



Windley School

E tipu nga rakau iti

5th November 2021

Week 3 Term 4

Talofa ni,

Last week we celebrated Tokelau language. We had some special guest for the opening that Mataio had arranged. He also arranged Tokelau activities that promoted Tokelau language every day for the week. We were very lucky to have Barbara Edmonds join us for the closing ceremony on Friday. She was very impressed with the confidence and the voice, action and identity of our students. They know who they are, be who they are, show who they are.



Barbara Edmonds did warn us all about COVID coming to Porirua. She was saying the best way to protect our whānau is for all people aged 12 and over to get vaccinated. All staff at Windley School will soon have to be fully vaccinated and the people who work at our school will have to be fully vaccinated. We can help protect our very young and very old by getting vaccinated. You can find out more on the website below.

<https://covid19.govt.nz/about-this-site/contact-and-support/>

Rhys McKinley
PRINCIPAL

SCHOOL NEWS

A big thank you to the parent of one of our ex-Windley students who brought in an ipad that had been stolen from Windley School.

STUDENT NEWS

Athletics

This year we have had lots of events cancelled due to restrictions under COVID alert levels 2 and 3. Porirua Athletics has been cancelled this term. Therefore, we will be holding our own Athletics events in school. These days will be on the first two fine days after 14th November. Unfortunately, we don't know exactly when that might be but we will make a decision on the day and will put it on Facebook that morning. Whānau will be able to come to the events but will have to wear marks, scan in, and physical distance. *There will be no athletics held if we go to alert level 3.*

Poly Club Concert

The Polyclub concert is another event we would like to hold. For this to work we will have to hold it outside so our whānau can come and see their children perform. The concert will be held at 5pm on the first fine day (weather permitting) after Monday 22nd November. Again, we will have to make the decision to hold the concert on the day and we will put it on Facebook. You will have to wear a mask, scan in, and physical distance. *There will be no concert if we go to alert level 3.*

STAFF NEWS

Room 3 teacher

Repeka Kome, our usual teacher in Room 3 is on leave and Meena Bhasin will be the Room 3 teacher until Repeka returns. Windley School is very grateful to Mrs Bhasin for helping us out. The students are coping very well with the change of teacher and all students are working hard to maintain their achievement levels. I thank the students for their efforts to keep on track with their progress and achievement.

New Appointments for 2022

Windley School staff are looking forward to working with:



Ushani McNamee. Ushani will be teaching one of our Year 1 and 2 classes next year. She has moved from Oamaru to Wellington. In Oamaru Ushani taught at Pembroke School. She has been relieving this year around the Wellington region.

Nicky Ries. Nicky will be in her first year of teaching next year and will be one of our Year 3 and 4 teachers. She has been teaching at Postgate School this term and does many outdoor sports to a high level.



Khaylen Huriwai. Khaylen will also be in his first year of teaching. He will be one of our Year 7 and 8 teachers in 2022. Khaylen grew up in Porirua and still lives locally.

We will properly introduce them when they start here next year.

Teacher Only Day

There will be a teacher only day on Friday 12th November. The school will be closed. The teachers will be at school writing and moderating report writing for end of year.

Reminders

Roads around Windley School

Please slow down when driving near the school, especially before and after school for the safety of the children.

Breakfast

Windley School provide breakfast in the school hall for tamariki every morning from 7.30am to 8.30am. Come along and have some. It is a great way to start the day.

Calendar of Events

Date	Event	Notes
12 th November	Teacher Only Day	School is closed for instruction.
22 nd November	Board of Trustees Meeting	5pm in staffroom
Friday 10 th December	Last day of Term 4 2021	School finishes 3pm
Wednesday 2 nd February 2022	First day of school	School starts 8.55am