



WADESTOWN SCHOOL

Community Newsletter

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Monday 17 December, 2018

Dear Parents

As this is the last newsletter for 2018 I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for the generous support you have given Wadestown School during a very successful year. There has been so much achieved for our students with such enthusiasm, energy and commitment from the Wadestown School community. This has resulted in many wonderful initiatives that we can all be so proud of.

To those families that are leaving Wadestown School tomorrow, we wish you well for the future and thank you for your support. We hope you and your family will look back on Wadestown School as a place where special friendships were made and your children enjoyed coming to school every day.

Year 8 Leavers Dinner – Friday 14 December



The Year 8 Leavers Dinner, held last Friday evening, was an outstanding success. A big thank you to the organising committee of Year 7 parents, led by Kirsty Bennett, Nicky Ward and Sarah Scott, for making this evening such a special occasion for everyone. The Year 7 students were wonderful hosts and we were very proud of how hard they worked the entire evening. The school hall was transformed into a Dr Seuss 'Oh the Places You'll Go' theme complete with two Cats in the Hat in attendance to greet all our guests on arrival. Our Year 8 students and their families enjoyed a delicious dinner and a very special evening full of fun and laughter. What a great night for all of us to remember.

Thank You

I would like to acknowledge the wonderful teachers and support staff at Wadestown School and thank them for their huge commitment to our children's learning throughout the year. The contribution they make to all

the children at Wadestown School is very much appreciated by myself personally and has a significant impact in making our school the special place it is.

I would also like to acknowledge my deep appreciation to the Board of Trustees. Their dedication and support, not to mention time, has ensured a great year of growth and achievements. Many of our school initiatives, including our professional development programmes would not have been possible without their support and confidence in the teaching team at Wadestown School. On behalf of the staff a special thank you to Neil Paviour-Smith (Board Chair), Guy Pottinger, Anna O'Meeghan, Julie Gerrard, Sarah Feltham, Amy Maddock (Staff Trustee) and Julie Johnston (Board Secretary) . It has been a pleasure to work with you all and I look forward to another great year in 2019.

The Parent Teacher Association (PTA) has had another busy year. To list all the PTA's activities and fundraising achievements would take at least a page of this newsletter so on behalf of all the students and staff we thank everyone involved with the PTA most sincerely for the enormous contribution you continue to make in the best interest of our students. I would like to also acknowledge the PTA Year Book Committee for all their hard work in putting the 2018 School Yearbook together. Thank you to you all for the tremendous job in capturing the many and varied activities that our students throughout the school have been involved in during 2018.

Prize-giving Assembly – Monday 17 December



Bella Marks and Matthew Crawford, joint winners of the Leslie Cup for Year 7-8 Overall Excellence



Louis Holland and Latisha Freemantle, joint winners of the Maitra-Maurice Cup for Contribution to the Performing Arts



Kate McHardy, winner of the Tracey Wilson Memorial Cup for Netball



Amy McHardy, joint winner of the Hickey Cup for Sporting Excellence and winner of the Ferrier Cup for Cross Country Running



Ben Sneddon, joint winner of the Hickey Cup for Sporting Excellence



Harriet Pearce winner of the David's Hairstylists Cup for Outstanding Contribution to Netball



Ellie Cook, winner of the Year 5-6 Speech Competition



Year 5-6 team, winner of Wellington Mathswell

Louis Holland – winner of the Year 7-8 Prepared Speech Competition

Holly Knight – winner of the Year 7-8 Impromptu Speech Competition

Congratulations



Congratulations to the Year 7 and 8 Girls team who won the Wellington Girls Touch Rugby Competition

PTA Update

Staff gifts

It has become a tradition for the PTA to organise Christmas presents for all the school staff, 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. The PTA account is 12-3140-0348889-00 Reference: GIFTS We hope that this may help to make the end of year run smoothly, and reduce some of the end of year stress for everyone.

Classroom coordinators

We are looking for classroom coordinators for 2019. If you would like to help with this roll for your class, please email Nicky at nickydoig@hotmail.com

Yearbooks

We ordered a handful of extra Yearbooks. If you didn't order one but would like one of these extra ones, please email Genevieve at genevieve.hancock@gmail.com

Second-hand Uniform Sale

When: Friday 1 February 2019, 10am – 12pm (sales will not start before 10am)

Where: Wadestown School Hall, Rose Street/Main Site

Good condition second- hand school and sports uniforms will be available to buy or sell. All sizes - new entrants to Year 8. CASH ONLY ACCEPTED when purchasing items. Permanent fabric pens are for sale from school office for \$8.00 to put your child's/family name in the garment you have purchased.

