

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

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Tēnā koutou Families

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Bookfair last week. We had a lot of fun over the week, including storytime in the library and our book character dress up day. It was fun seeing all the costumes, including the staff who also made an effort to dress up!

We're thrilled with the final tally of the Readathon which will enable us to continue upgrading our digital devices - staying up to date for your tamariki. The final amount raised is \$11,307. Amazing - thank you! Congratulations to the winners of the prize draw - each winner got to choose a book from the Bookfair - Lucio Yr 1, Esme Yr 2, Olivia Yr 3, Heidi Yr 4, Jackson Yr 5 and Poppy Yr 6.

Fundraising for the playground matting is ramping up and we'll soon have some thermometers up in the school showing the amounts raised so far. We've pencilled in Friday 7 November for a Colour Run event so look out for information about how that will work early in term 4. This is a fun way for families and tamariki to contribute to the playground matting upgrade.

We're interested to know how Hero is going for communication. If you are getting your notifications and reading this newsletter, please write your children's names on a piece of paper and ask them to drop it into the office tomorrow or Monday. All families who respond will go into a draw for a wee spot prize. We'll be consulting for our strategic planning for 2026 soon so are keen to ensure the Community Feed on Hero is working.

I am very proud to announce that Evan Suanders in rūma 23 attained the highest score in the Year 5 Kiwi English Competition



administered by the University of Canterbury. The Kiwi competitions were highly contested by ākonga from over 490 schools throughout New Zealand this year, competing in the various subjects and year groups.

Congratulations Evan! A special prize will be presented to you at tomorrow's Tūi hui.

Ka pai to all ākonga performing in the St Brigids Kapa Haka Festival on Saturday. They've been practicing in preparation for this and I know they will be amazing. Even if your children aren't performing, if you're at a loose end on Saturday afternoon, pop in and see them. Details in the poster at the bottom of the newsletter. Ngaio performs in Block 5 which is from 1.50pm - 2.50pm. First in the block is Johnsonville School followed by West Park then us.

Ngā mihi nui

Raewyn Watson
Te Tumuaki

Thanks to Nick Swan from Wellington Free Ambulance who came to talk with us about emergencies and when we might need to dial 111 for help.





NZIS Students have been coaching Year 6 students the past 2 weeks. Children have been focusing on invasion and evasion skills and found the sessions lots of fun.



Connor and Abby from Cricket Wellington came to coach our students on fielding and striking skills. The short games were really fun and the students found the sessions really engaging.

OUT OF ZONE ENROLMENT FOR 2026

The Ngaio School Board of Trustees invites applications from parents of children who will become eligible for enrolment in 2026 who live out of zone. Enrolment at the school is governed by an enrolment scheme, details of which are available from the school office. Students who live in the home zone are entitled to enrol at the school and do not need to apply. The enrolment of out of zone students is governed by the provision of the Education Act 1989. The Board has determined that **20** out of zone places are available for Year 1-5.

Applications must be made on the form available from the Ngaio School Office, Tel: 04 939 6455 or email info@ngaio.school.nz

PTA NEWS

BOOK WEEK BONANZA

Wow what a week! The school had an epic time celebrating Book Week.

Thank you so much to all the school staff, our volunteers and sponsors who made this event possible for our tamariki. We had the wonderful library reading session, the scholastic book fair, awesome Friday sausage sizzle, delicious bake sale, book character dress up day and raffle! A HUGE combined effort and we look forward to sharing the profit with you soon!



Sausage sizzlers and crew - THANK YOU to our amazing organisers, Heather P and Katie B- you nail it every time! To our other critical helpers: Master chefs Conwae L and Chris. Deliverers: Cathy HN, Kirsten F, Tara H, Fran R, Kathi Nettles, Mel D, Adam W.

With extra support from: Craig B and Geoff T.

Scholastic Book Fair team- THANK YOU to our amazing organisers, Sarah Y and Hannah B - you did it again! To the Book Fair helpers: Bridget B, Adam S, Jessica Y, Tara H, Felicity L, Kim L, Kelly E, Nicola W, Rebecca S, Kristen F, Heather P, Cathy N, Diane F, Andrea O and Julia R.

