



# WADESTOWN SCHOOL

## Community Newsletter No 11

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TE WHAKATIPU ME TO HONOHOHO HEI AKONGA: GROWING AND CONNECTING AS LEARNERS

Kia ora koutou,

This past fortnight has been a busy one with teachers writing student reports. Reading student reports is a special part of my role, as I get to read about the progress and the contributions that each student has made. Every student has something to celebrate and each teacher has taken the time to write a report that reflects your child. We can feel incredibly proud of the collective efforts of all our students.

This edition of the school newsletter contains a new and special component. This new section is called 'The Wadestown Herald'. A small group of Rimu students approached me one day in the playground and asked if they could contribute to the school newsletter. I instantly agreed and we started brainstorming possible 'newsworthy' stories.

Quite quickly, the small group of students were able to identify a number of events that they felt were important things to share. As our discussion continued, one student, Thomas, said that he had always wanted to run a school newspaper and that he had a name already picked out. To that end, today marks the first edition of 'The Wadestown Herald'. I am thrilled to have such a variety of news reports written by our students; Hot off the press as we say. We hope you enjoy.

Ngā mihi nui,

Amanda Frater

Tumuaki/Principal

Wadestown School

### **Teacher Appreciation Week: 4 - 8 July (next week)**

As I mentioned in this morning's Covid Update, next week marks 'Teacher Appreciation Week'. I am sharing this with our community in the hope that you can assist us in celebrating or recognising our teachers and the work that they do for our tamariki. At the end of a fairly busy term, I feel that this week is one that is important to recognise.

A note, email or letter of appreciation, a hot coffee in the morning or a plant would go a long way in showing our incredible staff how much they are valued and the work that they have undertaken to keep things going despite the interruptions of COVID.

## **Matariki Celebration**

Our Matariki Celebration was an incredibly special event in that it brought us together as a community. Based around conversations with the Whānau Group and our staff, this event saw us celebrating in a new way for 2022.

Thank you to everyone who braved the cold (and there were many of you) and joined us for a hot breakfast followed by a beautiful waiata performance by our students. There was a sincerity that was evident in the singing and I know that students, parents and staff all enjoyed having that time together as one. Thank you to Hemi Prime for his work with our tamariki and also for being there to support this singing.

I would also like to acknowledge Nadine Gray, Okiwa Short, Huia Forbes and Toni Grant for their work to make this event happen.

## **Parents' Party 2022**

This event was another huge success with parents enjoying themselves at the Wilton Bowling Club a few Saturday nights ago. This event is into its 9th year and is a great opportunity for parents to connect and come together as a community.

Once again, there was incredible creativity in the costumes and the "Best of British" theme saw many iconic characters come to life.

A special mention to Tim Bennett, Paul Fuge and Jeff Marshall for the work that they did over the course of a few months. This year's group of key organisers went so far as to have the support of the British High Commission which added an air of authenticity and fun to the night!

We would like to extend our sincere thanks and appreciation to our sponsors for this year. A special mention and acknowledgement of our major sponsor, Jane Higgie of Tommy's Real Estate.

Recognition must also go to the following sponsors who without their support, this event would not have happened:

- Solid Technology Systems Ltd
- Kauri Lodge Rest Home
- Shepherd's Arms Hotel
- Panhead Tory Street
- Victoria Smith
- Mitre 10 Crofton Downs
- New World Thorndon
- Counter Culture

## **2023 College Enrolments for Year 9 Students**

A friendly reminder for our Year 8 parents that enrolments for all Wellington Colleges that have an enrolment zone close on Monday 25 July. Please note that this is the first day of next term.

## **Correction: Swimming for Pohutukawa Students (Years 1 - 2)**

Please note that swimming for our Year 1 and 2 students will happen in Term 4 and not in Term 3 as previously communicated. Apologies for this error.

## **Call for Wadestown School Parent Bakers**

As things slowly start to return to normal we are excited to be able to reintroduce our famous Wadestown School Parent Bakers. From time to time, a call will be put out for assistance in baking to support various events such as Three Way Conferences, the Working Bee etc.

If you are interested and able to join, please email Megan Smith so we can arrange for your name to be added to our list. Thank you to Amanda Martin for coordinating and organising this group of people.

