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love for Kāpiti



**Local council elections 2016.**

Voting is open now. [kapiticoast.govt.nz](http://kapiticoast.govt.nz)

**Ōtaki residents are being encouraged to vote as soon as they can for this year's election.**

With this year's local government elections for Kāpiti Coast District Council underway, Electoral Officer Jude Wadsworth urges residents not to leave their voting too late.

"You need to complete and return your papers by no later than 12 noon on polling day, 8 October 2016," she says.

"You can vote as soon as you have the papers in your hands, don't leave it until the last minute."

Voting papers should have arrived in residents' letterboxes last week. If your paper hasn't arrived, please ring 04 296 4700 or 0800 486 486.

Votes can be posted back or dropped off at Council libraries and service centres.

If your paper is wet or otherwise damaged when it arrives, please contact Ms Wadsworth and a new voting paper will be posted or you can call in to the Council and make a special vote.

If you're not enrolled to vote, it's not too late - visit the Electoral Commission website or call 0800 36 76 56 to get on the roll. You'll then need to ring the Electoral Officer to request a special vote on 0800 486 486.

Find everything you need to know about this year's election at [kapiticoast.govt.nz/elections2016](http://kapiticoast.govt.nz/elections2016) including more information on the candidates.

# Kāpiti Arts Trail coming soon



Paula Archibald in her studio.

**Eighteen artists from Ōtaki, Te Horo and Peka Peka along with artists exhibiting in one Ōtaki gallery are busy preparing for this year's Arts Trail.**

The event will be held over two weekends (29/30 October & 5/6 November) like last year, giving people more time to look at the diverse range of art on offer and talk to artists taking part.

"I've been working towards the Arts Trail for most of the year," says Ōtaki artist Paula Archibald, whose newly-renovated studio will be ready for the event.

"I love the contact with the public and their response to my art - it warms my heart when I sell a piece to someone who really loves the work."

Kāpiti Arts Guides, featuring all the artists on the trail and maps, are available at district libraries and i-SITES or online at [kapiticoast.govt.nz/arts-trail](http://kapiticoast.govt.nz/arts-trail)

Don't miss this event!

## What's on in the school holidays



**If you're wondering what to do with your kids during the holidays, head to Ōtaki Pool and Library for loads of fun!**

The library will be celebrating 100 years since the birth of children's author Roald Dahl with the following activities:

**Tuesday 27 September, 10.30-11.30am**

Holiday craft for primary school children: 'The BFG' - create a dreamcatcher!

**Friday 30 September & Friday 7 October, 3.20-5pm**

Roald Dahl movie for all ages.

**Tuesday 4 October, 10.30-11.30am**

Holiday craft for primary school children: 'Esio Trot' - make a tortoise.

Please register for the craft sessions at the library or online at [kapiticoast.govt.nz/libraryevents](http://kapiticoast.govt.nz/libraryevents) or phone: 0800 486 486.

**SPLASH!** sessions at the pool with lots of inflatables will be running every day of the holidays between 1 and 4pm.