



# WADESTOWN SCHOOL

## Community Newsletter No 17

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Welcome back for Term 4. I hope you all managed some kind of a break over the holidays and that your children are excited to be returning for the final term of this year. I know some of you were fortunate enough to get away and I continue to reflect on how lucky we are to be in a part of New Zealand that allows us to do this.

Part of my holiday breaks involved the appointment of our Deputy Principal (Years 5-8).

I am thrilled to be able to announce that Cathrine Wilkinson has been successful in being appointed to this permanent position. Cathrine's strong interpersonal skills, her unwavering commitment to the students and her collaborative leadership approach are just a few of the qualities that we know she will bring to this role. As an experienced teacher and leader, Cathrine brings a wealth of knowledge to this position. Her ability to be able to reflect and act with integrity make her an ideal senior leader at Wadestown School.

Our students and staff hold Cathrine in high regard and I know that the school community also has a deep respect for her.

The staff are recognising this appointment with Cathrine on Friday and I know that a number of you may also pass on your congratulations to her.

Friday is our final Teacher Only Day for the year. The staff and I will be working together at school, with a continued focus on Culturally Responsive Practice through our "Inclusion and Diversity" theme. This journey is one that we will continue on next year, as it links to our ERO evaluation focus and is something that we believe is important for all our students to grow in.

A friendly reminder that this means that school **will be closed on Friday** for students.

Nga mihi nui,

**Amanda Frater**  
Principal

### **Year 5 and 6 Camp: Forest Lakes, Otaki**

The Rimu Team, under Amy's leadership, have been working hard to prepare for next week's Camp. I want to thank Amy for all her hard work and the additional time and effort that has gone into preparing for camp, a second time around.

Last night, the Parent Helpers attended their pre-camp briefing and it was great to see such an enthusiastic group of parents in the room.

As a Covid measure, a reminder that all camp attendees need to bring their own drink bottle to camp and that all parent helpers will be required to bring their own face masks.

We wish the Year 5 and 6 students all the very best; and most especially to those students (and parents!) who are attending camp for the very first time.

## New Turf at Rose Street



We have received some positive feedback about the new turf at Rose Street which I know has already begun to be enjoyed by students who play basketball, netball and tennis.

If you haven't yet seen it, come up to the school for a look.

## **Sun Smart Bucket Hats for Term 4**

It has been wonderful to see such a large number of students wearing their bucket hats across the school playground once more. The expectation is that all students will have a hat once we return to school on Tuesday, after Labour Weekend.

Teachers will also be role modelling this behaviour by wearing hats themselves.

## **Covid Measures at School**

A huge thank you to all the parents and visitors onsite. We have been really pleased with the way in which our community are following all the rules as this is making the additional sign in measures that much easier for us all.

Helen Dammer has been doing a stunning job of monitoring things at the front office, and Amanda Lambie and team have also gone above and beyond at their end at Weld Street.

## **Postponement of the Working Bee at Weld Street**

We have continued to have conversations about the Working Bee at Weld Street and how we might make it work under Level 2. After much thought, we have made the decision to postpone the Working Bee until Term 1 of 2022.

I would like to extend my sincere thanks to Malcolm McKee for his ongoing work to plan and prepare for this event and also to Michelle Crutchley for her planning of the catering of this event.

Further information will come out about next year's Working Bee. We are in discussions around having a Rose Street Working Bee in Term 4 of 2022 so we can keep the momentum going.

## **Planning for 2022**

Planning for the rest of the school for 2022 is well underway. As you will know, this piece of work is a significant one that has many different components to it.

Please let us know if there is anything that we might need to know for school planning ahead of 2022. Specifically, if you have a pre-school child who is turning five next year, we would appreciate receiving a pre-enrolment for her/him as soon as possible. It would also be helpful to know if your child will not be returning to Wadestown School next year. This information is critical for our organisation and preparation and will inform our decision making. Please email myself [amandaf@wadestown.school.nz](mailto:amandaf@wadestown.school.nz) and the office [office@wadestown.school.nz](mailto:office@wadestown.school.nz) with these details.

