



# Windley School

E tipu nga rakau iti

4<sup>th</sup> December 2020

Students' end of year written reports are coming home today. Some of our younger students will be getting letters rather than a report as they have not been at school long enough to have a report written for them. The older students' reports are about the student's progress over the year in Reading, Writing, Maths and Learning as Inquiry. There are also students' reflections; VAI comments that are also important to read and consider. The best way to understand the report is to sit with your child and read it together. Get your child to discuss the good things and talk about what the next steps are and how they can be achieved.

If there are queries about the report you are welcome to contact your child's teacher to discuss further.

Rhys McKinley  
PRINCIPAL

## CLASS LISTS FOR 2021

These are being displayed on the staffroom windows after school today and will stay up all next week. The teachers have taken many factors into account when making up these class lists. They consider friends, learning, teacher, the class mix, and number of students in the class. Please read these class lists and discuss with your child. If you and your child want to change class, list the reason and contact me so we can discuss further. Sometimes there is nowhere to move because all other classes are full or have the wrong mix for your child. See me and we can work something out.

## CAMP FUNDRAISING

In March next year, our Year 7 and 8 students are going on a camp to El Rancho. This time of the year was chosen because there was a vacancy available and it is much better weather than our usual slot in November. The donations we get from the Ministry of Education will cover some of the camp, the Board will subsidise some of the camp, and some money will be fundraised. This will bring down the cost to families. There will be some fundraising from the camp supporters this year and next year. A notice has been sent home about costs and permissions.

**This year** the camp supporters will be selling food at the Christmas Market on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> December in the Cobham Court car park. If you have a child in year 7 and 8 (2021) and would like to help, please send along some baking to school on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December and we will sell it on Saturday at the market.

**Next year**, camp supporters will;

1. Sell suppers in Feb for \$15/\$20. (Just like when we did the hangi).
2. Sell baking during morning tea or lunchtime. (since lunch will be provided free for the children).

## STAFF NEWS

### Congratulations to Crystal Southey-Willis

Crystal has been offered a leadership position at Maraeroa School starting in 2021. It will be sad to see Crystal leave Windley School as she was a student here, then part of our support staff, and a teacher. She has probably had the longest association with Windley School than anyone here. She truly represents our motto "E tipu ngā rakau iti" (Nurture the seedling and it will grow into a strong tree). She has grown from a young student into a strong influential member of our community.

Congratulations again Crystal. We all know you will do well at Maraeroa School. There will be a farewell assembly for Crystal on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> December at 2.30pm in the school hall. All welcome.

## STUDENT NEWS

I feel proud when our students, your children, represent Windley School.

- They are always responsible by making sure they follow the Windley School PB4L expectations.
- They are always respectful of others, especially when representing Windley School.
- They are always safe by insuring they follow instructions and are in the right place at the right time.

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The students have represented us proudly at;

- Sports events
- School field trips
- Visiting other schools and colleges
- Powhiri and special assemblies
- Learning competitions across Porirua
- On TV

### END OF YEAR FINISHING DATE

School finishes at 3pm Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Date/time	Event	Information
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 8 leavers' dinner	James Cook. Leave from Windley School
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> February	First day of Term 1 2021	8.55am start