



West Park School

Te Kura O Papa Hauāuru

Every student matters, every moment counts.

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Kia ora, Talofa, Kia orana,

Greetings Parents, Grandparents and Caregivers,

Daffodil Day

Thanks to the many parents, caregivers and students who recently supported the Cancer Society's Daffodil Day. As a school we raised \$490.30 towards this very worthy cause. Thanks to Mrs Ayres for coordinating this great event in support of the Cancer Society.



Swimming lessons coming in Term 4:

As part of their Physical Education programme Year 1 and 2 students will be taking part in swimming lessons at Keith Spry Pool. This is a valuable programme for the children. The cost this year is being paid by the school board. Programme dates are:



- **Years 1 / 2 - Weeks 2 & 3 Monday 21 October - Friday 1 November**

Please note that next week a correspondence will be sent home with lesson times, and asking for parent assistance in walking classes to and from the swimming pool.

ARTSPASH

Our Year 4 students are participating in the Artsplash performance on Monday 16 September 2019 at 7.30pm at the Michael Fowler Centre. There are few tickets available at the school office, as well as through Kindo. If you end up missing out on purchasing tickets from the school office or through Kindo, please note that there will also be door sales on the night for \$5. Further information can be found [here](#).

DANCESPLASH

Some of our Senior students are also participating in the DanceSplash performance on Thursday 19 September 2019 at 7.45pm at the Michael Fowler Centre. Tickets for this event are only available through Kindo or as door sales at the Michael Fowler Centre on the night. Further information can be found [here](#).

ONESIE DAY

The student Council are holding a Onesie Day on Thursday 12th September to raise money for the amazing Wellington Free Ambulance service!

So...dust off your onesie or use it as an excuse to buy another, bring along a gold coin and enjoy the comfort of wearing a onesie at school! I wonder what fantastic onesies we will see this year?!

STUDENT VOICE

Name: **Lulu**

Team: **Kahikatea**



- **What are the two best things about West Park School?**
"All the kids and all the creativity"
- **How could we improve our school?**
"By banning plastic from all lunch boxes."
- **What do you do to make our school a better place for everyone?**
"I share my culture with my class mates."
- **What do you want to be when you grow up?**
"A dance teacher."
- **What are the two best things about being you?**
"I'm creative and I like learning new things."

Name: **Sophia**

Team: **Rimu**



- **What are the two best things about West Park School?**
"All my friends and adults at the school."
- **How could we improve our school?**
"I would make sure that no one was ever bullied."
- **What do you do to make our school a better place for everyone?**
"I include others in games."
- **What do you want to be when you grow up?**
"An explorer."
- **What are the two best things about being you?**
"My personality and my family."

Name: **Ethan**

Team: **Miro**



- **What are the two best things about West Park School?**
"Maths and playing with my friends."
- **How could we improve our school?**
"I would give food to people that don't have much money."
- **What do you do to make our school a better place for everyone?**
"By finding people that don't have people to play with and playing with them."
- **What do you want to be when you grow up?**
"A firefighter."
- **What are the two best things about being you?**
"I have a sister and I get to play with her in the mornings."

Name: **Ethan**

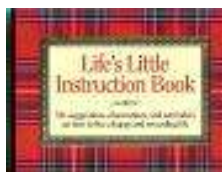
Team: **Totara**



- **What are the two best things about West Park School?**
"I like playing sports and fruit breaks."
- **How could we improve our school?**
"I would clean the school by myself."
- **What do you do to make our school a better place for everyone?**
"I help to clean the school up"
- **What do you want to be when you grow up?**
"A camera-man."
- **What are the two best things about being you?**
"I am a swimmer and I like my family."

JUST FOR FUN!

A COUPLE OF ITEMS FROM LIFE'S LITTLE INSTRUCTION BOOK



- Avoid negative people.
- Be kinder than necessary.

NEW STUDENTS

Since our last newsletter we have welcomed Louis, Zichen, Isabella and Shlok to Room 19. A warm welcome to you all and your families. We hope that you all have a great start at school!

Have a lovely upcoming weekend.

Luis Echegaray
Principal

UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday, 12 September	-	Onesie Day
Friday, 13 September	-	Orange Day parade (Road patrollers)
Monday, 16 September	-	ArtSplash (Choir)
Thursday, 19 September	-	DanceSplash
Monday, 23 September	-	BoT meeting @ 6pm in Room 15
Tuesday, 24 September	-	Science Roadshow
Friday, 27 September	-	Last day of Term 3

SCHOOL DONATIONS

The 2019 donation being requested is as follows.

