



WADESTOWN SCHOOL

Community Newsletter

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Thursday 30 November, 2017

Dear Parents

A warm welcome to the following new students and their families who have joined us recently at Wadestown School: Hugo van der Zouwe (Rm 2) and Lucy Winfield (Rm 2).

News from the Pohutukawa Team

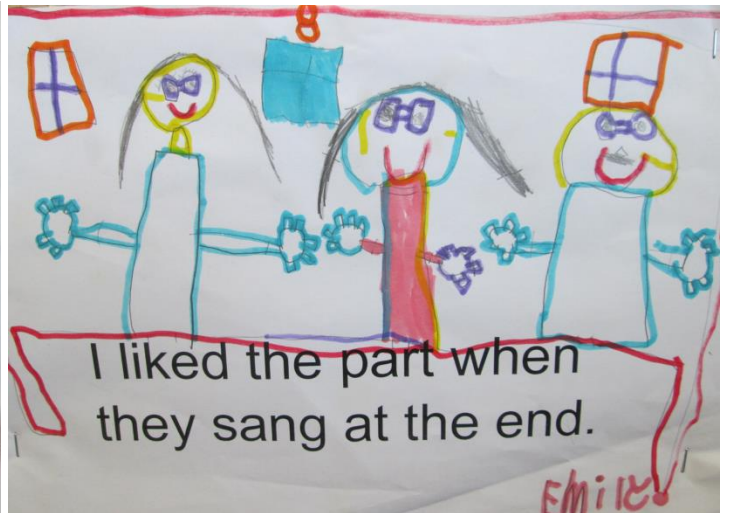
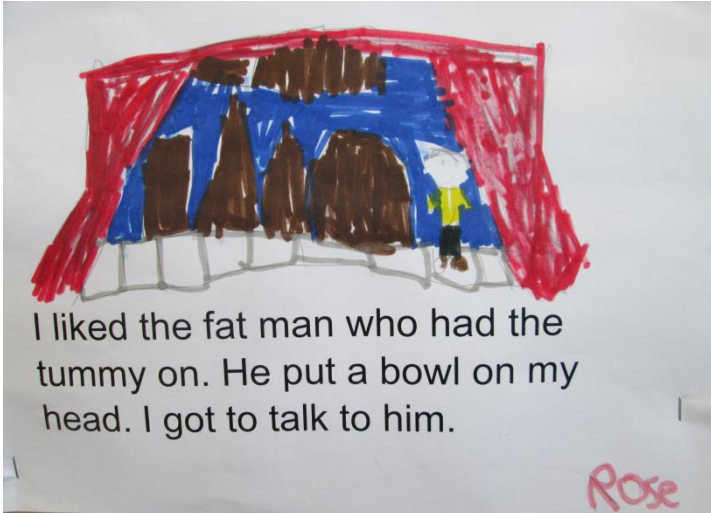
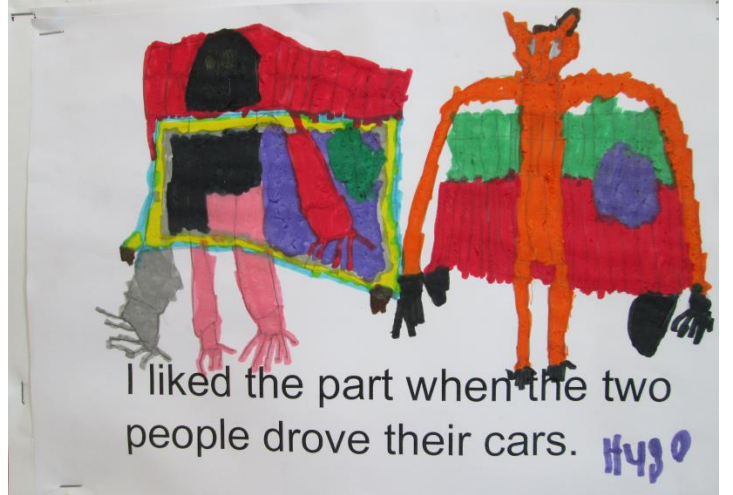
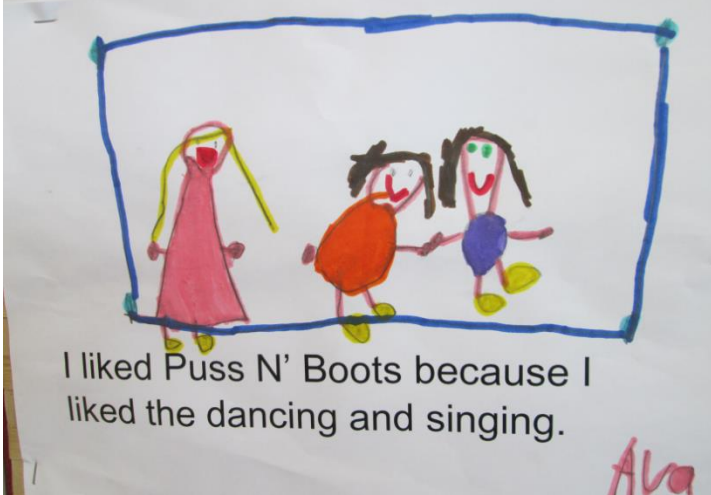
We have loved our dinosaurs study and learnt so much about the life of dinosaurs. Here is a selection of our artwork for you to enjoy. Can you see the dinosaurs sharp teeth and spiky spines?