## **Working Bee 2022 - Term 3**

We are pleased to be able to bring back our Working Bee for 2022. This year's major Working Bee will happen at Weld Street in Term 3, with plans for a minor Working Bee to also be held at Rose Street, later in the year.

Thank you to Malcolm McKee for making this event happen. Please keep an eye out for further details and opportunities to sign up and assist with this very worthwhile event.

## [THE WADESTOWN HERALD - STUDENT NEWSPAPER](#)

### **Lorraine Boennic, Waste Educator**

#### **Written by Luke Steele**

Rubbish is a serious problem. It harms their environment, pollutes our waterways and harms ocean life. Something has to be done. Here at Wadestown School we have had Lorraine Boennic, a Waste Educator from Wellington City Council coming around all the classrooms talking about minimising waste. You might be wondering what a Waste Educator is or what they usually do. Lorraine's job is to go around Wellington giving talks about how we can help the environment and reduce the amount we throw out.

When she went around the classrooms she told everyone to think about if you collected everything you throw out in one day and brought it into class how much rubbish would there be?

Then what if the whole class did this. How much would there be? What about the whole school, Wadestown, all of Wellington, the North Island, the whole country and so on. If you really think about it, that's a lot of rubbish. That's why we should try to recycle, reuse and compost as much as we can to decrease the amount of plastic pollution and help Papatuanuku, our earth.

Lorraine says "The easiest way to reduce waste is by shopping sensibly. When you are at the supermarket, try to buy products with recyclable plastics or eco-friendly packaging."

## **The Story of Matariki**

### **Written by Oliver Kawharu-Wells**

Long ago Papatuanuku and Ranginui were separated when most of their children decided to be free, as they were caught in the darkness between their parents. Tawhirimatea, god of wind, didn't want to do that to his parents - he knew that their mother and father had a special bond and didn't want to break it. He fought his brothers and sisters to stop them. Tawhirimatea was strong and he won the first fights with his brothers. Then came Tane, god of the forests. Tane was too strong for Tawhirimatea and beat him in their fight. Tane then used his whole body to push against Papatuanuku and Ranginui and he separated them. He pushed his father Ranginui up into the sky. Ranginui and Papatuanuku were very upset and cried out. Tawhirimatea was so angry he ripped out his eyes, crushed them and threw them into the sky. They became the 9 stars of Matariki. Every year we remember this and when Matariki rises we also remember those who passed away in the year and celebrate the new year with kai, stories and songs.

## **Matariki Breakfast**

### **By Connor Shrapnell and Luke Steele**

It was a really chilly start to the day for this year's Matariki breakfast.

Starting at 7.30am parents and students gathered on the courts wrapped in blankets, warm clothes and even some pyjamas. We were welcomed by Ms Frater and our Year 8 leaders before everyone lined up for delicious sausages and tasty hot chocolates.

A table was set up at the end of the deck outside room 17 with a box of stars. You could design a star and hang it on a wall of black paper. The atmosphere was really nice with people talking together and kids playing.

Thank you to Ms Frater and the organisers for putting on this event. Mānawatia a Matariki

## **Pokemon have been banned!**

### **By Connor Shrapnell, with help from Hugo van der Zouwe**

Pokemon has been on thin ice for Rimu and possibly the whole school for sometime. The popular trading card game's bad reputation at school comes from accusations of scams involving fake cards

and bad deals. A rule was put in place that students couldn't trade with other teams to see if that would help.

In June, a vote was done in Rimu to decide if Pokemon trading should be banned. Two sides formed, for and against Pokemon. One major point, was that people have spent lots of money on the cards and wouldn't be able to trade them. The outcome of the vote was shared this week announcing that Pokemon has been banned in Rimu.

While we know many people will be disappointed we support the decision as our voices were heard through the vote.

## **Familiar faces**

### **Written Hugo van der Zouwe**

A couple of days ago, Rimu saw a very familiar face; Ms Keetley! She taught in Room 5 in 2021 and in Room 9 in 2020. There was a lot of joy for the people in her past classes. She was in Room 4 for the day she was really good at drama games and making up games for us to play.

