



WADESTOWN SCHOOL

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Kia ora koutou,

This week our teachers are preparing for our upcoming Cultural Arts Week. This is a new initiative for us and one that aims to celebrate and provide experiences for our students to engage in the Arts curriculum. Teachers are looking at ways of celebrating the arts (visual art, dance, drama and music) through a cultural lens as part of our Celebrating Diversity and Inclusion school wide focus.

We are very grateful to those parents and families who have agreed to come into school and share their knowledge and expertise as a way of adding authenticity to our students' learning.

Students will be working with other teachers and students from across the school as another way of promoting partnerships across the school.

We are excited to have our Pohutukawa students join us at Rose Street on Friday for this event, and I know that the Year 2 choir are looking forward to performing to the whole school. Sarah Bruce has been working hard with these students and their enthusiasm for singing is infectious. Rose Street students who have been part of the Rose Street choir or Orchestra will also share their work at this arts celebration.

Dancesplash is another piece of work that the students and teachers have been preparing. This event is for our Year 7 and 8 students, who will perform as part of the Schoolwide Artsplash event at the Michael Fowler Centre.

I would like to thank Lydia Hannah and Jess Keetley for the additional work that they have put into leading this work and to all our teachers for the thought and effort that will go into preparing for the upcoming art experiences. While we are unable to travel overseas, this feels like the next best thing!

Ngā mihi nui,

Amanda Frater

Tumuaki/Principal

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Hautū Self Review Tool for Boards

Representative Board members and I spent Tuesday night working with other Boards from our Kāhui Ako to evaluate our progress against the Hautū Tool. This tool has been developed by NZSTA to assist Boards. The Hautū tool is a self-review tool for Boards that was designed to evaluate how successfully our Māori students can continue to enjoy success as Māori. This is the beginning of a journey that we are excited to take. Further discussions are planned for our upcoming Whānau meeting.

This particular workshop was held at Northland School and was hosted by a facilitator from Core Education. The first workshop was held in March at Wellington College. There will be a third workshop that we will attend in October.

Parents Visiting School During School Hours

A friendly reminder that we need all parents and visitors to school to please sign in, regardless of the length of your stay. As an example, if you need to drop off lunch to your child, please come to the school office and we will deliver the lunch for you. This will also help to reduce classroom disruptions.

Where we have longer term visitors to our site, we will now require them to wear a visitor's lanyard so it is evident to everyone that this person has signed into the office and is known to be onsite. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Upcoming PTA Meetings for Term 3 - Save the Dates

Please join us at Weld Street in Room 2 for this term's first PTA Meeting. As always, we will meet together at 7.00 pm. We extend a warm welcome to all parents of students at Wadestown School. Feel free to join us for discussions about supporting the school.

Future dates for PTA meetings are:

Tuesday 31 August

Tuesday 28 September

Calling Parent Bakers - PTA Baker's List

We are looking to build some further capacity across our Wadestown School Baker's network. If you are able, from time to time, offer baking to the school, that would be hugely appreciated. Please email Amanda Martin amandajoybourke@gmail.com if you are able to assist.

Parent Teacher Conferences - Feedback

Please email me if you have any feedback on our recent Parent Teacher Conferences, and in particular, if your child attended these. I have already had feedback from parents but would be interested to hear more. I am interested to hear what worked well for you and your child and if you have suggestions for improvements for next time.

Tūmanako! Opening and Art Exhibition

Tūmanako! (meaning Hope!) is an annual art exhibition for tamariki/children and taiohi/young people to create works of art to share their aspirations for a peaceful, inclusive and nuclear free world in remembrance of Hiroshima Day.

This year Honor Morgan and Flynn Roberts represented Wadestown School at the opening evening, held last night at the Johnsonville Community Hall and Library. They had the privilege of sharing the role of MCing the event alongside the Mayor of Wellington, Andy Foster. Both Honor and Flynn prepared and delivered speeches that sent powerful messages to promote a peaceful world. Well done Honor and Flynn!



The artworks that were completed by a number of Wadestown Students can be viewed in the exhibition that is being held in the Johnsonville Library from 11 – 22 August.



Book Basket Working Bees

In each of the Year 1 - 4 classrooms we have baskets of books that are used for independent reading. It is a good while since these have been refreshed so we are going to have a couple of Book Basket Working Bees on Tuesday 24 and Tuesday 31 August from 9.00 - 10.40 am. These will be held in the library loft at Weld Street. Please email Derek Piper at derek@wadestown.school.nz if you can help out.