Room 2 had a visit from some very special dinosaurs who came to live outside Room 2. Here they are exploring the bank at Weld St which they love to hide in.



On Tuesday 21 November we were visited by the NZ Playhouse who performed 'Puss in Boots Pet Detective' in the Rose St hall. It was a very funny play with lots of singing and dancing. We wrote stories about the show which everyone enjoyed very much.



Here are Room 9 students practicing throwing with cricket coach Andrew Lamb. Everyone throughout the school has had the opportunity to develop their cricketing skills through Andrew's skilled coaching.

Year 5-6 Speech Competition – Friday 24 November

The Year 5 and 6 speech competition was a great success and was observed by Year 4-6 students as well as finalists' parents. The topic for this year's speeches was inventions and were judged by former school principal Val Ferry. The finalists were:

- Room 7: Alexandra Smith, Eva Roberts and Maddison Homewood
- Room 8: Lilah Hu, Millie Aislabie and Jerusha Moodley
- Room 13: Eleanor Johnson, Sebastian Hastrop and Chloe Severinsen
- Room 14: Thomas Fraser, Daphne Ranta and Kate Chandler

1st Place: Daphne Ranta with her speech on Braille

2nd Place: Alexandra Smith with her speech on Pencils

3rd Place: Eva Roberts with her speech on the Flush Toilet

Highly commended: Jerusha Moodley with her speech on Igloos



Year 7-8 Speech Competition – Tuesday 28 November



The Year 7-8 speech competition had two categories, prepared and impromptu. Thank you to Toastmasters for judging our senior speech competition. Congratulations to the following students:

Prepared Speeches

Bella Marks 1st
Olive Lynch-Gerrard 2nd
Holly Knight 3rd
Minnie O'Brien 4th equal
Luke Rhodes 4th equal

Impromptu Speeches

Sophia Hastrop 1st
Cara Homewood 2nd
Holly Knight 3rd

Year 8 Leavers Dinner Update – Friday 8 December, 6pm

Year 7 Adult Helpers – Should you have not received a confirmation email from Deb Lindsay with details on your offer of help, please get in touch with her directly emaildebs@hotmail.com There is plenty to do before, during and after this event. The permission slips for students to be able to help/perform at the Year 8 Dinner also need to be returned to the letterbox in the office foyer.

Year 8 Families – Thank you to all those families that have RSVPed with names and dietary requirements to Anna Vaughan anna@vaughan.co.nz directly. It is important that full payment is made by **today Thursday 30th November** for each person attending the dinner, both child and parent/caregiver/s. Please note we are not able to accommodate any late RSVPs for attendance at the Year 8 Dinner.

News from the Library

In the last week of the term we are giving all returning students (Weld St and Rose St) the opportunity to borrow up to 20 school library books over the summer holidays. The books will be due back by 9 February 2018. Students will also be given a Summer Reading Programme bag to take their books home as well as information about the Wellington City Libraries Summer Reading Challenge. A permission form will be distributed to all students next week. Students who return the signed permission form below will be able to issue books from the Rose St library between 3.00-4.00pm from 11-14 December. If you have any questions please contact Derek@wadestown.school.nz

Pack the Bus 2017



A big thank you to everyone who so generously contributed to Pack the Bus 2017. What a fantastic response from Wadestown School families. We filled the Wellington City Mission Pack the Bus with your wonderful Christmas gifts.

