



WADESTOWN SCHOOL

Community Newsletter No 20

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Thursday 26 November 2020

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

A warm welcome to Carlotta Joyce Rm1 and her family who have joined us recently at Wadestown School.

The year seems to be marching to a close. In the final weeks ahead of the end-of-term I encourage everyone to try and take some time for yourselves. Here are some of the significant events that have occurred over the past fortnight:

It was a **stunning farewell to Sally Barrett** on Saturday evening at Parliament with a lovely group of past and present members of the wider Wadestown School community there in support and acknowledgement of Sally.

What was clear to me was Sally's passion for education and her love of people. The speeches on the night focused on the significant contributions that Sally has made to both education and Wadestown School. Sally has clearly had a positive impact on many teachers and students. It was lovely to be able to honour this with her.

Thank you to Phillipa Paviour-Smith, Katy Pearce, Lisa Toovey, Larissa Warren, Ruth Jane and the Sallybration organising committee for their work on this event. Your efforts and hard work allowed this event to be the huge success that it was.

I have continued to follow a number of our students as they demonstrate and share their **leadership skills** across the school. Furthermore, I have been incredibly impressed by the support that the rest of the school extends to these students. It is evident to me that the leaders at Wadestown School are encouraged to follow their passions and to inspire and challenge others. This is a truly wonderful demonstration of a curriculum designed to support the needs of the students. Having taught myself in Year 7 - 8 for the majority of my classroom teaching career, I understand the benefits of such programmes and will continue to lend my support to these.

The Student Council continue to work hard in a number of ways across the school. They lead and organise our fortnightly Rose St assemblies with great success. What is noticeable to me is their clear teamwork, communication and organisational skills. I have asked them to capture what it is that they have achieved this year and to also reflect on what they see as the most important parts of this role so that this knowledge can be handed over to our Student Leaders for 2021.

Last Friday the **Fundraising Team** ran a hugely successful mufti day to raise money for World Vision. All students were asked to contribute a gold coin to the cause. What stood out to me as a point of difference were two noticeable factors; firstly, the students were asked to contribute a gold coin that they had earned themselves. And secondly, when the students came to donate their funds they were asked to select the specific cause that they wanted to support.

At the Year 3-8 Assembly the group of Kowhai students who had raised the most funds at the Market Day, selected **Unicef** as their charity of choice. They organised for two representatives from Unicef to attend the assembly and

speak to the school about their charity and the work they do. The total raised and donated to Unicef was a significant amount!

And lastly, I have had two students; Zoe and Sylvie who are working incredibly hard to make Wadestown School more **environmentally aware** by taking action. There are a number of actions that these motivated students are pursuing. They are particularly interested in looking at the introduction of recycling and the reduction of plastic across the school and are working with Elizabeth Chater to put some of this in place.

Nga mihi,
Amanda Frater

Wellington NZEI Graduate celebrations:

We celebrated Sarah Bruce and Lydia Hannah's graduations last night as part of the **Wellington NZEI Graduate Celebrations**. Sarah and Lydia have completed their two-year teacher support programme and are now fully registered teachers. We congratulate them both and acknowledge their wonderful contributions to teaching to date. We wish them a long and successful career in education.



Property Updates:

There have been a number of meetings since I arrived at Wadestown involving property projects around the school. The work that is happening is not always evident during the planning stages:

Weld Street Fence:

You may well have noticed that Weld Street is now sporting a brand new fence at the front of the school. It looks wonderful and we have received several positive comments about this most recent improvement. The work was not insignificant and planning for this was well underway before I arrived.

A huge thank you to Dom McNeill and team (supported by Mark Crofskey) for this work. Also, for their patience as they waited for a dry weekend!

Planter Boxes at Weld Street:

Our next project at our Weld Street site will be the installation of planter boxes. Robyn Grover is currently assessing the number required and their location. I thank Robyn for her work in this.

