



WADESTOWN SCHOOL

Community Newsletter No 13

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

Titiro Whakamuri, Kokiri Whakamua
Look back and reflect, so you can move forward

Kia ora, Kia orana, Ni Hao, Hola, Namaste, Hallo, Bonjour, Talofa and greetings to you all.

Wednesday of this week saw the removal of the plastic cover over the Rata Build; a great development in our building project. The next part of this process will see the removal of the scaffolding over the next two weeks. It is exciting to have reached this part of the process as this signifies a significant milestone in this project.

Part of this next process will also give some additional visibility to our students. Aoraki (our building company) plans to install holes in the fence closest to the Rata quad area for students to be able to look through. I am certain that there will be high interest and curiosity from our students. We are delighted that some of the major milestones, such as the completion of the new roof have now been completed and that the focus can now shift to the internal works.

With major building works there is always some level of disruption. However, despite this, our staff and students have shown incredible resilience and flexibility in dealing with the changes that have come about as a result.

Ngā mihi nui

Amanda Frater

Tumuaki/Principal

Staff Updates

We welcome Joseph Hunt and Sarah King to our school, as student teachers from Victoria University. Joseph and Sarah are both working at Weld Street; Joseph with Joy Henderson and the students in Room 0 and Sarah with Katy Synge and the students in Room 3. They will be with us for 7 weeks as part of their teacher training programme. We wish them all the very best for their time with us.

Structured Literacy “The Code”

As you know, we have introduced a new literacy programme this term called The Code. This approach is evidence-based and better supports our students' individualised needs. The lessons are short, explicit and regular. The Code helps our students with more than just their spelling. It is an explicit, systematic and cumulative programme teaching phonemic awareness, orthography (the spelling system), morphology, vocabulary, syntax and grammar. The Code is designed to give students the skills they need to read, spell and write with confidence.

The need for introducing Structured Literacy is based on the **Science of Reading**. This science draws on research from cognitive psychology, neuroscience and education to understand the processes through which we learn to read. One of the aspects of the science of reading is Working Memory and its role in teaching and learning.

Working Memory is one of the brain's executive functions and allows us to work with information without losing track of what we're doing. We can only keep 4 - 9 items in our working memory at one time but there is no limit to how much we can store in our long term memory. In order to shift information from our short term memory to our long term memory, we need to develop new pathways by making connections between the different areas of the brain. For this reason, the Code lessons have been designed to be short, explicit and regular to assist students to create new learning pathways.

If you're interested in learning more about Liz Kane Literacy and The Code, please visit her website: <https://www.lizkaneliteracy.co.nz/>



PTA Quiz Night - Thank you

Thank you to Mark Crofskey for organising such a successful and enjoyable fundraising event last night. This event was a great opportunity for parents and other supporters of the school to come together.

Thank you also to the generous sponsors of the event and also to those parents who won auctions.

Dogs on site

A reminder that for the safety of all, dogs are not permitted on our school site. We thank you for respecting this.

Fees and Donations

The school has been working on providing more information around fees and donations for parents and caregivers. These changes reflect updated Ministry of Education guidance. The first stage of the project involved providing clarity around the difference between a fee and a donation. An explanation of this has been uploaded to our [school website](#) on our “Guidelines for Student Donations and Fees” page. At the bottom of the page is a breakdown of what we can charge as donations and fees. The second stage involved itemising donations and fees clearly on all student statements. You will see this work reflected in the more recent student statements. Thank you to Megan Smith for the considerable work she contributed to this piece of work.

Donation of gloves to the Road Patrol students - thank you PTA

Thank you to the PTA for providing a set of gloves for our Rimu Road Patrollers. We know that on especially chilly mornings, our students will be grateful to you for this donation.



Updating our Records: School Photos and Parent Details

If your child is known by a nickname or preferred name/surname, please let the office know as soon as possible so we have correct name and spelling for school photos.

If your details (cell phone numbers, email address etc) have changed since the beginning of the year, please let the office know so we can update our records.

Wadestown School Park and Stride

A number of years ago, the school worked very hard to set up a “Park and Stride” system. This allows parents to drop their children off at sign posted locations so their children can walk some of the way to school.

The advantages of a system such as this is that it both reduces congestion around the school entrances and provides students with some extra exercise.

We would like to encourage parents and students to start taking advantage of this system again. Groups of parents may wish to coordinate their drop offs so that students can walk together from these **Park and Stride** drop off points.

Rose Street Working Bee

Thank you to Malcolm McKee for his ongoing work to make this year’s Working Bee a success. Malcolm is this year partnering with Blair McDonald to lead this event, as sadly this will be Malcolm’s last Working Bee.

