



DUTCH VILLAGE "ONS DORP"

Retirement Village & Care Centre

Grapevine

PUBLIC HOLIDAY DATES TO REMEMBER

2024 Christmas Day
Wednesday, 25 December

2024 Boxing Day
Thursday, 26 December

2025 New Year's Day
Wednesday, 1st January

2025 Day after New Year's Day
Thursday, 2nd January

2025 Auckland Anniversary
Monday, 27th January

THE CARE CENTRE RECEPTION WILL BE CLOSED

2024 Wednesday 25th & Thursday 26th December

2025 Wednesday 1st & Thursday 2nd January

2025 Monday, 27 January

Christmas Reception cover: Friday, 27th December, 2024

Monday 30th and Tuesday 31st December 2024

Friday 3rd January 2025

Reception / Administration will be back FULL TIME from:

Monday, 6th January 2025

DIAL 111

FOR A MEDICAL EMERGENCY

Over the Christmas Break please use Skillet for any jobs needed when Reception is CLOSED.

EMERGENCY Maintenance : Call your Village Trustees

Joop Hageman (U45) ph. 837 5176

Elizabeth Jenkins (U59) ph. 836 8337

Margie van Staalduinen (U18) ph. 974 4713

Roelof Siebring (U16) ph. 838 1017

Please use Skillet for any NON-EMERGENCY maintenance issues

From the Desk
of the Village General Manager

Hi all,

40th Anniversary Celebrations
on Saturday 14th December 2pm
in the Pavilion & Mobile Passport Action Desk on Friday 13th December

The Official Invitation (below) has now gone out to all Village Residents. We look forward to seeing everyone there at this Special Event for the Village which I'm sure everyone will enjoy. At the time of writing this Report we are still waiting for confirmation details from the Netherlands Embassy regarding their follow up visit about Residents passports on Friday 13th December.



...continued over

Welcome to Ons Dorp Retirement and Lifestyle Village

Neil & Lyndsay (Lyn) Hyde

Villa 35 — 5th December, 2024

Berend Westera & Alberto Bonini

Villa 13 — 6th December, 2024

Wishing you all a very happy Retirement



... from previous page

GM's ongoing visits to Residents

Over the months of September and October I visited all residents Villas, with the exception of those not occupied and one resident who was not well enough. I am very grateful for the warm friendly welcome I have received from Residents. As noted in my previous report I have given to the Maintenance and Gardening staff jobs to be done by them or external contractors. Thanks to resident's patience in understanding that our external contractors are sometimes booked on other jobs and cannot do Village jobs immediately.

Maintenance or Gardening jobs done in December/ January

As mentioned in my 2 previous Reports if any Residents in Villas have any Maintenance needs (for example: leaks in your ceiling/roof, electrical matters, induction stove top,

plumbing issues related to your bathroom/kitchen, painting issues for damaged doors, damaged wallpaper, faulty wall plugs or light fittings, spoiled carpets etc) you can go on line and log your job onto the AccessMaps (previously Skillet) or call Reception on 8386567 who can log your job. For any Gardening jobs (for example replacement of dead plants, weeding, pruning of existing plants or trees, planting of new plants, general tidy up of your front/ back gardens etc) as with Maintenance jobs you can also go on line and log the your job onto AccessMaps (previously Skillet) or call reception.

Update on Villas sold and upcoming Villas.

I am pleased to advise that we have new residents moving into Villas 13 on 6th December and Villa 35 on 5th December, who I'm sure you will give a warm welcome.

We have 2 other Villas which Bryce and Missy are currently refurbishing before we advise prospective residents on the waiting list.

Thank you to Villagers

I will be on annual leave from Friday 20th December 2024 until Monday 20th January 2025. During my absence Karin Verbeek (Administration Manager) can answer any queries you may have. I genuinely want to thank all Residents for your friendly, welcoming and supportive comments you have given to me in 2024. I want to wish you all a very happy, enjoyable and peaceful Xmas and New Year.

