



West Park School

Te Kura O Papa Hauāuru

Every student matters, every moment counts.

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NEWSLETTER 17/19

6 December 2019

Kia ora, Talofa, Kia orana,

Greetings Parents, Grandparents and Caregivers,



As we quickly move towards the end of the school year I'd like to thank you all, on behalf of staff, for your support and for allowing us to work with, and nurture your wonderful children. A teacher's life can be highly demanding, filled with highs and lows but those times fade into insignificance when we see the joy of new learning, the confidence fostered through achieving and when children share their smiles and laughter. To you, the first teachers of your wonderful children I again thank you for the privilege you give us by entrusting your child to our school.

Staffing items:

- Donna Curran-Green will for 2020 be teaching Yrs 5/6 (Monday to Thursday) – Rm 8
- Asha Stander – will for 2020 be teaching Yrs 5/6 (Friday) – Rm 8
- Anna Starr – has been appointed for 2020 (Reading Recovery & Literacy support in Yrs 1 & 2)
- Sandra Hansen – has been appointed permanently (Wednesday – Friday) – Year 1 and will again be sharing classroom teaching responsibilities with Sally Rowe
- Amy Bos had been looking to move over to the Wairarapa to be closer to family, and the right opportunity has finally presented itself being offered a permanent position at Masterton Primary School starting in 2020. We have been lucky to have had Amy here as long as we have, and even luckier to have had her cut her board approved leave short to help us see the year out in the treehouse. Her enthusiasm, dedication and sense of fun will be missed by students, staff and community.

END OF YEAR REPORTS

End of Year Reports will be uploaded to each child's Seesaw account on today. Students will also be given a hardcopy of their report to take home.

Wellington North Primary Schools' Citizenship Award

Congratulations to Natalie Harper who was this year's West Park School Wellington North Primary Schools' Citizenship Award recipient. Natalie as part of an outstanding group of young students from across the Northern zone was presented with her award last Thursday. Her family, teachers and school were very proud to celebrate and acknowledge the outstanding young student that Natalie has shown to be.



Home & School Update

Term four is a busy time of year, with lots of events happening both within, and outside of, the school. The Home & School Committee met last week and decided that due to everyone's full diaries this term, the Fun-athlon would be moved from the end of this term to the end of term 1. The Committee thought the Fun-athlon would be a great way to start next year and get the community together while the weather is (hopefully) still good!

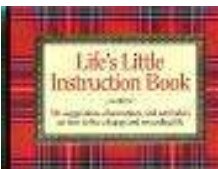
The Committee would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has contributed to, volunteered at or attended one of the events we have run this year. The disco and quiz night were both great events that brought our community together and raised some money (approx. \$1,500 from the disco and \$1,100 from the quiz night) for some planned refurbishments to our school hall.

At the beginning of next year the Home & School Committee will be looking for volunteers to plan out the year's events (usually one per term). The planning will also include representation from our students and teachers. Being part of the Committee is a great way to meet other parents and contribute to the school, so we hope we'll see lots of you in term one at our planning meeting!

Enjoy the summer holidays and we'll see you next year!

Nga mihi
Home & School Committee

A COUPLE OF ITEMS FROM LIFE'S LITTLE INSTRUCTION BOOK



- Begin each day with your favourite music
- Focus on making things better, not bigger.

NEW STUDENTS

Since our last newsletter we have welcomed Felix, Vivaansh and Catherine 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 weekend and fantastic up and coming end of year break.

Luis Echegaray
Principal

UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday, 10 December	-	Year 5/6 Camp
Thursday, 12 December	-	Junior Athletics Day
Friday, 13 December	-	Yrs 3/4 Water Day
Monday, 16 December	-	BoT meeting @ 6pm in Rooms 14/15
Tuesday, 17 December	-	Year 6 Farewell function at Onslow College
Wednesday, 18 December	-	Last Day of term 4 – finish at 12.45pm

Confirmed 2020 Term Dates:

- Term 1 Tue 4 Feb – Thu 9 April
- Term 2 Tue 28 April – Fri 3 July
- Term 3 Mon 20 July – Fri 25 Sept
- Term 4 Mon 12 Oct – Wed 16 Dec

Confirmed 2020 'Teacher Only Days' being held during term time:

Term 1	Monday 2 March
Term 2	Friday 29 May
Term 3	Friday 31 July



SCHOOL NOTICES



WEST FEST 2020 POSTPONED

Due to all of the construction work taking place in Term 1 next year, West Fest will be postponed either to Term 4, or potentially deferred until 2021. The use of the school hall for teaching, along with the health and safety implications of running West Fest with all the work going on makes it impractical. Thank you to the parents who signed up to the organising committee, your enthusiasm is appreciated.