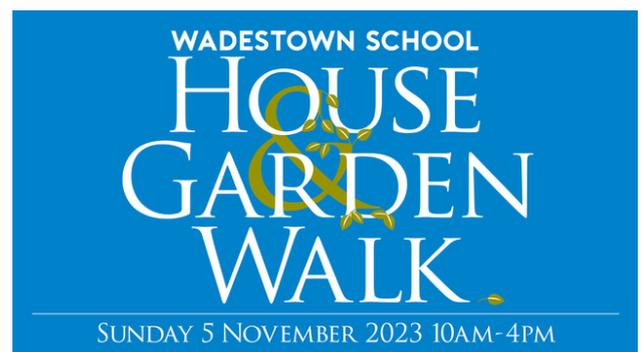
I know that Michelle (022 4309 132) and [Danielle](#) are still looking for offers of baking or lunch items to fuel the workers on the day. Please make contact with Michelle if you are able to support the Working Bee in this way.

If you have never attended one of these events, it is a great day for all to come together. Students are welcome to attend but are also encouraged to ‘help out’ where they can.

House and Garden

Thank you to Andrea Davidson and her team for the organisation of this year’s event. I know that this is our key fundraising event and that many hours of preparation and planning go into this event.

The Wadestown House and Garden is coming up. If you would like information about the Wadestown School House & Garden Walk or would like to buy tickets, please visit this [page](#).



TICKETS FOR THE EVENT

Your programme booklet for the event will be your ticket that allows you to enter the houses. The price of your ticket includes all booking and transaction fees. Only one name is required for each booking.

COST

- A single standard ticket is \$55 plus booking and transaction fees
- If you choose to have your ticket/s couriered to your postal address this will cost an additional \$6.40
- A maximum of 5 tickets can be included in one courier package

HOW CAN I RECEIVE MY TICKETS?

Tickets will be distributed in October 2023. You will be notified by email with further information.

There are three options for receiving your programme booklet (ticket):

- You can choose the ticketing option that allows your ticket/s to be sent to you
- You can choose the ticketing option that allows you to collect them directly from Wadestown School during school hours
- You can choose the ticketing option that allows you to have them sent home with your child from school

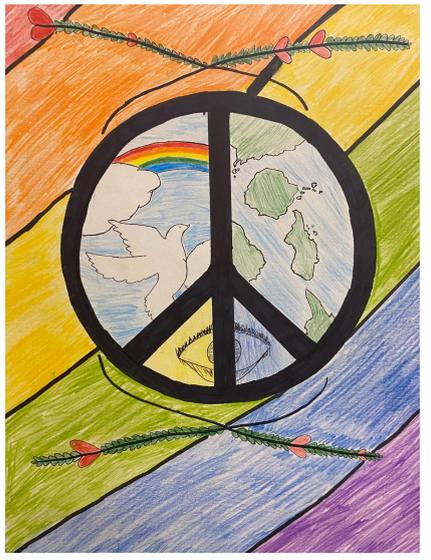
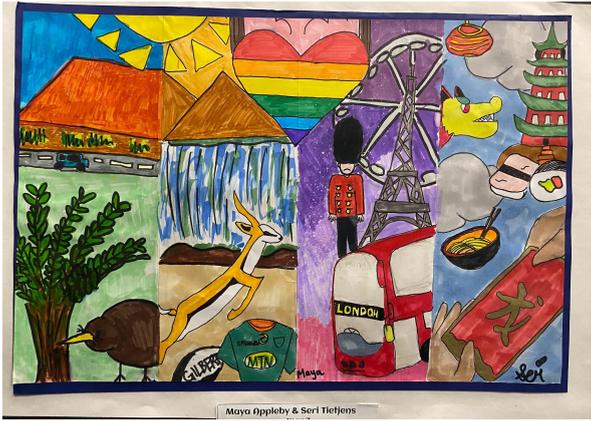
TŪMANAKO OPENING AND ART EXHIBITION

Tūmanako! (which means Hope!) is an annual art exhibition that provides tamariki/children with a platform to express their aspirations for a peaceful, inclusive, and nuclear-free world. This exhibition serves as a commemoration of Hiroshima Day.

During this year's event, representatives from Wadestown School, Will McKee and Blake Carden, had the honour of participating in the opening evening. The event took place at the Johnsonville Community Hall and Library. Alongside Tori Whanau, the Mayor of Wellington, Will and Blake took on the role of emceeing the event. Their responsibilities included delivering prepared speeches that convey powerful messages aimed at promoting global peace.