- One child: \$220
- Two children: \$440
- Three children: \$660

Please note that the school donation is completely voluntary, however, if you are in a position to make one it is greatly appreciated because it makes a huge difference to what we are able to offer all our students. A school donation is also partially tax deductible.





SCHOOL NOTICES



LOST PROPERTY

The lost property will be displayed in the hall on Friday, 27 September. Due to the hall being used before and after school, the items will be displayed from 9.00am and packed up at 2.30pm. Please come down and have a look through the lost property items as there is a large amount of unclaimed clothing, hats, lunch boxes/drink bottles and a variety of other items. All unclaimed items will be bundled up at the end of the day and donated to charity.

GOODTIME MUSIC ACADEMY

Want to learn an instrument, play in a band and perform on a stage?! Well your child's school is one of the lucky schools that has Goodtime Music Academy here each week to run its one-of-a-kind Music Bus Programme. Learn more at GoodtimeMusicAcademy.co.nz Students can choose from learning the Drums, Keyboard, Ukulele and Guitar. These small group lessons (3-5 students) are 30 minutes long and are held weekly, on the school grounds and throughout the school day. Spaces in lessons are limited and students that are not able to be placed this term will be placed on a waiting list until a space opens up.

Lessons are \$17.50 per week and are invoiced by the term. Weekly, fortnightly or monthly payment options are available through Ezidebit.

Send an email to schools@gtma.co.nz to be sent a registration pack!

SICKNESS... a reminder if your child is absent from school. Please ring in on 478-7074 each day your child is away from school and leave a clear message on our answerphone with your child's name, room no. and reason for absence. Alternatively you can email us at office@westpark.school.nz. This will save the office staff valuable time from having to ring parents as we need to ensure that your children are safe each day. Thank you.



COMMUNITY NOTICES



KELLY CLUB OCT HOLIDAY PROGRAMME – West Park School

Kelly Club Holiday Programmes focus on giving children aged between 5 and 13 the opportunity to do things they enjoy in a safe, supportive and encouraging environment.

The programme is packed with activities to entertain and inspire children. We have some exciting days planned: **Awesome Bounce, Strike (Ten Pin Bowling), Laser Force, The Movie "Abominable", Star Wars Day, Disney Day, Wheels Day** and lots more!

To enrol www.kellyclub.co.nz email adminwqtn@kellysports.co.nz or call [04 972 7201](tel:049727201)



Netball - Raroa Normal Intermediate School, Johnsonville

Week 1 - Tues, 1/10, Weds 2/10, Thurs 3/10

Years 1-4 - Beginners 9am-12pm

Years 5-8 - 1pm - 4pm

Rugby - Wests Rugby Clubrooms, Ian Galloway Park, Wilton

Rippa & Touch Rugby - Ages 5+ Boys and Girls, 9am – 12pm

Week 1 - Tues 01/10, Weds 02/10, Thurs 03/10

Rugby (Contact) - Ages 7- 12 years, Boys and Girls, 1pm - 4pm

Football - Wests Rugby Clubrooms, Ian Galloway park, Wilton

Week 2 - Tues 8/10, Weds 9/10, Thurs 10/10

Football Fun - Ages 5+, Boys and Girls, 9am – 12pm

Football Skills - Ages 7+, Boys and Girls, 1pm – 4pm

Dance **NEW**** - Raroa Intermediate School Hall**

Week 2

Day 1 - Tues 8/10 - "**JAZZ**"

Day 2 - Weds 9/10 - "**BALLET**"

Day 3 - Thurs 10/10 - "**HIP HOP**"

New to Dance Beginners Class, 9am - 12pm

Intermediate and Advanced Class, 1pm - 4pm

For full details and to enrol into our programmes

visit www.kellysports.co.nz email adminwgtn@kellysports.co.nz or call [04 972 7201](tel:049727201).

Newlands Rugby Club Old Timer's Day

Calling all current and former players, parents and supporters! Our Old Timer's Day will be held Saturday 14 September, 12-6pm at the Club Rooms, Helston Park. Join us for a trip down memory lane, and a social touch rugby tournament.

Family friendly event, all welcome.

Full details on our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/newlandsrugbyclub

A Whitby Collegiate education for your son or daughter in Year 7, 2020

Open Day

From the beginning of 2020 Marsden Whitby will become Whitby Collegiate. You are invited to the Whitby Collegiate Open Day on Sunday 15 September, any time between 11am and 1pm. This is a great opportunity to see the Whitby Collegiate campus and to find out about our future-focused learning programmes. There will be staff and students to talk to and our students look forward to showing you around.

