

Please note Key Dates are now at the end of the newsletter (before Community Notices).

Tēnā koutou Families

A huge thank you to those of you who have already paid the Annual Family donation. As mentioned last week, this really makes a difference and lets us offer a well resourced and interesting curriculum, as well as maintaining our site.

We also appreciate the swimming payments so far. Receiving enough to cover swimming tuition will help us plan for future swimming programmes. It signals to us the value of swimming instruction, something we'd really like to continue.

We've just concluded our ERO visit, with the reviewers now writing up their findings for a report that will be available in a few weeks. We are feeling very proud of their observations of our special place and all it has to offer! One gem from a reviewer was her comment that she would be very happy to send her children here! Congratulations to our staff, including our kaiako who bring our curriculum to life and know your tamariki so well.

I hope you enjoy the ROCKET Carnival this evening - the weather is forecast to be clear so hopefully this comes true and we can be outside and not revert to our wet weather plan!

Ngā mihi nui
Raewyn Watson
The Tumuaki

This Friday 21 March is Little Heart Day.

Every week 12 families are told that their child has a heart condition, and every week Heart Kids NZ is there to support them.

Little Heart Day is Heart Kids NZ's national annual fundraising campaign where kind-hearted Kiwis come together to raise money and help support the

thousands of children and whānau impacted by childhood heart conditions in Aotearoa, including some at Ngaio School.

Please encourage your children to wear red and bring a gold coin if they're able.

You can find out more [here](#) - there are lots of other ways to contribute, including by filling Leo's or Evan's virtual buckets.

Little Heart Day: this Friday 21st March!

Please wear red to show your
support and bring a
gold coin if you're
able!

There are plenty of Heart Kid Superheroes at
Ngaio School! Like Leo M in Room 21.

Leo and many others are set up to shake an
online virtual bucket. If you want to check that
out and learn more about the awesome work
that Heart Kids NZ does, please take a look....

<https://littleheartday.org.nz>

*Every week 12 families are told that their child has a heart
condition, and every week Heart Kids NZ is there to support them.
Thank you for your support!*

LITTLE *Heart* DAY ♥

THIS WEEK 12 KIWI
FAMILIES WILL BE TOLD
THEIR CHILD HAS A
HEART CONDITION

Heart Kids NZ supports
these families.

Little Heart Day is their
biggest fundraising
campaign for the year...

♥ TEXT 'EVAN' TO 2427

AND DONATE \$3 TODAY
TO HELP THE SMALLEST
HEARTS FACING THE
BIGGEST CHALLENGES



KIDNEY KIDS NZ

Thank you for your generous donations to support this important fundraiser. We raised an amazing \$257.50.



REMINDER - donations to cover the cost of swimming lessons in 2025 have now been requested.

Our swimming pool is a valuable asset that continues to cost a substantial amount of money to keep running for the benefit of our school community. Although the impact on our budget is substantial, we believe in the importance of learning to swim at a young age and would like to be able to keep the pool going long term if possible.

Swimming lessons are an additional cost, run by Easyswim Swim School. We have been informed by Easyswim that the cost for swimming instruction in 2025 is \$46 per student. (8 lessons @ \$5.75).

We have loaded the swimming donation onto Kindo for your convenience, however you will note this amount is \$47.36 to cover the \$2.95% Kindo fee and appreciate you donating this extra amount if you can. Alternatively, you are welcome to pay \$46 by internet banking, or by Eftpos in the school office.

If you are making your payment by internet banking into the school bank account

Please use your child's name and SWIMMING when making payment into the school account 12-3140-0210759-00 and use the code 0209. Alternatively, Eftpos is available in the office.

MOVIN' MARCH

It's been fantastic seeing all the completed WOW Passports going into the Movin' March box in the school office. So many students have been walking or wheeling to or from school, well done all of you!

All completed cards go in the draw to win one of 5 x Micro Scooters and helmets (you don't have to complete your whole card to go in the draw!).

If your family lives too far away, why not park a short distance away from the school gate and walk or wheel the rest of the way?

The Wellington City Council has sent us this timely reminder about parking safely near schools. We've had lots of complaints lately about poor driving and parking, especially around Colways St.

Please take care, use the crossing and please, no u-turns.

Park safely near schools

Help keep children safe by parking correctly. You put children at risk when you park illegally.