The leadership skills demonstrated by both Will and Blake were commendable as they addressed the audience of over 300 attendees. This event showcased their ability to lead and effectively engage with the audience.

Currently, the Johnsonville library is proudly exhibiting more than 100 artworks created by children from the Wellington region. Among these pieces are numerous artworks contributed by students from Wadestown School. This exhibition not only fosters artistic expression but also serves as a reminder of the collective aspiration for a world characterised by peace and inclusivity.



Winter Uniforms

Students are able to adapt their uniforms in the winter months by wearing:

- woollen tights (navy only)
- thermal, long sleeve polypro tops underneath their school t-shirts (navy only)
- Wadestown School sweatshirts
- Wadestown School
- Wadestown School trackpants
- and/or our Wadestown School beanies

Please encourage your child to bring a waterproof jacket to school each day. And if on Road Patrol, students can bring a change of socks and shoes.

Pre-Loved School Uniforms

We are continuing to seek donations of all preloved school uniforms but in particular, we have a need for:

- Size 6 uniforms for our Pohutukawa students (tops and bottoms)
- And size 10+ shorts and polo shirts for our Rata to Kōwhai students

Please contact [Megan Smith](#) in the office if you wish to donate or sell any pre-loved uniform items.

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.

PTA EVENTS CALENDAR 2023

All highlighted events are PTA fundraisers.

TERM 3

<i>Event</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>What's needed?</i>
Quiz night	Saturday – 24 August	Purchase tickets Auction donations Helpers
Te-reo-athon	This will happen in 2024.	Learn words Gain sponsors
Yearbook preparation	...Continuous up until Term 3	Photos taken Information given where necessary

TERM 4

<i>Event</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>What's needed?</i>
House & Garden Walk	Week Saturday 5 November	All hands on deck Volunteers for varying jobs Buy tickets and spread the word
Calendar Art	Week November (TBC)	Purchase kids art ❤️

WELD STREET CRICKET



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:
Monday 28 August	Rimu Team EPro8 (in the hall)
	ICAS Maths in Rimu Block in Room 4
	FIFA Fun - Kelly Sports @ Weld middle-block
Tuesday 29 August	Rimu Team EPro8 (in the hall)
	Total Touch Lunchtime session for prospective Touch players
Wednesday 30 August	Rimu Team EPro8 (in the hall)
	Kōwhai Technology - KWNS
	NIWA Science Fair Set Up @ 12.30 - 4.30pm (Pipetea)
	Y7/8 - Mathswell @ Raroa Intermediate 7.00pm Raroa Intermediate
Thursday 31 August	Rimu Team EPro8 (in the hall)
	Board Meeting @ 6.30pm
	NIWA - Science Fair Judging Day 9.00 am -12pm
	Y5/6 - Mathswell @ 6.30pm @ Wellington College
Friday 1 September	Rimu Team EPro8 Week (in the Hall)
	Sausage Sizzle Fundraiser for Dance Splash uniforms
Tuesday 5 September	WZ Miniball Tournament (Years 5-8)
Wednesday 6 September	Rimu Camp Parent Helpers Meeting @ 6pm
Friday 8 September	Weld St Disco - lunchtime
Saturday 9 September	Rose Street Working Bee
<p>Please note the following events coming up:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rimu Camp 12-15 September • ArtSplash 12 September @ 5pm • DanceSplash 14 September @ 7.30pm 	

COMMUNITY NEWS

Celebrate the Father figure in your life!

Whether it's a Dad, Uncle, Grandad or Poppa in your life, make them feel extra special this Father's Day with our ezlunch giveaway. Every lunch order gets you a chance to win one of THREE \$50 'Bunnings' vouchers.

Order [ezlunch](#) for delivery from Monday 21 August - Friday 1 September 2023 to be in the draw to WIN!

The winners will be drawn on Friday 1 September and notified by email/phone.

Go to www.mykindo.co.nz to start ordering.

Calling all 4-6 year olds!

Nursery grade cricket involves fun skills-based activities to introduce 4 – 6 year olds to core cricket skills such as throwing, catching and hitting a ball. It's a great social way to give cricket a go and leads to Collegians cricket pathways for Years 2 - 8 and beyond. Register now for a November start.

<https://www.wellingtoncollegians.co.nz/grades-registration>



2023 - 2024 Summer Season

WELLINGTON COLLEGIANS JUNIOR CRICKET CLUB

Nursery Grade

Registrations Open Now!

