

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

Tēnā koutou Families

Another week has zoomed by and we're surviving winter with lots of fine spells between the rain to get outside for most of the breaks.

There was a great turnout at last week's PTA meeting with lots of discussion around fundraising for the playground matting upgrade. Keep looking out for ways you can contribute to the PTA, either as a helper, or contributing through their fundraising efforts. Really hoping you can make it to their Smurf Movie fundraiser this weekend!

NZ School Boards Association has prepared an information session for aspiring Board members. See the information below to access this to help you consider whether being a Board member is for you. Remember you are very welcome to talk to any of our current Board members, including me, if you'd like to know more.

Thank you for taking the time this week to attend the Three-way Conferences with your tamariki. We were very happy to press 'go' on the reports last Friday and it seems they all arrived in your Hero App or emails without a hitch. There's a lot of change happening in education currently and our wonderful kaiako are working really hard to process the changes and learn everything new that is being introduced. Our achievement is being discussed at tonight's board meeting, and after considerable moderation and discussion, we are pleased to be reporting good outcomes, despite the increase in expectations across reading, writing and mathematics. We are expecting more change around assessment requirements soon and we may be asked to report in a specific way. In the meantime we are keeping up with change and our talented kaiako are ensuring your tamariki continue to be provided with rich learning opportunities across the curriculum.

Ngā mihi nui

Raewyn Watson
Te Tumuaki

NZSBA Kōrari for Aspiring Board Members

An information session for anyone interested in joining a board

Curious about what it means to be a school board member and how you can make a difference?

A board's strength comes from its community – your voice and experience matter.

Join us as we explore:

- What a school board is and what it does
- What it takes to be a board member
- How board members are elected
- What steps to take if you're interested
- Where to find information and support.

Learning Resources

Click on the link(s) below to access the resources for this event.

- [Community Member Guide to the role of the school board](#)
- [Kōrari webinar – slide deck](#)
- [Kōrari webinar – video](#)

These may download or open in a separate browser depending on your device.

Pedestrian Safety Around School

Sadly, we've had several reports of drivers parking on yellow lines, doing u-turns close to the school entrance and/or crossing, parents/caregivers crossing their children instead of walking to the pedestrian crossing. We ask that you take special care in the morning and afternoon rush and remember you are role models for not only your own tamariki, but others too. We want to be building safe behaviour for our little people so they can make good decisions and stay safe once they are more independent.

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.



PTA NEWS

LAST CHANCE!

SMURFS MOVIE

THIS SUNDAY!

There are still some tickets available to purchase for our PTA Movie Fundraiser this Sunday to watch the Smurfs latest adventures!

Funds raised will go towards the playground redevelopment and will directly benefit your Ngaio School tamariki.

Date: Sunday, 3rd August 2025

Time: 3:00 PM. Be there at 2.30pm.

Venue: Penthouse Cinema, Brooklyn

Price: \$20.00 per person

BUY NOW - through [MyKindo](#) Tickets include a goodie bag!

(You can share this link with whanau/friends outside of school too!)

You can also buy tickets at the door - so if you get to Sunday and feel like chilling to watch a family friendly film, then come on down!

SEE YOU SUNDAY! 🌟

Upcoming Volunteers NEEDED!

In Term 3 we have a very special but busy week with our annual "BOOK WEEK". This involves a huge combined effort between Ngaio school and the PTA involving a Scholastic Book Fair run across multiple days, including raffles and a bake sale, an evening event at the library with book readings and Milo, book dress up day, and a sausage sizzle... It's a Book Bonanza and WE NEED YOU!

Many more details to come! BUT to ensure we can run the events throughout the week, we need to establish some volunteer numbers -



Find the volunteer form here and let us know if you can help with one of the events -

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfTk_TnvA_92qZQn_rjbmuu4Q-nJQwcW0mpN9_uUScGdNZkdg/viewform

Ngā mihi nui

PTA

2025 Wellington and Kapi Mana Primary & Intermediate Schools Tournament

This is a singles tennis tournament and will be held at Renouf Tennis Centre, 60 Brooklyn Road, Wellington, reporting at 8:30am.

Primary Boys and Girls - Year 6 and under grades will be held on Tuesday 16th September.



Players

- will be guaranteed at least two single matches, weather permitting
- must have played tennis before and have knowledge of the rules of tennis and how to serve and score.
- must bring their own tennis racquet and wear appropriate sporting attire

One parent is required per school to manage the players.