One of our favourites was the bridge of paper. Sure it doesn't sound fun but it was challenging and put us under pressure. She also built a home out of cardboard for some gingerbread people. Ms Keetley also choreographed Dance Splash for everyone to enjoy. Anyway she was a really great teacher and it was so fun to see her again!

## **UPCOMING SCHOOL BOARD PARENT ELECTION 2022**

This is a timely reminder to ensure that your contact information - and most importantly - your **email address is up-to-date**. If your details have changed, please let Megan Smith know so we can update your details. You can share your updated email address with Megan at [megan@wadestown.school.nz](mailto:megan@wadestown.school.nz)

<b>Board Election Timeline</b>	
	<b>Date</b>
Close main school roll	<b>Wednesday 13 July</b> Term 2 school holidays
Call for nominations	<b>Friday 15 July</b> Term 2 school holidays
Close supplementary school roll	<b>Wednesday 3 August</b> Week 2, Term 3
Nominations close	<b>Wednesday 3 August at 12pm</b> Week 2, Term 3
Last current Board meeting	<b>Wednesday 7 August</b> Week 3, Term 3
Board of Trustees Election Day	<b>Wednesday 7 September</b>

	Week 7, Term 3
Vote counting	<b>Tuesday 13 September</b> Week 8, Term 3
New Board takes office	<b>Wednesday 14 September</b> Week 8, Term 3

## UPCOMING SCHOOL EVENTS

### Second-hand Book Sale

There is still the opportunity to drop off any of your unwanted children's books for the Second-hand Book Sale being held next week. There are boxes to collect these at both the Weld and Rose St libraries. The schedule for the Book Sale is:

- Monday 4 July - Year 7-8 (Kowhai)
- Tuesday 5 July - Year 5-6 (Rimu)
- Friday 8 July - Year 1-2 (Pohutukawa)
- Thursday 7 July - Year 3-4 (Rata)

We recommend a maximum of \$10 for Rose St students and a gold coin for Weld St students. The funds raised will be spent on new library books for both sites chosen by our Year 8 Library Leaders, Braedon Macdonald and Hauraki Kawharu-Wells. Many thanks for your support.

## SCHOOL NEWS

### 2022 Term Dates

Please note that changes to these dates are possible; especially those events that could be impacted by Covid. Some events will be confirmed closer to the time in accordance with the Covid Protection Framework.

Date:	Upcoming Event:
<b>Friday 1 July</b>	Year 7 & 8 - Disco on Wheels (Kilbirnie Rec Centre) - TBC
	Mid-Year School Reports sent home
<b>Monday 4 July</b>	Weld Street Cross Country @12pm
<b>Tuesday 5 July</b>	Regional Cross Country
	Parent Teacher Conferences (Rose and Weld)

<b>Wednesday 6 July</b>	Weld Street "Wheelie Fun" at lunchtime
<b>Thursday 7 July</b>	Parent Teacher Conferences (Rose and Weld)
<b>Friday 8 July</b>	Weld Street Second-hand book sale at lunchtime
	Last day of Term 2
<b>Wednesday 13 July</b>	Main School Roll is closed for BOT elections
<b>Friday 15 July</b>	Call for BOT nominations
<b>Monday 25 July</b>	First day of Term 3
	Year 7 & 8 Science Fair
<b>Tuesday 26 July</b>	Year 7 & 8 Science Fair
<b>Wednesday 27 July</b>	Year 7 & 8 Science Fair
<b>Thursday 28 July</b>	Year 7 & 8 Science Fair
<b>Friday 29 July</b>	Year 7 & 8 Science Fair
<b>Wednesday 3 August</b>	Kōwhai Swimming Lesson
	Supplementary Roll closes for BOT Elections
<b>Friday 5 August</b>	Rimu Swimming Lesson
	Nominations Close for BOT Elections
<b>Tuesday 9 August</b>	Kāhui Ako Kapa Haka Festival at Wellington College
<b>Wednesday 10 August</b>	Kōwhai Swimming Lesson
	Rata Swimming Lesson
	Board of Trustees Meeting @7pm
	Voting Papers sent out for BOT Elections
<b>Friday 12 August</b>	Rimu Swimming Lesson
<b>Monday 15 August</b>	Year 7 Immunisation in Hall (TBC)
	PTA Meeting @7pm
<b>Tuesday 16 August</b>	Western Zone Netball (Years 5-8)
<b>Wednesday 17 August</b>	Kōwhai Swimming Lesson
	Rata Swimming Lesson
<b>Thursday 18 August</b>	Western Zone Netball (Postponement Date)
<b>Friday 19 August</b>	Simon Bull (British High Commission) speaking to Year 7 & 8 Rimu Swimming Lesson