Grades & Registration | Collegians
wellingtoncollegians.co.nz

wjcc.membership@gmail.com

Wellington Collegians Junior Cricket Club

WELLINGTON BRICKSHOW

Amazing LEGO® creations from some of NZ's best builders

16th Sept 9am - 5pm
17th Sept 9am - 4pm

\$10 Adult / \$7 Child
EFTPOS Available

Walter Nash Centre, Lower Hutt

www.well-lug/tickets



SPRING

Fun Holiday Adventures

(Open: 7am and Close 6pm)

STANDARD FEES

\$328.16 per cub/wk or \$557.87 for two siblings/wk
\$82.04 per cub/day or \$139.47 for two siblings/day

EARLY BIRD ENROLMENT DISCOUNT

Only \$278.94 per cub/wk or \$474.19 for two siblings/wk
Only \$69.73 per cub/day or \$118.55 for two siblings/day if enrolled and paid by 11th August 2023

Payment Deadline: 22nd Sep 2023

Additional siblings will incur further charges, please see website for further pricing.

WHEN

25th Sep - 6th Oct 2023
Enrol by 18th Sep 2023

WHERE

Western Suburbs
Wilton/Rugby Club
Southern Suburbs -
South Wellington
Intermediate School - SWIS

WHAT TO BRING

Jacket, spare clothes, sun hat and water bottle

Limited spaces, enrol now at www.pridelands.co.nz
T's & C's applies

WEEK 1

Mon 25th Sep
Our City Tomorrow
If Wellington could be a different city, what would it look like?

Tue 26th Sep
Challenge Day
A day of Interactive Fun and Activities. Overnight Sleepover (Optional & Booking Required for this activity): Camp with your friends and enjoy a variety of night activities.

Wed 27th Sep
Trip Day: Wicked Wednesday
YOU CHOOSE. WE GO

Thur 28th Sep
Community Garden
How does your garden represent you?

Fri 29th Sep
Pride Lands Cultural Day
Celebrations
Dress up. Eat up. All things cultural.

WEEK 2

Mon 2nd Oct
Big Time Clocks
Countdown, in 5, 4, 3, 2, 1...

Tue 3rd Oct
Pride - X - Games (AS ONE!)
Enjoy a day of shared fun and adventure challenges with the community.

Wed 4th Oct
Trip Day: PRIDE LANDS COMMUNITY CHALLENGE: Do something selfless for your chosen community.

Thur 5th Oct
LIFE CHANGING STORY
Creating Art to say: 'Thank You' to those we love.

Fri 6th Oct
Last Supper: Relax and enjoy a shared lunch with the Pride!
Pride Fair: Turning junk into another person's treasure.

15% Off for Wild Card holders



Johnsonville Junior Softball Club

Softball for ages 5 - 14.
Subs only \$50 with full uniform provided.

Registration now OPEN

Scan QR Code
For registration



Or visit
<https://www.sporty.co.nz/jvillesc/>



Have a go day!

- ✓ Sunday 17th September 2023
- ✓ Newlands Intermediate
- ✓ 12pm until 1pm
- ✓ Free Sausage sizzle for kids!
- ✓ New & existing players welcome

TRY T-ball & Softball.
Bring a FRIEND

For more information please contact:
Sue on johnsonvillejuniorssoftball@gmail.com or 027 2760644



GKR KARATE

KARATE FOR EVERYONE

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GRAND OPENING!

7/33 Johnsonville Road, Johnsonville
Saturday 26th August 2023, 10am-4pm

Karate classes will be running throughout the day for you to try as well as coffee, BBQ and more.

To book a Free Trial Class, scan the QR code or contact Sensei Anthony on 0277653935



Ngā Manu

This Father's Day is Sunday 3 September and DADS ARE FREE at Ngā Manu!

Bring your family to Ngā Manu this Father's Day and Dad's get in for free (adult admission normally \$15). Quote DADISFREE at the counter.

Please visit <https://ngamanu.org.nz/education-visits/> for more information.

We look forward to seeing you all at Ngā Manu soon.



Seido Karate

Do you want to learn self defense AND try a physical activity that will improve your fitness, confidence and co-ordination all in a fun and caring environment?

Then why not give Seido Karate a go and see if it is for you.

Places are available in the New Beginner classes for WS students at the Northland Memorial Community Centre.

New Beginner class times:

- Monday's: 6:30 – 7:30pm Upstairs Room
Northland Memorial Community Centre
5 Woburn Road
Northland
- Tuesday's: 5:30 – 6:30pm Otari Parish Hall
301 Karori Road
Karori

Join current and past students of WS, some have been training in this dojo for five years! Please NB classes are not just aimed at the school aged students, with WS parents also joining their child(ren) on the dojo floor.