If you wish your child to attend please complete the following BEFORE 5pm on Sunday 31st August. Email n.mitchell@ngaio.school.nz with the subject heading of "Tennis Tournament", advising your child's name and also if you are available to manage and /or transport children on the day.

Payment of \$20 will be uploaded on your MyKindo account on Monday 1st September to be paid by the end of Tuesday 2nd September.

KEY DATES

LINK: [School Community Calendar](#)

Thursday 31st July	Board Meeting	7pm
Sunday 3rd August	PTA Movie Fundraiser Penthouse	3pm
Wednesday 13 Aug	New Parents Information Seminar	1.40 - 2.45pm
Friday 15 August	Tui Swimming Sports - Keith Spry Pool	9am - 2pm
Friday 29 August	Daffodil Day	
1- 5 Sept	Book Week	
Friday 5 Sept	Book Character Day	

Friday 5 Sept	PTA Sausage Sizzle	
Wednesday 3- 5 Sept	Scholastic Book Fair	Afternoons 2.30pm-3.45pm Mornings Thurs & Fri 8.15am-9.15am
Thursday 4 Sept	Board Meeting	7pm
Monday 8 Sept	Great Kiwi Spelling Bee	11.30-12.30pm
Tuesday 9 Sept Wednesday 10 Sept	Epro 8	
Tuesday 9 Sept Wednesday 10 Sept	Futsal festival at Akau Tangi Sports Centre - Yr 4-6 days TBC	10am-2pm
Wednesday 10 Sept	Board Election	
Friday 12 Sept	Onesie Day - Wellington Free Ambulance Appeal	
Saturday 13 Sept	St Brigid's Kapa Haka Festival	
Tuesday 16 Sept	Cricket Visitors to school	9am-3pm
Wed 17 Sept	Staff Appreciation Morning Tea	11am
Friday 19 Sept	End of Term 3	3pm
Monday 6 Oct	Start of Term 4	9am
Friday 10 Oct	Athletics Day Nairnville Park	9.30am-2.30pm
Mon 20 Oct	Northern Zone Athletics Newtown Park	9am-3pm
Friday 24 October	Teacher Only Day	School Closed
Monday 27 October	Labour DaySchool	Closed

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Children's Opera Opportunity

We have a fantastic opportunity for your school's pupils to participate in a wonderful children's opera at Wellington Cathedral of St Paul.

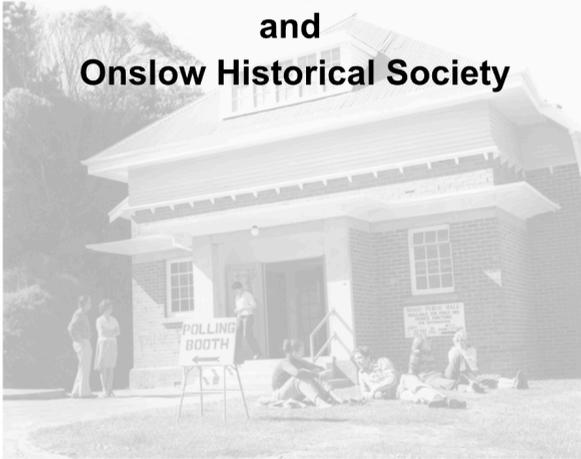
NOYES FLUDDE is a work by renowned composer Benjamin Britten, telling the story of Noah and the Ark, which we will be performing on October 17 and 18.

We are currently looking for children to take part in the 'chorus of animals' - no audition is required, just a desire to sing and be part of what will be a terrific occasion!

Any enquiries should be directed to Michael Stewart at dom@wellingtoncathedral.org.nz

NGAIO TOWN HALL CENTENARY

**Ngaio Crofton Downs Residents
Association,
and
Onslow Historical Society**



Invite members of our community to celebrate the 100th
Anniversary of the opening of Ngaio Town Hall

Afternoon Tea, 2.00 pm to 4.30pm

At the Hall, 1 Ottawa Road, Ngaio

Sunday 3 August 2025

RSVP –
centenarysvp@ngaio.org.nz

Bakers, a plate would be
warmly welcomed

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Ceramics, Sculpture, Painting, Drawing.

Term 3 every Tuesday 3.45pm - 5.45pm

5th August - 16th Sept \$336

Term 3 every Thursday 3.45pm - 5.30pm

7th August Sept 18th \$320

Ages 9 - 13, Term cost incl all materials

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Karori Bridge Club

274 Karori Road, Karori

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More details: www.karoribrIDGE.com/lessons

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