

WADESTOWN SCHOOL

Community Newsletter No 5

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

Gratitude Mihi:
Pai ake te iti i te kore rawātu
Little is better than nothing at all.

Kia ora koutou,

It has been another busy and action packed start to the year. One of the key achievements of this term has been the relocation of 3 classrooms, the Library, our Resource Room resources and the Deputy Principal's office out of our Rata Block building. This building project has been a highly anticipated one and we are grateful to know that this project is now underway.

A project such as this involves many people and I am aware that the planning of this project has been years in the making. I would like to thank and acknowledge the efforts of a few key people. Firstly, Genevieve Hancock who, as our previous Board representative in charge of Property, spent considerable hours working on this project with the Ministry of Education and our Property Manager, Simon Ramage. With the assistance of Mark Crofskey (previous Board Presiding Member) this project went from being a remediation of 4 classrooms into the larger and more significant project that it is today. More recently Tania Williams has come on board as our new Board Trustee with oversight of Property and will play a key part in overseeing this next stage of the building process.

I also wish to acknowledge the time that Robyn Grover has given to this relocation, and also the Rata Teachers; Elizabeth Chater, Ali Clearwater, Melissa Kosmadikis who have shifted into new classrooms and Derek Piper who has relocated our Rose Street Library. Tani Tumoana, Helen Dammer and Megan Smith have also worked hard to organise things behind the scenes.

And of course, mention must also be made of our Rata students who have made this transition and who have now relocated to their alternative classrooms.

Nga mihi nui, Amanda Frater Tumuaki/Principal

Health and Safety - School Closure during School Holidays

In preparation for the Rata Block Building project, our school grounds will be closed for the duration of the school holidays.

Fencing will be erected around the building on **Friday 7 April**. This will then be followed by scaffolding being erected around the building on Saturday 8 April.

Signage will be up on Tuesday 11 April informing our community and members of the public to stay off site as a Health and Safety precaution.

During the school holidays the school will be closed to everyone.

PTA Parents' Party - SAVE THE DATE

Preparations for this year's Parents' Party are well underway. Thank you to Tim Bennett and his team for organising this year's event.

Please save **SATURDAY 27 MAY** and keep an eye out for this year's theme.

Kōwhai Camp - Kaitoke

I was able to spend some time with our Kōwhai students, teachers and Parent Helpers on Tuesday and enjoyed getting to see the camp in action.

The students have given it their absolute all, and it was fantastic to see a number of students trying new activities and getting involved in new experiences. The 3 hour bike ride was a particular highlight for many and saw a number of students extending themselves.

A big thank you to Cathrine Wilkinson, Emily Houston and James Shelton for their efforts to make this camp such a success and of course to our wonderful Parent Helpers for giving up their own time to support our students.

PTA Hot Cross Bun Fundraiser Update

243 packets sold, \$1,215 raised

Thank you to all the families who sold to work colleges and wider family members. And to those families that ordered large for their own consumption!

Nada bakery was very appreciative of our business.

Thanks to school staff for organising space to sort and deliver to classes.

Thanks to Lauren Langford for providing transport and to Jenny Ebersohn, Kris Mayo for sorting and to Heidi Louden for coordinating this fundraiser again for 2023.

Teacher Only Day - Reminder

A reminder that the first day of Term 2, Monday 24 April is a Teacher Only Day.

Due to ANZAC day the start of Term 2 will be Wednesday 26 April.

Preschool Enrolments

If you are aware of any families with young children who are interested in enrolling their child at Wadestown School, please ask them to get in touch with Helen Dammer in the office. This information is helpful for us in terms of future planning; especially in our new entrant class.

BOOK WEEK

Coming up in Week 4 of Term 2 (15-19 May) is our annual Book Week. We will be having competitions, quizzes, a Scholastic Book Fair, a Super-swap-switcheroo, visits from real-life published authors and our fabulous book character dress-up day. So mark it in your calendar today!

HOCKEY SKILLS







Max (the hockey coach) showed all of our tamariki how to correctly hold their sticks....a mission for some of our younger ones (in terms of knowing their left from their right).

Max inspired our tamariki to give hockey a gol

There was a great deal of enthusiasm displayed when playing in opposing teams.

PTA UPDATES & NEWS

PTA EVENTS CALENDAR

2023

All highlighted events are PTA fundraisers.