Do not park:

- on broken yellow lines
- on the footpath
- on or near a school crossing
- in the school driveway
- in a bus stop or the school bus bay
- in a 'No parking' zone
- in an area reserved for disabled people.

You could be fined up to **\$750** for a parking offence.

To find out more about parking, call **04 499 4444** or email **roadsafety@wcc.govt.nz**

Thank you for parking safely.



****SUBWAY MULGRAVE STREET****

A reminder about Subway's School Lunch Programme for Ngaio School which is available every Thursday during the school year

Please remember that online orders need to be placed by 9am Thursday for same-day delivery.

Payments can only be made via Credit Card.

****Instructions.****



1. Go to www.subwayexpress.co.nz
2. Select > School Lunch Programme
3. Log in (or register if you're using Subway Express for the first time)
4. Select > Ngaio School
5. Fill out the fields for Student name and class
6. Now, choose your Sub: Select Sandwich size, Bread type, Cheese options, Salad options, and any special requests (like cookies or drink options)
7. Confirm your order
8. Complete your payment details and place the order

For the rest of the term when you make an order one lucky student will be picked at random and win a \$15 Subway Gift card.

Did you also know that every time you order Subway the school receives a small rebate that comes back for the school to use?

PTA NEWS

We certainly hope you have enjoyed the Rocket Carnival this evening! It takes so many people from Ngaio School staff, teachers, PTA members, volunteers, students and amazing local businesses to make these events a success. We will thank everyone in the next newsletter, and include the total funds raised from the event, which will go toward the much needed playground upgrade.

Calling all bakers !

We require a handful of volunteers to support our Staff Appreciation Morning Tea, a celebration for our staff & teachers held once a term, falling on Wednesday 2 April 2025.

Please email pta@ngaio.school.nz if you are available to provide baking for this event. If you would like to be added to our official "regular bakers" list, let us know also.



Ngaio School Hoodies & T Shirts on sale now

We are thrilled to bring back the Ngaio School Hoodies & T Shirts. There are samples at the school office if you want to test out sizing. You can buy these directly from the supplier by using the links or QR code in the images. You can even add a name to the back!

Orders close 5.00pm 11 April 2024 (last day of term).

NGAIO SCHOOL T-SHIRTS

Kids sizes \$25
Adult sizes \$28

100%
cotton



Orders must be placed online:

<https://dynastyteamstore.co.nz/collections/ngaio-school>



Orders
close:
11 April
(End of
Term 1)

Colours available:

GREEN	PURPLE
ORANGE	ROYAL
RED	BLUE

T-shirts will be delivered to the school and distributed to classrooms near the beginning of Term 2. Or, for a fee you can have them delivered to your home address.

NGAIO SCHOOL HOODIES

Kids sizes \$52.50 Adult sizes \$55.00

Optional custom name \$10



Orders must be placed online:

<https://dynastyteamstore.co.nz/collections/ngaio-school>



Hoodies will be delivered to the school and distributed to classrooms near the beginning of Term 2

Orders
close:
11 April
(End of
Term 1)

SAUSAGE SIZZLE & ICE BLOCKS

We will be having our Term 1 Sausage Sizzle on Friday 4th April - Why? Because the kids love it!

Vegetarian sausages and lemonade popsicles are available too. Save yourself making a school lunch, and place your orders via mykindo by 5pm Sunday the 30th of March. Sorry but late orders cannot be accepted.

HELP NEEDED! We are seeking some volunteers to help with the sausages and sizzling - we need two people to cook the Sausages 11-12.30pm and 6 people to help to deliver orders to classrooms between 12- 1.30pm.

KEY DATES

LINK: [School Community Calendar](#)

Thursday 20 March, 5 – 7:00pm	ROCKET CARNIVAL
Friday 21 March, 9- 10am	Kākāpō Hui - Hosted by Room 1 & 3
Friday 21 March	Little Heart Day
Mon 24 March, 10am - 12.30pm	Tūi Yr 4/5 Triathlon
Friday 28 March, 9 - 10am	Tūi Hui - hosted by Rm 20 (Hayden) in Rm 24
Friday 28 March	Northern Zone Football - Alex Moore Park
Monday 31 March	Teacher Only Day (MoE allocated) SCHOOL CLOSED
Tuesday 1 April	Yr 5&6 Northern Zone Football
Tuesday 1 April	Registrations Close for Great Kiwi Comp Y5&6
Wednesday 2 April	PTA staff appreciation morning tea
Thursday 3 April, 2.15 - 3pm	Open afternoon
Friday 4 April, 9- 10am	Kākāpō Hui - Hosted by Rooms 5 & 8
Mon 7 - Fri 11 April	Pedal Ready Dates Y5 EOTC Week
Tues 8 April - Fri 11 April	Year 6 at Forest Lakes Camp
Friday 11 April, 3:00pm	Term 1 Ends
Monday 28 April, 9:00am	Term 2 Begins