Bakers & Sellers - THANK YOU to our Bakers & Stall Sellers, Andrea OB, Daphna O, Jessica Y, Diane F, Kirsten F, Nicola W, Jo S, Susan M, Sabrina Y, Haley J, Jen T, Rebecca S, Sarah D, Adam R, Megan D, Hayley M, Tara H, Ruth W, Aimee W, Jo S, Heather P.

Raffle....and the winner is!

Thank you all for purchasing raffle tickets as part of the Book Fair. We had Raewyn draw the raffle and are pleased to say the WINNER IS..... **Aya from Room 6!**

And Thank you to all the contributors to the Raffle!

NGAIO SCHOOL HATS

Term 4 is almost upon us and so is the start of the warmer weather. Protect your child from the sun with a Ngaio School sunhat! Remember, sunhats are compulsory in Terms 4 and 1.

Ngaio School hats are available from the office for \$20 each. Hats come in two sizes; Medium (50-54cm) and Large (up to 58cm) and in a wide variety of colours. Purchases can be made by cash or Eftpos in the school office or via MyKindo: [myKindo - School Hats](#)

Next PTA Meeting

If you are looking to build awesome relationships with other amazing whanau who want to contribute to the experience our tamariki have at Ngaio School, then this is the place to do it! Our next meeting is in person at **7.30pm on Thursday 16 October** in the school staff room. Our meetings look at upcoming fundraising initiatives and fun events for our skids and involve members from the teaching staff and the Board.

If you have any questions please contact pta@ngaio.school.

Ngā mihi nui

PTA

Clubcard for Schools

New World Khandallah has partnered with Ngaio School and now you can help to raise funds for essential school equipment at Ngaio School each time you do your grocery shopping.

The more families signed up for the programme who scan their card at the checkout every shop, the more funds you can help raise.

This is a great way to raise extra money for your school through the support of families within the school community who shop at New World Khandallah. It's a win-win for the school and the school community.

How do you get involved?

1. Register your Clubcard with Ngaio School here.

<https://forms.gle/J6FBHwJRtncnmuD8>

2. Shop at New World Khandallah and scan your Clubcard with every shop.



3. New World Khandallah will then donate 1% of all sales made with participating

Once you've registered your card with the school, the school will reap the rewards from every shop.

Miniball for term 4

Registrations are open online for until Tuesday 16th September at 6pm.

Ngaio School teams play in the league at Nairnville Recreation Centre on Monday and Tuesday after school. Teams are 5-a-side, mixed girls and boys.

We welcome applications from players at all levels - previous experience with miniball or basketball is not required. There are a number of spaces available for students in years 3 & 4, however more year 5 & 6 students are also welcome!

If you are keen to be involved but are new or inexperienced don't worry - we have a very inclusive community and wonderful children to work with!

The season begins with grading games in week two of Term 4.

Venue for games: Nairnville Recreation Centre

Day/times of games: Y3-4 play on Mondays and Y5-6 play on Tuesdays. Games take place between 3:15 and 6:50pm

Cost: This could be around \$49 per player but you will be advised of the confirmed cost once it is uploaded on your Mykindo account. The final amount depends on the number of players registered. Payment must be made before play commences.

Day/times of practices: varies according to availability of coaches.

Venue for practices: Ngaio School basketball court

Uniform/equipment: Ngaio Sports Uniform can be purchased or borrowed from the Ngaio School office. Please see office staff if needed.

Team selection: At the discretion of the coordinator, friendships will be taken into account.

Thank you to all those in our school community who make Ngaio School Miniball possible. We are looking forward to another great miniball season!

Click here to register

<https://forms.gle/GM2LsEzTywBnqNNt8>

KEY DATES

LINK: [School Community Calendar](#)

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Friday 19 Sept	End of Term 3	3pm
Monday 6 Oct	Start of Term 4	9am
Wednesday 8 Oct	Athletics Day Nairnville Park (Postponement date Friday 10 Oct)	9.30am-2.30pm
Thursday 16 Oct	Shake Out National Earthquake Drill	9.30am
Thursday 16 Oct	Yr 6 Raroa Performing Arts Trip	11.15-12.15pm
Mon 20 Oct	Northern Zone Athletics Newtown Park (Postponement date Mon 3 Nov)	9am-3pm
Friday 24 October	Teacher Only Day	School Closed
Monday 27 October	Labour DaySchool	Closed
Thursday 30 October	School Disco McLeod Hall (more details to come)	1.30pm-4.30pm
Tuesday 4 November	School Photos	9am-3pm
Wednesday 5 November	New Parents Information Seminar	1.40-2.45pm
Friday 7 November	PTA Sausage Sizzle	Lunchtime
Tuesday 18 November	Interzone Athletics	10am-2pm
Thursday 20 November	Interzone Athletics Postponment	10am-2pm
Tuesday 25 November	Regional Athletics	10am-2pm
Thursday 27 November	Regional Athletics Postponment	10am-2pm
Wednesday 3 December	Staff Appreciation Morning Tea	11am
Monday 15 December	Yr 6 Graduation Raroa	1.30pm-8.30pm