Gary Williams: General Manager



FRIENDS WE HAVE LOST

CARE CENTRE:

GARY ANDERSON - 25 NOVEMBER, 2024

Our condolences to family and friends

Wishing anyone unwell or in hospital all the best and a speedy recovery.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from your Resident Liaison Advisors



Mieke Penning your Monday and Thursday Resident Liaison Advisor final day for 2024 will be December 19



Franciska your Wednesday Resident Liaison Advisor will have her final day for 2024 December 18

Happy New Year and looking forward to 2025!

AccessMaps

A new Logo for Skillet

You may have noticed the Skillet logo has changed to

AccessMaps

To log-in change your website address skillet to accessmaps

<https://app.accessmaps.com/login>

If you are having any issues get in touch with Reception.



Log in

Available at the Pavilion Computer Hub

Book your non-emergency maintenance or Gardening jobs online at the Computer Hub

Stay safe this summer...

... on the roads

.. at your home

... on your digital devices



Enjoy the summer days!



Happy Birthday

at the Care Centre

November

1 Willy Klok
4 Wallace Brooker
6 Gary Anderson
14 Vimala Daniel
26 Dick Wouters

December

3 Joke Brouwer
11 Arie van Doorn
16 Peter Jackicevich
21 Eugenia Toader
25 Cornelia Morrison
26 Kathleen Hope

VILLAGE RECYCLING — ALL LIDS OFF!

Our gardening team spend time removing lids, PLEASE HELP BY taking all lids off and putting them in with your general rubbish.



YOU NEXT TRUST BOARD MEETING WILL BE JANUARY 23, 2025

YOUR FINAL 2024 AUCKLAND LIBRARY PICK-UP WILL BE:



ALL RETURNS can be dropped off to the Care Centre Reception. Please **DO NOT** return your books to the Ons Dorp Pavilion Library.

DECEMBER

11

2025 Library pick-up / drop offs will resume February 12

VILLA MEAL DELIVERIES

Care Centre meals are provided for

\$10 each meal, 7 days a week.

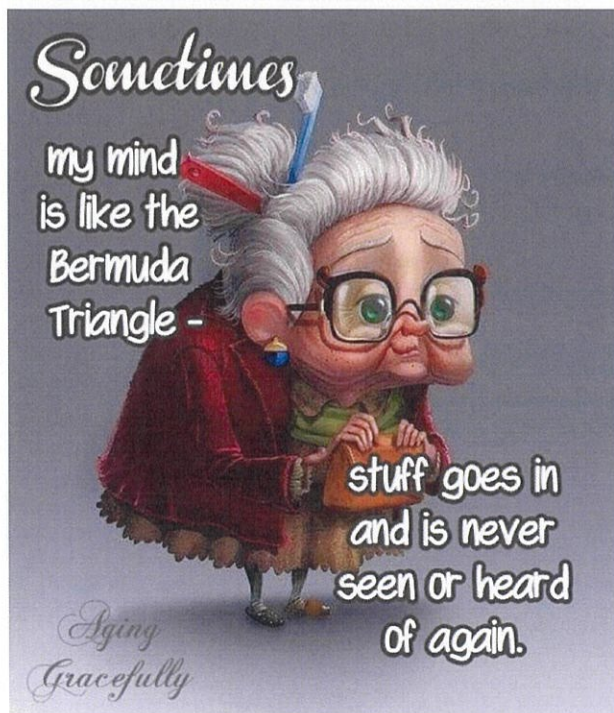
If you wish to order a meal contact Reception.

You can also request a weekly menu. If it is the weekend, call 09 838 6567, select 4 for the kitchen.

All Villa Meals are standard meals — medium or large, \$10 delivered/\$8 eat in the Atrium. There will be an additional cost of \$2 per item if you ask for extras.



😊 GRAPEVINE FUNNY 😊



Pavilion Printer

Need to do some printing? We have a colour printer in the Pavilion computer room. Call reception if need to know how to use it. **PLEASE LEAVE THE PRINTER ON.** The service team need access for toner supply requests, and any other issues with the printer.

