

WADESTOWN SCHOOL Community Newsletter No 13

Acting Principal: Ian Hastie Website: www.wadestown.school.nz Thursday 20th August 2020

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

A warm welcome to the following new student and their family who have joined us recently at Wadestown School: Annabel Black Room 1.

We are now well into Term 3 and as has been the norm for much of this year, we are not normal at all!! Alert Level 2 is making us think carefully about how we go about business at school as well as creating organisational issues for us.

Inter Zone Cross Country was postponed earlier this week to next week and the organisation has been changed to only allow a few adults to attend at specific times. This is something that they could have cancelled but they have chosen to go ahead under restricted conditions. We have had to make a decision on our concert 'Out of This World' which was not easy but necessary, there being no right or wrong way to approach it. This morning's email informed you of our decision. There may be further changes to other programmes if we continue in Alert Level 2.

Students and staff have been outstanding at school, it has been pretty much business as usual for students. Staff are continually reminding students about hand washing, using sanitizer, coughing appropriately and trying to maintain social distancing when and where possible. We have also encouraged students to stay home if they are feeling unwell. This has worked and we are happy that our students are on board with this and understand what is required of them.

We now all await an announcement next week outlining what happens after Wednesday 26th.

ICAS Assessments

These Australian assessments start this week with Science tomorrow, Friday at 9.00 am. This will be followed by English next Monday 24th and Maths the following Monday 31st. We are required to carry out these assessments over a week-long window of time.

Technology for Year 7 and 8's

We have just completed our last session of Technology at Karori West for this cycle. The next and last sessions begin on Tuesday 27th October for 6 weeks.

Wheels Day and Mufti Day

We thank the Leadership students especially Jacob Buxton and Harper Ferguson and their team (Samuel Beadmore, Harry Kavanagh, Harry Ward and Garth Edwards), alongside Ms Wilkinson in organising our Wheels

Day yesterday. The weather was not great but we got there and students had a great day. The cars brought in by Jacob and Dan were greatly appreciated by all students. The activities and safety lessons run by the team were well received by the Rata and Rimu Team students. The Mufti Day money will go towards new Road Patrol equipment.







New Principal

Our new Principal Amanda Frater visited school on Tuesday afternoon after our staff meeting to meet staff. Amanda was delighted to meet everyone and will be making more frequent visits over the term. We will also organise a time when she can meet parents and families.

2021 Term Dates

We have made the decision to start later in Term One 2021 because of the long Waitangi Weekend. Therefore school dates for 2021 are:

	First Day		
Term 1	Tuesday 9 th February Frid		
Easter	Friday 2 nd April		
During Term One	Monday – Tuesday 5 th - 6 th April		
Anzac Day observed	Monday 26 th April		
During Term Break			
Term 2	Monday 3 rd May	Friday 9 th July	
Teacher Only Day - before	Friday 4 th June		
Queen's Birthday	Monday 7 th June		
Term 3	Monday 26 th July	Friday 1 st October	
Teacher Only Day	Monday 30 th August		
Term 4	Monday 18 th October	Friday 18 th December	
Labour Weekend	Friday 29 th October		
Teacher Only Day	Monday 1 st November		

The Teacher Only Days being taken are part of the Teachers Collective Contract July 2019 – June 2022. We will be taking our first day on Friday 25th September this term.

ECO Cloth Fundraiser

This will be starting Monday 24th August, details for this will be sent out to families by email.

BOT Bi Election

We congratulate Alistair Rumball-Smith on winning the vacant BOT position, we are sure that Alistair will bring many skills to the Board and we wish him well as do the current board. To all the candidates who put their names forward, we thank you again. As I have said previously all five candidates presented exceptionally well at our community evening and all offered a great deal to Wadestown School.

General Election

With the election date now changed to 17th October I remind parents that our Rose Street Hall will be used as a Polling Booth on the day. It will also be used the weekend before on October the 10th and 11th for Advanced Voting.

Working Bee

Note also our Working Bee is on the 17th October however this will not make a difference and we will still go ahead. We imagine the Rose Street voting turnout will be small with other venues close by. Please contact Malcolm McKee at alpamare@gmail.com or Katy Pearce (for catering) at strawberry.fare@xtra.co.nz if you can support the Working Bee on the 17th October.

Library Help

We have a large number of new library books that need covering and other reading resources to process. If you are available to help out with this on Wednesday 26 August 9.00-10.30 am or on Friday 28 August 9.00-10.30 am please email our librarian Derek Piper at derek@wadestown.school.nz

Honour Boards

The Honours Boards have recently been updated with the 2020 students who hold positions. Parents of these students may wish to have a look at the boards next time they are visiting the school.



Reminders

- ICAS Assessments: Science Friday 21/08, English Monday 24/08 and Maths Monday 31/08. Science students for tomorrow have already been told and reminded about the assessment in the School Library at 9.00 am.
- School Concert Thursday 3 September.
- Working Bee Saturday 17th October.

