaister-Clarke, Lucy Fulton, Lilly Warrender and Harriet Allen

Costume and Makeup: Ellora Mitchell, Latisha Freemantle, Bridget McKenzie, Georgina Huttley, Annabelle McCarthy and Rana Gürbüzel

Thanks also to Mark Haldane, Kathryn Featherstone and Liz Parsons who helped procure makeup and materials for the backdrops.

EPro8 Challenge – 26 October

The EPro8 Challenge is a competition in which teams of four students compete to solve challenges in 2 ½ hours using engineering principles and basic electronic circuits. Wadestown School entered two Year 7-8 teams who worked so well together under great pressure and time constraints. Congratulations on a great team effort.



Year 8 Leavers Dinner – Friday 8 December

The Year 8 students are eagerly awaiting their Leavers Dinner on Friday 8 December. This term they will be busily working on their portfolios which will be on display during the evening. Their portfolios record their growth, progress and memories while attending Wadestown School. Meanwhile the parents of our Year 7 students are also busy planning the menu, decoration of the school hall and other arrangements for the evening. The anticipation is building! Deb Lindsay, the coordinator of the Year 8 Leavers Dinner, will shortly be sending an update to all Year 7 parents. Thank you to all those parents who have indicated that they can assist with the many tasks required to host this very special event. We are most appreciative of your support.

Cricket Coaching Sessions at Wadestown School

This term Andrew Lamb, the Cricket Development Officer for the Collegians Cricket Club, has been working with our students throughout the school to develop their cricketing skills. We are also looking forward to the staff coaching session that Andrew will be taking shortly. Thank you Andrew for your patience, energy and enthusiasm. It has been a pleasure to have you at Wadestown School.



News from the Library

All school library books are due to be returned by Friday 24 November. Do ask your child to check their bedrooms for any stray books and please return them to school before this date ready for our annual library stocktake. During the last week of the term students will again be able to participate in our Summer Reading Programme. More information about this will be included in our next school newsletter.

Scholastic Lucky Book Club orders are also due back at school by Friday 24 November. Online orders using the Scholastic LOOP system (www.scholastic.co.nz/loop) close on the same date. For parents using this method for the first time please be sure when registering to search for Wadestown School by "School Name" NOT "Suburb" or else you may be led to an obsolete school account. If you need any help with this or would like to order books without your children's knowledge (e.g. for Christmas presents) please contact Derek Piper at derek@wadestown.school.nz

Western Zone Athletics Results – Friday 10 November

A record number of Wadestown School students competed at the Western Zone Athletics last Friday. Congratulations and the best of luck to the following students who have qualified for the Interzone Athletics to be held at Newtown Park on Tuesday 21 November:

Short Sprints

Year 4 Boys Jackson Chin 3rd, Zac Lindsay 4th
Year 4 Girls Izzy Ismail Sanders 3rd, Sophia Paviour-Smith 4th
Year 5 Girls Briar Nicholson 4th
Year 6 Boys Ben Hogan 1st
Year 6 Girls Lucy Pottinger 3rd, Gabrielle Healy 4th
Year 7 Boys Ben Sneddon 1st, Lachie Candy 3rd
Year 8 Girls Charlotte Talbot 3rd

Long Sprints

Year 4 Boys Jackson Chin 4th
Year 4 Girls Izzy Ismail-Sanders 3rd
Year 5 Girls Sophie Jones 4th
Year 6 Boys Ben Hogan 3rd
Year 6 Girls Gabrielle Healy 2nd
Year 7 Boys Ben Sneddon 1st, Lachie Candy 2nd
Year 8 Girls Charlotte Talbot 2nd

High Jump

Year 4 Boys Gus McHardy 3rd
Year 4 Girls Jess Haldane 2nd
Year 6 Boys Scott Vandenberg 3rd
Year 7 Boys Ben Sneddon 4th
Year 8 Girls Charlotte Talbot 1st

Long Jump

Year 4 Boys Carlo Bareta 1st
Year 4 Girls Jess Haldane 4th
Year 5 Girls Matilda Dreyer 3rd
Year 6 Boys Ben Hogan 3rd
Year 6 Girls Tori Angus 1st
Year 7 Boys Lachie Candy 1st, Ben Sneddon 2nd

Shot Put (Year 7-8 only)

Year 7 Boys Max McLachlan 3rd, Lachie Candy 4th
Year 7 Girls Olive Lynch-Gerrard 1st, Taya Lewis 2nd

Quoits

Year 5 Girls	Sienna Candy 2 nd
Year 6 Boys	Thomas Fraser 2 nd
Year 7 Boys	Murad Salayev 1 st , Matthew Crawford 4 th
Year 7 Girls	Olive Lynch-Gerrard 1 st equal