Genevieve Hancock
PTA Chair

Notice from NZ Uniforms

NZ Uniforms will be closed from the end of day on Saturday 22 December 2018 and will reopen Thursday 3 January 2019. We would like to thank you for your support during 2018. Have a safe and enjoyable Christmas from the team at NZ Uniforms!

2019 Term Dates

	First Day	Last Day
Term 1	Monday 4th February	Friday 12th April
School Closed for instruction:	Waitangi Day	Wednesday 6 th February
Term 2	Monday 29 April	Friday 5th July
School Closed for instruction:	Teacher Only Day before Queen's Birthday Weekend	Friday 31 st May Monday 3 rd June
Term 3	Monday 22nd July	Friday 27th September
Term 4	Monday 14th October	Thursday 19th December
School Closed for instruction:	Labour Weekend	Monday 28 th October

2019 Year 5-8 Camps

Families who will have students in Year 5-8 at Wadestown School, please note that the following dates have been set for our school camps in 2019:

- Year 5-6 Camp from 12-15 March at Forest Lakes, Otaki
- Year 7-8 Camp from 25-29 March at Green Pastures, Wanganui

Final Day for 2018

Tomorrow, Tuesday 18 December, please note that school will finish at 12.30 pm. We will re-open on Monday 4 February 2019 at 8.55am.

On behalf of the staff I would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a safe and happy holiday wherever you may be. We look forward to working you all again in 2019. Thank you for your support – it has been a fantastic year.

Kind regards,

Sally Barrett

Principal

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Jackie Cluff, Hamilton (parent)

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Christmas Starlight Storytime – Wadestown Presbyterian Church, Monday 24 December, 4.30pm

A time for storytelling for all ages. Kids bring your parents and grandparents. Grandparents bring your children and grand-children.

The Drawing Room

Is your child interested in drawing? Then 'The Drawing Room' is the place for them! Developing fine motor skills in children from the age of 8 upwards, the emphasis is on a fun class with traditional drawing techniques. Students do a set of warm up drawing exercises before completing a set task for the day. Afternoon tea provided. Times 3.30-4.30pm & 4.30-5.30pm. Cost \$15pp per week...a 10 week term is \$150.00. Address: 39 Wade Street, Wadestown (early class students walk from school) Please contact: Tel: 027 230 3919 or Email: victoriaeleanorjane@yahoo.co.nz

Kelly Sports Term 1

Kelly Sports will be back in Term 1 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.

Back to School Sports! (Yrs 1-2) – Thursday's 3.05pm-4.05pm – Held at the Side School. Learn the fundamentals of all sports – throwing, running, jumping, striking, balance and many more. Includes fun games & drills to build these skills.

Back to School Sports! (Yrs 2-4) – Thursday's 3.05pm-4.05pm – Held at the Main school. Come and try Circus Skills, Cricket, Football and 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. For full details and to enrol into our programmes visit www.kellysports.co.nz email adminwgtn@kellysports.co.nz or call 04 972 7201.

Sunshine Drama

Sunshine Drama provides a creative and fun learning space for students aged 4 - 15 years. Sessions engage imaginative minds, grow confidence & build communication, performance and social skills. For 2019 class information or to arrange a free trial class, contact: Jenae 0274380533 or visit www.sunshinedrama.co.nz

Swimming Lessons

Easyswim Swim School Ltd is now taking bookings for Term One and also Holiday courses during the upcoming January School holidays. To book call: 2347946, email: book@easyswim.co.nz or visit www.easyswim.co.nz

Wilderkids school holiday programme – January 14th - 29th

Based in Wellington's Town Belt, Wilderkids gets kids exploring the nature on our city's fringes. The focus is on care, connection and curiosity. With adventuring, scavenger hunting, survival skills, foraging and learning about our local natural environment all part of the upcoming Wilderkids, we've got the ultimate outdoor school holiday programme. The programme is for kids aged 5 to 12, \$56 a day with a 10% discount for full week bookings, and held at Innermost Gardens in Mt Victoria. You can book at <https://sustaintrust.org.nz/pages/school-holiday-programmes>