The Staircase Project:

Work on the staircase project continues and have now engaged a building company. My expectation is that this will begin this term (5 December) and then continue over the summer break. As more details come to hand, I will share these with you.

10 Yearly Property Planning (10 YPP) Assessment:

This took place last week and we are now waiting on the results of five reports based on our school's roofing, heating, plumbing, drainage and electrical needs. This is a standard process that occurs in all schools and helps to provide guidance around the maintenance of the school property. It will inform us as a school of the projects that are most pressing.

Rata Block:

We have engaged our architects and they are in the process of assessing the building and the work that needs to be done. I thank the Rata teachers for so willingly allowing these assessments to take place.

School Organisation for 2021:

As you may be aware, planning for 2021 is well underway. The beginning of this process has been the recent Out of Zone Enrolment Ballot and then the confirmation of our staffing for 2021. Staffing is a critical part of the preparation and it can be difficult to predict how long this process will take.

For 2021, our Senior Leadership Team will be made up of myself and two Deputy Principals. Robyn Grover will continue in her Deputy Principal role and I am also delighted to announce that Cathrine Wilkinson has agreed to be our second Acting Deputy Principal. I feel very fortunate to be working with two such experienced, dedicated and talented leaders

Additional to our Senior Leadership Team are the following **Syndicate Leaders for 2021:**

- Amanda Lamble - Syndicate Leader of Pohutukawa Syndicate (New Entrants, Years 1 and 2)
- Liz Chater - Syndicate Leader of Rata Syndicate (Years 3 and 4)
- Amy Maddock - Syndicate Leader of Rimu Syndicate (Years 5 and 6)
- Cathrine Wilkinson - Syndicate Leader of Kowhai Syndicate (Years 7 and 8)

For 2021 the school set up will be as follows:

- 3 Pohutukawa classes; one new entrant class and two Year 1 and 2 composite classes
- 3 Rata classes; all Year 3 and 4 composite classes
- 3 Rimu classes; all Year 5 and 6 composite classes
- 4 Kowhai classes; all Year 7 and 8 composite classes

Parental Concerns:

Where you have a concern or something that you wish to discuss about your child, I please ask that you approach your child's teacher first. While this can be done via email, where time permits, it is often better done via a phone call or in person. Teachers are best placed to help assist in these situations and will make themselves available to meet with parents. We also have our SENCO Robyn Grover and our Syndicate Leaders and Deputy Principals who can offer additional support and guidance. Where you are unable to resolve an issue with the teacher, the next port of call should be to the Syndicate Leader and then the Deputy Principals.

We sincerely value and appreciate the parent/teacher partnerships that exist in the school.

Upcoming Zoo sleepover:

I know that the Year 4 students are very much looking forward to their zoo sleepover tonight! We thank the parent volunteers that have made themselves available for this event.

Farewell to Nick Julian:

Plans are underway for a farewell afternoon tea for Nick. This will take place on Monday 7 December 2020. More details to follow.

Student contributions – Writing:

Room 2 shared this poem at Assembly on Friday. The students wrote this in pairs with a focus on adding rhyming words and sharing their knowledge of native birds. This is part of their current focus on "Reaching out to Nature". We are extremely proud of their efforts. Ka pai Room 2.

Tui tui in the sky,
Tui tui loves to fly
in the sky,
Tap tap tap
and fly fly fly

Piwakawaka
hear her squeak,
She likes to fly
across the creek

Miromiro in the tree
Wiggle in the tree
You do the same as me

Kiwi kiwi on his nest
He likes to have a rest
Walking about on big feet
Looking for bugs to eat