Information about class organisation and our teaching staff for 2022 will come out once it has been finalised.

Teachers are looking at the way we will transition students ahead of 2022 as a way of making the move of classes and teachers a smooth one for all.

## **Education Review Office - Evaluation Focus**

On Tuesday the Senior Leadership Team (Robyn, Catherine and myself) met with our evaluation partner (Ruth Nicholas) to further develop our Evaluation Focus. This builds on earlier work, discussions and meetings that have also involved the Board of Trustees.

Ruth also ran a meeting with our staff which unpacked for all staff members the new approach that ERO is taking as well as the evaluation process that we will use to inform and further refine our existing, schoolwide evaluation processes.

## **Graffiti and Vandalism to the School**

We have seen a slight spike in graffiti and vandalism over the past few weeks; both at Weld and Rose Street. If you happen to be walking through the school grounds and notice any unusual activity please report this to us ASAP.

I would also like to acknowledge the additional work that this has meant for Tani and his quick response to removing this from the school.

## **School Photos on 1 & 2 November**

Please note that our school photos are taking place on a Monday and Tuesday this year. We are grateful that we have been able to move these from Term 3 when they were originally booked to happen.

## **Athletics**

Planning is underway for the upcoming Year 4 - 8 Athletics. More information is to follow. Currently we are reviewing what this event will look like under Covid conditions.

## ***A Message from the PTA Chair***

*Hello all,*

*Happy fourth term to you!*

*It has been a wee while, hope all is well with you and yours. I just wanted to touch base and let you know that PTA meetings have been scheduled to run Tuesday evenings at the Weld Street at 7pm, twice a term.*

*We have set these meetings to occur in Weeks 4 and 8 of each term to help provide parents with enough advanced warning and to ensure that there is no confusion. This term's PTA Meetings will be held on Tuesday 9 November and 7 December.*

*We continue to encourage new parents to come and join us; as and when you can. New members are always welcome.*

<https://youtube.com/shorts/RAKVaGaKEKA?feature=share>

*Big love, as ever,*

**Michelle Crutchley**

*Chair*

*Wadestown School PTA*

# 2021 Term Dates

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

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| <b>Friday, 22 October</b>                   | Teacher Only Day  |
| <b>Monday, 25 October</b>                   | Labour Day – School Closed  |
| <b>Tuesday – Friday<br/>26 – 29 October</b> | Yr 5 & 6 Camp at Forest Lakes   |
| <b>Thursday, 28 October</b>                 | Yr 0, 1 & 2 Trip to ASB Sports Centre   |
| <b>Friday, 29 October</b>                   | Yr 3 & 4 Trip to City Gallery   |
| <b>Monday – Tuesday<br/>1 – 2 November</b>  | School Photos – over 2 days. Please mark the dates in your diary.               |
| <b>Tuesday, 2 November</b>                  | Yr 0, 1 & 2 Trip to ASB Sports Centre   |
| <b>Wednesday, 3 November</b>                | Yr 4 - 8 Wadestown School Athletics Day, Nairnville Park (Students only TBC)    |
| <b>Thursday, 4 November</b>                 | School Community Newsletter published   |
| <b>Friday, 5 November</b>                   | Postponement date: Wadestown School Athletics Day: Yr 4 - 8 (Students only TBC) |
| <b>Monday, 8 November</b>                   | Yr 0, 1 & 2 Trip to ASB Sports Centre   |
| <b>Tuesday, 9 November</b>                  | PTA Meeting 7.00 pm Weld Street   |
| <b>Friday, 12 November</b>                  | Western Zone Athletics @ Newtown Park   |
| <b>Friday, 12 November</b>                  | Yr 5 & 6 Orange Day Virtual Celebration at School - Shared Lunch                |
| <b>Saturday, 13 November</b>                | <b><i>School Working Bee at Weld Street - POSTPONED</i></b>                     |
| <b>Thursday, 18 November</b>                | School Community Newsletter published   |
| <b>Friday, 19 November</b>                  | Postponement date: Western Zone Athletics @ Newtown Park                        |
| <b>Wednesday, 24 November</b>               | Pre-Enrolment Information Morning at Weld Street                                |
| <b>Tuesday, 30 November</b>                 | Interzone Athletics at Newtown Park   |
| <b>Wednesday, 1 December</b>                | Yr 8 (and some Yr 7) Immunisations - Morning                                    |

