

# Ngaio School Newsletter Term 3 Week 5 22 August 2024

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KEY DATES TERM 3 - Please check the school website calendar regularly	
Friday 23rd August	Staff Only Day - SCHOOL CLOSED
Wed 28th August, 4-5pm	Learning Support Campaign Launch - Johnsonville Community Centre
Fri 30th August	Daffodil Day
Tues 3rd September	Tennis tournament registration closes
Mon 2nd - Fri 6th September	Scholastic Book Week
Thurs 5th September	Final day for Skipathon sponsorship payments
Fri 6th - Tues 10th September	Scholastic Book Fair
Tues 10th September	Year 1-4 Futsal tournament at Ākau Tangi
Thur 12th September, 7:00pm	Board Meeting, Staffroom
Sat 14th September	St Brigid's Kapa Haka Festival
Wed 18th September	Calendar Art orders close
Sat 21st September, 1-3pm	PTA Working Bee - retaining wall garden
Fri 27th September, 3:00pm	Last Day Term 3
Mon 14th Oct, 9:00am	First Day Term 4

#### Kia ora e te Whānau

A fabulous time was had by all at the Skipathon event yesterday. So many proud ākonga sharing their achievements and having a lot of fun. A big shout-out to Dan who organised this event.

The PTA does such an important job supporting the school for the benefit of your tamariki. Our school library is a fabulous and very precious resource - one we are always proud to show off to visitors. The Book Fair is run by the PTA to support the library, but

they desperately need more volunteers to make this event a success. Please check out their request below and help them out!

Please check out the invitation to the Ngā Aukaha Learning Support Campaign Launch in Johnsonville, in the notices below.

The Ngā Aukaha Campaign is intended to create sustained pressure on the government to fund an inclusive education system. Providing teacher aides is a significant cost to schools, but not having them has a huge impact on all ākonga in a classroom where extra support is needed.

Have a great weekend

Ngā mihi nui

Raewyn Watson Te Tumuaki

#### **PTA NEWS**

# BOOK BONANZA IS COMING - VOLUNTEER TO HELP AND PLACE YOUR PIZZA ORDERS NOW

We are inching closer to the Ngaio School **Book Bonanza!** The range of events below allows for a significant annual contribution for the school library that our tamariki get to enjoy.

As part of the festivities, we will be hosting the **Scholastic Book Fair** where an amazing range of Scholastic books and loads of other toys and fun stationery items are made available for purchase in a pop up 'school store'.

# Opening Hours:

- Friday 6th September 2.45pm 3.30pm
- Monday 9th September 8.30am 9.15am and 2.45 pm- 3.30pm
- Tuesday 10th September 8.30am 9.15am and 2.45pm 3.30pm

There will be a **Bake Sale** taking place on Monday 9th September. There will also be **Raffle Tickets** for sale Friday 6<sup>th</sup> /Monday 9<sup>th</sup> /Tuesday 10th adjacent to the Book Fair.

**Get your orders in for Pizzas & Popsicles** - Kids Lunch on Friday 6th September, as a fundraiser for the school library.

Orders in by Wednesday 4th September.

· Price: \$7.50 per pizza

Type: Kids Sized pizza from Hell Pizza

· Flavours: Pepperoni, Hawaiian, Plain Cheese

Gluten free and dairy free options for the above pizzas.

Lemonade iceblocks - \$2 each - All orders done on my Kindo HERE

#### **Book Bonanza - Volunteers still NEEDED!**

None of this can happen without your help! Currently we are short of making this event a roaring success for our Tamariki:

- Bake Sale we need bakers and sellers
- Book Fair process sales of books. Training on Eftpos will be provided.
- · Pizza & Popsicle Lunch delivery help us get pizzas & popsicles to the classroom

Click on this link to express your availability to help - <a href="https://forms.gle/QYXF8zpdFjeRLqrZA">https://forms.gle/QYXF8zpdFjeRLqrZA</a>

### **Retaining Wall Working Bee**

As we get closer to Spring it's also timely to be conducting another Retaining Wall Working Bee!

Please SAVE THE DATE to come along to pitch in - Saturday 21st September 2024 between 1-3pm. If you're interested in coming along please reach out to pta@ngaio.school.nz



Well done Ngaio School for a fantastic skipathon house event yesterday. What a great result! It was amazing to see you all dressed up and choosing the best dressed house was impossible so all the groups are shared in the video link below.

Hopefully everyone achieved their goals. If you missed yesterday you can keep going until the end of the month - there is still time!

Please deposit all funds collected directly into the Ngaio School bank account **12-3140-0210759-00** 

#### Particulars:

Student's name/s: Code: Room Number Reference: Skipathon

Final day for sponsorship payments: Thursday 5 September.

## What are we fundraising for?

Ngaio School still desperately needs to update our stock of digital devices. While the 2023 Math-a-thon helped, we currently still have 75 Chromebooks and 41 iPads that are operating well beyond their end of life date and need to be replaced. These devices have been in use at Ngaio School for between 7-9 years, and are no longer fit for the purpose of teaching Digital Technology as it is laid out in the New Zealand Curriculum, or to support other learning across the curriculum. They have broken parts, poor internet connections, full storage capacities, outdated applications, expired software and slow processing speeds. Ākonga and kaiako find them incredibly frustrating to use. We would be very appreciative of any support you can give to this important cause!

# Details of individual, class and house prize winners will be announced soon so watch this space!

In the meantime please enjoy this video of highlights from the day.

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1gMiQuyJ8TGiHzLnK8F-xZK9EHjKCJQTg/view?usp=drive\_link

#### **SWIMMING SPORTS EVENTS**

Well done everyone for your efforts at the recent swimming sports events. We had the most participants in the main pool than ever before! We are proud that you were able to give it a go and finish all the races. Thank you to the parents who helped out on the day, we could not do it without you. Everyone had a great time and represented Ngaio School values.