Kaka hear them shout
I can hear them
move about

Kakapo kakapo
watch him preen,
Kakapo are very green

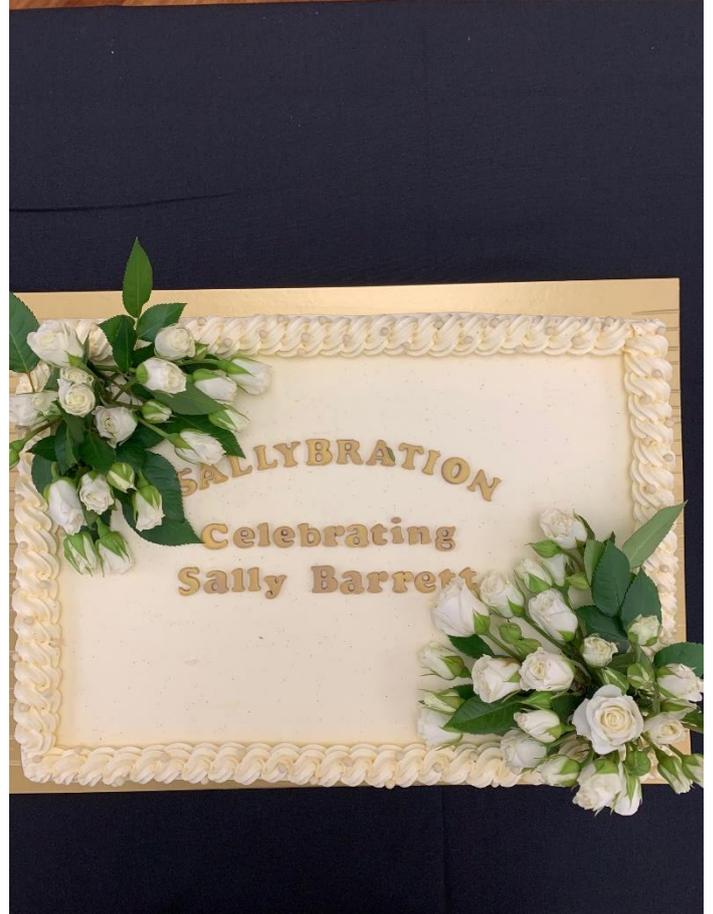
Kereru kereru
Hear him flap
About near the trees
He eats berries
Snap snap snap!

Tui tui loves to fly
In the sky
So high

Thomas George Macarthy Trust: Biennial Library Grant – 2020

We are very grateful for the donation of \$4,000 towards the school library. The grant is for the purchase of books or computers (hardware and software) in the library.

Information on the Thomas George Macarthy Trust can be found at: www.tgmacarthytrust.org.nz



Sallybration:

Attached is a link to some photos taken on the night by Larissa Warren of 'Fineline Photography'. Larissa has kindly shared the link and all photos are able to be downloaded free of charge.

[/https://finelinephotography.pixieset.com/sallybration/](https://finelinephotography.pixieset.com/sallybration/)

Also, there is a YouTube link version of the slideshow from Saturday night created by Guy Pottinger of 'The Dive' in case you would like to see it again.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9_CinMmljbc&feature=youtu.be

Thanks to Greg O'Connor for allowing us to use the stunning Grand Hall at Parliament. It was the perfect venue for celebrating Sally.

Scholastic Lucky Book Club Orders:

A reminder that Scholastic Lucky Book Club orders (including online) are due by tomorrow, Friday 27 November. If you have ordered items as Christmas presents and would like to collect them from the school office instead of them being distributed to your child, then please email derek@wadestown.school.nz today.

Interzone Athletics Results:



The Inter Zone Athletics took place at Newtown Park recently. There were so many amazing results from Wadestown School it was great to see.

The following students will compete in the Regional Athletics on Tuesday the 1 December.