ALL Care Centre Visitors **MUST SIGN IN** at Reception

Don't be offended if staff remind you to sign in. The Care Centre is required under the Fire, Health and Safety Regulations to have



ALL VISITORS SIGN IN

Don't forget we would prefer and encourage you to wear a mask when visiting. Masks available at Reception.

a message from

Christmas sending cut-off dates



	Economy	Courier	Express
New Zealand	Wednesday 18 December	Friday 20 December	
Australia	Monday 2 December	Monday 9 December	Monday 16 December
Asia, Europe, North America, South Pacific, UK	Sunday 1 December	Sunday 8 December	Friday 13 December
Rest of the world		Monday 2 December	Wednesday 11 December

The busy festive season is just around the corner, so we're here to help you start planning. Give your pressies the best chance of arriving in time.

Above are NZPost's cut-off dates, which will be a

useful guide for sending to friends and family this holiday season.

If you're sending overseas, the Economy service is your best bet for a cost-friendly option. If you miss the sending cut-off dates, don't worry, use Courier and Express services for those last minute options.

KIWI STAMP PRICES New Zealand **\$2**
Australia **\$3.30** Netherlands **\$4.00**

DON'T FORGET: Have your letters at Reception before 4.30pm and they will be dropped off to a post box.



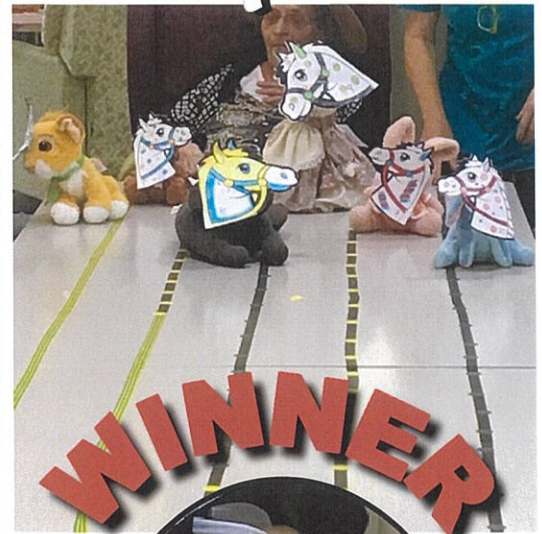
**PLEASE DO NOT FEED THE FISH
WHEN VISITING IN THE ATRIUM**

Editor: Reception
09 838 6567, opt 0
onsdorp@onsdorp.co.nz

MELBOURNE

Cup

Tuesday, 5 November
at the Care Centre



Melbourne Cup O.D. Sweep Chart

7	Just Fine (Ireland)
9	Absurde (France)
16	Valiant King (Great Britain)
21	Positivity (NZ)
23	The Map (Aus)
24	Trust in you (NZ)

Residents adorned their best racing attire and hats before starting our own Care Centre Races. They were enjoyed by all before the official Melbourne Cup race started.

