



Windley School

E tipu nga rakau iti

10th March 2020
Week 2 Term 1

Kia ora te whānau,

Nau mai, hoki mai ki Kura o Winiri. Welcome back to school. Nga whānau hou, Nau mai haere mai. Welcome to our new families. Our students did a powhiri for our new staff and families. The whole school remembered the process and showed they could perform powhiri without practice. I was so proud of the students who did whaikorero. Our new people were welcomed in Māori, Samoan, Tokelauan and Cook Island. Our girls showed skill and confidence when they were doing the karanga. The whole school backed up our kaikaranga and kaiwhaikōrero with superb singing. What a start!

Rhys McKinley
PRINCIPAL



WINDLEY SCHOOL WILL BE CLOSED ON FRIDAY 13TH MARCH.
We are having a Teacher Only Day on Friday 13th March at Porirua College.
All Windley School staff will be attending.

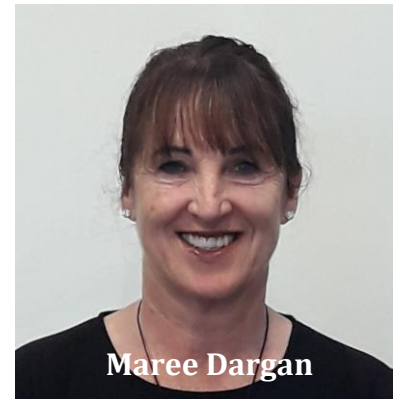
STAFF NEWS



Naoko Funatsu



Claire Hart



Maree Dargan

Welcome to Naoko Funatsu. Naoko is a new teacher in Room 8. Naoko has just completed her teacher qualifications and training through Wellington University. This is her first fulltime teaching position. Please introduce yourself when you are next at school.

Welcome to Claire Hart. Claire is a new teacher in Room 11. Claire trained a few years back as a teacher and has rejoined the teaching profession. We are very pleased she has decided to restart her journey of teaching at Windley School. Again please introduce yourself when you are next in school.

Welcome to Maree Dargan. Maree is a new Resource Teacher of Literacy. She is joining Kate O'Donnell and will be hosted at Windley School working alongside Kate. This is an itinerate position so she will be working across many schools in the area.

This year we have started school without one of our newly appointed teachers. Ida Cloete has yet to join us here at Windley School. She is an experienced teacher from South Africa and will be teaching in Room 5. We are very grateful to Meena Bhasin who is relieving in Room 5 until Ida arrives.

STUDENT NEWS

Our main Inquiry learning this term is interdependence. Students will be learning about how everything is dependent on something else. Nothing can survive without support from something else. Insects need plants and other insects for their survival, people need plants, water, animals, and other people for survival, plants need insects and other plants to survive, etc. So talk with your children about how the people in your family depend on each other.

PB4L

All students are revisiting our PB4L expectations

- Be safe/ kia tūpato
- Be respectful/ kia whakaute
- Be responsible/ kia takohanga

These three expectations are what we do in all situations, whether learning, playing, relaxing, socializing... everything.

Be safe by wearing a hat when in the sun.

Your children need a hat at school so they are safe outside in the sun. Please send any spare hats you don't want any more to school for other students to wear.

Be safe by learning to swim.

Swimming started this week for Year 5&6. Please make sure your children bring their togs and a towel. If any children borrowed some of our togs or a towel last year please wash the items and return them to school as soon as possible. Thank you.

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Ko Wai Au

Ko Wai Au started today. This is a programme that teaches important values and attitudes to our senior students so they can be safe, respectful and responsible.

KiwiCan

KiwiCan also started today. Again, this programme runs alongside PB4L and promotes the expectations of be safe, be respectful and be responsible.

Students learn best when they are safe, respectful and responsible.

WHĀNAU

I hope you all managed some family time over the holidays. It can be a very stressful time of the year so some enjoyable family time does ease the stress. Thank you to all our Windley School neighbours for keeping an eye on the school. We had very little damage. It shows a community who cares about others.

Calendar of events

Date/time/where	Event	Other information
Monday 24 th February 5pm	Board of Trustees Meeting	Held in the staff room
Friday 28 th February	Whole school picnic	Held at Wainuiomata Pools
Friday 13 th March	School closed	All staff will be attending a teacher only day at Porirua College
Thursday 9 th April	Last day of term 1	Finish at 3pm

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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.