Harriet Dreyer	Sophie Jones
Maya Carden	Marley Thompson
Jess Haldane	Joe Hopkinson
Charlie Cowan	Zach Lindsay
Jackson Chin	
Wadestown A Yr 6 Boys 4x100m Relay	
Wadestown A Yr 7 Girls 4x100m Relay	
Wadestown A Yr 7 Boys 4x100m Relay	
Wadestown A Yr 8 Girls 4x100m Relay	

Summer Book Borrowing:

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 12 February 2021 and any lost books will be charged to students as usual. Students will be able to issue books from the Rose St Library at lunchtime and between 3.00-4.00 pm from Wednesday 9 - Friday 11 December. If you would like your child to be able to take up this opportunity please fill in the form sent home this week or email school librarian Derek Piper directly derek@wadestown.school.nz

EPro8 Competition:



Our Year 7 & 8 EPro8 team of Jesse, Sophie, Jasper and Madison competed in the semi-finals of the Wellington competition last Tuesday.

They ended up finishing 4th out of 16 teams.

Well done to the team for their collaboration, teamwork, problem-solving and perseverance.

UNICEF Presentation:

\$1 454.51 raised to feed children in Yemen



Order your 2020 Wadestown School Yearbook!



\$20 each



Sample double page spread

84 pages of 2020's highlights including a
double page spread of each class.

Copies of 2019's Yearbook available to view at
Weld St and Rose St sites.

Please pay to PTA Account: 03-0698-0055803-000
Please include your child's name and Room number.

PTA Baking List / Classroom Coordinator for 2021

Thank you to those parents who have volunteered for the Baking List – Esther Goldberg-Contreras from the PTA advise they have enough bakers now.

The PTA have received very few expressions of interest for the Class Coordinator positions for 2021. If you are interested in finding out more information about being a Classroom Parent Coordinator, please contact Esther esthergc@gmail.com

2020 Term 4 Dates

Please note some of these dates in Term 4 could easily change so they are not set in concrete

Thursday 26 November	Yr 4 Zoo Overnight stay. Students are dropped off at the Zoo at 7.00 pm
Friday 27 November	Yr 4 Zoo trip returns at 10.30 am
Friday 27 November	Yr 7 & 8 Speech Finals in Hall. Parents are welcome to attend. Prepared Finals: 9.10 – 10.40 am Impromptu Finals: 11.00 – 12.30 pm
Tuesday 1 December	Yr 7 & 8 Technology at Karori West School – Last session this year
Tuesday 1 December	Regional Athletics
Tuesday 1 December	Yr 2: Carols in the Park 5.30 pm
Wednesday 2 December	Rescheduled Yr 7 & 8 Hosting Tri-Tournament
Wednesday 2 December	Weld Street students go to Rose Street to see the Orchestra 12.30 pm. Concert 1.40 – 2.40 pm
Wednesday 2 December	Yr 5 & 6 Speech Finals
Thursday 3 December	Yr 5 Road Patrol Training for 2021: 9.30 am – 12.30 pm
Thursday 3 December	Postponement Date: Regional Athletics
Friday 4 December	Rose Street: House Day 11.00 – 3.00 pm
Friday 4 December	Yr 5 Road Patrol Training for 2021: 9.30 am – 12.30 pm
Monday 7 December	Yr 7 & 8 EOTC Trip – walk to Mt Kaukau / Swim at Khandallah Park Pool
Tuesday 8 December	Yr 7 & 8 EOTC Trip – Adrenalin Forest
Tuesday 8 December	Yr 3 & 4 with Yr 5 & 6 Big Buddy Day
Wednesday 9 December	Yr 7 & 8 EOTC Trip – Fergs
Wednesday 9 December	Final day for Sushi Lunch orders
Wednesday 9 – Friday 11 December	Summer Book Borrowing at Rose St Library. Lunchtime and 3.00 – 4.00 pm
Wednesday 9 December	Board of Trustees Meeting in Rose Street staffroom 7.00 pm – Final meeting for the year.
Thursday 10 December	Final day for Pita Pit Lunch Orders
Thursday 10 December	Yr 5 & 6 EOTC Trip - ASB Sports Centre
Thursday 10 December	Newsletter is published today
Friday 11 December	Yr 0, 1 & 2 Christmas Picnic
Friday 11 December	Yr 8 Leavers Dinner - Evening
Monday 14 December	Trophy Assembly and Library Dedication - 10.00 am
Monday 14 December	Reports go home to parents
Monday 14 December	Yearbook is distributed to families
Tuesday 15 December	Last Day of Term 4. School closes mid-day.