Kōwhai Team NIWA Science Fair

Congratulations and good luck to the following Year 7 and 8 students who will be entering their science fair exhibits into the upcoming regional NIWA Science Fair competition:

Elsie Rumball-Smith	Plants on Vape
Eva Van der Zouwe	Is it colour that affects problem solving?
Grace Williams	The Stroop Effect
Honor Morgan	Picky Diggers
Iris Edwards	Organic, synthetic or just plain water?
Izzy Ismail-Sanders	Drag and Newton's laws of motion
James Harley	Ocean Acidification
Jess Haldane	Is music controlling you?
Jude Rumball-Smith	Can you see it?
Leo Wallace	Fear Factor
Lucy Turnbull	Plastic Solution
Lulu Wyndham	Food on Fire
Maia McKee	In case you missed it: The Sun Sizzles
Marley Thompson	Got time to scan?
Rhys Griffiths	What am I prepared to drink in an emergency?
Sebastian Grace-Evans	Soil: Wadestown vs Wairarapa
Sophia Paviour-Smith	Burn your cash or burn your skin.
Sylvie McLaren	Fair Play

Visiting Silver Fern

On Wednesday the 4th of August, Kelly Jury, Pulse netballer, came to Wadestown School to teach the Year 5 and 6 netball team some ball skills and defence drills. She has previously played for Magic and has just been named in the Silver Ferns squad. Kelly has played professional netball for seven years and she plays goal defence and goal keep. Kelly is one of the tallest players in the country, at 1.92 metres. She is 24 years old and started playing netball when she was seven. Kelly has taught us plenty of helpful skills. She is an inspiration to future generations and a great netballer!



Elise Hargreaves and Gabi Lopez Beuke

Olympics at Weld Street



Yesterday Weld Street tamariki participated in some 'Olympics Sports' led by 3 Kelly Sports coaches. The events were: discus, shotput, and sprints.

We were all so pleased this event could go ahead outside on a sunny day. Our students got to learn new skills and they were very enthusiastic cheering on their teammates. Room 0 came out with the gold medal, Room 3 with the silver medal and Room 1 were delighted with their bronze medal.

Dates for 2022

In response to parental feedback at the beginning of this year, and conversations with other local schools with our Kāhui Ako, we have set the following dates for 2022.

Term 1 - Tuesday 1 February - through to Thursday 14 April 2022
(Waitangi Day Monday 7 February)

Term 2 - Monday 2 May - through to Friday 8 July 2022

Term 3 - Monday 25 July - through to Friday 30 September 2022

Term 4 - Monday 17 October - through to Tuesday 20 December 2022

Please note that our Teacher Only Days are being finalised and so these dates do not currently include any ToDs. Where possible, it is our intention to join these to existing long weekends. By aligning our dates to those of our other Kāhui Ako schools, this will mean that our contributing colleges will have the same days as ToDs; making it easier for working parents. It will also allow our staff to attend Teacher Only Days with our other local schools.

2021 Term Dates

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

Monday, 16 August	ICAS English Exam
Tuesday, 17 August	WZ Netball (Yr 5 – 8) at Hataitai Netball Courts
Wednesday – Friday, 18 – 20 August	Cultural Arts Week
Thursday, 19 August	Yr 5 & 6 Mathswell Competition at Karori West School, 6.30 pm
Thursday, 19 August	Postponement date: WZ Netball (Yr 5 – 8) at Hataitai Netball Courts
Tuesday, 24 August	Yr 7 & 8 Technology at Karori West Normal School. Weekly for the rest of Term 3. Buses leave at 8.40 am please arrive at school early.
Wednesday, 25 August	Yr 7 & 8 Mathswell Competition at 6.30 pm, Venue: TBC
Thursday, 26 August	ICAS Science Exam
Thursday, 26 August	School Community Newsletter is published
Monday, 30 August	NZEI – Teacher Only Day
Wednesday – Thursday 1 – 2 September	School Photos over 2 days
Friday, 3 September	ICAS Maths Exam - <i>note new date. Moved to Friday due to School Photos.</i>
Wednesday, 8 September	Board of Trustees Meeting 7.00 pm Rose Street staff room
Thursday, 9 September	School Community Newsletter is published
Rāhina - Rāmere, 13 – 17 Mahuru	Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori
Tuesday, 14 September	WZ Hockey Yr 5 - 8
Thursday, 16 September	Postponement date: WZ Hockey Yr 5 - 8
Friday, 17 September	DanceSplash Performance 7.30 pm at Michael Fowler Centre
Thursday, 23 September	Interzone Swimming Yr 4- 8
Saturday, 25 September	School Working Bee
Thursday, 30 September	Inter-Regional Cross Country

Community Notices

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

WADESTOWN SCOUTS GROUP

Wadestown Cubs, Scouts and Keas are looking for new members. We have an exciting programme for the rest of the year, with the opportunity to get outside and have an adventure or two.