2017 Activity Fees and Other Student Costs

Could we ask all parents to please take time to look at their most recent individual student statement and if you have any queries regarding these costs please contact Lynda Sale, our Office Manager, or Fiona Crombie, our Office Assistant, at office@wadestown.school.nz Please note your child's student statement may include activity fees, sports team costs, lost library books, etc., which have been itemised on your child's student statement. **All unpaid costs are due to be paid in full by tomorrow, 1 December 2017**

Hockey Lunch – Monday 27 November

The hockey season finished on a high note with a lunch for all the students who have enjoyed a great hockey season. A special thank you to Rachel Paviour-Smith, an ex-student of Wadestown School, for all her assistance with hockey coaching this season. We are very appreciative of Rachel's contribution and support for our hockey players.



Interzone Athletics – Tuesday 21 November, Newtown Park

Congratulations to the following students who placed at the Interzone Athletics and progress to the Regional Athletics to be held in Masterton on Tuesday 5 December. We wish you all the best of luck.

Short Sprint

Year 6 Boys Ben Hogan 1st

Year 7 Boys Ben Sneddon 1st

Long Sprint

Year 6 Boys Ben Hogan 3rd

Year 6 Girls Gabrielle Healy 4th

Year 7 Boys Ben Sneddon 1st, Lachie Candy 3rd

Year 8 Girls Charlotte Talbot 2nd

1500m

Year 7 Girls Amy Mchardy 3rd

High Jump

Year 4 Girls Jess Haldane 3rd equal

Year 8 Girls Charlotte Talbot 1st

Long Jump

Year 7 Boys Lachie Candy 1st

Quoits

Year 5 Girls Sienna Candy 3rd

Discus

Year 7 Girls Olive Lynch-Gerrard 3rd

Shotput

Year 7 Girls Taya Lewis 3rd

Vortex

Year 5 Boys Jock Holmes 2nd

Year 7 Girls Olive Lynch-Gerrard 1st, Taya Lewis 3rd

Relays

Year 4 Girls 1st

Year 4 Boys 1st

Year 5 Girls 3rd

Year 7 Boys 1st

Year 8 Girls 1st





PTA Update

Reminder for contributions to Christmas gifts for staff

A reminder to get your donations for school staff Christmas presents in 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 the table in the hallway at the Weld St site.

These donations are for the Christmas presents that the PTA arranges for all school staff on behalf of all parents. The donation is voluntary, and the amount of the donation is up to each family but we suggest \$5 per child. This is a great way of reducing some of the end of year stress for families. Of course children can 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

Second-hand uniform sale – Friday 26 January 2018, 10am-12noon

Next year's second-hand uniform sale will be held on Friday 26 January 2018, 10am - 12noon, in the school library. Parents can hand their second-hand uniforms to the office either before the end of term or between Tuesday 22nd and Thursday 25th January. Further details will follow in an email which we will send out soon.

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 an earlier 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)

End of Year Written Reports and Final School Newsletter

Please note that end of year written reports will be sent home on Wednesday 13 December. The final school newsletter for the year outlining School Organisation for 2018 will also be published on the same day.

Kind regards,

Sally Barrett

Principal

Dates for Term 4 2017

Week	Date	Event
7	Friday 1 December	House Day at Rose St site
8	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
Year 8 Leavers Dinner		
9	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

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Chairbag Business for Sale

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 to 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 as Wadestown School does. If you, or someone you know, might be interested please contact Jane on 4722843 or 0274824420.



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.

Babysitting

Hello my name is Tessa (18) and I am a former student at Wadestown School, now finished high school and am looking for opportunities to babysit from December till mid-Jan. I have had many experiences looking after children of all ages and numbers, day time and evenings. Feel free to give me a call or text on 027 863 7640 if you would like a night out or someone to help out in the holidays!

