

Community Calendar <http://www.ngaio.school.nz/welcome>

Key Dates

Tuesday 20th March, 12.30pm	Year 6 Netball trials
Tuesday 20 th March, 7.30pm	PTA Annual General Meeting, Staffroom
Friday 23 rd March	Movin' March WOW Day – Decorate your Shoes!
Friday 23 rd March, 12.30pm	Year 6 Netball trials
Monday 26th - Thursday 29th March	Year 6 to Camp
Wednesday 28 th March, 7.00pm	Board of Trustees Meeting, staffroom
Friday 30th March - Tuesday 3rd April	Easter Holiday - School Closed
Friday 6 th April	Last day for return of pool keys
Friday 13 th April	Last day of Term 1
Wednesday 25 th April	ANZAC Day – School Closed
Monday 30 th April	First day of Term 2

Dear Parents and Caregivers

I've enjoyed hearing the feedback from teachers who very much enjoyed meeting with you during the Goal Setting Conferences last week. Students discussed their learning goals and most shared their personalised learning map with you to show their growing understanding of how they learn. We want the students to be active learners and the learning maps are a tool to support this. Thank you for taking the time to attend the conferences.

Thank you to everyone who supported the gala. What a fabulous day! I had a great time and being a general helper allowed me to explore every area. I took advantage in my travels to enjoy some wonderful food and had a great time working on the raffles. The raffle prizes were incredible - such generous donations and such a variety. A special acknowledgement to Celia and her gala team - outstanding efforts everyone.

Post gala there is always continued work as the surplus items get dealt with. A huge thank you to Kerry Sutherland and Stacey Ruscoe for working so hard to sort and distribute boxes of useful items to the following who are very grateful for all your kind donations. St Vincent De Paul, St. John's Levin, SPCA, Salvation Army, Hospice, Ngaio Te Kohanga Reo, Kiwi Community Assistance, Little Sprouts, Arohata Women's Prison and Acts Community School Tonga.

Please take the time to read the separate e-mail 'Tui Update'. This will update you on collaborative teaching in the senior area of Ngaio School and offers some chances to see them in action and attend an information meeting.

Paid Union meetings

Paid union meetings are happening in March for primary school teachers and principals. At the meetings there'll be discussions helping to decide how to proceed with this year's campaign "It's Time. Time to lead, teach and learn." This means freeing teachers to teach so every child receives the personal attention they need to learn and thrive. It means freeing principals to focus on leading and it means ensuring we have enough teachers by attracting more people to teaching, by respecting them as professionals and paying them properly.

Our students come to school to learn all the skills and abilities that they'll need to grow up healthy, happy and productive in the 21st century. Our nation can afford to ensure every child receives the education they need to succeed in life, and for every educator to be trusted and resourced to make that a reality. It's simply a matter of priorities.

NZEI Te Riu Roa - New Zealand's largest education union, head into negotiations for the Primary Teachers' Collective Agreement this year. They are asking us to stand together for our students and for an education system that values, attracts and retains the amazing teachers who are entrusted with the education of our children. In the paid union meetings in term 1, specific goals are being decided so they are encouraging every member to have their say in this crucial campaign.

For the first round of meetings we made the decision to stagger the teachers attending meetings so we wouldn't have to disrupt you, however if there are further meetings we may ask for your support by offering you the chance to pick up your children early to allow teachers to attend the meetings. We'll let you know once we have more information.

Nga mihi nui
Raewyn Watson
Te Tumuaki

Return of Pool Keys

The last day to use the school swimming pool is the end of Easter weekend.

Please return your pool key to the school office by Friday 6th April. If, however, you are no longer using the pool, feel free to return your key to the school office any time from now. *Thank you*

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Movin' March WOW Day

FANCY FEET FRIDAY

Come to school in your best
decorated shoes to celebrate
Movin' March

Friday 23rd March



Spot Prizes to be won
Parade at 9.15am

To advise an absence please email: absences@ngaio.school.nz before 9.00am.

If your child is arriving late please ensure they sign in at the office upon arrival and children leaving before 3.00pm must be signed out by an adult. Thank you.

Community Notices

PRIDE LANDS FUN HOLIDAY ADVENTURES

AUTUMN HOLIDAYS AT OTARI SCHOOL AND BERHAMPORE SCHOOL

Dates: April 16th – 27th 2018 from 7.00am-7pm daily.

Fees: Daily \$81/cub per session or \$148 for two or more siblings per session ; Weekly: \$239 per cub/week or \$449 for two or more siblings/week.

Discounts/Funding Available: Wild Card (15%) off across all our services and MSD approval providing WINZ Subsidies for eligible families.

Social Development: Interactive Activities and NO TV or Video Games
Kai Cubs Cooking and Life Skills Programme designed to teach our children how to prepare Healthy Morning Tea, Lunch and Afternoon Teas.

Qualified 1st Aid Trained Activities Coordinators

One-on-One care: Available for cub(s) if extra support is needed.

SHUTTLE SERVICES (with booster seats) AVAILABLE

Please contact us: 0800 PRIDE 4 U Or Register online: www.pridelands.org.nz or Visit our Facebook page: www.Facebook.com/PrideLandsChildcare

ONslow TABLE TENNIS CLUB 2018

VENUE Ngaio Town Hall [1 Ottawa Rd, Ngaio, Wellington](#)

SESSION TIMES

Junior Club - Thursdays 6:00pm to 7:45pm (05 April to 13 September)

Senior Club - Thursdays 7:45pm to 10:00pm (05 April to 11 October)

Check us out on [Facebook!](#)

Wilderkids school holiday programme open for bookings

Sustainability Trust's outdoor holiday programme for kids is running again from April 16 to 27. Based at Innermost Gardens and in Wellington Town Belt, the programme gets kids aged 5 to 12 exploring nature and learning about sustainability in a fun, hands-on way. Different activities every day, from making chutney with wild plants to learning bush survival skills. \$56 a day per child, and we have \$10 places available for families with a Community Services Card. More details and bookings on www.sustaintrust.org.nz/wilderkids

Did you know you can now recycle your expired or damaged child car seat? Around 90% of seat materials are recyclable which is great news for the environment, and keeping expired car seats out of circulation is good for child safety. **SeatSmart** accepts any brand of capsule, booster or reversible car seat (no polystyrene boosters) for a small fee of \$10 (RRP). For collection site details visit www.SeatSmart.co.nz. You can also like us on Facebook (**SeatSmartNZ**). Thanks to Wellington, Upper Hutt and Hutt City Councils for their support.