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| <b>Thursday, 2 December</b>                     | School Community Newsletter published                      |
| <b>Thursday, 2 December</b>                     | Postponement date: Interzone Athletics at Newtown Park     |
| <b>Monday, 6 December</b>                       | Yr 4 Zoo overnight stay                                    |
| <b>Tuesday, 7 December</b>                      | Regional Athletics in Masterton                            |
| <b>Tuesday, 7 December</b>                      | PTA Meeting 7.00 pm Weld Street                            |
| <b>Thursday, 9 December</b>                     | Postponement Date: Regional Athletics in Masterton         |
| <b>Friday, 10 December</b>                      | Yr 8 Leavers Dinner - Evening                              |
| <b>Monday - Wednesday,<br/>13 - 15 December</b> | Yr 7 & 8 EOTC Activities - More details later              |
| <b>Thursday, 16 December</b>                    | Prize Giving Assembly (students only TBC)                  |
| <b>Friday, 17 December</b>                      | Last day of Term 4 – School Closes around 12.00 – 12.30 pm |

## Community Notices

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

**Wadestown Tennis Club** for the kids starts this Friday night ( Labour Weekend), 5:30-7:30pm. Come along and try it out, sign in, grab a sausage and enjoy the new courts. More details along with how to register can be found on the website: <https://wadestowntennis.org/> We are also on Facebook-Wadestown Tennis Club

**Kiari Colouring Calendars** are now available. This delightful New Zealand based Colouring Calendar allows children to be creative, have fun and learn about the months of the year as they colour in a new page each month. The colouring pages for the calendar have gorgeous NZ themed insects such as hedgehogs, Tui birds, ladybirds and more. This will make a great birthday or Christmas present for both children and adults alike. To order visit [www.kiaricreative.com](http://www.kiaricreative.com) or email [kiarionique@gmail.com](mailto:kiarionique@gmail.com) for bulk purchase discounts.

### **Kelly Sports**

#### **SUPER SUMMER SPORTS! – TERM 4 (Yrs. 0-4) – Thursday's 3.05pm-4.05pm – WELD STREET**

*Kelly Sports will be back in Term 4 at Weld Street for 8 weeks. Starting Thursday 21 October with their fun and exciting classes.*

*This term we will focus on the following sports: Football, Turbo Touch, Athletics and Cricket!*

*This weekly programme gives children the skills and confidence in a fun and enjoyable environment.*

*It encourages their enthusiasm for sport and the life skills that such involvement brings – giving them confidence to join sports clubs and teams in the future.*

*It's a great way to try new sports, learn new skills and improve ability!*

#### **FOOTBALL SKILLS - YEARS 1-8 – WEDNESDAYS 3.30PM-4.30PM**

*Held in the "Green Room", West Rugby Clubrooms, Ian Galloway Park, Wilton*

*Please note - Change in day to "Wednesdays 3.30pm-4.30pm"*

*Perfect for beginners and those just wanting to have fun! Come along and improve technique, knowledge and learn more about the basic skills of "The Beautiful Game" (Football).*

*Starts Weds 20 October 2021 for 8 weeks!*

#### **NETBALL SKILLS – WEDNESDAYS 3.30PM-4.30PM**

Held at Raroa Normal Intermediate, Johnsonville

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 the basics like passing and shooting and we will learn to develop a better understanding of the 7 aside game and the different positional roles.

Starts Weds 20 October 2021 for 8 weeks!