Mega Christmas Tennis Hot Shots Event: Renouf Tennis Centre, 2-4pm Sunday 10th December

Calling all 5-12 years olds! Jump on court with us and have a go at Tennis Hot Shots this Christmas. Smaller courts, lighter racquets, super hittable balls make it suitable for all ages! You'll get lots of matches against kids the same age and ability as you. Entry fee \$10 for one, \$15 for two! Bring a friend or sibling. Register by 5 December at https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfNmVaXI5y7iDbWsaUXadrFWytjv9kULuwuLvvLm2_zKsCdOw/viewform

Kelly Club Holiday Programmes

- Kelly Club Northland Pre-Christmas holiday programme at the Northland Memorial Hall from Friday 15th December (from 2pm) through to Friday 22nd December 2017, activities include Wet N Wild, Scavenger Hunt, Cup cake decorating, Sports, Christmas Activities games and much more.
- Kelly Club Wilton January Holiday Programme starting from the 8th January 2018 – 2 February 2018. Held at the Wests Rugby Clubrooms, Ian Galloway Park, Wilton.
- January Football Morning Holiday Workshop (Yrs 1–6) Wests Club Rooms, Wilton (all weather indoor surface). Improve technique by working on the core skills of control, dribbling, passing, tackling & shooting with head coach Martin. Tues, Wed & Thurs 9.30am-12.30pm (9th, 10th & 11th Jan/16th, 17th & 18th Jan/23rd, 24th & 25th Jan).

For full details and to enrol into our programmes visit www.kellysports.co.nz email adminwgtn@kellysports.co.nz or call 04 972 7201

Capital GymSports Christmas Kids Club: Monday 18th – Friday 22nd December

Need childcare before Christmas? Need to do some last-minute shopping without the kids around? Bring your kids into Capital GymSports for a day of games and supervised free play. Drop off between 8.00am and pick up before 5.30pm.

- Only offered to children aged 5+ years.
- Parents must sign their children in and out every day.
- Children must bring their water bottle, packed snacks and/or lunch if they are here multiple hours.
- Bookings are necessary. Please complete our booking form and email it to the office.

For more information see our website: <http://www.capitalgymsports.org.nz/chrismas-holiday-programme.html>

Your Parenting ACT

St Luke's Centre, 34 Pitt St, Wadestown, Wellington. Mondays from the 26th of February between 7:00pm and 9:00pm. Your Parenting ACT is a 5-week experience-based, evidence-based course designed to help you parent in line with your values. It uses principles from ACT – Acceptance and Commitment Therapy – to help you make room for your thoughts and feelings so you can respond flexibly to parenting demands. ACT uses acceptance, mindfulness, and behavioural strategies to help people pursue what matters most to them, including being the parent they want to be. For more information contact Giselle Bahr on 027 567 4496 or at hello@bahr.net.nz Giselle is a clinical psychologist in Wellington. She works in private practice, primarily with children, teenagers and their families. Before that she spent 15 years working in Wellington's public health system and teaching in a university clinical training programme.

Registrations: <https://www.eventbrite.co.nz/e/your-parenting-act-tickets-40080148804>

CodeCamp Dec/Jan Holidays

Code Camp allows boys & girls from the ages of 7-12 to develop 21st century skills in a fun and action packed environment. Develop confidence & initiative through design, creativity, solving problems & collaboration. Create games, apps & work with robots and electronic building blocks.

- Samuel Marsden School: 18th – 21st Dec, 8th – 11th Jan, 15th – 18th Jan, 23rd – 26th Jan
- Maranui SLSC, Lyall Bay - 8th – 11th Jan, 15th – 18th Jan, 23rd – 26th Jan
- Thorndon Primary School - 8th – 11th Jan, 15th – 18th Jan

Book now at www.codecamp.co.nz/holiday-codecamp

Northland Kidz Club's Summer Holiday Programme – before and after Christmas

Join us in our adventures each day as we're out-and-about in the Wellington region. We'll be doing a lot of our old favourites (ice-skating, go-karting, mini-golf, Time Cinema, ten-pin bowling) as well as going to beaches, parks, play areas and swimming pools. We'll be on the ferry to Somes/Matiu Island, attending Circus School, learning jazz musical theatre style dance, touring Government House and going to the Lego Exhibition at Te Papa. \$45 per child per day (third child onwards \$20), 8.30am to 6.00pm each day. For details, check out our website www.nkc.org.nz or contact Jan on cell 022-140-2612 or e-mail nkc.jan@gmail.com

Raroa Music Centre Enrolments for 2018

Raroa Music Centre offers Saturday morning group music lessons for primary school children at low cost. Classes include choir, keyboard, recorder, drums, ukulele, guitar, violin, cello, clarinet, flute and trumpet. To enrol for 2018 visit our website at www.raroamusic.org.nz and enrol online. Enrolments open in December.