Regards

Amanda Frater

Principal

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Community Notices

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

El Rancho Summer Kids Camp



Save the date!

Our 'Under the Sea' themed SUMMER KIDS CAMP is on from:

4pm, Monday 11th - 11am, Friday 15th January.

We're not quite ready to launch registrations yet but we will give you a heads up when we are....if you don't already....follow us on Facebook for updates:

<https://www.facebook.com/elranchonz>

PRE-XMAS HOLIDAY PROGRAMME AVAILABLE AT THE FOLLOWING VENUES:

Northland School – 17 Dec – 18 Dec 2020

Kelburn Normal School - 18 Dec – 23 Dec 2020

HO HO HO - We're taking over Santa's workshop for the Pre-Christmas Holiday Programme with lots of fun and exciting Christmas activities planned!



KELLY CLUB JAN 2021 HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

Wests Rugby Clubrooms, Ian Galloway Park, Wilton 5 JAN – 29 JAN 2020

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 programme is packed with activities to entertain and inspire children. We have some exciting days planned: "*Minute to win it*", *Crazy day*, *Harry Potter Day*, *Star Wars Day*, *H2GO Day plus Trips to Wellington Zoo, Staglands, Te Papa, Cure Kids Day plus we are off to see the movie Peter Rabbit 2!*

To enrol www.kellyclub.co.nz email adminwqtn@kellysports.co.nz or call 04 972 7201

JANUARY 2021 HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES

Football

Wests Rugby Clubrooms, Ian Galloway Park, Wilton.

Week 1 - Tues 12 Jan, Weds 13 Jan, Thurs 14 Jan

Week 2 - Tues 19 Jan, Weds 20 Jan, Thurs 21 Jan

Week 3 - Tues 26 Jan, Weds 27 Jan, Thurs 28 Jan

Sessions run from 9.30am-12.30pm

Years 1-4

Perfect for beginners and those just wanting to have fun. Come along and learn more about football and learning the basic skills of Football.

We will focus on ball control, dribbling, passing, tackling and shooting but MOST importantly having as much FUN as possible!

Years 5-8

Come along for a more advanced class for those wanting to improve their technical and tactical skills and understanding of the game. These sessions will focus on improving technique, knowledge and skills.

The cost for this three-day programme is \$95.00 or \$36 per day.

Summer Netball Holiday Programme

Northland Memorial Hall, 5 Woburn Road, Northland.

Tues 19 Jan, Weds 20 Jan, Thurs 21 Jan

Session runs from 9am -12pm

Years 1-4

These sessions will work on improving basic netball skills and start to develop technical and tactical knowledge in accordance with the Future Ferns programme. Children will improve their passing, shooting, spacial awareness and defensive skills.

Years 5-8

These sessions will work on sharpening basic skills like passing and shooting and start to develop a better understanding of the 7-a-side game and the different positional roles.

We use fun drills and games to develop and challenge young players focusing on the key skill areas for their level of development while also having fun!

The cost for this three day programme is \$95.00 or \$36 per day.

For full details and to enrol into our programmes

visit www.kellysports.co.nz email adminwqtn@kellysports.co.nz or call 04 972 7201.



CHRISTMAS 2020/2021 HOLIDAY PROGRAMME – NORTHLAND KIDZ CLUB

We'll be out and about every day, exploring what Wellington has to offer – bush, parks, gardens & play areas, having water fights and visiting historic places & areas. We'll be doing a Circus Workshop, going to Katherine Mansfield House, visiting the Island Bay Marine Education Centre and going to the Brooklyn Windmill. Seeing "The Wind in the Willows" (a play put on by The Pantaloons), having a Balloon Workshop with magician Nigel Kennedy and exploring Miramar Peninsula.

