

KEY DATES

TERM 3	
Saturday 16 September	St Brigid's Kapa Haka Festival at Rāroa Normal Intermediate
Wednesday 20 September	Staff Appreciation Morning Tea
Wednesday 20 September, 2:15pm	Open Afternoon - <i>I am a Historian</i>
Thursday 21 September	Inter Regional Cross Country - Christchurch
Friday 22 September, 3:00pm	End of term 3
Monday 9 October, 9:00am	Start of term 4
Tuesday 10 October (pp 12th)	School Athletics Day - Nairnville Park
Thursday 19 October, 7:00pm	PTA Meeting - Staffroom
Friday 20 October	Staff Only Day. School is closed to students
Monday 23 October	Labour Day Holiday - School closed
Thursday 26 October, 2:00-6:30pm	Disco at school
Thursday 26 October, 7:00pm	Board Meeting - Staffroom
Friday 27 October, 8:00am	New Families Breakfast - Kea
Monday 30 October (pp 6 Nov)	Northern Zone Athletics - Newtown Athletics Stadium
Thurs/Fri 2 & 3 November	School Photos
Wednesday 8 November 1:40pm	New Parent's Information Seminar, Staffroom
Tuesday 21 November (pp 23rd)	Inter Zone Athletics - Newtown Athletics Stadium
Tuesday 21 November, 7:30pm	PTA Volunteers Evening
Thursday 30 November, 7:00pm	Board Meeting, Staffroom
Tuesday 5 December (pp 7th)	Regional Athletics - Newtown Athletics Stadium
Wednesday 6 December	Staff Appreciation Morning Tea
Tuesday 12 December, 9:00-10:00am	Pōhutukawa Final Assembly
Wednesday 13 December, 6:00-9:00pm	Year 6 Graduation at Rāroa Intermediate
Friday 15 December, 12:30pm	End of Term 4

Tena koutou katoa, *Te Wiki o te Reo Māori*

Ākonga have been immersed in a range of activities in celebration of Te Wiki o te Reo Māori. Ka pai tino pai tamariki ma! Photographed are ākonga from Ruma 16 constructing waka hourua. What's particularly tino pai ake about this photograph is the weaving together of so many learning areas including Technology, Aotearoa New Zealand Histories, Te Wiki o te Reo Māori and Book Character Day. Ka mau te wehi!



It has felt like Wonderland today with the vast majority of ākonga and kaiako dressing up for book character day. The Book Fair has brought a lot of joy to ākonga this week. Thank you to the group of parents, led by Hannah Baker and Sarah Young, who made this possible. The money raised feeds directly into our school library to ensure it is well stocked and remains a special place in the heart of our school. Thank you also to the team of bakers who made cupcakes and to Heather Payne and a team of parent helpers for organising the pizza lunch.

Ngaio School was well represented at Showcase Dance on Wednesday evening at the Michael Fowler Centre. Ākonga from Years 4 - 6 performed their choreographed dance based on the board game Cluedo. The dance was perfected over the term during lunchtimes. Thank you to Sam and the wider Tūi team for their dedication to providing another opportunity for ākonga and whānau to experience. Being *open minded* to giving things a go and new experiences is one of Ngaio School's values - Ka pai!



Hopefully you have noted in your diary our Open Afternoon 2.15pm next Wednesday 20 September. We are hosting this event as a way of showcasing our *I am a Historian* school wide learning focus this term stemming from the new Aotearoa New Zealand Histories Curriculum. The structure of ANZHC uses three elements of Understand, Know, Do. These elements will eventually provide the framework for all of the curriculum areas currently being refreshed and rolled out of the next few years. Our upcoming Teacher Only Day on Friday 20 October (tagged to Labour Weekend) has a focus on the new curriculum *Te Mātaiaho*. All schools were given two additional Teacher Only days at the beginning of the year to focus on the introduction of *Te Mātaiaho*. Our first curriculum refresh TOD was in Term 2 and the second is on Friday 20 October.

Hiahia pai (good luck) to our Kapa Haka performing tomorrow in the St Brigids' Kapa Haka Festival at Rāroa Normal Intermediate. The roopu has been rehearsing for this event over several months. They performed to the whole school earlier this week and are certainly performance ready for tomorrow.