Vortex

Year 4 Boys	Carlo Bareta 4 th
Year 4 Girls	Jess Haldane 1 st
Year 5 Boys	Jock Holmes 1 st
Year 6 Boys	Archie Sims 1 st
Year 6 Girls	Daphne Ranta 2 nd
Year 7 Boys	Lucas Carden 2 nd
Year 7 Girls	Olive Lynch-Gerrard 1 st , Taya Lewis 2 nd , Bella Marks 4 th
Year 8 Boys	Angus Miller 1 st



Year 8 girls relay team: Shayla, Danielle, Ariella, Charlotte

Year 8 Girls	Charlotte Talbot 4 th
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Relays

Year 4 Boys	1 st
Year 4 Girls	1 st
Year 5 Boys	2 nd
Year 5 Girls	1 st
Year 6 Girls	2 nd
Year 7 Boys	1 st
Year 8 Girls	1 st

800m (Year 5-6 only)

Year 5 Girls	Sophie Jones 4 th
Year 6 Boys	Archie Sims 2 nd
Year 6 Girls	Gabrielle Healy 2 nd , Kate Chandler 4 th

1500m (Year 7-8 only)

Year 7 Girls	Amy McHardy 3 rd
Year 8 Girls	Charlotte Talbot 4 th



Year 4 boys relay team: Ollie, Jackson, Zach, Gus (Thomas abs.)

Emergency Communications to Parents

In light of the recent earthquakes please note that the following procedures are in place regarding school emergency communications. When there is an event of significance, such as an earthquake, the school will communicate by:

- Emailing to email addresses that receive school communications
- Sending out a Twitter message to parents who follow "wadestownschool"
- Placing a message on the Parent Portal.
- A text message will be sent to two contact numbers provided by the parents/caregiver.

In the event that we do need to send out an urgent notification, be aware that phone networks will be handling large volumes of traffic.

Please note the following regarding email communication:

If you wish to include an additional email address (eg workplace) to receive school emails (note that this will be for all school communication sent by email and not just emergencies), please send a copy of your name, child's name and room number and your email address to the office: office@wadestown.school.nz

Should there be an earthquake, the school will send out a message with wording such as:

- a) Everything is fine at Wadestown School – the day will continue as normal.
- b) All OK at Wadestown School. For safety reasons please collect your child from school ASAP as they will not be released by themselves.
- c) Please collect your child ASAP.

If required to close, the school is obliged to ensure that all pupils are picked up by their parents or caregivers, or those authorised by them. Pupils may not leave the school without an authorised person, and the school must monitor and record when and by whom every child is collected. Parents complete an authority document as part of the enrolment process and this information is also updated at the beginning of each year. The information provides the school with your authority for school staff to release your child to people other than you. Please note that if you wish to collect your child at any time after an earthquake, even though the school may continue as normal, please come to the school office to sign them out.

Pack the Bus 2017

This year - as we have done in other years - 'Pack the Bus' will be visiting schools in the Wellington region on behalf of the Wellington City Mission. The bus will be arriving at Wadestown School on 28th of November at 11:10am and it will be leaving packed full of our goodies at 11:30am. Pack the Bus is an event held each year by the Wellington City Mission so that families in need can enjoy a wonderful Christmas. We will be handing out notices all families shortly with more details of appropriate items that everyone can bring to school. Let's pack the bus until it is full!

Head of Student Council

Cara Homewood, Josh Bennett, Cian Meech and Jessica Pearce.

PTA Update

PTA Christmas meeting

Come and join us for our last meeting of the year, a celebration of PTA work and achievements and a sneak preview of what's in store for next year. All parents and caregivers very welcome. 7.30 pm at The Thistle Inn, Thorndon, Wednesday 29 November. The meeting will be 7.30 pm - 8.00 pm, followed by drinks. We hope to see you there.

Christmas gifts for staff

The PTA organises Christmas presents for all school staff with presents partly funded by donations from families. The donation is voluntary, and the amount of the donation is up to each family. We suggest \$5 per child. If you would like to contribute you can do so by:

- Internet banking (preferred option). The PTA account is 12-3140-0348889-00 Reference: GIFTS (Please don't use the school bank account number).
- placing your donation in the letter box by the office at the Rose St site or ice cream container on table in the hallway at the Weld St site.

We have found previously that this is a great way of helping make the end of year run smoothly, and reducing some of the end of year stress for families. Of course children may still bring in cards or gifts for their teachers if they wish.