•	School Photos - Term 4 Tuesday 20 and Wednesday 21 October (note the Date)				





Book Character Parade



















































2020 Term 3 & 4 Dates

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Wednesday 19 August	Wheels Day at Rose Street		
Thursday 20 August	School Community Newsletter is published		
Tuesday 25 August	Inter Zone Cross Country at Grenada North		
Wednesday 26 August	Possible end of Alert Level 2 @ 11.59 pm		
Thursday 27 August	Postponement date: Inter Zone Cross Country at Grenada North		
Thursday 3 September	School Community Newsletter is published		
Thursday 3 September	School Concert, Pipitea Marae, Thorndon Quay 'Out of this World'		
Saturday 5 September	Sallybration Event 4.00 – 7.00 pm		
Tuesday 8 September	Western Zone Hockey at National Stadium, Newtown		
	Postponed until Term 4 due to Alert Level 2		
Tuesday 8 September	Regional Cross Country at Harcourt Park		
Thursday 10 September	Postponement date: Regional Cross Country at Harcourt Park		
	Science Roadshow Trip: Yr 7 & 8: 9.30 – 10.50 am		
Friday 11 September	Yr 5 & 6: 10.35 – 11.55 am		
Monday and Tuesday	V 70.00		
14 - 15 September	Yr 7 & 8 Overnight Sports Trip (Details out shortly)		
Wednesday 16 September	Board of Trustees Meeting, Rose Street staff room 7.00 pm		
Thursday 17 September	School Disco		
Thursday 17 September	School Community Newsletter is published		
Tuesday 22 September	PTA Meeting in Room 0 at Weld Street @ 7.00 pm		
Thursday 24 September	Inter-Regional Cross Country at Harcourt Park		
Friday 25 September	Last Day of Term 3 – Teacher Only Day (No students at school)		
Saturday and Sunday 10 – 11			
October (During Term Break)	School Hall as advanced voting site 10.00 am – 4.00 pm		
Monday 12 October	First Day of Term 4. School begins at 8.55 am		
Saturday 17 October	School Hall as voting site on General Election Day 9.00 am – 7.00 pm		
Saturday 17 October	School Working Bee (same day as the General Election)		
Tuesday – Wednesday			
20 – 21 October	School Photos - over 2 days		
Monday 26 October	LABOUR DAY – School is closed		
Tuesday – Friday	Yr 5 & 6 Camp at El Rancho		
27 – 30 October			
Monday 9 November	Teacher Only Day (No students at school)		
Tuesday 15 December	Last Day of Term 4. School closes around mid-day.		
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Regards

Ian Hastie

Acting Principal

Community Notices

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

Montessori at Otari Preschool and Playgroup

We warmly invite interested families to our Open Day on Saturday 29th August, 10am – 12 noon, at the Preschool (166 Wilton Road). If you know of anybody else who may be interested in our Playgroup and/or Preschool and would find the Open Day of interest, please let them know about this opportunity. For more information phone 475 9688 or email wcmp@xtra.co.nz

What's happening at Bunnings Wellington Central for Father's Day

Join us at Bunnings Wellington Central for two weekends of DIY fun, giveaways and product demonstrations. We'll provide Kids DIY from 9am to 4pm on:
Saturday 29th August, Sunday 30th August, Saturday 5th September and Sunday 6th September.

Nixie the Phoenix mascot will be in store 11.30 am to 1.00 pm on Saturday 5th September and Sunday 6th September. For more details email our Activities Organiser, Jocelyn Smith, on wellingtoncentralAO@bunnings.co.nz



Spotlight Performing Arts is coming to Karori on Fridays!

Does your child like to sing, dance, act and perform?

Would you like your child to build more confidence and make more friends?

Performing arts classes led by a London West End performer!

FREE TASTER SESSION on Friday 4th September- Limited spaces so book your place now!

www.spotlightperformingarts.co.nz





Experienced Babysitter Available!

Kia ora, my name is Jessica and I am an experienced babysitter based in Wadestown.

I have over 6 years of experience babysitting children right from newborns to early teens and I am confident caring for multiple children at once.

I love to cook and bake, do arts and crafts, play board games and encourage creative play.

I have a Bachelor of Arts in Education and Spanish from Victoria University of Wellington.

I'm looking for some lovely families in the Wadestown area that are needing babysitting in the evenings and weekends.

Please contact me on 021 0820 0309 or jwfinleynz@gmail.com if you would like more information about me, I am happy to provide references.

Northland Cubs, Scouts and Keas are looking for new members. Coming out of lockdown we have an exciting programme for the rest of the year, with the opportunity to get outside and have an adventure or two.

We have spaces available for Keas (age 5-7), Cubs (age 8-10) or Scouts (age 11-14). Interested in developing your leadership skill? We are looking for new leaders for keas and cubs. Full training and support are available.

Like to know more? Check us out at www.facebook.com/NorthlandScouts or email Northland.Scouts@gmail.com for more information.

LOOKING FOR A NANNY?

Experienced as babysitter, animator, and girl AU pair. Responsible and patient. PLUS I can teach French, games and cooking! Rate: \$ 20 / hour

Anais ANDUJAR

Phone: 020 4076 1859 email: anais.andujar07@gmail.com

We are in urgent need of collectors on the street for the day, if you can spare a couple of hours on 11th September, please get in touch at volunteers@compassion.org.nz



