



25<sup>th</sup> October 2018  
Week 2 Term 4

Fakatalofa atu kia te koutou,

I hope you all had a restful Labour Day holiday. I saw many families at parks and beaches enjoying family time.

Goal 4 in our charter talks about raising achievement through family engagement. Thank you to the families who have given up their valuable time to join us on our trips to Te Papa and swimming. These types of trips broaden the learning experiences for our students. Many of these trips would be impossible to do without your support. Our students are always respectful and responsible when they are on trips like these. When we have families joining us on these trips it makes the whole trip much safer for our students because they are under the supervision of more adults. Thanks again for your support.

Rhys McKinley  
PRINCIPAL

### Student News

This week is Tokelau Language Week. Most of our Tokelauan students went to Tokelauan Day at the Tokelauan Hall in Elsdon. Our students represented our school and Tokelau with honour.

Our students represent our school well when they are on school trips. The feedback we get from Te Papa staff and swimming staff is always positive. Our students know our Positive Behaviour For Learning (PB4L) expectations of;

1. Be responsible
2. Be respectful
3. Be safe



Room 3 visit to Te Papa



## Staff News

The Primary Teachers and Principals Union is still negotiating with the government to:

- improve teachers' and principals' work conditions (time and work loads)
- improve teachers' and principals' ability to support special learning and behaviour students
- attract qualified teachers and principals to fill shortages through pay increases
- keep our current teachers and principals in the profession through meaningful career development.

Teachers and principals are considering strike action mid November to show the government the seriousness of the situation. If the strike action goes ahead, it will be for the whole day. The school will be closed for instruction. Windley School appreciated your support last time by making other arrangements for your children to be cared for. I will keep you informed of any strike action as soon as I know.

## Parent News

The school day finishes at 3.00pm. If you want to pick up your child before 3.00pm please sign them out at the office. The school is accountable for the safety and whereabouts of all the students. Even if you pick up your child minutes before the school day has finished please sign them out.

## School term dates for 2019

### Term 1

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> January - Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April  
Waitangi day (Public holiday) Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> February  
Easter and ANZAC Day are during the school holidays

### Term 2

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April – Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July  
Queen's Birthday (Public holiday) Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June

### Term 3

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September

### Term 4

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October – Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December  
Labour Day (Public holiday) Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October

## Reminders

- All students must wear a hat when outside during this term.
- We are a water and plain milk only school.

## Board News

*Kia ora Windley Whanau,*

*There are benefits for your children in building a strong relationship with your kindergarten, pre-school and Kohanga. Windley School is building strong relationships with our local Kindergarten too. By doing this we hope to see a smoother transition for your child and better achievement results in your child's first year at school. Kindergartens, pre-schools and Kohanga Reo are places that promote your child's learning journey and prepare them for school.*

*Joining with your children with reading, writing and counting at home also goes a long way to helping them become SET for life!!*

*Regards*

*John Wolff*

*Windley School BoT Chair*

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