LOST PROPERTY

We are accumulating a lot of lost property again. Please make sure you name all your children's clothes clearly to help reduce the number of lost items. The lost property will be displayed outside the school hall on Monday 16th December, please come down and have a look for any missing items. All unclaimed items will be bundled and donated to charity.

Get the School App!

The instructions for downloading the App are as follows:

- Open the 'Google Play Store' or IOS 'App Store' on your device.
- Search for 'School App'.
- Install and open 'SchoolAppsNZ'.
- A dialogue box will open: insert 'West Park School'
- A dialogue box will ask you to subscribe to alert groups.



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



KELLY CLUB PRE XMAS 19, 20 DEC 2019 & JAN HOLIDAY PROGRAMME 6 JAN – 3 FEB 2020 – 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. **Pre- Xmas Holiday Programme** - HO HO HO - We're taking over Santa's workshop for the 2 days with lots of Christmas activities planned!

The January programme is packed with activities to entertain and inspire children. We have some exciting days planned: ***Awesome Bounce, Rock Climbing, Ice Skating, Laser Force, Zealandia, Staglands, Colour War Day, Under the Sea Day, Slime Day, Wonderful Water Day, Wicked Wheels Day plus Bumper Ball is coming to Kelly Club*** and lots more!

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

JANUARY HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES

Football - Wests Rugby Clubrooms, Ian Galloway park, Wilton

Week 1 - Tues 14 Jan, Weds 15 Jan, Thurs 16 Jan

Week 2 - Tues 21 Jan, Weds 22 Jan, Thurs 23 Jan

Week 3 - Tues 28 Jan, Weds 29 Jan, Thurs 30 Jan

Football Fun - Ages 5 + 9am - 12pm

Football Skills - Ages 7 + 1pm - 4pm

1 day (AM or PM) for \$35.00

3 days (AM or PM) for \$90.00

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

Day 1 - Tues 21st Jan - **"JAZZ"**

Day 2 - Weds 22 Jan - **"BALLET"**

Day 3 - Thurs 23 Jan - **"HIP HOP"**

Our second dance holiday programme! With our NZAMD (NZ Academy of Modern Dance), RNZB (Royal NZ Ballet) and RAD (Royal Academy of Dance) accredited coach Caitlin.

Learn an entire dance routine from 10am - 1pm, Ages 6+

Cost: 1 day \$35.00

3 days \$90.00

******NEW**** Little Movers! - Raroa Intermediate School Hall, Johnsonville**

We are launching a new hour long programme that will take place every morning before our dance programme kicks off.

A chance for 3 to 6 year olds to have a boogie and explore movement to music.

9am - 10am

Tues 21st Jan, Weds 22nd Jan, Thurs 23rd Jan Cost - \$10/session

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).



Say it with savings this festive season!

Hi,

'Tis the season for supporting and we have a great gifting opportunity which helps our fundraising efforts.

The Gift of Entertainment is a new Digital Membership valid for 12 months from the day of activation. You can buy that special someone a Single City or Multi City Membership so they can save year-round on everything they love to do. Simply buy it, print it, gift it!

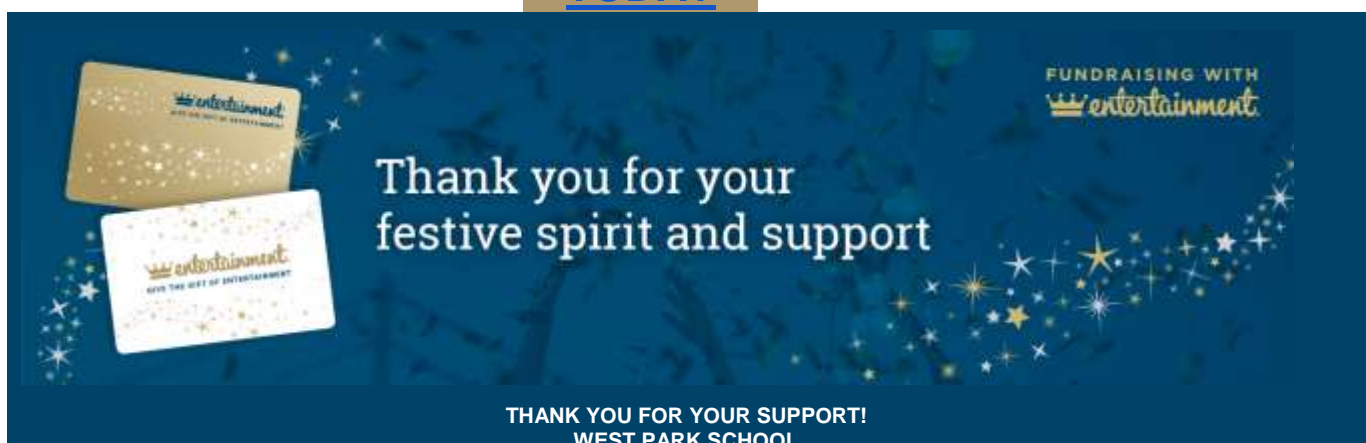
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We receive 20% of the sale from each Membership for our fundraiser and you'll get 12 months of thanks and appreciation for being an exceptional gift giver.

