



24th September 2020

Malo e lelei,

Tongan Language week was two weeks ago. Some of our students helped us celebrate by teaching the Tongan national anthem. The whole Polyclub learnt the Tongan alphabet and we had assemblies where some groups presented Tongan items. We flew the Tongan flag with pride all week.



I tera wiki, ko te wiki o te reo Māori. Kua ako tātou i te kupu me tikanga Māori. Last week was Māori language week. We learnt some Māori words and some Māori ways of doing things. When we celebrate our identity through knowing who we are, and showing who we are during these weeks, we are saying we are strong in our culture and give mana to who we are. We are Windley School.



COVID-19

Level 1 expectations

At level 1, all visitors still have to register at the office for contact tracing.

2021 FREE LUNCHES

The Government is currently introducing a free, healthy, daily school lunch in some schools for all students. We are really excited to let you know that Windley School will be joining the free lunch programme from Term 1 2021. All parents want to provide their children with a lunch every day but, as you will know, there are many reasons parents can struggle often through no fault of their own. Lunches will cater for the diet, health and cultural needs of our students, and we will work with suppliers and the Ministry of Education to make sure they are healthy and nutritious. The lunches will be available for all our students. While we know there are hungry children in every community, we do not always know who they are. Providing a lunch to every child means we do not need to single-out those who need it more than others. However, lunches are not compulsory, and you can continue to provide your child's own lunch if you wish. There will be another notice sent home about free lunches next term.

INTERVIEWS

Thank you to all the families who attended interviews over the last week. All students are proud of their efforts and want to show their families the good work they have been doing. This is a great time for teachers to get detailed information about your family that will help your child achieve success at school. Thank you for allowing us to share your child's success with you.

REMINDERS

Gates are closed approximately 8.45am and open at 9am. They are closed again at approximately 2.45pm and open at 3.10pm. This is for the safety of our students.

Breakfast club is 7.30am to 8.30am every morning in the school hall.

He Puawaitanga (Rm 1-4) is being renovated over the term break so there will be builders onsite.

Hats. Term 4 is a term when the sun is strong and UV rays can burn us. At Windley School we encourage everyone to wear a hat and use sun block when out in the sun. Find those hats, write your child's name in it and get them to wear it to school.

Term dates

Don't forget that Term 3 finishes at 3pm on Friday 25th September and Term 4 starts at 8.55am on Monday 12th October.

School closed for instruction

No school on Monday November 9th. This day is for staff only.

WHAT NOW - New Zealand's top rating youth TV series - is beaming live to the nation from Cannons Creek School for the first time in history, this Sunday, September 27th from 8am to 10am. This is free, family-friendly entertainment, with lots of foam, gunge and games - and live performances by **our Cook Island Band** as well as the Cannons Creek Choir, Tautua Dance Company & Brandon Intermediate!

You can register here for free: <https://houseoffunge.tv/audience-signup>. By registering, your tamariki could be eligible for prizes and game selection on the day. If you don't want to register you can just go along and enjoy the fun!

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