

KEY DATES

Friday 19 May	Pink Shirt Day - <i>Gold coin donations please</i>
Friday 19 May	PTA Sausage Sizzle
Saturday 20 May	Inspire Photography - PTA fundraiser
Thursday 25 May, 7:00pm	Board Meeting, Staffroom
Wednesday 31 May, 1:40pm	New Parents Seminar, Staffroom
Monday 5 June	King's Birthday Holiday - school closed
Tuesday 6 June, 7:00pm	PTA meeting, Staffroom
Tuesday 13 June (pp 15th June)	Interzone Cross Country, Grenada North Park
Tuesday 20 June (pp 22nd June)	Northern Zone Hockey, National Hockey Stadium
Thursday 22nd June, 7:00pm	Board Meeting, Staffroom
Wednesday 28 & Thursday 29 June	Three Way Conferences - whole school
Friday 30 June, 3:00pm	End of Term 2

Tēnā koutou Families

No doubt you too will be thinking of the whānau of Karnin Petera who lost his life in the tragic caving event this week. It was such a shock to hear this dreadful news, feeling the huge responsibility of our roles as tumuaki and kaiako in the safety of the tamariki in our care. I can't begin to imagine what the school is going through at this time, so it is a timely reminder to ensure our checks continue to be robust. At Ngaio School we take safety seriously and have comprehensive risk management processes in place for every excursion. We identify possible risks (*what could cause it to go wrong*) across the people, resources/equipment and environment, plan our risk management strategies (*How could we prevent it from going wrong*), then identify emergency procedures to manage the identified risks should they occur. We consider the needs of the group with regard to supervision ratios and any extra support required. We err on the side of caution with our ratios and are grateful that a great response from parents when requesting helpers allows this. We also keep up to date, with key staff participating in professional development, so we keep our processes up to date; and for events like camp we elevate the health and safety sign-off to Board level. Many outside providers, for example Forest Lakes Camp and the Akau Tangi Sports Centre, also share their risk management plans which we add to our planning.

Education Outside the Classroom is a current review topic on Schooldocs. If you would like to participate in the review, go to <https://ngaio.schooldocs.co.nz/> and enter the username **Ngaio** and password **abbott**. If you click on the tab that says 'Current Review', you will find Education Outside the Classroom in the topics list. Once you navigate to the policy you will be able to start your review.



We have temporary steps for the outside of the pedestrian gates on both Abbott St and Ottawa Rd so children can enter the school if an adult is not present to reach the latch. At this stage the car gate will be open overnight and on weekends to continue to allow families who use the school grounds for recreation to use the carpark if needed.



Congratulations to all the cross country runners who competed in the Northern Zone event this week. I was able to make the Tūi presentations this morning but sadly missed the rest due to other meetings. It's always great to see how well Ngaio taira perform in the school cross country and

subsequent events. Thank you to all the parents who helped with transport and supervision at the Northern Zone event.



We farewell Dan Byrne today, along with his children Ryan and Zoe as they prepare to fly out to the U.K. on Monday. We wish them all the very best for the adventures ahead, both in the U.K. and U.S. and look forward to their return at the start of 2024.

Ngā mihi nui

Raewyn Watson, Te Tumuaki

WEARABLE ARTS

This year we have a number of Kakapo and Tui students participating in Show Quest Wearable Arts. These students are very self-motivated and dedicated to creating their visions. If you have any spare craft materials or fabric that you'd like to donate the children would appreciate this greatly.

We would also like to request assistance from any whanau or community members who have skills in sewing, crafting, etc to come in and help the children with their designs. If you would like to help please contact Sam Jenkins at s.jenkins@ngaio.school.nz.

COVID-19

Schools in the area are still reporting cases of Covid amongst students and staff. Please continue to be vigilant, testing when required and keeping children at home if they are unwell.

SCHOOL LUNCHES - <https://www.ngaio.school.nz/school-life/lunches/>

School lunches are available three days a week as follows:

- Tuesday - Sushi
 - Thursday - Subway
 - Friday - Parsons Cafe and Bakery
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PTA NEWS

Sausage Sizzle Orders Close TODAY!

It's not too late to place your order for next week's Sausage Sizzle. Orders close today.

