



*e tipu e rea* In our children lies our future

# NEWSLETTER



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## DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

Wheels Day	Wednesdays
Skipping September	All September
Fair Committee Meeting 7.00 pm	17 September
South Wellington Intermediate School	
Information Evening 6.00 pm	22 September
School Production Rehearsal	22 September
School Production	23 September
End of Term Bake Sale	25 September
Last Day of Term 3	25 September

## COMING UP

### Term 4

Tsunami Evacuation practice	Week 1
Swimming (juniors) begins	20 October
School Photographs	21 October
Learning Community Fair	22 November

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Kia ora, Namaste, ᾖpevet, Shalom, Talofa, Guten Tag, Vanakkam, ni Hao, Kia orana, Buenos Tardes, Namaste, ᾖpevet, Shalom, Talofa, Konichiwa, Assalamulaikum, Salam, Hello

Thank you all for your positive response to the text message I sent out on Tuesday afternoon. You have proved once again what a fantastic tight knit community you are! I would also like to congratulate all those directly involved, from the student who knew just what to do and went on to warn fellow students, to those students who then rang an adult for assistance, to the adult who then ensured all students made it home safely. You made all the right choices and we are very proud of you. The police are following up and if you have any information that you think may assist them in their enquiries please phone 381.2000 and pass it on.

Keeping Ourselves Safe is a component of our Health Curriculum and we took the opportunity to talk our students through the strategies they can use to keep themselves and each other safe. Constable Duncan, whom many of you know, will also be popping in to chat to our students.

A few parents have offered to chaperone students walking to and from school and it would be fabulous if we could start up some "walking buses" where parents take turns to walk

groups of students to and from school. This initiative would also alleviate the congestion at the school gates and make our stretch of road less busy. If you are keen to be part of a walking bus or would like further information please leave your name with Wendy and we will organise a get together.

Speaking of our busy road, along with the survey on the proposed Happy Valley Park Camp Ground Proposal the Wellington City Council has also put out a survey on proposed changes to speed limits on Happy Valley Rd. We have some paper copies in the office and you can complete the survey on line. Please see [www.wellington.govt.nz/Have\\_your\\_Say/Consultations/Safer\\_Speed\\_Limits](http://www.wellington.govt.nz/Have_your_Say/Consultations/Safer_Speed_Limits). The WCC consultation process began this Monday and finishes on October 12<sup>th</sup>. Please make an effort to have your say.

Tickets for the production are selling well. To make sure you don't miss out please purchase your tickets before Wednesday the 23<sup>rd</sup> as there are unlikely to be any door sales available.

Tonight we have our Term 3 Piano Recital evening followed by the Country Fair meeting at 7.00pm in the staffroom.

See you there,

Tineke and the team.

## SCHOOL PRODUCTION – WEDNESDAY 23 SEPTEMBER AT ST. CATHERINE'S COLLEGE, KILBIRNIE

The School Production is well underway. 'Take me to the Library' is a celebration of books and reading.

**Where:** St Catherine's College, 14 Upper Bourke St, Kilbirnie

**When:** Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2015 at 6.30pm

### Tickets

Tickets are on sale at the office – please be in quick and don't be disappointed. At the rate they are selling – there may not be door sales! Please note that tickets are now not limited to two per family as we have been allocated more seating. Also, seats are not numbered to your tickets, so seats are first in, best seat basis.

Prices are as follows:

\$10.00 adult, \$5.00 children (under 15) and under 5's free (must sit on an adult's knee please).

#### Early Nights

Please make sure your budding star/s are well rested, and have few early nights beforehand so they will be at their peak performance on the night – they have been working hard!

#### Night of the Production (Wednesday 23 September)

Please have your child/ren arrive at St. Catherine's by 6.15 pm at the latest, in their costumes, to meet up with their teacher. Please ensure they have visited the toilet beforehand.

**Please note:** Parking may be at a premium, so it might be a good idea to carpool, or alternatively, plan to leave earlier to find a carpark.

#### Day after the Production

As your young stars may be tired after the late night, please note that, although the school is open as usual at 8.30 am and staff will be here, if you wish your child to sleep in on the Thursday, the roll will not be taken until 10.00 am.

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### YUMMY APPLE STICKERS

As the orders need to be tallied up and sent away before 25 September, please have any sticker charts returned to school by Monday 21 September. We look forward to receiving our share of the sporting equipment.



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### BIRTHDAY WISHES TO:

Heath Dixon (today) 17/9  
Luca Fourie 22/9  
Kahn Barrington 22/9



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### LOST PROPERTY

As the term is drawing to an end, please check the lost property in the corridor outside the school hall. It is mounting up. Any un-named and unclaimed items will be donated to a local charity.

