



11<sup>th</sup> March 2021  
Week 6 Term 1

Salam Alaikum,

It is now about half way through the term with our free lunches. We are meeting with the Ministry of Education, Kāpura (lunch suppliers), and our Health Nurses to discuss how the free lunches are going and what improvements could be made. We currently get vegetarian and non-vegetarian lunches. All meat products are Halal. From a school view the positives are that everyone gets;

- A healthy meal
- Two meals, if needed
- Balanced meal of bread, veges, protein, fruit
- The same type of meal for all students
- Teachers encourage students to try new tastes in these lunches
- Students don't need to bring extra food.

Other positives are;

- Less rubbish like chippie packets in the school grounds
- Students are more alert in the afternoons
- No lunches being taken (because they are all the same)
- Student wellbeing has improved (students less stressed)

We also think this is a good time to discourage students from bringing foods that are;

- High in salt like chippies
- High in sugar like cakes, chocolate, sweet foods
- High in colouring like cheese rings, twisties,
- And high in fat like deep fried chips, chicken

For some students these meals taste different from what they are used to. It is a great opportunity for these students to try new and healthy tastes. There is no need to send along any lunch for your child. All children can have extra free lunches if they want. We also have fruit in schools for snacks during the day and free breakfast at 7.30am.

Please comment about the free lunches so we can pass that onto the Ministry of Education and Kāpura (lunch suppliers). The school already has a list of suggestions for them.

**Windley School would like to give them feedback from our families. Please fill in the form below and return to the office by Monday 15<sup>th</sup> March.**

What are the good things about the free lunches?	What are the bad things about the free lunches?	What improvements could be made?

## WHĀNAU NEWS

You are invited to a Whānau Safety Online meeting at 5.30pm on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> March in the Windley School Library. If your child has received a chromebook recently and would like to bring it home, then someone from the family must attend a Whānau Safety Online session and a Kawa of Care session. Come along on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> March and learn how to keep the whole whānau safe online. This is open to non-chromebook whānau as well.

**Whānau Safety Online  
5.30pm Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> March  
Windley School Library**

## STUDENT NEWS

Room 11 recently entered the Metlink Design A Bus competition as part of our learning. I have just heard that Paw Aye Ling Tung's design has been shortlisted. Her design will go into the finals next week, and if she wins her design will be painted onto a real Metlink bus.



## VAI.

During Alert level 2 we could not have a whole school assembly so we gave out our VAI certificates by class. Here are our students who showed that they had

**Voice** "Everyone has a voice that can change the way things are."

**Action** "Learners make a difference."

**Identity** "Know who you are, show who you are, be who you are."



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Date	Event	Notes
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	Board of Trustees meeting	5pm in the staff room. All welcome
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> April	Kāhui Ako staff only day	School closed for instruction
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April to Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> April	Easter Holidays	School is closed.
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> April	Last day of term 1	School finishes 3pm
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May	First day of Term 2	School starts 8.55am
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> June	Queens's birthday	School is closed
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> June	Staff only day	School is closed for instruction.