Place your orders now via MyKindo:

https://shop.tgcl.co.nz/shop/q2.shtml?shop=Ngaio%20School&service=sausage_sizzle&fbclid=IwAR0Td7XfYCR8Dtpsiko9clKksHmajlqZqe5pt8ta3cC_SBhiodiJENxh3c0

Sizzle Volunteers Needed

We need volunteers on the day of the sizzle, Friday 19 May. We need 2 cooks from 11:00am-12:30pm and 7 assembly and delivery people from 12:00-1:00pm. Email Heather Payne on hevatee@hotmail.com if you can help.

Last Chance to Book an Inspire Family Photo Shoot

There are two slots left for the Inspire Photography family photo shoot next Saturday 20 May.

Slots available are 11:45am and 4:45pm. There is a \$20 sitting fee, and 10% of the sales proceeds will benefit the school.

Bookings close next Wednesday 17 May. Booking and paying is a two-step process, as follows:

- BOOK a time via this link at the School Bookings website:

<https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/code/usmw3>

Once you have a confirmed slot and receive confirmation please move to step 2

- PAY the \$20 booking fee via the Kindo link here:
https://shop.tgcl.co.nz/shop/q2.shtml?shop=Ngaio%20School&service=inspire_photography_fundraiser

Once you have booked and paid, your slot is confirmed.

(Alternatively, please pay the \$20 fee into the PTA bank account: 12-3140-0318313-00. Please enter your surname and initial as reference and '**Inspire**' as your code.)

Order Yummy Pies for your Family!

You can now order savoury or sweet pies for your family through our Pie Fundraiser. All family pies are \$12 each and funds raised will go towards helping the school implement its Master Plan. Orders close next Friday 19 May so get in quick! Order via MyKindo:

https://shop.tgcl.co.nz/shop/q2.shtml?shop=Ngaio%20School&service=pie_fundraiser

Join the PTA Committee!

Looking for a chance to give back to the school in a fun and fulfilling way? Join the PTA Committee. We have two positions available. Our Treasurer is stepping down and our Fundraising Coordinator has taken the role of Chairperson so we need some new people to join the team. **Full training will be provided.**

Contact the PTA if you're interested in learning more: pta@ngaio.school.nz.

Ngaio School Hoodies Still Available for Purchase!

Did you miss out on our school hoodies sale? No worries. You can still purchase one via the supplier's website: <https://dynastyteamstore.co.nz/collections/ngaio-school>.

Available in Royal Blue, Dark Navy Blue and Bottle Green – cotton material

- Kids sizes \$49
- Adult sizes \$52

Optional custom name on the back \$10

Term 2 PTA Calendar of Events	
Inspire Photography Fundraiser	Saturday, 20 May
Pie Fundraiser	Delivery 1 June
PTA Meeting, 7:00pm	Tuesday, 6 June
Sausage Sizzle (Pink Shirt Day)	Friday 19 May
Staff Appreciation Morning Tea	Wednesday, 28 June

Job descriptions are shown in the VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES section on the PTA page on the website <https://www.ngaio.school.nz/school-info/our-pta/> or contact pta@ngaio.school.nz for more info.

Remember to follow us on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/search/top?q=ngaio%20school%20pta>

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Montessori at Otari Preschool and Playgroup warmly invite interested families to our Open Day on Saturday 27th May, 10:00am – 12:00 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 have a few spaces available for an immediate start. For more information phone 475 9688 or email wcmp@xtra.co.nz.

Sunday 21st May E-Waste Recycling Opportunity

Back by popular demand. The Sacred Heart Cathedral Fundraising Team have organised another e-waste recycling day at Cardinal McKeefrey School, 66 Albermarle Road, Wilton from 12:00 noon to 4:00pm. Have a big “spring” clean and drop off your e-waste for a minimal cost. Please also tell your friends. This is a great opportunity to responsibly dispose of your e-waste whilst supporting a very worthwhile cause. The Refurbishment of the Sacred Heart Cathedral.

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 to

Festival Day:

In 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 May

The cost for the 8-week programme is \$50. Register using the following link for the Player registration system PlayHQ

<https://www.playhq.com/hockey-new-zealand/register/5a8236>