A massive thank you for donations flooding into our bank account from our recent Math-a-thon. We have not added up the total amount yet but are overwhelmed by the generosity of our whānau community.

Ngā mihi nui

Sarah Simpson, Acting Te Tumuaki

RELIEVER SHORTAGE

The reliever crisis has hit us hard again over the past weeks. There have been several days when we have been unable to find relievers and have had to resort to splitting classes within syndicates. In order to cover classes we have removed teacher release, and paused Literacy Support. I have been covering classes along with Michelle on her non-contact days and using our SENCo Jo as a reliever. This is not a Ngaio School specific issue, rather one experienced across the country as numbers of available relieving teachers have diminished. Please know that when teachers are away we do our very best to maintain

classroom programmes and keep the learning alive for ākonga. Thank you for supporting us as we navigate our way through this.

ORANGE DAY PARADE

Our Road Patrollers represented our school at the Orange Day Parade today and won the Parade Banner Competition. Tino Pai! We are very proud of you all! Thank you for keeping us all safe as we cross the pedestrian crossings rain, hail and shine.

FUTSAL



This week we had 76 students from across the school attend the Capital Football Futsal Tournaments. These tournaments are designed for players of all abilities and gives students a chance to try futsal (indoor football) in a safe and enjoyable environment. Our Ngaio teams played fantastically! A huge thank you to all of our parent helpers! Here's some words from Otis E and Leo M about the experience:

It was fun because we got to play other schools! We played for 15 minutes and then rested for 15 minutes to keep our energy. Everyone got a chance to have the ball which was great!

INTERZONE SWIMMING

Yesterday a team of 7 went to the Interzone Swimming Sports competition. A big **congratulations** to Hetty H, Rylee B, Tessa M, Isla G, Mila G, Niamh H and Genna D for making it to this competition! The team was amazing and we look forward to the results. Thank you to our parent helpers for supporting this event.



PB4L POSTER WINNERS

Thank you to all ākonga who participated in the PB4L Poster Competition. The winners were acknowledged in our school assembly on Monday afternoon. Well done: Louie, Sylvia and Rosalie.

COMMUNITY & HEALTH CONSULTATIONS

Kia ora koutou Ngaio School community,

Community Consultation

The Ministry of Education has introduced Te Whakangārahu Ngātahi to improve schools' planning and reporting practice. This means there are upcoming changes to how Ngaio School plans and reports - the Ngaio School charter will be replaced by a three-year strategic plan and every year the Ngaio School Board, with support and input from the Ngaio School community, will deliver an annual strategic plan.

To deliver the first new three year strategic plan and annual plan we need to hear from you - the Ngaio School Community. To make Ngaio School the best place it can be, we have designed the following questionnaire. The purpose of this questionnaire is for you to tell us what is most important to you and your child/ren. All responses will be read by the Ngaio School Board and used to inform the 2024-2026 strategic and 2024 annual plan. What we hear will be shared back with you to ensure we've got it right, and there will be the opportunity to submit further feedback throughout the rest of this year.

Please fill in this questionnaire <https://forms.gle/xhWK4XJWqUiu6iXF6>

We would love your responses by 17 September

Responses to this questionnaire are anonymous, but if you would like to talk to one of us in more detail about any of your responses, please reach out to any board member (contact details in [ON BOARD Term 2](#)) or include your email in the last section and we will reach out.

Health Consultation

It is time for Ngaio School to undertake a Health Consultation. Please take time to read through our Health Plan and complete the short consultation survey [here](#)

We look forward to hearing your voice and thank you for taking the time to make Ngaio School the best it can be!

Ngā mihi nui

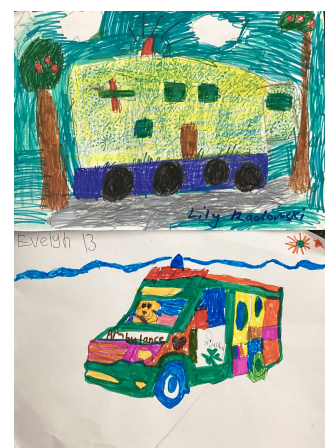
Ngaio School Board

Wellington Free Ambulance Onesie Day

Thank you for helping us raise a total of \$510

It was great to have 131 entries in this 'Poster Design Competition'.