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Have you booked your spot at The Y yet?
There are some great activities planned!

on these holidays

Sept - Oct 2025

Colour Splash!

Zappa the Magician

Barnyard Buddies

Jumperama

Shrek the Musical JK

BOOK NOW!

Y-Kids Ngāio
ngāio.nz@ycentral.nz
www.ycentral.nz/ykids

the Y



Play Cricket this summer !

Registrations are now open for the 2025/2026 cricket season. Onslow Junior Cricket Club has teams for all children aged 6-13, or school years 2-8. We will also be offering "Smash Play" - a fun introduction to cricket for 4-6 year olds (details to be confirmed at a later date).

Register at www.ojcc.org.nz

- No prior cricket experience is necessary. Teams are not selected on ability.
- Girls can choose between girls-only and mixed grades
- We try our best to place children in teams with their friends or classmates





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ATHLETICS HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

TRAIN HARD, PLAY HARDER!

Designed for Year 4-8 Students

The Programme will cover the following:

- **Speed & Agility** - Training to turbocharge your performance!
- **Overall Fitness** - To boost your Endurance & Energy!
- **Reaction Skills** - Training to sharpen your reflexes!
- **Advanced Ball Skills** - General & Sport Specific!
- **Goal Setting** - Helping you to achieve your dreams!
- **Nutrition** - Guidance to fuel your body for PEAK performance!
- **Motivation** - To keep you PUMPED UP & driven!



Scan here to book!

Held at Newtown Park
Roy Street Newtown
9am - 12pm
Tues 23rd - Thur 25th Sept

\$40 EACH DAY
\$110 FOR ALL 3 DAYS

BOOK ONLINE AT



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athleticswellington.org.nz/
event/school-holiday-programme/
adminwgtn@kellysports.co.nz

021 972 728

@KellySportsWellington



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KELLYSPORTS.CO.NZ

KIDS SPRING HOLIDAY ART PROGRAMME



WEEK 1: Mon 22nd to Fri 26th Sept

TIMES: 9am to 3pm

BOOK ANY DAY OVER AT: WWW.TLC.AC.NZ

WEEK 2: Mon 29th to Fri 3rd Oct

COST: \$65.00 per day

AGE: 5 to 13 year olds

THE LEARNING CONNEXION
School of Creativity and Art



MONDAY



MARBLE RUN

With cardboard & art supplies, make the marble run of your dreams by letting your creativity roll! What twists and turns will send your marbles on the ultimate adventure?

TUESDAY



TILE MOSAICS

Piece together a masterpiece while crafting vibrant tile mosaics in a day full of colour & creativity! What stunning pattern will emerge from your colourful collection?

WEDNESDAY



POOL NOODLE SCULPTURES

Dive into a world of colourful creativity as you build the most unique sculptures with pool noodles! What fantastical creature will spring to life from your imagination?

THURSDAY



SILHOUETTE LANTERNS

Light up your world! Craft enchanting silhouette lanterns using some glass jars & your wild imagination. What magical shadows will dance when your lantern glows?

FRIDAY



GLITTER GLOBES

Do you love snow globes? If so, you're going to love making your own miniature world & sprinkling it with glitter. What tiny universe will you shake to life?

WEEK ONE



TOTE BAG PRINTING

Design your own stylish tote bag! Unleash your creativity with your own personal prints & vibrant patterns. What eye-catching design will carry your treasures in style?



CLAY NIGHT LIGHTS

Learn the basics of hand-sculpting with clay to mould your very own clay night light, topped with colour of course! What gentle glow will illuminate your clay creation?



POP ART PLANTS

Using mixed media art supplies & a lot of colour, we will print ourselves some never seen before plant species! What wonderful plant species will you create?