TERM 2

Event	Date	What's needed?
Pre-loved Clothing Sale	Week Friday, 28 April (set up) Saturday 29 April	Clothing donations Helpers for set up night before Helpers on the day
Parents' Party	Saturday 27 May	Buy tickets
Winter Project	Week 6 Monday 29 May (final drop offs)	Winter clothing donations and blankets
Matariki Breakfast	TBC	Helpers to assist with setting up and serving food/drinks

TERM 3

Event	Date	What's needed?
Quiz night	Saturday – TBC	Purchase tickets Auction donations Helpers
Te-reo-athon	TBC	Learn words Gain sponsors
Yearbook preparation	Continuous up until Term 3	Photos taken Information given where necessary

TERM 4

Event	Date	What's needed?
House & Garden Walk	Week Saturday 5 November	All hands on deck Volunteers for varying jobs Buy tickets Spread the word
Calendar Art	Week November (TBC)	Purchase kids art 💙

SCHOOL NEWS

2023 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.

Date:	Upcoming Event:	
Thursday 6 April	Kōwhai Camp	
	Last day of Term 1	
Monday 24 April	Wadestown School Teacher Only Day - School closed to students	
Tuesday 25 April	ANZAC Day	
Wednesday 26 April	First day back for Term 2	
	Kōwhai Technology @ KWNS	
Tuesday 2 May	Wadestown School Swimming Sports @ Karori Pool	
Wednesday 3 May	Kōwhai Technology @ KWNS	
Wednesday 10 May	Kōwhai Technology @ KWNS	
Wednesday 10 May	Board Meeting in Staffroom @ Rose Street @ 7pm	
Monday 15 May	Book Week	
Tuesday 16 May	Book Week	
	Western Zones Miniball @ ASB	
Wednesday 17 May	Book Week	
	Kōwhai Technology @ KWNS	
Thursday 18 May	Book Week	
	Wellington Girls' College visit @ 3.15pm	
Friday 19 May	Book Week	

Tuesday 23 May	Wadestown School Cross Country	
Wednesday 24 May	Kōwhai Technology @ KWNS	
	NZ Playhouse - "Treasure Island"	
Thursday 25 May	Wadestown School Cross Country - postponement day	
Saturday 27 May	PTA Parents' Party	

COMMUNITY NEWS







Wellington City Council has developed a Draft Open Space and Recreation Strategy - *Te Whai Oranga Pōneke*, which means 'in pursuit of wellness'.

It will provide an overarching framework and strategic direction for the Council to manage its public open space, recreation facilities and recreation programmes and services over the next 30 years.

We're keen to understand if we've hit the mark with the draft strategy which you can find <u>here</u>. If you would like to share your thoughts with us simply fill in the short consultation survey <u>here</u> to make a submission. The consultation period goes until **5pm Friday 14 April 2023**.

 One particular aspect of the strategy that may be of interest is the desire to continue working in partnership with schools to support physical education and environmental education programmes and share facilities and resources (see Action C8 page 62).

For any other queries you can contact the team direct at openspacesandrecreation@wcc.govt.nz

New Zealand Symphony Orchestra

2023 Young Artists Showcase concert!

This concert features six very talented concerto soloists and seventeen orchestral instrumentalists from across the country.

Young Artist Showcase

Wednesday 12 April, 7.00pm

Michael Fowler Centre

Wellington

For more information click here



Wellington Harriers Children's Cross Country

Registrations are now open for the 2023/24 Season

Register at - www.whac.org.nz

Our Open day is Saturday 22nd April 2023.

We meet at that the Wellington Harrier Club rooms on

Alexandre Road Mount Victoria, at 1.45pm. (This gives a chance to do morning sport as well!)

New members are welcome to come along and give it a go at our open day on Saturday 22nd April, and give it a try day on Saturday April 15th.

We have Saturday club runs, mid-week training, club races and there's an interclub competition, which is held on Saturday afternoons.

We also assist with training for primary/intermediate age children competing in the school's cross country competition.

Our coaches are qualified and Athletics NZ Accredited.

For more information please contact:

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Play football this winter! There is still time to register to play football for Waterside Karori AFC this season. We have teams for players of all abilities, ages 5–13. **Season starts** Saturday 29 April.

For more details, please visit: https://www.karorifootball.co.nz/play-for-a-team

Register here: https://www.karorifootball.co.nz/junior-registration



Who's up for a Challenge?

Take on our Clue Hunt Challenge these April school holidays and claim your prize!

Every correct entry wins a prize, there are heaps of prizes up for grabs!

To enter simply download the Clue Hunt Challenge Sheet, then visit us any time between

11th and 23rd April.

Visit our website for full promotion details.



Circus School Holiday Programme!

The Circus Hub in Wellington offer circus classes that are fun, exciting and challenging. Skills taught include aerial silks, trapeze, acrobatics, juggling and more! A great activity to develop coordination, perseverance, creativity and confidence. For ages 5-15 years.

We also run classes for all ages preschool to adults. Bookings essential, book online today at **www.circus.org.nz**

FUN Sticks

FUN Sticks is an 8-week hockey programme designed for children aged 5-6 years (school Years 1 & 2) 2023 FUN Sticks will focus on individuals' movement and motor skill development, helping build a young person's physical literacy and preparing them for sport. Hockey skills will be taught through fun, games-based activities.