For full details and to enrol into our programmes visit [www.kellysports.co.nz](http://www.kellysports.co.nz) email [adminwgt@kellysports.co.nz](mailto:adminwgt@kellysports.co.nz) or call 04 972 7201

The poster features a blue header with 'FOOTBALL' and 'NETBALL' in white, and 'COMpetition' in large, light blue letters. A central logo shows a trophy with 'KELLY SPORTS' above it, and 'SUMMER SERIES' in a blue banner with '2021' and '2022' on either side. Below are two circular images: one of football players and one of netball players. Text below the images describes 'SUMMER FOOTBALL 5-A-SIDE' at Ian Galloway Park, Wilton, and 'SUMMER NETBALL' at Samuel Marsden School & Karori Normal School. A green section contains 'TEAM ENROLMENTS NOW OPEN' with dates for Term 4 (22 Oct - 10 Dec 2021) and Term 1 (28 Jan - 18 Mar 2022). It encourages registration online at [kellysports.co.nz/netball2021](http://kellysports.co.nz/netball2021) and [kellysports.co.nz/football2021](http://kellysports.co.nz/football2021). The Kelly Sports logo is at the bottom left, and contact details (Email: [summerseries@kellysports.co.nz](mailto:summerseries@kellysports.co.nz), Phone: 04 972 7201, Facebook: #KellySportsWellington) are at the bottom right.

### **SUN, SAND & SURF - JOIN MARANUI SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB**

**CLUB OPEN DAY** on Sunday 31 October, 10am - 12pm

Summer is approaching, so now is the time to register with Maranui Surf Life Saving Club. Junior Surf is a great way for children to make friends, be active and enjoy the beach in a safe environment. Come along to our Registration and Club Open Day on Sunday 31 October, 10am - 12pm. See what's happening at the club this season, meet coaches, lifeguards and athletes, have a look around the surf clubhouse and ask questions. Information on junior surf, lifeguard sport and becoming a lifeguard will be available. You'll be so impressed you can even register on the day. We look forward to seeing you all. Or join Maranui SLSC today at [www.maranui.co.nz/how-to-join.html](http://www.maranui.co.nz/how-to-join.html) and check us out on Facebook - [www.facebook.com/MaranuiSLSC](http://www.facebook.com/MaranuiSLSC) Maranui Junior Surf season starts on Sunday 7 November 2021.



Rhythmic gymnastics is a graceful mixture of dance and sport. It teaches body skills such as leaps, jumps, balances and pivots, and also increases hand-eye coordination through the use of five apparatus: rope, hoop, ball, clubs and ribbon.

**Keen to give it a go?**

Email [info@rhythmicgym.nz](mailto:info@rhythmicgym.nz) to arrange a free trial class!

More info at [www.Rhythmicgym.nz](http://www.Rhythmicgym.nz)

**ATHLETICS**  
NEW ZEALAND

**RUN, JUMP OR THROW?**  
**GIVE IT A GO!**

To find out about your local club,  
sprint to [athletics.org.nz](http://athletics.org.nz).

Thanks to our partners  

**Karori Amateur Athletics Club**, Ben Burn Park, Wednesdays 6pm. Season starts 20<sup>th</sup> October 2021  
The Karori Athletics Club provides a fun environment of track and field athletics for children aged 6-15 years old. The Club is open to all – come along on the 20<sup>th</sup> of October at 6pm and try out some of our activities. Our club athletes can access specialist coaching and represent the club by competing in Inter-club events and other competitions during the season. It's also a great way to get additional practice for Western and Central zones competitions.  
The Club meets weekly at Ben Burn Park in Karori on Wednesday nights (6.00pm-7.30pm) over the summer from October to March.  
For more information including details on online registration, visit the website: [www.karoriathletics.org.nz](http://www.karoriathletics.org.nz)

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WADESTOWN SCOUT GROUP

**TRIVIA**  
Adults Night

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PITT STREET, WADESTOWN

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