Email: Kyoshi Garry Szeto (5 th dan Black Belt) info@seidonorthlandwgtn.co.nz to register your child and reserve a place in the New Beginners class.

For more details about Seido Karate Northland, Wellington www.seidonorthlandwgtn.co.nz

General Election 2023 - Ōhāriu Electorate

We have multiple casual roles available that require a variety of skills to help us deliver 2023's biggest event. You could be working for a day or several weeks.

Pay rates for roles vary depending on the role but range from \$26 (plus 8% holiday pay) per hour to \$33.80 (plus 8% holiday pay).

You can apply to work in a Voting Place, an Electorate Headquarter or both.

Click [here](#) for more information.



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www.capitalbmx.co.nz
capitalbmx.info@gmail.com
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Love riding bikes?
Keen to develop your riding skills?
Looking for a fun & family friendly Club?
Come on down to CAPITAL BMX

Check out our new development straight
And get tips from our coaches
Training Thursday evening
(during daylight savings)
Club Day Sunday morning
HIRE a BMX bike, helmet & gloves \$10
or buy 3 x HAVE A GO SESSIONS for \$20
GET THE WHOLE FAMILY INVOLVED
SEASON STARTS 10th SEPTEMBER 2023

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HOLIDAY WRITING WORKSHOP

Learn the **secrets** of writing **great stories** from an **award-winning author**

- 3 day writing camp for ages 9-14
- 1 day workshop for ages 7-10

Meet your presenter:

Maria Gill
The award-winning author of books including Ernest Rutherford and Epic New Zealand Adventurers

Andy Griffiths says...
"I wish this camp had been around when I was a young writer!"

Where: Rarua Intermediate
37 Haumia Street, Johnsonville
When: 3 Oct to 5 Oct 2023

Register now at:
WriteLikeAnAuthor.com

WE'RE COVID SAFE

WRITE like an AUTHOR

Learn the secrets of writing great stories from an award-winning author

"Write Like an Author" is a school holiday program for young writers.

Held in a fun and supportive setting at Rarua Intermediate this camp will see children develop and write stories with help from award-winning author Maria Gill.

Maria is the award-winning author of over 60 books. She has won the New Zealand Book Awards for Children & Young Adults Non-Fiction, and the Margaret Mahy Best Book of the Year Award.

It will be held during the school holidays, from Tuesday, October 3, 2023 to Thursday, October 5, 2023.

There will be a three day camp for children aged 9 to 14 and a one day workshop for children aged 7 to 10.

Young writers will learn:

- How to come up with story ideas
- How to plan and outline a story
- How to come up with interesting, sympathetic characters
- The writing process, how to put it all down on paper

Plus they'll make new friends and have heaps of fun!

Young writers (or their parents) can register here:

http://www.writelikeanauthor.com/CampListing.asp?wc_id=384

The number of places on the camp is strictly limited so register early if your child is interested in attending the camp.

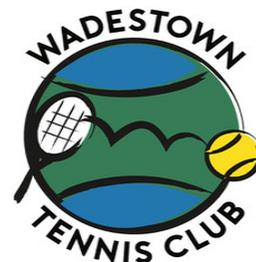
If you'd like more details about the camp please email me and I will be happy to answer any questions, or send you some further information.

If you don't want to receive information about future writing camps, please [unsubscribe](#) here, or just email me and I will take you off our mailing list.

Wadestown Tennis Club Open Day

The Wadestown Tennis Club is holding an Open Day on Sunday 10 September 2023 from 11am to 2pm at the Wadestown School tennis courts as part of the nationwide "Love Tennis" promotion.

We welcome anyone interested in joining the club, as well as returning members. Come and join us for some fun games, free coaching, giveaways and a bbq.



The Wadestown Tennis Club is a community tennis club for school-aged children from year 1 through to year 13. We are based at the Wadestown School tennis courts.

We aim to get kids of all abilities involved, whether they want to join for the fun and social side of tennis or to improve their skills through coaching and interclub.

We hold a popular weekly Club Night on Friday nights from 5.30pm to 7.30pm in Terms 4 and 1, which includes coaching for year 1 to year 8 kids and a bbq. Club Nights are a fun way to introduce your children to tennis, with mini-courts especially for the younger ones and rackets they can use. Club Nights are also a great way to connect with other parents and to unwind after a busy week.

We also enter teams into the Wellington interclub competition, and host Club Championships, a Parent/Child Tournament and a Parents' Mixed Doubles Tournament each season.

If you are interested in joining, feel free to pop along to our Open Day to see what it's all about. For more information including registration details see our website at <https://clubspark.kiwi/WadestownTennisClub>, or email wadestowntennis@gmail.com.