COMMUNITY NOTICES



GREEN ROOM, WESTS RUGBY CLUBROOMS, WILTON

FOOTBALL HP

TUES 15, WEDS 16, THURS 17 APRIL

TUES 22, WEDS 23, THURS 24 APRIL

9.30AM-12.30PM

PERFECT FOR BEGINNERS AND THOSE WHO ARE WANTING TO LEARN MORE ABOUT FOOTBALL AND HAVE SOME FUN!
COME ALONG AND IMPROVE TECHNIQUE, KNOWLEDGE AND SKILL

BOOK ONLINE NOW AT
KELLYSPORTS.CO.NZ



We are excited to announce we are hosting another **Wellington Phoenix** Experience camp in Wellington at Fraser Park during the April School holidays. This camp will take place on the 17th & 18th of April between 9am and 3pm and is targeted for children born between 2011 – 2016.

Our Experience Camps provide a unique opportunity for us to engage with young football enthusiasts from diverse communities across New Zealand. It serves as a platform for local talents to interact with Wellington Phoenix Staff, offering from a glimpse into the life of New Zealand's sole professional football academy. Moreover, it marks the initial step in our talent identification process. Promising players identified during these camps may be invited to join a Discovery Camp later in the year. Additionally, we will be conducting coaching and parent workshops aimed at fostering growth within football communities and bridging the gap between grassroots and academy-level football.

For further information including how to register please visit:

<https://wellingtonphoenixacademy.com/experience-camps/>



Who are we:

The Winter Project is a student-led charity group run by a group of Year 11 and Year 13 students from Samuel Marsden Collegiate School in Karori. We collect second-hand winter clothes and deliver them to schools in the greater Wellington region. Specifically targeting families who are in need of warmth for the cold winter months ahead.

What you can do:

Please bring any preloved, clean, warm clothing items in good condition. These can be anything like scarves, beanies, gloves, blankets, jerseys, tops, jackets, raincoats, puffers, warm pants or shoes. There will be a box placed in your school to put the items in. Thank you so much for your help!

Please bring items to the school office

Contact us:

Facebook: The Winter Project

Instagram: [_thewinterproject](#)

Email: winterprojectwgt@gmail.com

HUNTLEIGH PARK *Sunday 23rd March 12-3^{pm}*

- BYO Picnic • Sausage Sizzle • Bike Repairs • Face Painting • Fire Truck • Music •
- Games • Raffles & Prizes • Community Stalls • Meet Your Neighbours •

Ngaio Community Picnic

• Celebrating Open Streets •



Choose your sustainable adventure

- Guided bike ride for people new to cycling •
- Walking scavenger hunt •
- Family-friendly community fun bike ride •
- Or just join us straight at the picnic! •

For more details & to choose your Open Streets Adventure, go to:

NGAIO.ORG.NZ

Absolutely Positively
Wellington City Council
Me Heke Ki Pōneke



Ngaio
Playcentre



Keen to play hockey
this season?

• Where

Ngaio School teams play in the Wellington Hockey Association junior winter league, typically on the astroturf at Newtown.

• When

Saturday mornings (early May to mid September). Not past midday.

• Teams

Our teams play in the Year 3&4 (3-a-side) or Year 5&6 (6-a-side) grades. All teams are mixed – girls and boys.

• No experience needed

Any year 3-6 child can register to play hockey – they do not need to have experience and can enter at any year level. They'll learn how to play!

• Practise

Once a week, after school on the Ngaio School astroturf. Day/time TBC within each team.

• Any questions?

Our hockey community is very supportive and encouraging. Please reach out to our Hockey Co-ordinators:

Hilary Sharp, hilarysharp@gmail.com,
phone 021 207 6362

Jo Mettrick, jo@mayflydesign.co.nz,
phone 021 1844 272



Click this QR
code to link to
the sign up form.

Or go to <https://forms.gle/KHIXDih26LESZA>

Please sign up
by 21st March.