DIORAMA WORLD

Bring tiny worlds to life with your imagination as we get together to transform a tissue box into a magical diorama! What secret story will unfold inside your miniature realm?



CANDY SKULL MASKS

Celebrate Dia de los Muertos! Design bold, bright, & colourful masks which are full of life & tradition. What vibrant spirit will your mask bring to the celebration?

WEEK TWO

Entries to the 2025/26 Sanitarium Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon™ Series are NOW OPEN!

Join us at our **Wellington** TRYathlon on **Sunday 15th March** and celebrate Kiwi kids giving it a TRY with your local community. It's going to be a fun day out for EVERYBODY!

Entry is open to children aged 6 - 15 of all fitness abilities. Enter now as an individual, or in a team of two, and secure the EARLY BIRD SPECIAL price of \$57.50 - a massive saving of \$16.30* off the full price!

<http://raceroster.com/events/2026/109744/wellington-weet-bix-kids-tryathlon/register?team=860404>

SEPTEMBER

Holiday Heroes

WEEK 1: IT'S BEATLES WEEK

OVER 3 FUN-FILLED DAYS, PICK YOUR INSTRUMENT (DRUMS, GUITAR/UKULELE, OR KEYBOARD) AND LEARN MAGICAL BEATLES HITS! WRAP IT UP WITH A SPECIAL PERFORMANCE FOR YOUR PARENTS ON THE LAST DAY! NO MUSIC EXPERIENCE NEEDED

3 DAY WORKSHOP: \$199.00
9.00AM - 4.00PM

EARLY START: \$10
8.30AM - 9.00AM

FOR 6 YEARS & OVER

TUES 23 SEP

Welcome & introduction games

Choose your instrument for the next 3 days

Start rocking out to Beatles hits!

WED 24 SEP

Keep learning and perfecting your Beatles song

Enjoy plenty of breaks with our fun games

THU 25 SEP

Final practice and polish

Perform your song at a special show for parents at 3:15 pm!

PLUS COOL GAMES TO BURN OFF SOME STEAM; BASKETBALL! AIR HOCKEY! ARCADES! FOOSBALL!

Goodtime Music Academy, Lower Hutt

WWW.GOODTIMEMUSICACADEMY.CO.NZ/HOLIDAY-PROGRAMME

OCTOBER

Holiday Heroes

WEEK 2: IT'S NZ MUSIC WEEK

OVER 3 FUN-FILLED DAYS, PICK YOUR INSTRUMENT (DRUMS, GUITAR/UKULELE, OR KEYBOARD) AND LEARN COOL KIWI HITS! WRAP IT UP WITH A SPECIAL PERFORMANCE FOR YOUR PARENTS ON THE LAST DAY! NO MUSIC EXPERIENCE NEEDED

3 DAY WORKSHOP: \$199.00
9.00AM - 4.00PM

EARLY START: \$10
8.30AM - 9.00AM

FOR 6 YEARS & OVER

TUES 30 SEP

Welcome & introduction games

Choose your instrument for the next 3 days

Start rocking out to NZ hits!

WED 1 OCT

Keep learning and perfecting your NZ music songs

Enjoy plenty of breaks with our fun games

THU 2 OCT

Final practice and polish

Perform your song at a special show for parents at 3:15 pm!

PLUS COOL GAMES TO BURN OFF SOME STEAM; BASKETBALL! AIR HOCKEY! ARCADES! FOOSBALL!

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2025/26 SEASON REGISTRATIONS OPEN

- U7 T-ball
- U9 Mini Pitch
- U11 Rookie Sox
- U13 - U17 Softball



About Us

Johnsonville Junior Softball is a lively, community-oriented programme offering a path from fun introductory play at U7 right through to competitive junior grades up to U17. The club emphasises enjoyment, skill-building, fairness, and inclusion in every grade. Whether you're new to the sport or hoping to find a welcoming and fun environment for your child, it's all about nurturing a lifelong love of softball.



Why play softball?

Softball is fun, fast, inclusive and packed with transferable skills! It helps kids stay active, build confidence, learn teamwork, and make friends — all while being part of a supportive family and community club.

