



Newsletter Term 1 Week 11

International Food Fair

The International Food Fair was an outstanding success. Thank you to the parents and families who so generously donated dishes and their time to help on the stalls. We raised nearly \$7000 which is amazing. We are using some of this money to buy more Apple TVs and board games for those wet winter lunchtimes.

It was truly a celebration of our community.

Sport

This week we competed in the Inter-intermediate 7s rugby tournament.

Our cricket team has really shone this term. We have won 3 out of 4 games and made the final of the year 7/8 competition. Unfortunately, the final is not scheduled until term 4. When we know the details we will share them with our community and hopefully arrange for a strong supporting crowd. Well done to this year's team and coach, Aaron Cope.

We have moved our school cross country until today, Thursday, as many of us attended the funeral of Madoc Benfell on Tuesday.

New Buildings

The company responsible for our prefabs is experiencing some organisational restructuring. They are Australian owned, but the NZ part of the company is determined to continue with their projects. Our prefabs are built and ready to be put on site. We are working with the Ministry of Education to keep our project moving forward.

Learning Conferences

In week 3 of next term, we invite you to come to school and talk with your child and their teacher about their learning goals for the year.

The interview times start from 2pm and go until 6pm on Wednesday May 19th and Thursday May 20th.

The link to make an appointment will be available on our website **from Monday May 3rd**.

On the front page of the website, you will also find a letter from me asking employers to allow you time to attend.

Gamefoot

Our Gamefoot tutor, is working at the NZ Games Festival at Courtenay Creative Space and offering a couple of holiday programmes you might find interesting.

Mid-length

Learn how to make your own games these school holidays at Level Up's workshops! Fun and educational, these workshops cover programming, writing, art, game design, and digital wellbeing skills for kids (ages 8-12) and teens (ages 13-16). Classes will take place on 22 & 23 April, and cost just \$15 per person. Secure your spot and book now at capitale.org.nz

Short length

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Fundraising

A few students at the college have been growing their hair long for the last 3 years. Soon they will have it cut and donated to Little Princess Trust (a charity that gives free wigs to children who have lost their hair from cancer or other conditions). We are very happy to promote this in our newsletter.

Here's the link:

<https://givealittle.co.nz/fundraiser/caring-cousins-donate-their-lovely-locks>

Active Students Survey

We have received this from a researcher working on behalf of the Wellington City Council. Please complete this if you can. Biking to our school is indeed a challenge, and with our current traffic "mayhem" we are not surprised it is the least favoured mode of transport.

Kia ora primary caregivers,

My name is Zara Molijn and I am a Masters student in Public Policy at the Victoria University of Wellington. The Wellington City Council want to better understand what is holding years 0 through 8 children back from walking, biking, scootering and/or skating to and from school.

To be able to gain this type of insight, we need your help!

*We are asking that just one primary caregiver per household fills out an **anonymous** 5 - 10 minute survey. The survey will be open for **2 weeks**. Thus, from midnight on the 27th of April we will no longer be accepting responses.*

Follow this link to the Survey: http://vuw.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_9N1SndqcyjIMNiC

Your response will provide us with valuable insights that will help inform how we can make active school travel safe and easy.

Your response is anonymous therefore we will not be able to identify you. Additionally, all results will be presented at an aggregate level meaning schools will not be individually identifiable.

As a thank you for your participation, completed surveys that state a child's school will be entered into a prize draw where the school can win 1 of the 3 sports equipment prize packs. The more parents from the school that complete the survey, the more chances the school will have to win. The equipment in these prize packs has been kindly donated by the Wellington Community Sports Bank. The winners for these prize packs will be drawn by a random number generator in mid-May, 2021.

If you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to contact me at molijnzara@myvuw.ac.nz We appreciate your time and thank you in advance.

Calendar for term 1 2021	
Event	Date and time
Inter-Intermediate 7s	Wednesday April 14 th
School Cross Country	Thursday April 15 th 1.30 College grounds
End of term assembly	Friday April 16 th 11am

This calendar is updated on the school's website weekly.

Angela Lowe

Principal

Community Notices

Please check our website for more information on these community notices and events.

Spotlight - Performing Arts

The Circus Hub

Olderageous April Holiday Adventure: 19 – 30 April 2021

LOOKING TO JOIN DRAMA CLASSES?

Sunshine Drama

Wellington North Badminton

3 days of Drawing, Painting and Sculpting - for serious artists