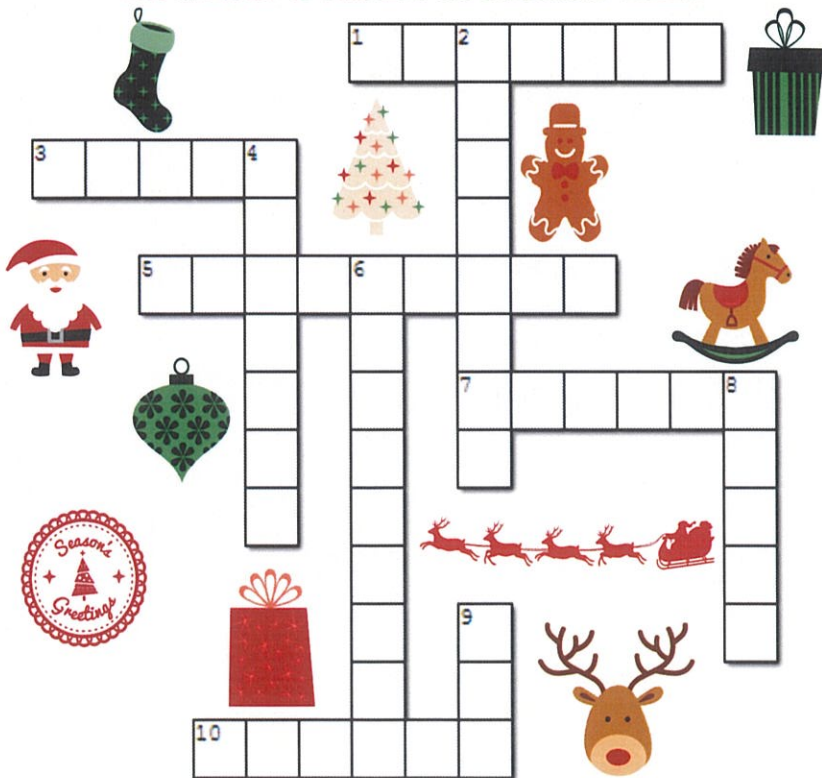


WAITAKERE COLLEGE ISC PRIZE GIVING



CHRISTMAS CROSSWORD PUZZLE

USE THE CLUES TO COMPLETE THE CROSSWORD PUZZLE.



Across

1. One of Santa's Reindeer
3. Santa's Helpers
5. December 25th is _____.
7. Christmas Drink
10. The name of a popular snowman.

Down

2. Christmas Month
4. He hates Christmas!
6. You hang them by the chimney.
8. On Christmas morning we unwrap our _____.
9. _____ to the world!



WWW.THRIFTYMOOMMSTIPS.COM



29 November, 2024

Above: A number of residents went to see some of Waitakere College's ISC students prize giving. They are regular visitors to the Care Centre, playing Boccia, enjoying the game with residents. A superb "haka" performance captivated the audience.

Planting

Be summer-ready

Summer is on it's way and now is a great time to be mindful of your water use at home. Before you head out to the garden, here are some water-saving tips to keep in mind:

TOP TIP: Water your plants **early in the morning or late in the evening** to reduce

Evaporation and ensure more water reaches the roots.



Watercare



Sourced from Watercare — Tapped In newsletter - spring edition

1. Make the most of mulch

Apply a layer of mulch around your plants to retain moisture, suppress weeds, and reduce the need for frequent watering.

2. Group plants by water needs

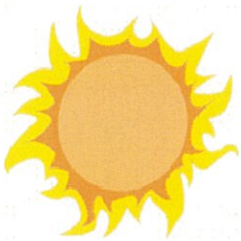
Plant species with similar water requirements together to optimise watering and avoid over- or under-watering.

3. Beat the heat

Water your plants **early in the morning or late in the evening** to reduce evaporation and ensure more water reaches the roots.

4. Right plant, right time

Choosing the right plants for your garden and planting them at the right time is essential for successful growing and saving water. Visit the **Auckland Botanic Gardens** website to view their database of plants that are suited to the region's conditions.



Summer Foods that keep you cool

Summer is here and it promises to be a scorcher.

Here are a few ways to make sure that you are eating healthy and keeping your body cool this summer.

COOLING SUMMER FOODS INCLUDE

Fruits



Best fruits for summer are watermelons, muskmelons and citrus fruits.

Watermelons are full of water and are great as juice or just chopped up.

Muskmelons and other varieties of melon are also cooling and healthy in the heat.

Citrus fruits break down fatty food and help in digestion and hence are cooling.

(Tip: Don't eat fruits sold by roadside vendors. Instead buy the fruits and cut them up at home)

Cucumber



This water filled vegetable can be eaten as a snack any time of the day and is great in salads and raitas.

(Tip: Place two circles of sliced cucumber over the eyes to cool them down on a hot day)

Lime and Mint



Lime is cooling and in combination, lime and mint make a very refreshing drink which is a great pick me up in the summer months.



Fennel Seeds

Saunf is great to lower internal body heat! Soak some overnight, strain and drink the water the next morning

**STAY
hydrated**



STAY COOL

this summer!