Enrolments - Whitby Collegiate applications for enrolment for 2020 are now open. We encourage you to come and visit our school and invite students to spend time in class with us. If you have any questions or would like a personal tour, please contact Lorraine Rose on 04 234 1070.

Transport - There are easy transport links to Whitby Collegiate and our school buses bring students from the Hutt Valley, Johnsonville, Churton Park, Tawa and Aotea, and connect with the train for students travelling from the Kapiti Coast.



SPOTLIGHT
PERFORMING ARTS

Does your child love to **SING, DANCE** and **ACT**?

★IT'S SHOW TIME★

Come and be part of our Musical Theatre Show!
Led by London West End performer Sherene Clarke.

AOTEA-JONSONVILLE-LOWER HUTT

BOOK YOUR PLACE NOW!

www.spotlightperformingarts.co.nz

EVERYONE OUT SPRING HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

Everyone Out Spring Holiday Programme is running these school holidays at Huntleigh Guide Center, Crofton Downs. The programme will let your child freely play and explore in nature. They will be supported to be creative, challenge themselves and most importantly have fun! For more information check out our Facebook Page or enrol your child at <https://enrolmy.com/everyone-out>

Newlands Junior Softball Club

The Newlands Junior Softball club are now taking registrations for the upcoming 2019/2020 summer season. Softball is so much fun for all ages and no previous playing experience is necessary. We have mixed grades for T-Ball or Mini-Pitch for the Under 7s and Under 9s. The gender grades range from U11, U13, U15 and U18. Registrations are online at www.sportsground.co.nz/newlandssoftball (our website). For more information please visit our website, facebook page or contact our Junior Club Convenor: Marama Dickson njsclub@gmail.com

Junior Softball for ages 5 - 14 - Registration with Johnsonville Junior Softball Club is open on the 25th August (via <https://www.sporty.co.nz/jvillesc/>). Subs are \$70 per player with full uniform provided. Further details available on our facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/jvillescjuniors/> or contact johnsonvillejuniorsoftball@gmail.com or phone Sue 027 276 0644.

Lower Hutt will be hosting Wellington's only Lego Show on September 14th and 15th at Lower Hutt Events Centre. It's going to be bigger and better than any Lego show that has been held in the city before.

The show will be raising money for the Back to Schools charity, that supports children in low deciles return to school with essential items they need for the new school year, so we want to spread the word and get as many people coming along as possible.



Bus network review request

Metlink would like to engage with our community to promote a series of neighbourhood drop-in workshops. The workshops are designed to get customer ideas for improvements to the Metlink bus routes and services in Wellington city. They will look to address the rest of the region next year.

Just over a year ago some big changes were made to the Metlink bus network. They are now checking in with their customers to find out what is working well, and what still needs to be fine-tuned. There are still some issues in some parts of the network, but the more detailed feedback they get from customers, the better they can address those problems.

Engagement is being organised by city area. They have just completed the engagement for the Eastern suburbs of Wellington city and now have a set of local neighbourhood drop-in workshops for Southern, Western and Northern suburbs. In addition there are two city centre drop-in workshops that cover all city areas, these are also for Eastern suburbs customers to have another chance to come and have their say.

If you can't make a local session, then you can give feedback through an online survey, just go to [Metlink.org.nz/busreview](https://www.metlink.org.nz/busreview) from Friday 23 August onwards.

NORTHERN SUBURBS - Friday 6 September: Johnsonville Community Centre – Trust Room (3 Frankmoore Avenue, Johnsonville): 11am to 6.30pm <https://www.facebook.com/events/869581243441874/>

Saturday 14 September: Khandallah Presbyterian Church (33 Ganges Road, Khandallah): 11am to 5pm <https://www.facebook.com/events/396421974411460/>

CITY CENTRE - Sunday 8 September: Thistle Hall Community Centre (cnr Cuba & Arthur Street, Te Aro): 11am to 6pm <https://www.facebook.com/events/430418847560104/>

Wednesday 11 September: Victoria University of Wellington School of Business- Mezzanine Floor, (Rutherford House, 33 Bunny Street, Pipitea): 11am to 6.30pm <https://www.facebook.com/events/405322393424309/>

To get more information and to sign up for project updates go to: [Metlink.org.nz/busreview](https://www.metlink.org.nz/busreview)

PLEASE NOTE: We generally advertise in Community Notices activities that are local and child oriented. We cannot however guarantee the quality of these activities