



16th June 2021
Week 7 Term 2

E te whānau, tēnā koutou.

Kei te tata mai ko te Matariki. Ka puta mai ngā whetu a Matariki i runga i te rangi po. Matariki is coming. The Matariki constellation will appear in the night sky, which is the sign of the Māori new year. Some of our classes will be celebrating the coming of the Māori new year by planting some trees around the school. Matariki is a time when we prepare the ground for planting new crops. It is also a time to gather and share kai. Ngā mihi koutou o te tau hou Māori. New year greeting to all. A notice with more information about the planting activities will be sent home soon.

Rhys McKinley
PRINCIPAL

STAFF NEWS

Staff Only Day

Windley School will be closed for instruction on Monday 21st June.

This day is a day when the Windley School staff learn, develop, and improve our knowledge and skills for teaching.

Paid Union Meeting

On Wednesday 23rd June, Windley School teachers will be attending a Paid Union Meeting from 1.30pm to 3pm. This means teacher aides and a couple of teachers will be managing all students for the afternoon. Although the school is not closed, families who want to collect their children can do so from 12.45pm (lunchtime). If you do collect your children, please let the teachers in charge or the office know. The older students can go home as long as there is someone at home to care for them. **Please fill in the attached form and sign and return it to school if you haven't already.**

Support Staff Week

Last week was Support Staff Week. The students and teachers put a lot of effort into making sure the teacher aides, librarian and office staff felt appreciated with cards, a special morning tea and presentations at assembly on Friday.



STUDENT NEWS

VAI Awards

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.”

Here are our VAI Award winners from last week.



Stolen Ipads and Chromebooks

During the weekend (Friday to Sunday), Windley School had many Ipads and Chromebooks stolen from school. There were also students' personal chromebooks taken and a staff member had her laptop taken as well. The students and staff who had their ipads, chromebooks and laptop taken are disappointed but are managing the situation very well. The students and staff from these rooms are very adaptive and are continuing to take control of their learning in other ways. The students and staff have seized this as an opportunity to learn without them. Ka mau te wehe!

Reporting back to families

Don't forget to make a booking to see your child's teacher on either Tuesday 29th or Wednesday 30th June. If you need help making a booking, please contact the school office.

School photos

School photos are being taken on Monday 5th July and envelopes are being sent home today. The photographer requires one envelope per child with the correct money inside. If you would like to have a family photo taken please pick up a separate envelope for this from the office. Family photos are taken first and will start at 8.30am.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Date	Event	Notes
Monday 21 st June	Staff only day	School is closed for instruction.
Wednesday 23 rd June 1.30-3.00pm	NZEI Teachers Paid Union Meeting	You can pick up your child from 12.45pm. They will be given their free lunch.
Tuesday 29 th and Wednesday 30 th June	Goal setting interviews/report back to families	Both after school events
Friday 2 nd July	Matariki Māori New Year.	Some classes will be planting trees. Notice to come
Monday 5 th July	School photos	Family photos from 8.30am
Friday 9 th July	Term 2 ends	3pm finish
Monday 26 th July	Term 3 begins	8.55am start

I give permission for my child/children to walk home at 12.45pm on Wednesday 23rd June. There will be someone home to care for them.

Child's name _____ Room _____

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Parent/Caregiver's name _____

Signature _____

Date _____