New skills • Friends • Fun!



This Saturday!

Pukeahu Play Festival 2025

Saturday, 22 March, 12pm–4pm Pukeahu National War Memorial Park

Nau mai tamaki and whānau! Let's celebrate Wellington's cultural diversity through the power of play, in the heart of Pōneke.

Come play!



Māori poi toa, Ukutangi, Porotiti, Raranga +
Carrom board games



Gariir - Somali knuckebones
Kirikiti - Sāmoan cricket



Cook Island Dancing workshops
Sack races Colombian style



Vietnamese Bamboo stick game
Somali Corn Husk Doll making



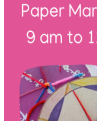
Games from Ghana
Welsh Crankie storytelling



Music/ Food Trucks/ Kaumātua area /
Free books



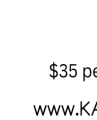
Free books



Free books



Free books



Free books

Pārekareka



Manatū Taonga

KARORI ARTS & CRAFTS CENTRE School Holiday Programme April 2025



Monday, 14 April



Orizome
9 am to 12 pm



Kite Making
1 pm to 4 pm

Family Friendly Day!
Tuesday, 15 April

Paper Marbling
9 am to 12 pm



Kumihimo
1 pm to 4 pm

Thursday, 17 April



Shadow Play
9 am to 12 pm



Driftwood Sculpture
1 pm to 4 pm

\$35 per session

www.KACC.org.nz
for complete details



Creative Writing Workshop

Get creative at Katherine
Mansfield House & Garden!

Are you a 10-14-year-old who loves writing? Find inspiration and learn new tools for getting creative at our April School Holidays creative writing workshop.

Morning session: 14 April, 9.30am to 12.30pm
Afternoon session: 14 April, 1.30pm to 4.30pm

Or make a day of it and register for both! \$25 per session, includes snacks, writing materials and a qualified tutor.

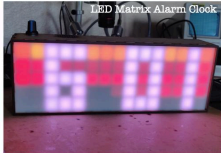
Find out more and register at
www.katherinemansfield.com

STEM Holiday Programme

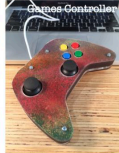
MAKERROOM
Wellington



Code Breaker Safe



LED Matrix Alarm Clock



Game Controller

This Holidays Choose from 3 Awesome Projects in 5 Convenient Locations

Miramar, Kilbirnie, Petone, Northland and Newlands

One Day, Take Home Builds For Young Makers Aged 10-14

Small Group Sizes With Friendly Experienced Instructors

\$130 For The Day, 14th - 24th April 2025

To Learn More and Book Your Place visit:
www.makerroomwellington.nz

THE CIRCUS HUB

ENROLL NOW

School
HOLIDAY
Programme
April 14th - 24th



Learn

- ✓ Aerials
- ✓ Tumbling
- ✓ Balancing
- ✓ Juggling
- ✓ and more ...

for ages 5 - 15
no experience necessary

circus.org.nz/school-holiday-programme



INNER CITY ART STUDIO

School Holiday Art Workshops
For kids that love art

A Day of Clay Beginners Hand Building

1 day beginners clay course, April, 14th 9am-3pm

A Day of Clay 2 Beginners Clay April 16th, 9am - 3pm.

Ages 8-14 Cost \$130 materials included

Sculpted Animal Dish - Students Learn Sculpting methods turning 2D images of an animal into a fabulous 3D ceramic animal Bowl
1 day course, April 15th, Ages 10- 15 years old,
9am - 4pm, Cost \$150 materials inc



Dreamscape Diaramas Create your own world in 3D,
Painting and sculpting in mixed materials, 1 day course
April 17th, 9am-4pm, Ages 8-14, costs \$135 incl materials

French Cafe and Art Scene - Drawing and inking like the masters
1 day course, April 22nd, 9am - 3pm. Ages 8-14
Cost \$90 materials and a hot chocolate included



Animal Botanical

Painting an animal into a botanical scene the studio
will be filled with flowers to observe and draw on large paper
1 day course, April 23rd 9am - 4pm, Ages 8- 14
Cost \$90 materials Included



Clay Creatures - Scientifically study an insect and recreate it in clay
1 day course, April 24th 9am - 3pm.
Ages 11-15 Cost \$90 materials included



All bookings and enquiries
www.innercityartstudio.com, Innercityartstudio@gmail.com,
FB: @InnercityArtStudio Insta: @innercityartstudio Ph: 0226407506
Paintings and sculpture on this poster made by kids (The turtle and clay was made by the tutor)

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Spend your next school holidays with Inverlochty Art School!