RECYCLING TOP TIPS

Keep it clean - empty and rinse
Remove **ALL** lids and put them in the rubbish bin
DO NOT crush or flatten containers
No containers larger than 4 Litres.

DO NOT place newspapers, cardboard etc in plastic bags, better to place in a cardboard box.
ONLY cardboard packing boxes should be flattened.
If in doubt, leave it out



These can go in your recycling bin **NO LIDS**



Clean plastic containers, bottles and trays numbers 1, 2, 5 only (lids off, max size 4 litres)



Clean tins and cans



Clean, flat paper and cardboard



Please Clean unbroken glass jars and bottles



Examples of what can't go in your recycling bin



Food scraps



Soft plastics



Aluminium foil



Coffee cups



No lids of any type



Polystyrene



Plastics numbered 3 4 6 7



Aerosol cans

Local Justice of the Peace contacts

HENDERSON

Feroz Aswat 021 782 786
Donna Barratt..... 027 563 5338
Evelyn Edie 09 836 3306
Marion Humphrey 021 471 904
Elizabeth Jones..... 027 481 5610
Murali Kumar..... 021 685 804
David Lui 021 251 8201
Victor Martick 027 780 1996
Michelle Mascoll 021 021 88 233
Roger Phillips..... 027 439 2647
Rahul Uppal 027 731 1111
Roger King..... 027 282 2102
Caleb Watson 027 421 3308
Lucky Slade 021 112 6055
Sung Park..... 021 811 367

RANUI

Lusila Tauafiafi-Iutoi..... 021 082 05466
Geoffrey Holmes 027 474 4972
Adam Ryan 021 241 4670
Paul Ghai..... 021 255 5130
Kamlesh Naidu..... 021 995 049
Ramzan Anjum 021 250 2912

SUNNYVALE

Robyn Butler-Shaw 021 126 4251

WESTERN HEIGHTS

Vincent Naidu..... 027 471 6349

GLENDENE

Warahi Paki 027 243 5924

SWANSON

Alee Talava 021 159 9862
Sharon Davies 027 498 9597

WestCity Henderson JP Services
every Thursday from 6pm – 8pm & every Saturday from 10am – 12pm You can find them on Level 1, by Japan Mart.

December 2024

Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat Sun

						1
2	3	4	5	6 4.30pm Village Sinterklaas Beatrix Pavilion	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20 Final Market Day for 2024 Beatrix Pavilion	21	22
23	24	25 Public Holiday Christmas Day	26 Public Holiday Boxing Day	27	28	29
30	31 New Years Eve					