#### Results:

#### Year 4 girls freestyle

1st Olivia D 22.20, 2nd Tia G 23.78, 3rd Thea O 24.81

#### Year 4 boys freestyle

1st Ezekiel H 22.28, 2nd Mason Y 25.09, 3rd Tilo M 25.82

## Year 5 girls freestyle

1st Mila G 19.47, 2nd Genna D 20.40, 3rd Isla G 22.37

#### Year 5 boys freestyle

1st Alex T 22.30, 2nd Daniel S 23.60, 3rd Thomas G 25.90.

## Year 6 girls freestyle

1st Rylee B 18:13, 2nd Tessa M 18:22, 3rd Patricia K 20:47

Year 6 boys freestyle 1st Jackson S 19:81, 2nd Te Mera G 20:84, 3rd Miles B 20:97

Year 4 girls backstroke 1st Tia G 25.22, 2nd Olivia D 26.59, 3rd Anna P 28.97

Year 4 boys backstroke 1st Ezekiel H 27.25, 2nd Alex H 29.00, 3rd Mason Y 30.50

#### Year 5 girls backstroke

1st Mila G 23.59, 2nd Niamh H 24.02, 3rd Genna D 26.01

#### Year 5 boys backstroke

1st Alex T 26.84, 2nd Daniel S 29.40, 3rd Thomas G 30.10.

#### Year 6 girls backstroke

1st Rylee B 20:03, 2nd Tessa M 21:32, 3rd Eva B 24:18

#### Year 6 boys backstroke

1st Miles B 23:07, 2nd Te Mera G 24:19, 3rd Jackson S 24:23.

# **Ngaio School Board Casual Vacancy for a Parent Representative**

Thanks for the interest so far in the vacancy on the school board. The board has decided to fill the vacancy by selection so if you are interested in filling the vacancy, or would like to find out more, please contact Joe or any other member of the Ngaio School Board. If 10% or more of eligible voters on the school roll ask the board, within 28 days of this notice being published, to hold a by-election to fill the vacancy, then a by-election will be held.

Request for a by-election should be sent to: Joe Winton, Presiding Member (chair), Ngaio School Board botjoe@ngaio.school.nz

The student's have been busy creating artwork that can be made into affordable Calendars, Cards, Diaries, Mouse Mats and Sketch Pads.

Each product is made from your own child's art.

IT'S CAI ENDAR ART TIME AGAIN!

These make unique Christmas gifts for family and friends and are perfect for posting overseas.

Order forms have been sent home today. <u>Please check your children's bag for the unique ordering code.</u>

Follow these instructions to place your order online:

- 1/. Go to www.kidsartworks.com
- 2/. Use the Entrance Code: KZ\*..... (add in your entrance code from your welcome letter e.g. "KZ3452")\*
- 3/. Enter your child's room & name when prompted

Ordering is open from today until Wednesday 18th September.

No late orders can be accepted beyond this date

Payment can be made over the website via credit card or account2account. If you have any questions please contact Nicki by email <a href="mailto:n.mitchell@ngaio.school.nz">n.mitchell@ngaio.school.nz</a>

2024 Wellington and Kapi Mana Primary & Intermediate Schools Tennis Tournament

Registrations close 10:30am Tuesday 3rd September. Email n.mitchell@ngaio.school.nz

## **COMMUNITY NOTICES**

We have received this invitation to our local Ngā Aukaha Learning Support Campaign Launch – a Community Forum in Johnsonville!

In collective bargaining teachers and principals pushed hard for better learning support but governments of both stripes have made frustratingly little progress. Field Officers heard this clearly in Paid Union Meetings again this year. That is why our member leaders started the Ngā Aukaha Campaign – a political campaign to create sustained pressure on the government to fund an inclusive education system. An effort to build the community demand for change, beyond collective bargaining.

The two priorities this year are <u>a teacher aide for every child that needs</u> them and increasing the staffing of MOE/school-based specialists. People like SENCO, counsellors, resource teachers, advisors, therapists, kaitakawaenga and psychologists.

MPs have been invited and they respond to a united community voice and pressure, so let's fill the hall with educators and parents.

Come to your community forum from 4-5pm on the 28th of August at Johnsonville Community Centre to build the pressure on political leaders to do right by tamariki and fund meaningful learning support provision. RSVP here.



**St Benedicts School** is holding a year 7/8 Teaching and Learning Programme information evening on Monday 23 September 5:30pm.

Are you curious about how we prepare our Year 7 & 8 students for greater independence before they transition to

## college?

Join an informative session where their teachers will discuss the unique aspects of these two years at St. Benedict's School.

Special guests: Leavers from 2021-2022 will reflect on the ways St Benedict's set them up for a successful transition to College.

Mark your calendars and come along to gain insights into their approach to fostering independence and readiness for the next stage of your child's educational journey.

The Learning Connexion School of Creativity & Art. To find out more about our Holiday programme please visit our website:

https://www.tlc.ac.nz/study-with-us/kids-art-holiday-classes/school-holiday-programme/

## **Love Tennis Day**

Ngaio Tennis Club, 3 Waikowhai St, Ngaio

Love Tennis is Tennis NZ's annual event where tennis clubs around the country open their doors and courts to their community.

All ages and abilities are invited for fun activities, games, and coaching sessions....all for FREE! No experience is necessary.

You'll meet some Ngaio Tennis Club members and receive on-the-day discounted offers to join the club.

PLUS! When you come along to Love Tennis, you will go into the draw to win a trip to the Australian Open!

Bring the whole family and give tennis a go; we would love to see you!