FUN Sticks offers

- An introduction to hockey with an emphasis on having fun
- An opportunity to develop fundamental skills running, dodging, striking
- A positive and quality coaching environment
- Full involvement for all participants
- Regular changes of activities to maintain enthusiasm and interest
- A safe environment for all activities
- Equipment required to play hockey (Hockey Stick & Ball) is provided
- We encourage parents to join in with kids if they want

Festival Day:

On the last week of the programme, there will be a festival day held at the National Hockey Stadium on the morning of Saturday 1st July. FUN Stick participants will be able to play games with players from different locations.

Please Note: There are no postponement days scheduled (excluding the festival day)
Where: FUN Sticks is run at the following locations across Wellington,

- National Hockey Stadium (NHS), Wellington = 10:00 am 11:00 am Saturday starting 6th
 May
- Hutt (Fraser Park) 10:00 am 11:00 am Saturday starting 6th May
- Porirua (Elsdon Park) 3:45pm 4:45 pm Tuesday 9th May
- Kelburn (Kelburn Normal School) 4:00 pm 5:00 pm Tuesday 9th

The cost for the 8-week programme is \$50.

Register using the following link for the Player registration system PlayHQ

https://www.playhg.com/hockey-new-zealand/register/5a8236

Please contact Regan Fricker, Development Officer (Umpires) regan@wellingtonhockey.org.nz if you have any questions.

https://bitesizetreats.capitale.org.nz/



The latest Tots and Teens is out now

Inverlochy Art School

They have just released their School Holiday and Term 2 programme. Click here for more.

Blue Dragon Book Fair at Ngaio Town Hall

Saturday 6 May 9am to 4pm AND Sunday 7 May 9am to 3pm.

We invite you to come and buy books, puzzles/games, DVDs and CDs at our annual book fair.

Books are sold for \$3 each, and, after the first five books, \$2 each. Children's books are all \$1 each.

We have a huge number of top quality books and other items. We encourage you to me and buy for yourself or as gifts for others.

All the money raised will go to the Blue Dragon Children's Foundation, which helps to break the poverty cycle for Vietnam's poorest children. This includes street kids, children with disabilities, children from rural families living in extreme poverty, and victims of human trafficking and slavery.

If you have good quality books to donate, please be in touch. We are particularly happy to have more children's books.

Dinah Dobson, trustee (027 686 4554) Blue Dragon New Zealand, www.bluedragonnz.wordpress.com











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APRIL 2023 HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

PUBLIC HOLIDAY

EASTER MONDAY











ENCHANTED FOREST









FULL DAY: \$59 HALF DAY: \$39 SCHOOL DAY: \$47 TRIP DAY: Extra \$18 8am-6pm 8.45am-3.15pm









BOOK ONLINE NOW AT www.kellyclub.co.nz

HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

A timetable and full programme information is available online or at the programme venue.

Who can attend Children aged 5-13 yrs

Oceanal Information: We believe in giving children apportunities to do the things they love and enjoy in a supportive and encouraging environment. Our friendly staff are passionate about working with children. They are provided with training on behaviour management techniques, first aid and activity planning/delivery.

What do you need to bring: Shoes and appropriate clothing, jacker or sweatshirt, hat, drink bottle and lood for morning tea, lunch and alternoon tea.

Payment details: Payment is required before the holiday programme begins. An invoice will be laised when a completed booking is received. All payment details will be included on the invoice.

ne OSCAR Subsidy: Parents/caregivers that meet certain criteria will be able to access a WINZ subsidy to help cover the cost of our programme. For more information visit www.workandircome.govt.nz.

Please nate: Every care will be taken to ensure the safety of your child/ren and their property. However, organisers of Kelly Club accept no lability for any injury sustained to your child/ren or any loss or damage to his/her property white at a programme. If your child/ren are collected late after the conclusion of the programme you will be charged \$20 per 15 minutes or part thereof

Prices & Session Times:

Full Day: \$59 Half Day \$39 8am-6pm 8am-1pm or 1pm-6pm

Event Day: Edra \$18

School Day: \$47 8:45 am-3:15 pm

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BOOK ONLINE NOW AT www.kellyclub.co.nz

Live theatre shows for ākonga ages 3-8 years old!

The April school holidays are just around the corner. Don't miss out! Book seats now for your class to see live theatre performances in Wellington.

Dates: Tuesday 2 - Friday 5 May 2023

Ages: Suitable for ākonga ages 3-8 years old

Locations: Circa Theatre and Te Papa

Prices:

- \$13-\$24 per student/child
- \$13-\$24 per adult, 1 adult per 10 paying students/children is free

Under 2's free, if sitting on the lap of a kaiako/parent/caregiver