



12th April 2022
Week 11 Term 1

Tēnā tatou katoa,

It is hard to believe that this is the last week of term already. It has been a term of tamariki and staff coming and going and has been a balancing act. Trying to arrange teachers for classrooms and joining up classes so that teaching and learning can continue for tamariki and teachers has been a huge effort. Thank you to everyone for being so flexible.

Whānau at home isolating has also been a balancing act around keeping everyone safe and well. You have helped us to stay open and available for whānau to send tamariki to school. Thank you for your efforts and patience around home learning packs.

The effort put in last year by the staff to get these made up and ready to go has paid off. Although the packs cannot replace the tamariki being in class and learning, they have gone a long way to keeping tamariki in the habit of doing some schoolwork while at home, especially if they have no chromebook. Those with fast internet and chromebooks at home have a huge advantage in these situations. Online learning at school and at home has always been promoted by Windley School and is the future of all teaching and learning.

Noho ora mai,
Rhys McKinley
PRINCIPAL

STAFF NEWS

Windley School has employed several part time staff over the term to take Pacific languages. Some have stayed on from last year but we also have new Language Tutors. There has been a change in kapa haka as well, with tutors from NUPOWTR Mai Le Moana Trust employed part time for Poly Club. Next term we intend to have more Language and Poly Club Tutors join us.



Metua – Cook Island Language



Anna – Samoan Language

STUDENT NEWS

Class Trips

Classes are now able to organize class trips as most places are taking groups of students. Room 3 took advantage of this and had a well-deserved day at the Porirua Pools.



Wheels Day

It was great to see our tamariki using their skates, scooters, and skateboards safely during our Wheels Day. They all kept to the expectations and enjoyed themselves. I am sure we will have another next term. Thanks also to staff who organized it.



WHANAU NEWS

Goal Setting Evenings

Goal Setting evenings are being held on Tuesday 10th and Wednesday 11th May. A separate form will be sent home with instructions on how to book an appointment time.

End of Term

Term 1 finishes at **3pm** this Thursday (14th April). Term 2 starts at **8.55am** on Monday 2nd May. **Students need to be in class on time every day ready to start learning.**

Facebook

A reminder that we have our own closed group Facebook Page that you can join to keep up with what is happening around school. Search "Windley School – official", request approval, and one of our Administrators will add you.

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