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### PARENTLINK – END OF TERM BAKE SALE – FRIDAY 25 SEPTEMBER

The end of term just wouldn't be the same without a few home-made treats. Parentlink will be running a bake sale after school on Friday, September 25.

Any contributions of baking (cupcakes, biscuits, ginger bread men, muffins etc.) can be left in the staff room from Thursday, September 24. If you don't have time to bake, just come prepared to treat the kids - and yourself!



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### VIRTUES

For the remaining fortnight, our focus is on "Perseverance" or "U-tonu-tanga"

You are practising Perseverance when you....

- ☺ Think before deciding to commit to someone or something
- ☺ Pace yourself
- ☺ Set goals and stick with them until they are completed
- ☺ Take one step at a time, remaining steady
- ☺ Don't let doubts or tests blow you off course
- ☺ Stand by your friends and loved ones

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### TE KUPU O TE WIKI

**hiakai = hungry**

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### WANTED TO BORROW PLEASE

Do you have a spare fan heater we could borrow under end of term, during the day to dry out a wet spot in kitchen joinery? Please see Wendy.

Thanks.

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### YOUNG EXPLORERS

With the Young Explorers visit last week, mention was made of a flyer/order form for students to purchase their book.






Please see attached with this newsletter an order form for the book. Parents can enter the code and receive free shipping. Orders will be shipped to our school. 20% of all sales purchased this way will be donated back to the school.

## Owhiro Bay School, 21st October, 2015

We will photograph portraits of all students as well as class photos.

You do not order/pay for your child's portraits or class photos until AFTER PHOTODAY.

You will receive an order envelope featuring a photo of your child after photoday. (Packs available below)

<p><b>Premium Pack(A)</b> plus You get The File</p> 	<p><b>Value Pack(B)</b> plus You get The File</p> 	<p><b>Single Pack (C)</b> plus You get The File</p> 	<p><b>Pack prices</b> (do not pay now)</p> <p>A = 35.00 B = 29.50 C = 28.00 D = 18.00 E = 13.00</p>
<p><b>Portraits only (D)</b></p> 			
<p><b>Class only(E)</b></p> 			

**Packs include:**  
 Premium Pack: 10x8, 3x5 1/2, Postcards, Walllets, Calendar, The File voucher and a Class photo  
 Value Pack: 2x5 1/2, Postcards, Walllets, The File voucher and a Class photo  
 Single Pack: 1x5 1/2 portrait, The File voucher and a Class photo  
 Class Photo: All class photos in portrait packs and Class only are 8x10 and laminated  
 \*The File voucher\* includes the code to redeem the 2015 file of your child's portrait.

Family/Sibling Photos: Order form is on reverse of advice note which your child will bring home or you can go to Downloads at [www.schoolmemories.co.nz](http://www.schoolmemories.co.nz) to download a form. Order form MUST be returned school office before photoday for photo to be taken.

## SPORTS SPOT

### Term 4 Futsal

Are any Year 5/6 students interested in playing Futsal (indoor soccer) next term? The league runs for six weeks at the ASB centre on Sunday afternoons. Please email Austin's parents to register your interest – [mattandhelen@xtra.co.nz](mailto:mattandhelen@xtra.co.nz)

### Term 4 Floorball

It is not long before Term 4 will be kicking off and we need to confirm who wants to play floorball next term. The season will kick off at the beginning of Term 4 and is played on Tuesdays at times between 3.30 and 6. In Term 1 we had Year 3 & 4 teams but the school is always looking for more players. The kids have heaps of fun and have shown great improvement in their skills since we started playing last year. If your child is interested in playing, please email Paul Abbott at [paulabbottnz@gmail.com](mailto:paulabbottnz@gmail.com) I am also looking for a parent volunteer to manage the Year 3 team this term so let me know if you could help out.

### Netball

**Attention Year 5/6 (boys and girls):** Owhiro Bay School want to get a Netball team together to play in the ASB Netball league on Wednesday after school.

Victoria's mum (Jenny) is happy to be the coach and the manager - we just need players. All interested, please email Jenny - [Jenny.Smith@paradise.net.nz](mailto:Jenny.Smith@paradise.net.nz) or call her on 021 140 2483 a.s.a.p.



### Touch Season is just around the corner

Calling all would be coaches (skills in touch rugby are not a necessity, but enthusiasm, encouragement and promotion of a team spirit are)

The touch season is played in terms 4 and 1. The Wellington tournament is held over six weeks, half hour games, on Wednesdays at Wakefield Park, from 4.00pm (pending the draw).

The last few years we have put in year 3/4 and year 5/6 teams (girls and boys).

It has been amazing to watch the team spirit and game skills grow.

If you are interested in supporting the children, or playing please contact Ollie's Mum:

[Klare.brave@matuaraki.org.nz](mailto:Klare.brave@matuaraki.org.nz), (027 703 9829), to register your interest or for any questions you may have.