Congratulations to the poster winners:





CONGRATULATIONS to the following ākonga for their amazing Book Cover designs!

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| Esmē | Room 15 |
| Cruz | Room 16 |
| Minnie | Room 10 |
| Genna | Room 12 |
| Abigail | Room 23 |
| Annabel | Room 20 |

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

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Do you know a child who loves to sing?

Bring them along to our CHORISTER OPEN DAY, where they can experience what it is like to sing with the Cathedral Choristers.

Includes a tour of the Cathedral and Fish and Chip supper.

Thursday 19 October, 3:30-6:30pm

Register here: <https://www.wellingtoncathedral.org.nz/chorister>

BROADWAY IN THE HUTT! The Broadway smash hit Aladdin Jr. opens at the Lower Hutt Little Theatre on Sunday, 17th September, starring students and alumni from our school!! With a magic flying carpet, a giant Cave of Wonders, a feisty princess and everyone's favourite wish-granting Genie, this year's Musical Stars' performance promises to blow audiences away with all your favourite songs and spectacular special effects!

Featuring a cast of beloved characters, and loaded with magic, adventure and plenty of laughs, Aladdin Jr. will take you on a magical ride. A great family night out and on for one week only: get your tickets today!

Aladdin Jr is on at Lower Hutt Little Theatre
17th-23rd September, Tickets at trybooking:



https://www.trybooking.com/nz/events/landing/9502?fbclid=IwAR1aJ6WYaKVezfsMFsH0rbQziT_TS_9fh-F6GqtDZGIKRra53CUzixpwjPsl_aem_AbQ7Nzpl1BdV9UOMCa-DXyJmMGRwAo3vi-nE1_RtUHZ-Z5JI42xyQoSPw5y6AwOXsyGo

Total Touch Holiday Programme

9am-3pm, 2nd-4th October- just \$30 a day for a fun day with the Total Touch Crew INCLUDING NZ Touch Rep George Jahnke!

Register now!

- ✓ Quality coaching
- ✓ Inclusive
- ✓ Good people
- ✓ Good times

Available for Year 1-Year 8 players.

It's not all touch focused for the younger children (we have a range of other activities on hand and planned) and also include fun activities nurturing relationships and teamwork for all age groups.

Join us at Petone Rugby Club to learn new skills, advance on what you already know and make great new friendships leading into the 23/23 season. Registrations -

<https://totaltouch.fmweb.nz/october-holiday-programme>

Any questions- please contact Bronwyn

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FOOTBALL **NETBALL**
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SUMMER SERIES
2023 2024

SUMMER FOOTBALL 5-A-SIDE
Ian Galloway Park, Wilton

SUMMER NETBALL
Samuel Marsden School & Karori Normal School

TEAM ENROLMENTS NOW OPEN
TERM 4: 27 Oct – 15 Dec 2023 TERM 1: 2 Feb – 22 Mar 2024

REGISTER YOUR TEAM ONLINE TODAY!
kellysports.co.nz/netball2023 ★ kellysports.co.nz/football2023

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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

Ernest Rutherford
Epic New Zealand Adventurers

78-STORE TREEHOUSE

"I loved meeting other young authors and learning awesome techniques that will help my writing."
Gabiella (14)

"It made writing easier for me and explained aspects of stories I didn't really understand."
Anna (12)

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



Where: **Raras Intermediata**
37 Haumia Street, Johnsonville
When: **3 Oct to 5 Oct 2023**

Register now at:
WriteLikeanAuthor.com



WRITE like an AUTHOR



Summer tennis is coming – register now! Anyone interested in playing tennis or receiving some tennis coaching this summer can contact the **Ngaio Tennis Club** on email at:

ngaiojnrtennis@gmail.com (or visit the website

www.ngaiotennis.co.nz) to find out more info on how to join, coaching, interclub and more!