4 Letter Words

BELL
SNOW

5 Letter Words

ANGEL
COCOA
ELVES
HOLLY

6 Letter Words

LIGHTS
SLEIGH
TINSEL
WINTER
WREATH

7 Letter Words

CHIMNEY
GARLAND
PAGEANT
RUDOLPH
SNOWMAN

8 Letter Words

CAROLING
DECEMBER
EXCHANGE
ORNAMENT
PRESENTS
REINDEER
WRAPPING

9 Letter Words

CHESTNUTS
CHRISTMAS
EVERGREEN
FRUITCAKE
MISTLETOE
NORTH POLE

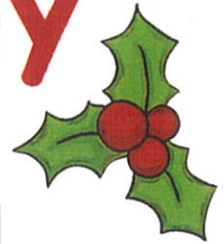
10 Letter Words

POINSETTIA
SANTA CLAUS

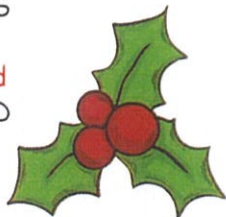
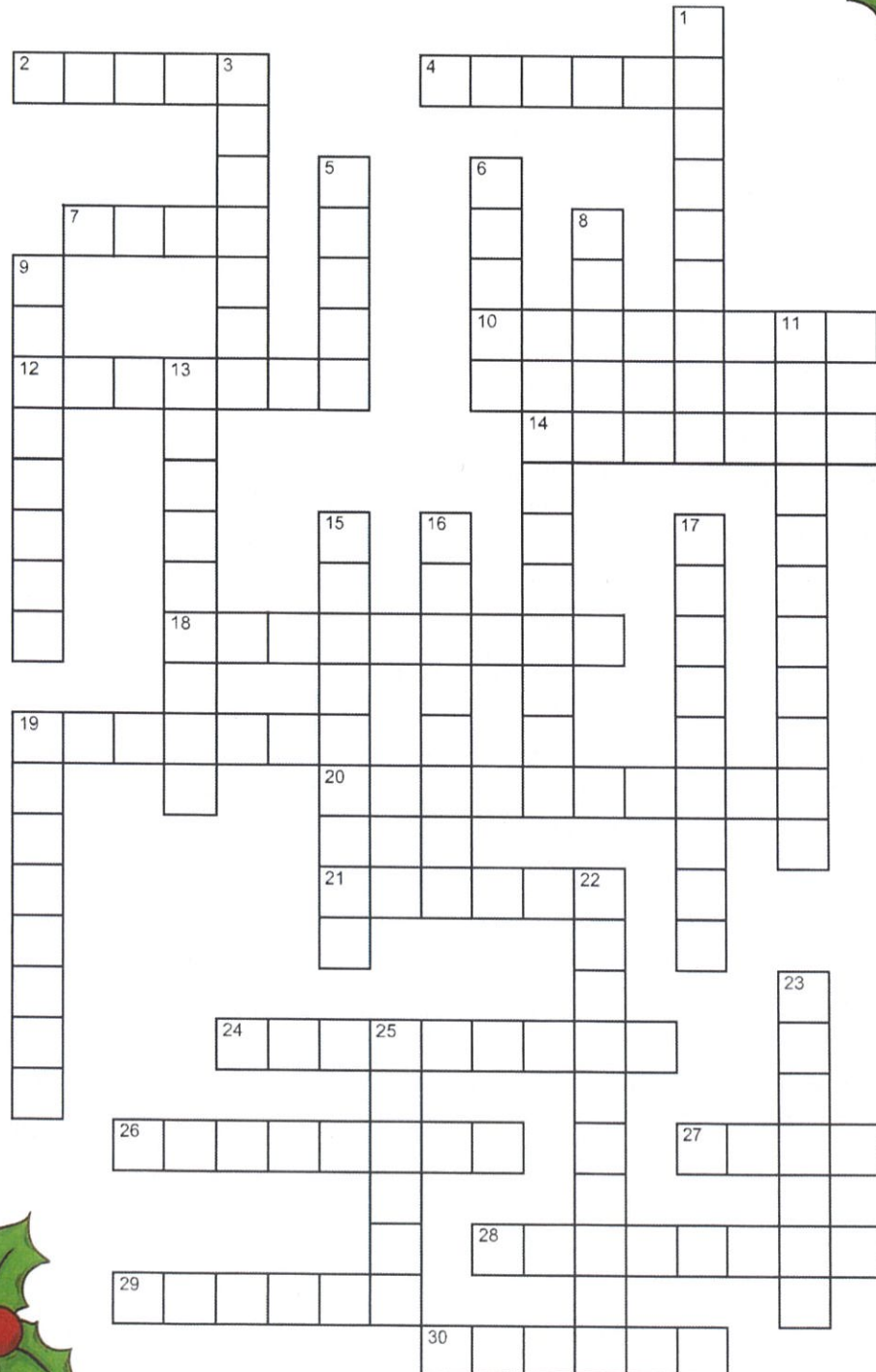
11 Letter Word

GINGERBREAD

Christmas Joy



DIRECTIONS: Fill in the crossword grid with the provided words.

