



9th May 2019
Week 2 Term 2

Salam Alaikum

This term has started very well. The first week was full of poetry writing and reading. Poetry was celebrated last Thursday with 'Words at Windley'. There was an enthusiastic gathering of poets willing to read their poems to families and students. I was impressed with the courage of students who stood in front of their whanau and friends to read their poems. It was great to see a parent read her poem too. Thanks to all those who attended.



Staff News

Welcome to Monica Tafale. Monica is a student teacher working in Room 13 with Crystal Southey-Willis. She is on her practicum for the next three weeks. Our profession needs more trained teachers so I am pleased that Monica has chosen to become a teacher and especially pleased that Crystal has chosen to support her in her training.



Monica

Student News

Kapa Haka

There have been lots of events in the last two weeks involving our students. Last night was our Kapa Haka performance for the whanau. It was simply spectacular with the students showing their enthusiasm and commitment to producing high quality performing Maori Arts. Many thanks to Matua Todd and Crystal Southey-Willis for organizing this event for the whanau. I was especially pleased that the students did several Ngati Toa waiata in recognition of mana whenua.



Rippa Rugby

Thanks to all the families who supported the Rippa Rugby Teams at the tournament this week. Our teams did us proud again. A special thanks to Casey Leavaiseeta who coached the teams. One of the teams made it through to the semi-finals. I was so proud of the way they conducted themselves showing all the SET for Life skills and PB4L expectations.



PB4L

We are a Positive Behaviour for Learning school. That means we focus on being **safe**, **responsible** and **respectful**. Our students get to collect goodie slips, rewards and certificates for demonstrating these three expectations. The teachers take lessons about the expectations and let the students practise them then they reward the students who demonstrate the expectations. You can use these expectations when you see good behaviour at home too, if you want.

Examples are;

- You are being **safe** by.....wearing a helmet when biking...
- You are being **respectful** by.....listening to your church leader...
- You are being **responsible** by.....sharing with your sister....

Family News

Ramadan

This is the time of year that the month of Ramadan is observed by Muslim families. It is a time for Muslim families to show empathy to those who are less fortunate and show kindness and understanding to others.

Reminders

Camp Fundraising

The Year 7 and 8 camp fundraising group is running weekly fundraisers through the school. Each Friday they sell meals. Last week there were delicious hamburgers and this week there is chop suey. Only \$3. Thanks to our fundraising whanau.

Facebook

Please feel free to join our Facebook closed group if you haven't already. Just search 'Windley School – official' and one of our admin team will be happy to add you. Don't worry, we aren't interested in what you have on your page, we just want to keep you informed about things that are happening around the school.

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