[learn more](#)

Children's & Young Artists' Holiday Programmes

FOR AGES 6-10 YEARS:
MON-THURS, 14-17 APRIL
9:30-11:30 DAILY

FOR AGES 10-14 YEARS:
MON-THURS, 14-17 APRIL
12:30 - 2:30 DAILY

Creative Sewing for Teens

FOR AGES 10 - 15

WEDS - THURS, 14 - 17 APRIL
10 AM - 12:30 PM DAILY

[learn more](#)

Pottery Wheel Throwing for Teens

FOR AGES 12+

TUES - WEDS, 15 - 16 APRIL
10 AM - 11:30 AM OR 1 - 2:30 PM DAILY



[learn more](#)



Jewellery Making for Teens

FOR AGES 13+

TUES 15 APRIL
10 AM - 1 PM

[learn more](#)

Creative Writing for Teens

FOR AGES 13 - 17

MON-THURS, 14-17 APRIL
10 AM - 1 PM DAILY

[learn more](#)

Whānau Sculpture with Clay

FOR TAMARIKI AND THEIR CAREGIVERS

MONDAY 14 APRIL, 10 AM - 12 PM
WEDNESDAY 16 APRIL, 1 PM - 3 PM

SUITE FOR AGES 6+

[learn more](#)



TERM TWO AfterSchool Sessions

Starting from 28 April

YOUNG ARTISTS AFTER SCHOOL
MONDAYS, 5:30 - 5:15 PM

POTTERY FOR TEENS & TEENS
MONDAYS, 5:45-5:15 PM

FUNDAMENTALS OF DRAWING FOR TEENS AND TEENS
TUESDAYS, 5:45-5:15 PM

www.inverlochty.org.nz

inverlochtyartschool@gmail.com

04 939 2177

MINECRAFT

Information!

Promotion runs from 11th April - 27th April

Scavenger Hunt Information

Scavenger Hunt can be completed in your own time, can be done within an hour or over a couple days, but must be completed before 27th April.

5 -12 Years Old Prize: 4 tickets to "A Minecraft Movie" + \$50 Light House Cinema Petone Voucher

13 Years Old + Prize: 4 tickets to "A Minecraft Movie" + \$50 Light House Cinema Petone Voucher

Building Competition Information

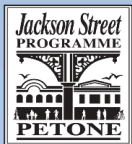
Please send in screenshots or a picture of your chosen building, and email it to:
info@jacksonstreet.co.nz

\$100 prize to the winner of the Building Competition

Label the email appropriately. Make sure to have your name and mobile phone number included in your submission

The building can be done on either Minecraft Java Edition or Bedrock Edition. No Mods, Add-Ons, or Texture Packs can be used. Can be built in Creative or Survival Mode

Winners of Scavenger Hunt and Building Competition will be notified via email. A text message may also be sent from the Jackson Street Programme



CONTACT US IF YOU HAVE ANY FURTHER QUESTIONS

The Jackson Street Programme
274b Jackson Street, Petone
Phone: 04 939 281 Email: info@jacksonstreet.co.nz



DISCLAIMER: THIS PROMOTION IS NOT AFFILIATED WITH, ENDORSED BY, OR SPONSORED BY MOJANG STUDIOS, MICROSOFT, OR MINECRAFT. ALL TRADEMARKS, LOGOS, CHARACTERS, AND BRAND ELEMENTS ARE THE PROPERTY OF THEIR RESPECTIVE OWNERS.

WAIRARAPA
BALLOON
Festival
EASTER 2025

FAMILY CARNIVAL

SATURDAY 19 APRIL

5 hours of action-packed entertainment for the whole family. Plus live music, food trucks and much more.

TICKETS AND DETAILS
www.nzballoons.co.nz



- Air balloon walk-throughs
- Live music
- Bouncy Castles
- Face Painting Zone
- Easter Egg Hunt
- Selection of market stalls
- The magical night balloon performance - lit up to music
- Delicious food and beverage options from Street Food vendors
- An unforgettable experience

Gates Open 3pm. Entertainment starts at 3pm

TICKETS AND DETAILS
www.nzballoons.co.nz

Discount Family Tickets available