



Windley School

E tipu nga rakau iti

3rd March 2020
Week 5 Term 1

Kia orana,

Windley School Board of Trustees have given every child free start-up stationery, a free school picnic at the Wainuiomata Pools and have decided to cancel school fees/donations. Windley School have opted into the government donation scheme which means some things will be free. The Board have yet to decide on which school events and curriculum studies will not be funded, be partly funded or fully funded. The feedback received from families so far has been very positive. We thank the Board for paying for the Windley School picnic.



At the picnic, it was great to see whole families enjoying the day and talking with the teachers and other adults there. Thank you to all the families who helped on the day, cooking and serving kai. Some families took responsibility for first aid, monitoring areas and generally joining the fun. Our students love seeing adults enjoying the water as much as they do.

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

Ida Cloete, our Room 5 teacher has finally arrived from South Africa. Ida and several new families were welcomed today with a whole school pōwhiri. Ida has many years of teaching experience and has recently specialised in teaching Special Education. She has come a long way and her class hopes she stays a long time. Thank you to the students, families and teachers who are involved with Room 5. Please introduce yourself to her if you are at school.



STUDENT NEWS

Wainuiomata Pools trip

All students had exceptional social skills, behaviour and interactions with all adults. All families would have been very proud of their children while at the Wainuiomata Pools. Everyone was;

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

These three expectations are what we did in every situation all day.

Chromebooks

If you are of Pasifika descent we may be able to help you with funding to purchase a Chromebook. Please come into the office or contact Lisa from Te Mana O Kupe Trust.

Criteria for this funding is:

- Must be your first time using Whanau Ora
- Must have 3 people or more living in your house and
- Must be of Pasifika descent.

Any questions to lisa@tmok.org.nz 022 309 0426 or Yvonne at the office

WHĀNAU

Kia ora Windley Whanau,

The Board met for the first time this year, planning how we can support Windley for the coming year.

We would like to welcome Raymend Singh who has been a Board member in the past.

The Board want to acknowledge the very positive feedback from our community regarding the stationary packs and we have discussed working this in to next year's budget.

We are taking learning opportunities to help us better perform as Trustees and are also looking to progress the replacement of the junior playground.

So, a big year ahead.

Regards

John Wolff, Windley School Board Chair

Calendar of events

| Date/time/where | Event | Other information |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|
| Friday 13 th March | School closed | All staff will be attending a teacher only day at Porirua College |
| Friday 20 th March | Junior School trip to Maraeroa Marae | Arriving at Marae 9.30am. Notice to come. |
| Thursday 9 th April | Last day of term 1 | Finish at 3pm as usual |
| Tuesday 28 th April | First day of Term 2 | Start at 8.55am as usual |

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.