Junior Pre Season Training for New and Existing Players - All Welcome



When:

Saturday 27th September
Saturday 4th October
Saturday 11 October



Where:

Newlands Intermediate School
Bracken Road Newlands



Time:

U7, U9 and U11 10am - 11am
U13, U15 and U17 11am - 12pm



Why:

Sitting on the fence? come have some fun, learn some new skills and meet new people

✉ Email : johnsonvillejuniorsoftball@gmail.com



www.facebook.com/jvillescjuniors/



[johnsonville.softball](https://www.instagram.com/johnsonville.softball)

STEM Holiday Programme

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Wellington



Scuttle Bug Robot



Portable Sound FX Board



Arduino Reaction Game

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

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\$135 For The Day, 25th September - 3rd October

To Learn More and Book Your Place visit:

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Science ROADSHOW

9:30am -- 4:30pm daily
Admission \$10 per person
A great hands-on entertaining and educational school holiday science experience for the family!

22 SEPT - 3 OCT Asteron Centre,
corner Featherston & Bunny Streets

Ngā Manū
NATURE RESERVE

SCHOOL HOLIDAY FUN FOR KIDS

- Wed 24 Sep** **CREATE AN INSECT HOTEL**
11am - 12pm | \$5.00 Per Ticket
- Tue 30 Sep** **STRING BEAN PUPPETS**
2pm - 3pm | \$5.00 per ticket
- Thu 2 Oct** **MAKE YOUR OWN SOLAR OVEN**
11am - 12pm | \$5.00 Per Ticket

FOR ALL THE INFO AND TICKETS HEAD TO OUR WEBSITE!

Ngā Manū Nature Reserve
74 Ngā Manū Reserve Rd, Waiwaka info@ngamanu.org.nz
04 293 4331

Please note prices & koha do not include entry to the reserve.

CAPITAL BMX CLUB

SEASON OPEN DAY

14
SEPTEMBER
10:00 - 12:00

IAN GALLOWAY PARK, WILTON, WELLINGTON 6012

HAVE A GO AT BMX RACING
We can supply bikes, helmets and gloves
Riders need to wear long sleeves and long pants

WIN A



WHITE LOTUS HOLIDAY

LUXURY TRIP FOR 2 WORTH OVER \$25K

Return flights for 2 to Koh Samui, Thailand. Return NZ regional flights for 2.
6 nights at Four Seasons Hotel Koh Samui in a Serenity Pool Villa (Season 3 location).
\$3K spending money. \$1K for spa treatments at Anantara Bophut Koh Samui

Plus great 2nd and 3rd prizes - see website for details!

TICKETS \$25. LIMITED TICKETS. SALES CLOSE 16TH SEPTEMBER



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TO PURCHASE TICKETS VISIT
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Read T&Cs at galabid.com/whitelotus. Raffle run by Whānau and Friends of Clyde Quay School in support of Clyde Quay School and Emergency Hub. This raffle is not authorised by, endorsed by, promoted by HBC or The White Lotus, or run in connection with HBC or The White Lotus.

HOLIDAY KIDS WORKSHOPS

11a Station Road
Khandallah
Wellington



Try something new these school holidays!

Full hands-on woodworking with real tools.

Learn valuable skills while crafting
wooden toys to take home.

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Need to entertain the kids these school holidays? bring the whole family along to one of our conservation events.

We have planting days, coastal dune restoration, weed control events. Something for everyone, at various location around Wellington.

Check out our website ConservationVolunteers.co.nz for all the available days, or email Wellington@cvnz.org.nz

What to bring

- Sturdy, comfortable, closed-toe footwear
- Long trousers and long-sleeved shirts
- Sun protection
- Rain jacket
- Snacks
- Water bottle

We provide all the tools including gloves, spades, vests and sunscreen. Plus a light morning tea. We can provide transport from the CBD, spaces are limited though so let us know if you would like to reserve a seat.

**For any enquiries,
email Wellington@cvnz.org.nz**





WEARABLE WONDERS – BRINGING COSTUMES TO LIFE!

Explore creativity, performance, and storytelling through costume-inspired drama. Stimulate imagination and design-thinking through wearable art. Join the 3 - day workshop to celebrate individuality and teamwork.

For 7 - 14 year olds.



22, 23 & 24 September 2025

9.00 am - 4.00 pm*
(doors open from 8.30 am)

*Please enquire for late pick up
(available till 6.00 pm)

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- \$215 + GST for the 3-day workshop.
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*conditions apply

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