# MATARIKI BREAKFAST



# CROSS COUNTRY INTER ZONES



# CROSS COUNTRY WESTERN ZONES



# COMMUNITY/WHANAU NOTICES

## Wellington College In-zone Year 9 students for 2023

In-zone enrolment applications for 2023 may be made at any time during the year prior to the start of school. We request that these be submitted on-line by Monday, 25 July 2022 to allow for curriculum planning and so that we can determine out of zone enrolment numbers.

## Biodiversity and Childhood Health Study

Researchers at Massey University are studying how the natural environment affects health in children. The aim of the study is to find out if exposure to greater plant biodiversity may protect against several health conditions including, asthma and allergies.

If your child is 6-11 years old, the research team would be grateful if you would consider taking part. For this study we need all children - including those who do and those who do not have asthma and allergies.

The study involves completing a questionnaire and your child taking part in a breathing and an allergy test. A smaller number of selected participants will be invited to take part in a second phase of the study, which would involve some further health tests.

To take part in the research, please contact the study team by text (text YES, your name, and your child's name and school to: 021 819 745), or return the consent forms in the invitation pack, which will be sent to you.

If you, or anyone you know would like any further information about the study please click this link, or contact the research team:

Email: [asthma@massey.ac.nz](mailto:asthma@massey.ac.nz)

Phone: 0508 ASTHMA (278 462)

Text (SMS): 021 819 745

## Tots to Teens out now

The latest issue of Tots to Teens is out now. Click [here](#) for the latest.

### What's in this issue for parents?

- Cosy winter meals for kids
- Are regressions a cause for concern?
- Winter holiday ideas
- Treating winter head and respiratory ailments

- What are kids learning at school?
- How to finance those pearly whites
- Activities to keep little minds busy
- and (as always) EPIC GIVEAWAYS

## JULY HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES/EVENTS

### artBRAIN - Winter Holiday Creativity Courses

4 Day Courses at Karori Arts and Crafts Centre

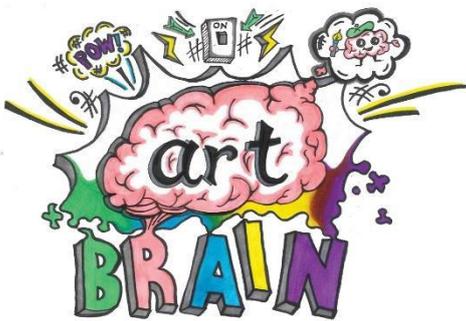
Week 1 - July 11 – 14

Week 2 - July 18 - 21

School Years 4 - 6 | 9am - 12pm | \$180 - 3 Hours Per Day | Monday - Thursday

School Years 6 - 8 | 1pm - 5pm | \$240 - 4 Hours Per Day | Monday - Thursday

***All art materials included***



#### Course Outline

Project Development, Completing An Amazing Personal & Unique Final Artwork, Technical Art Skills & Step By Step Lessons, Positive Self Image & Creative Mindfulness, Creative Critical Thinking, Loads Of Fun!

CONTACT: Lauren Poutawera: [artbrainnz@gmail.com](mailto:artbrainnz@gmail.com) | 022 075 2189 | [www.enrolmy.com/artbrain](http://www.enrolmy.com/artbrain)

### “Beyond the Page is back!

During the July school holidays, from 9-24 July, libraries across the Wellington region are hosting over a hundred awesome and totally FREE events for tamariki and their whānau. From bilingual puppetry performances and workshops, poetry events, nature walks and sculpture masterclasses through to VR experiences, LEGO® sessions, stop motion workshops and more, we’re inviting you to explore the adventurous side of your library, beyond the page!