## OWHIRO BAY COUNTRY FAIR

Sunday 22 November, 10.30 – 2.30



Hi everyone,

### Fair committee meeting

The next Fair Committee meeting will be tonight (Thursday) at 7pm in the school staffroom. Please join us to help make the fair bigger and better than ever. Please contact Emma Debreceeny if you have any queries: 021 2668255 or [emma.debreceeny@gmail.com](mailto:emma.debreceeny@gmail.com)

### The garage will be open for drop-offs of donated items on Thursdays until the end of term

Spring is officially here. Why not do some spring cleaning and put aside any good quality items you no longer need to donate to the fair?

- We would welcome donations of good quality, clean, clothing, books, toys, bric-a-brac, puzzles, complete games, good quality dvds and cds, household items, tools, bikes and garden items.
- We are **not** inviting donations of electronic equipment, such as TVs, dvd players, printers, old phones, thanks.

The garage will be open on **Thursday mornings** (from 8.45) and **Thursday afternoons** (from 3 – 3.30) for the rest of this term and then more regularly in Term 3. If you have any items you wish to donate, please drop them to Inka or Emma who will be available at the garage on Thursdays. Thank you!

### Raffle and silent auction donations

The raffles and silent auctions are big fundraisers each year at the fair but, in order to sell lots of tickets and get good bids, we need great quality prizes. You can HELP!

- Do you work for, or know of, any company who may be willing to donate a prize? It does not matter how small (even samples) – these can be used to make up fantastic hamper packs.
- Do you have 'un-needed' gifts (brand new, in original packaging) that could be raffled or auctioned?

If so, please contact Inka (our fantastic silent auction and raffle co-ordinator this year) at [inka@globe.net.nz](mailto:inka@globe.net.nz).

### Website and facebook page

Please check out the Fair website ([http://www.owhiro.school.nz/country\\_fair\\_portal.html](http://www.owhiro.school.nz/country_fair_portal.html)) and like our facebook page (search for Owhiro Bay Learning Community Country Fair)

### Garden Stall request

Please start thinking about planting / repotting seed and plants for fair. All plant donations, especially natives, gratefully received. Please contact Klare Braye at [klare.brave@matuaraki.org.nz](mailto:klare.brave@matuaraki.org.nz)

### Entertainment/Owhiro Bay's Got Talent

Hi everybody, Kedron here. I am super excited to be co-ordinating the entertainment at the Fair again this year.

I'm rolling up my sleeves and I want to hear from YOU! This is a general call-out for talent - both kids and their parents - and anyone who wants to participate in our stage show this year. So, parents if you play in a band, want to DJ a set, or twirl a flaming baton, please contact me right away!



Kids - I am glad to announce that Owhiro Bay's Got Talent will be back and better than ever. Official sign-ups will open next term. Meanwhile, it's not too early to start planning your act, so please don't hesitate to get in touch with any questions you may have. You can reach me at [kedron@paradise.net.nz](mailto:kedron@paradise.net.nz). I look forward to hearing from you!

## Community Notices

*(Every effort is made to present accurate information. The Board of Trustees does not accept responsibility for any inaccuracies. The Board is unable to accept responsibility for goods or services advertised).*

### JOIN LYALL BAY SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB!

With summer just about upon us and winter sports coming to an end.

Now is the time to register with Lyall Bay Surf Life Saving Club, a great way to enjoy the beach this summer.

With a new club house in sight, now is an exciting time to become part of this new era for Lyall Bay SLSC.

Lyall Bay SLSC offers the opportunity for all ages from 1 through to masters, in a variety of beach sports through to Surf Life Saving skills.

Our junior program is tailored to give your child the skills, confidence and attitude it takes to compete at local and national surf sport events through to becoming a qualified Lifeguard. We also actively encourage our community and have great opportunities to support the club and wider community.

All children at Lyall Bay SLSC are given the opportunity to compete, reach their personal bests and become part of the greater Lyall Bay SLSC family.

*In it for life, friends for life.*

So come on down for Junior Registration and Open Day at the Club on **11 October from 12noon to 2:30pm**, see some of our junior club members in action and to find out how to join the club.

Lyall Bay Surf Life Saving Club, Lyall Bay Parade, Or Join today – email us at: [admin@lyallbayslsc.org.nz](mailto:admin@lyallbayslsc.org.nz)

### FUN French, Spanish and Mandarin language classes

#### For 5- 12 years olds - Free Trial lesson available

- Lots of fun activities, drama, music & games taught in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere!
- Language resources available to support parents at home.
- French classes available throughout Wellington.
- New: After-school Spanish class – trial/demo class to be held in the Western Suburbs in Term 4.

**For more information:**

**[www.lcfclubs.co.nz](http://www.lcfclubs.co.nz)** (all class info and online registration now available!)

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