We currently have spaces available for Keas (age 5 ½ -7) and Scouts (age 10 ½ -14).

If you are interested in developing your leadership skill, we are looking for new leaders for cubs. Full training and support is available.

Like to know more? email wadestown@group.scouts.nz for more information.

GirlGuiding for girls 5-6 years

Do you want your daughter to have fun trying new things, making new friends, learning leadership skills, having fun outdoors and much more?

GirlGuiding NZ has spaces available in your local Pippin group. We meet on Wednesdays in Wadestown from 5:30 until 6:45pm.

Email Inge at inge.little.girlguiding@gmail.com for more information.



Montessori at Otari Preschool and Playgroup

...warmly invite interested families to our Open Day on Saturday 28th 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. We currently (and very rarely) have a few spaces available for immediate start. For more information phone 475 9688 or email wcmp@xtra.co.nz.

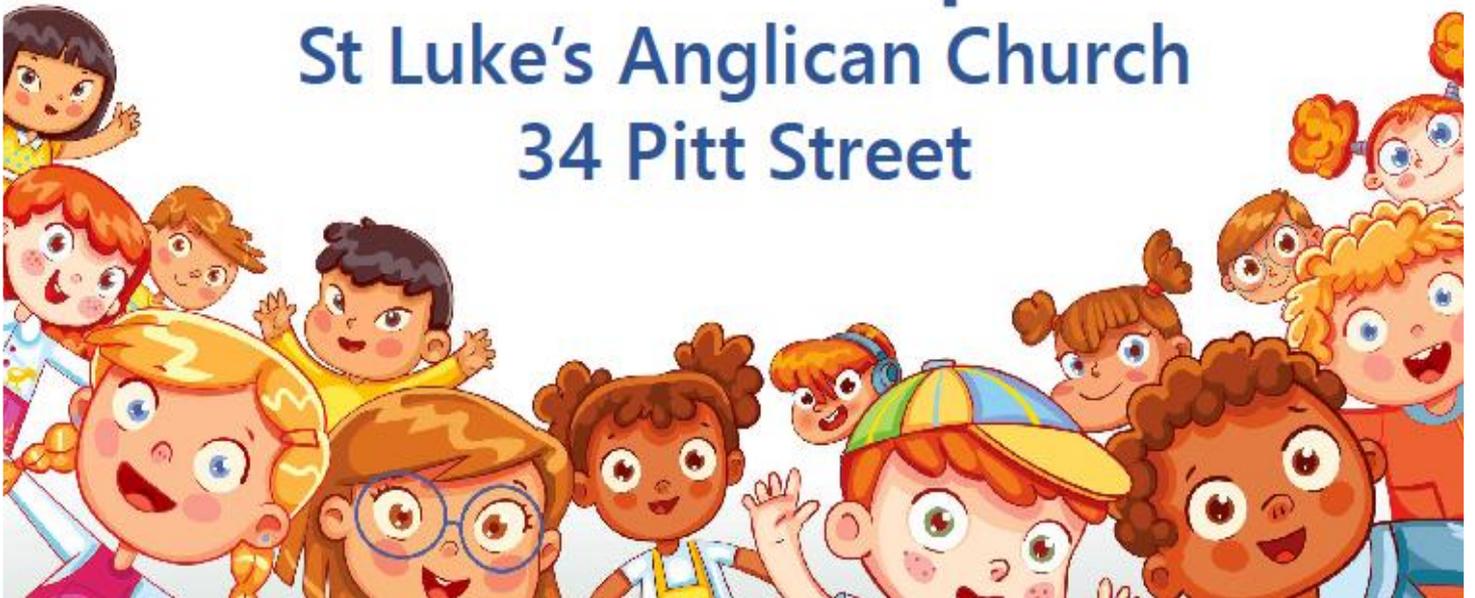


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YEARS 0-2 WELD STREET

A great way to challenge and improve your child's motor skills and coordination within a FUN environment.

We aim to develop and enhance ball skills, catching, kicking, throwing, co-operative skills and teamwork while improving strength, flexibility, hand/eye co-ordination and spatial awareness.

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**Thursday's 3.05pm-4.05pm
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