Class Coordinators for 2018

The PTA is looking for volunteers for next year's class coordinators. If you are keen please email Nicky Doig at nickydoig@hotmail.com

Dates For Year 5-6 and Year 7-8 Camps in 2018

Families who will have students in Year 5-8 of Wadestown School in 2018 please note the following dates have now been confirmed:

- Year 7-8 camp will be held at Curious Cove in the Marlborough Sounds from 12-16 March 2018
- Year 5-6 camp will be held at El Rancho from 26-29 March 2018 – *please note the change of date from the previous newsletter*

2018 Term Dates

Term 1	Thursday 1 February – Friday 13 April (Waitangi Day Tuesday 6 February, Good Friday 30 March, Easter Monday 2 April, Easter Tuesday 3 April)
Term 2	Monday 30 April – Friday 6 July (Teacher Only Day Friday 1 June, Queen's Birthday Monday 4 June)
Term 3	Monday 23 July – Friday 28 September
Term 4	Monday 15 October – Tuesday 18 December (Labour Day Monday 22 October)

Kind regards,

Sally Barrett

Principal

Dates for Term 4 2017

Week	Date	Event
6	Monday 20 November	Hockey Lunch, Rose St hall
	Tuesday 21 November	Puss in Boots Pet Detective (NZ Playhouse), Rose St hall, 9.00am
		Interzone Athletics at Newtown Park
	Wednesday 22 November	Preschool Information Morning, Weld St
	Thursday 23 November	Wellington College Year 9 2018 Induction Day
	Friday 24 November	All school library books and Scholastic orders due to be returned today
7		Year 5-6 Speech Competition, Rose St hall
	Tuesday 28 November	Wellington City Mission Pack the Bus, 11.10am
		Year 7-8 Speech Competition, Rose St hall
	Wednesday 29 November	Year 7-8 Tri-tournament at Brooklyn School
8	Friday 1 December	House Day at Rose St site
	Tuesday 5 December	Regional Athletics
		Wadestown Carols in the Park, 5.30pm
	Wednesday 6 December	Prize-giving Assembly, Rose St hall, 9.45am
	Friday 8 December	Year 1-2 Picnic at Wilton's Bush
9		Year 8 Leavers Dinner
	Monday 11 December	Year 7-8 EOTC Week begins
		Year 5-6 trip to ASB Centre and Wellington Aquatic Centre
		Board of Trustees meeting, Rose St staffroom, 7.00pm
	Tuesday 12 December	Year 5-6 Picnic at Iazard Park
	Wednesday 13 December	Written reports sent home
	Thursday 14 December	Christmas stories and songs, Wadestown Library, 6.30pm
	Friday 15 December	Final day of Term 4 – school closes at 12.30pm

Community Notices

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

Pride Lands Fun Holiday Adventures – Otari School

Dates: Dec 18th 2017 – Jan 26th 2018 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

Wadestown Carols in the Park – Tuesday 5 December, 5.30pm at the Plunket Park, Wadestown Road

Bring a can for the City Mission or Downtown Community Ministry. Live band, BBQ (koha), bring a picnic!

Nanny/Babysitter:

Hi my name is Greta Morrison. I'm 19 years old and have just finished my first year at University where I am studying psychology and marketing. I am home from mid November until mid February and am currently looking for nannying/babysitting work - or even if you just need a helping hand with the upcoming busy pre-Christmas period e.g. Christmas wrapping. I was a Wadestown School student and love kids. I have experience with looking after children, having babysat and nannied for many Wadestown families over the years. I have a restricted license and my phone number is 027 505 5606 and email address is gretamarymorrison@gmail.com I can send my CV or a reference on request.

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 to arrange a FREE trial. For more information about Elements and our classes, visit www.rhythmicgym.nz

It's a Makers Christmas at Rata Studios

Join us for three fun days exploring and creating to make ordinary Christmas objects extraordinary. Design and build your own holiday decorations and gifts using papier mache, laser cutting and electrical circuits with tutors Jess Weichler and Therese Eberhard. For 10-13 year olds, Monday 18 – Wednesday 20 December. Find out more on our website.

<http://ratastudios.co.nz/course/makers-holiday/>

Spotlight Performing Arts

Does your child love to SING, DANCE and ACT? Would you like your child to build their CONFIDENCE and make more FRIENDS in a fun, happy environment? Spotlight Performing Arts is a performing arts school for students aged 4-16 yrs. by a London West End performer. Johnsonville - Saturdays from 9am. Book your place now.

www.spotlightperformingarts.co.nz

Circa Theatre: Peter Pan – the Pantomime

Get hooked with one of the most loved stories of all time! Peter Pan and the troublesome Tinkerbell whisk Wendy away to the wondrous world of Neverland. Meet the lost boys, the cunning crocodile and the crooked Captain Hook. And of course, there's the Dame, played by the all-time favourite Circa Panto Dame - Gavin Rutherford. 18 NOV- 23 DEC & 2-13 JAN. Phone 801 7992 or go to www.circa.co.nz to book.