Community Notices (Please note these notices are passed on to us and are not necessarily an endorsement)

Bargain Books, CDs & DVDs on sale at Ngaio Town Hall on Saturday 7 May. Bring cash, not EFT-POS.

Animates stores nationwide will be hosting free workshops; perfect to keep the kids entertained! This is a great way for kids to learn important life skills such as kindness and compassion towards animals. The workshops will teach them everything they need to know about rabbits, guinea pigs, rats, and mice. The sessions will be held on Thursday 21st and 28th April at 11am at your local Animates store.

**Learn Mandarin Chinese** as a Foreign Language in a fun & interactive way! Our classes focus on speaking & listening, and learning by doing. Affordable classes at Northland Memorial Community Centre, Term 2, Tuesdays 3:30-4:15pm or 4:15-5pm. Preschool (parent & bub) classes are also on offer 2:30-3:15pm. Visitwww.nihaocc.org.nz for more info on Ni Hao Children's Community classes or to enrol.

Jennian Homes Mother's Day Fun Run/Walk, Sunday 8 May, Wellington Waterfront. Run, walk or have a leisurely stroll with your Mum, daughter, sister or a group of girlfriends this Mother's Day. Nominate your primary school and they could win a share of \$50,000 Rebel Sport vouchers to purchase sport equipment. Register at http://www.jennianmothersday.com.

Kids Cross Country Series - come along and have some fun. Athletics Wellington is again running the Kids Cross Country Series over the winter months at various venues around the Wellington region. Venues are Upper Hutt, Karori, Petone, Tawa and Mt Victoria. Races for pre schoolers though to year 8s. This event has grown in the past few years with up to 600 kids taking part, so come along and have some fun. For more information or to enter go to https://www.athleticshub.co.nz/our-programmes#kidsxcountry or email jo@athleticswellington.org.nz or phone 021 976116

After school art class, Term 2 starting 3rd May, Tuesdays, Karori Community Centre, 3.30-4.45pm. Class includes a broad range of processes and materials; painting, sculpture, drawing and printmaking. Charged per term, \$15 per class. All materials included. Register by 15th April. Contact Rebecca for a programme: 027 303 7113 or becca.hasselman@gmail.com.

Artrageous Big Kids Holiday Programme 18–22 April - Our BIG KIDS week is aimed at children aged 10-14 years. Providing them with a space, focused adult attention and loads of resources. This programme is tailored to draw out older children's interest in creating art and using their creativity by themselves and collaboratively. Bookings at www.artrageouskids.co.nz

Artrageous Holiday Programme 18–22 April + 26–29 April 2016 - We focus on extending children's creativity through many different medias. Our aim is to draw out your child's creative expression to develop confidence and self esteem and also to have heaps of fun. We provide new activities every day, however if your child is focused on exploring one medium they can work in that medium every day. Bookings at www.artrageouskids.co.nz

**Drama Holiday Programme -** Drama Remedy holiday programmes are a great opportunity to expose your child to the art of drama & speech with our exciting and enjoyable workshops. April Holiday programme will be 3 days of activities based on Drama Games, Mime and Improvisation. To enrol or for more details contact (04) 478 5962 or 022 027 3316 dramaremedy@gmail.com or visit our website www.dramaremedy.co.nz.

**Zealander Kids Night Walks and School Holidays programmes** – go to: www.visitzealandia.com/kidsnightwalks and visitzealandia.com/schoolholidays.

**Would you like to give hockey a go this winter?** Join our Funsticks programme for Years 1 & 2 at Karori Junior Hockey Club. Visit kjhc.org.nz for more information.

**Public Meeting -** There is a public meeting on the future of the College of Education at 4.30 pm on April 26th at the College of Education Hall, hosted by Victoria University and to be chaired by the Karori Association Chair Lesleigh Salinger. The University will be informing those present of where they have got to in terms of their thinking and processes. There will then be the opportunity for the community to talk about aspirations and concerns etc. The future of the College site is of enormous significance for the Karori and Western Suburbs community, particularly from an education perspective.