



10th April 2018

Week 11 Term 1

Kia orana,

Thank you for your co-operation during the Easter Holidays. Schools always have the Tuesday after Easter as a holiday but, usually Easter occurs during term break so child care has already been arranged for the whole term break. This year was different. Thank you for making child care arrangements for your children.

The Education Review Office was at Windley School last Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. They were reviewing how well Windley School provides teaching and learning for the students. They also looked at Windley School's engagement with community and agencies of support. The Board is also reviewed on how well they govern the school. I was very proud of the Windley School students, staff and board for the work they have put in over the last 3 years since the last report. There has also been a big improvement in community engagement with the school and students' learning over this time.

The report from ERO will be made available to the public some time during Term 2. I will let you know when it is released and include links to it in a newsletter.

I hope you have some family time with your children during the term break. Doing ordinary things as a whole family is very important for children's development. Enjoy the time you have with them.

Rhys McKinley

Student News

Our students are taking more control of their learning and so we are starting to set long term goals with our students. The student's family also know their children's strengths and weaknesses. Therefore the school would like to meet with the family and the student to set some long-term goals for this year. This is set for week 1 Term 2 on the evening of Wednesday 2nd and Thursday 3rd May. A separate notice about the online booking system has been sent home. If you need help with this please contact Yvonne in the office.

Staff News

Welcome to Serafina Mohe. Serafina has joined our support staff and is working with the teachers in the junior school supporting students' learning.

Parent News

Thank you to our parents who have supported their children's swimming lessons. Some parents have been helping out with walking the students to the pool, driving students to the pool when it is raining, making sure their child has towel and togs. Swimming is a life skill and every little bit of encouragement helps.



REMINDERS

School Holidays

Friday 13th April is the last day of Term 1. **School closes at the usual time of 3pm.** Term 2 starts on 30th April.

School Gates

The gates are closed in the mornings just before school starts and in the afternoon just before school finishes. The reason for the closures is to make it a little bit safer for our students walking to and from school. The students often walk along the driveway in the morning and after school. When the Hampshire gate is closed do not park in the entrance. A small child may walk behind your car at any time.

Visitors

All visitors must sign in at the office if they are staying at the school for any length of time. This is so we have a record of who is here in case an emergency occurs and we need to check to make sure everyone is safe.

After school

Windley School wants to keep the school grounds a safe place to be. This includes out of school times. Please make sure you check on your children when they come to school during out of school times. We have noticed from our cameras that some non-Windley School children also play here out of school times.

Lost Property

We have a lot of lost property in Room 2 at the moment. If nobody claims it before the end of the week it will be given to charity.

Breakfast Club

There is Breakfast Club every day. It starts at 7.30 and finishes 8.30. Breakfast Club is also a social event for families to sit around a table and eat and talk about family things. Parents or grandparents are also welcome to come to Breakfast Club and share a meal with your children.

If you would like to volunteer to help with Breakfast Club please phone Yvonne on 04 237 7095.

This newsletter is also available on our Facebook Page 'Windley School – official' and by email. Please contact us if you would like it emailed to you.

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COMMUNITY NOTICES

The notices below are not connected to the school. Contact the school office if you would like a notice included in the newsletter.

Youthark Trust runs a successful **after school care program** at our school. Please phone 0800026644 for more information.