The Gift of Entertainment has savings for everyone, with thousands of 2-for-1 offers and up to 50% off:

- Dining, cinema, theme parks, events and attractions
- Travel package rates including thousands of hotels and resorts
- Flights, car rental and gift cards and more

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NORTHERN UNITED JUNIOR HOCKEY CLUB

2020 Details

Years 3-6: 6-a-side

Years 7-8: 11-a-side

Online registrations open February 2020

Official 2020 Season runs from start of Term 2

For more information:

- Web: www.nujhc.org.nz
- Email: info@nujhc.org.nz
- FB: <https://www.facebook.com/NUJHC>

Springboard & Platform Diving at Kilbirnie Pool

Wellington Diving Club is running a holiday programme in January 2020 for children aged 5yrs+ who are confident in deep water & can comfortably swim 25mtrs.

Tuesdays & Thursdays – 6th-23rd January. Choose 10am-11am &/or 4pm/5pm. \$10 per session.

For more information please call Barbara on 027 485 8888 or make your booking via our website <https://wellingtondiving.org.nz/holiday-program>



BIGAIR GYMSPORTS TAWA

Gym is fun for kids but it's exceptionally good for them as well! They gain strength, flexibility, balance and body control but they also learn determination and perseverance, through persistently practicing skills until they are achieved. Kids also gain resilience and confidence, as they extend themselves and learn new skills! Our experienced coaches run classes in **Gymnastics, Tumbling, Trampolining and Parkour!** BOOK NOW!

Bigair Gym Tawa: 04 2323508 or office@bigairgym.co.nz

Cheerleading!

Does your child love doing cartwheels, handstands, round-offs, walkovers and anything that involves tumbling? Does your child also love dance and working together in a team? If so, Cheerleading is the perfect sport!! It is so beneficial for kids, as they learn to work together as a team and gain so much confidence as they achieve new skills. Cheerleading at Bigair Gym is highly skilled and we have coaches that are so passionate about this popular sport. If you are interested please contact Bigair Gym in Tawa: 04 2323508 or office@bigairgym.co.nz

ONSLow GYMNASTIC CLUB

Kids got energy to burn? Gymnastics is the answer! Have Fun – Learn Skills – Build Confidence! Onslow Gymnastics has Recreational, TeamGym and Competitive classes for ages 5+ years. Recreational Gym-for-All classes are held at Khandallah School Hall (ages 5-9 years) and Onslow College Rec Centre (ages 7-14+). No previous experience is required to join any of our recreational classes. TeamGym (ages 10+) brings together tumbling, mini-tramp and dance to provide an energetic and creative performance. Registrations for Term 1 2020 open 16th December 2019 at www.onslowgymnastics.org.nz or email us with any questions at onslowgym@xtra.co.nz.

Nairnville Recreation Centre

Afterschool Basketball Clinic \$80/10 weeks on Wednesday

Term 1 sessions start on the 12th of February.

3.30 - 4.30 7-9 year olds

4.30 - 5.30 10-12 year olds

The clinic focuses on the fundamental basketball skills such as dribbling, passing, shooting and defense. Each session ends in the game where the kids can practice the skills they have practiced in a game situation.

Cnr Cockayne Road & Lucknow Terrace, Khandallah 04 479 2022

facebook.com/nairnvillecentre nairnville.rec@wcc.govt.nz

School Holiday Computer Classes and Minecraft Parties.

Small classes for ages 5+ in Minecraft, Learn to Code in Scratch, Python or Java, Web Design, Animation, 3D Game Design and more. Also weekend 2½ hour Minecraft parties. For more details visit grandtraining.co.nz or call 499-2211.



The poster is for the Johnsonville Christmas Parade, held on Saturday 7 December. It features a red background with green holly leaves and white snowflakes. The title 'Johnsonville Christmas Parade' is in a large, white, cursive font. Below it, 'Saturday 7 December' is in a green box. The departure point is 'DEPARTS DR TAYLOR TERRACE AT 11AM'. It invites people to join for a meet and greet at Johnsonville Memorial Park. Logos for the Johnsonville Charitable Trust and Lions International are shown. At the bottom, it lists supporters: The Trusts Community Foundation, Johnsonville Shopping Centre, Wellington City Council, and Hutt Mana Charitable Trust.

Johnsonville Christmas Parade

Saturday 7 December

DEPARTS DR TAYLOR TERRACE AT 11AM

THEN JOIN US FOR A MEET AND GREET
of all your favourite parade characters
and further entertainment at nearby
Johnsonville Memorial Park.

Kindly supported by

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