Of course, we're going to Time Cinema again to see another selection of early cartoons & films, (stopping at Lyall Bay Beach beforehand to have morning tea). Afternoon teas will include pancakes, pikelets, waffles & scones.

\$45 per child per day (third child onwards: \$20), 8.30 a.m. to 6.00 p.m. each day. For details, check out our website (www.nkc.org.nz), or contact Jan on cell (022-140-2612), e-mail (nkc.jan@gmail.com).



ATAREIRA
Mental Health & Addiction Support for
Family Whānau,
Transitional Housing



Children Understanding Mental Health Programme

Is a free education/activity based programme for children aged 8 to 12 who have a member of their family or whānau experiencing mental health and or addictions concerns

When: Saturday mornings
13, 20, 27 March 2021
Where: Porirua
Email: anne@atareria.org.nz

Wadestown Presbyterian Church



Community



Christmas Extravaganza



Saturday 5 Dec



10am - 12pm Family Crafts

Make Christmas cards and crafts, bake mince pies



3pm Abundance Swap

Enjoy a zero-waste Christmas! Swap 3-5 items in good condition - Christmas shopping made easy & sustainable



5pm Dinner & Christmas Movie

Join your neighbours for dinner and a kid-friendly movie, 'The Star' 

Entry by Gold Coin Donation
come to one, some, or the whole day!

All events held in our Hall on Hanover St
Call 499 7224 for more info or find us on Facebook



WPC Christmas Pageant 2020

Sunday 6 December
@10am

A fun and fresh look at the Christmas Story for the whole family



Bring a can of food or something yummy for DCM



WADESTOWN COMMUNITY

CAROLS IN THE PARK

TUESDAY 1 DECEMBER
@5:30 PM
WADESTOWN PLUNKET PARK

Live Band | Koha BBQ | Bring a picnic

Bring a can for either the City Mission or DCM

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WADESTOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

St. Luke's
Wadestown
with Wilton & Crofton Downs

The Voice of Christmas: WIN A SMART BEDROOM!!

This Christmas morning on Newstalk ZB - it's "The Voice of Christmas" singing competition... on the 'Crazy Kiwi Christmas Kids Show'... If you can sing, and you're under 13, call 0800 THE VOICE (that's 0800 843 864) and sing a Christmas carol or Christmas song as your audition. The grand prize? The ultimate smart bedroom bundle complete with an Amazon Echo Plus smart speaker and Alexa-enabled smart coloured light bulbs! Then tune in on Christmas morning to Newstalk ZB from 6am, to see if you've won!



WELCOME SUMMER!
WITH NGAIO PLAYCENTRE

REGENERATIVE GARDENING

GUEST SPEAKERS
ANDRE STANTON & JESS BARNES

TICKETS \$12

<https://npcfundraiser.eventbrite.co.nz>
Tuesday 1st of December, Khandallah Town Hall
6.30 pm complementary arrival drink
7pm Presentation
Refreshments & gardening gifts for sale
Cash or internet banking accepted.



**Summer Holiday
PROGRAMME**

Keep the kids busy these school holidays with OBU!

This programme is open to children from 5 - 13 years old.
It is not about rugby but young people having fun in a team environment and making new friends.
Kids get a free OBU T-shirt!
Participants are to provide their own lunch and hat

Register online at: <https://www.sporty.co.nz/viewform/35522>

Where: Boyd-Wilson Field (Waiteata Road, Kelburn)
Dates: 20th, 21st, 22nd January
Time: 9.00am - 3.00pm
Cost: \$35 per person each day
Family of two or more \$30 each per day

The programme will be fully supervised

Queries - please contact:
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