All events are free, but some require registration as space may be limited. Find out more, and view the entire calendar of events, at [www.beyondthepage.nz](http://www.beyondthepage.nz).

## **Northland Kidz Club Holiday Programme**

We'll be out on scavenger and treasure hunts, making "jelly jars" & going to the Botanic Gardens.

We'll be having a Wheels Day, discovering the hidden walkways of Kelburn, and visiting Petone for the Settlers Museum, beach & play area.

We'll also be creating more beautiful art using the paint pouring technique, and visiting our favourite Time Cinema for another selection of early cartoons & films, stopping to play at Lyall Bay Beach beforehand. We'll also be going to local parks and play areas, and having food like pancakes, fish & chips and barbecued sausages for afternoon tea.

\$45 per child per day (third child onwards \$20), 8.30 a.m to 6 p.m each day.

For details, check out our website ([www.nkc.org.nz](http://www.nkc.org.nz)), or contact Jan on cell (022-140-2612), e-mail ([nkc.jan@gmail.com](mailto:nkc.jan@gmail.com)).

## **Sewing Classes**

For ages 7-13

Based in Karori, Wellington

To book: [www.annalee.co.nz](http://www.annalee.co.nz)

## **KidzStuff Theatre – *Kiwi Courage***

These school holidays KidzStuff Theatre for Children are presenting *Kiwi Courage*, Written by Amalia Calder

When: 9th - 22nd July 2022

Where: Tararua Tramping Club, 4 Moncrieff Street, Mt Victoria, Wellington

Times: Weekdays 10am & 11:30am, Saturdays 10am, no show Sundays

Tickets \$12.50pp, Children under 2 Free

Bookings: [www.kidzstufftheatre.co.nz](http://www.kidzstufftheatre.co.nz)

## **Kelly Club- Kelburn July Holiday Programme**

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 July programme is packed with activities to entertain and inspire children. We have some exciting days planned:

"Manic Monday", Kelly Club Speed Races Day", "Pyjama Party Day", "Bricktastic Day", "A Magical Madness day with Zappo the Magician who is coming to Kelly Club with his brand new Magical Workshop".

Plus trips to: The movie "Lightyear", Laserforce, Ten Pin Bowling!

To see the activity plan go to: [Kelburn Activity Plan](#)

For full details and to enrol into our programmes

Visit [www.kellyclub.co.nz](http://www.kellyclub.co.nz) email [kelburnnormal@kellyclub.co.nz](mailto:kelburnnormal@kellyclub.co.nz) or call **021 744 636**

## **Kelly Sport Holiday Programme**

### **Football Morning Holiday Programme**

(Yrs. 1–8) Green Room, Wests Rugby Clubrooms, Wilton (all weather indoor surface).

**WEEK 1 - Tues 12 July, Weds 13 July, Thurs 14 July - 9.30am-12.30pm**

**WEEK 2 - Tues 19 July, Weds 20 July, Thurs 21 July - 9.30am-12.30pm**

Perfect for beginners and those just wanting to have some Football Fun! Come along and improve Technique, Knowledge and learn more about the Basic Skills of "The Beautiful Game" (Football). We will focus on the core skills of Control, Dribbling, Passing, Tackling, Shooting but most importantly having as much fun as possible!

### **Netball Holiday Programme – Northland Memorial Hall**

***Week 2 ONLY – Tues 19 July, Weds 20 July, Thurs 21 July - 9am-12pm***

Come along and grow your child's confidence at the Kelly Sports Netball Holiday Programme.

**Years 1-4** - For Beginners, these sessions will work on improving basic netball skills and help start to develop technical and tactical knowledge in accordance with the Future Ferns Programme. Children will work towards the following skills Passing, Shooting, Spatial Awareness and Defensive Skills.

**Year 5-8** - These sessions will work on sharpening the basic skills (from the above session) Passing and Shooting and we will start to develop a better understanding of the 7-side game and the different positional roles.

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

### **Kelly Sports Winter Warm Up Sports! – Term 3 (Yrs. 0-4) – Thursday's, 3:05-4:05pm**

Kelly Sports will be back in Term 3 with their fun and exciting classes!