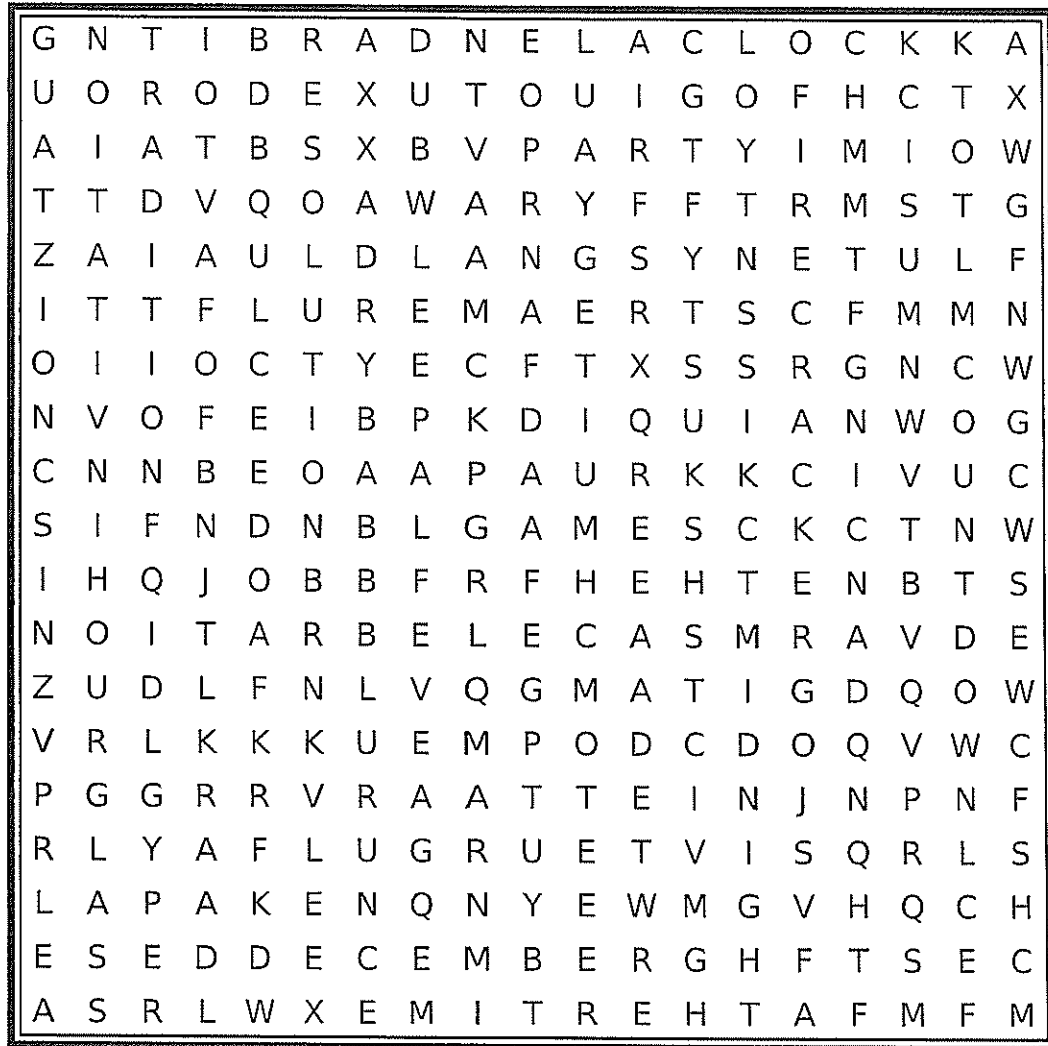


January 2025

Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat Sun

		1 Public Holiday New Years Day	2 Public Holiday Day after New Years Day	3	4	5
6	7	8	8	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27 Public Holiday Auckland Anniversary	28	29	30	31 Market Day Beatrix Pavilion		

Happy New Year!



AULD LANG SYNE

BABY

BALL

BALLOONS

CALENDAR

CELEBRATION

CHAMPAGNE

CLOCK

CONFETTI

COUNTDOWN

DANCING

DECEMBER

EVE

FATHER TIME

FIRECRACKER

FIRST

FLUTE

GAMES

GOWN

HAPPY

HAT

HOURLASS

INVITATION

JANUARY

KISS

MIDNIGHT

MUSIC

NOISE MAKER

PARTY

RESOLUTION

SPARKLER

STREAMER

TIMES SQUARE

TOAST

TRADITION

TUXEDO

VOW

YEAR