***Weld Street – Years 0-2, Thursday's 3.05pm-4.05pm***

### **Rose Street – Years 2-4, Thursday's 3.05pm-4.05pm**

This 8 x weekly programme gives children the skills and confidence in a fun and enjoyable environment. It also encourages their enthusiasm for sport and the life skills that such involvement brings, giving them the confidence to join sports clubs and teams in the future. Come and try **Football, Basketball, Hockey and Tag Games!** It's a great way to try new sports, learn new skills and improve ability and have lots of fun!!

Starts Week 2 of Term 3.

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

### **The One Room Fan Museum**

A fun Wellington holiday activity is dressing up in Lord of the Rings-inspired costumes and playing with replica props at *The One Room Fan Museum*. This is a fan's hobby museum in her own home. She just loves to open up for families for koha. The Fan Museum was recently a popular event at Featherston Booktown and is open on request in the school holidays. Arrange a visit by emailing [theoneroomfanmuseum@gmail.com](mailto:theoneroomfanmuseum@gmail.com) or by text on 021-0720-463. For more info, see [www\theoneroomfanmuseum.nz](http://www.theoneroomfanmuseum.nz)

### **Wellington Bridge – A Game for Life**

Does your child want to learn to play Bridge these July school holidays?

For more information go to <https://www.playbridge.co.nz/wellington-school-holiday-programme/>

### **Wonderlight Theatre Aotearoa**

Wonderlight Theatre Aotearoa, has a children's show, called *Wonderkind*, for kids aged 3 - 7 coming up at Circa Theatre these July school holidays.

To find more information go to <https://www.circa.co.nz/package/wonderkind/>

# Wellington CBD Pinot and Picasso School Holiday Programme

Wellington CBD Pinot & Picasso are running Kids School Holiday sessions.

They are for ages 6-13years and cost \$39 a ticket.

Sessions are two hours long (parents can grab a coffee and chill close by) and kids can bring snacks in to munch on while they paint.

Leave the mess at Pinot and let your little ones create a masterpiece!

Go to <https://www.pinotandpicasso.nz/wellingtoncbd/> for more info or to purchase tickets.

Dates and times are below:

<b>Tues</b>	12/07/2022	10.30am	Galaxy	Kids session
<b>Wed</b>	13/07/2022	10.30am	I-Scream	Kids Session
<b>Thurs</b>	14/07/2022	10.30am	Fresh kicks	Kids session
<b>Tues</b>	19/07/2022	10.30am	Doe a Deer	Kids Session
<b>Wed</b>	20/07/2022	10.30am	Sid	Kids session
<b>Thurs</b>	21/07/2022	10.30am	rex	Kids session

**SCHOOL HOLIDAY PUPPETRY**

**BOX OF BIRDS**  
for ages 3 to 6  
14 - 17 July, 11am

**THE BOY WITH WINGS**  
for ages 5 to 9  
14 - 17 July, 2pm

Tickets \$10/\$18  
BATS Theatre, 1 Kent Tce  
BOOK AT BATS.CO.NZ

BIRDLIFE PRODUCTIONS BATS

## Staglands

Staglands yummy winter marshmallows are back!

For a limited period only, during the July School Holidays, we will be giving them away FREE to all visitors!

We will also be running our very popular, free tractor trailer rides (circumstances permitting).

<https://www.staglands.co.nz/>

## **Spotlight Performing Arts**

Spaces available for Term 3! !

Dance, Drama and Singing for students aged 4-15 years

Led by a London West End performer!

AOTEA - JOHNSONVILLE - KARORI - LOWER HUTT - NEWTOWN - UPPER HUTT

Book your child's two-week trial NOW!

[www.spotlightperformingarts.co.nz](http://www.spotlightperformingarts.co.nz)

## **CodeCamp**

CodeCamp allows kids from the ages of 7-12 to develop 21st century skills in a fun and action packed environment. Develop confidence & initiative through design, creativity, solving problems, presenting & collaboration. Create games, apps.

Thorndon Primary

11th - 14th July

18th - 22nd July

Book Now at <https://codecamp.co.nz>