



Windy Ridge School Newsletter

"Striving for excellence while valuing effort."

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Kia ora koutou. Hello Everyone.

Upcoming Teacher Stop Work Meetings

Don't panic; we have ensured that there will be no disruption to families next week when these meetings take place. You do need to be aware however, that on Monday and Wednesday some of your children may be in a different class for an hour or so in the afternoon.

Glenfield has Talent Extravaganza

The last reminder that we will only be selling tickets for the "Glenfield Has Talent" show up until Friday this week. This is a reasonably priced night of entertainment, even if your child is not personally involved, at only \$12 an adult and \$6 per child (infants 1 year and under are free). From Monday next week tickets will be available through Glenfield Intermediate. (Note - performance starts at **7pm**, not 7.30 as stated in the flyer).

Principal Awards

Congratulations to the following children who received recognition at last week's assembly for being role models and setting high standards in effort/ attitude and/or behaviour: *Alix & Bowen R2, Rosie & Isabella R5, Esei & Sol Min R6, Jenna & James B R7, Amy S & Daniel R9, Jenny & Joshua R10, Creation & Kristiyan R11, Kaleb & Charlotte R12.*

Gold Stars

Congratulations also to the following children who were recognised in assembly for their outstanding behaviour in our playground; Ellice R12, Rosie R5, Tailah R2, Eugenio R11 and Lexi R9. The class winners with the most gold stars awarded in the last fortnight were awarded to Room 6 and Room 10. Well done and keep up the great behaviour.

General Behaviour

I think it is worth mentioning the high level of behaviour that is being demonstrated on a daily basis in our playgrounds at the moment. We have had very few children having to report to our "time out" room and the majority of those who did, only needed a quick reminder of our expectations and they were on their way again. It is wonderful to see the positive way in which the children at Windy Ridge interact so successfully in our playgrounds and your children should be congratulated for it. Well done everybody.

On Leaving at Three

Just another quick reminder about children leaving the school at 3pm. We seem to have a number of children who don't seem to want to leave school at three and they hang around playing. I have spoken to the entire school at the last assembly about how they may have finished for the day, but teachers are still working and having meetings etc. I would appreciate parents reinforcing this message at home with your children as it is important to note that teachers are not on duty from 3.15pm onwards and therefore your children, if they stay, are

unsupervised.

Wheels Day

On Friday 7 May, for a gold coin donation, your child is invited to bring to school something with wheels e.g. bike, trike, scooter, skateboard, skates, doll's pram/pushchair etc. Children will need to bring their own safety equipment and there will be a parade and bike races from 11.30-12.30. If it is wet, this day will be postponed until Friday 14 May.

Old furniture the school wants to get rid of

We have some adult chairs (good for a club?), tables, mirrors and filing cabinets we want to get rid of so if you are interested please come to school to have a look. Donations will be gratefully accepted.

Found in the rubbish bin

Mr Taylor finds this nearly every day: 2 slices of jam-covered white bread, crusts cut off, cut from corner to corner and wrapped in Gladwrap. He also quite regularly finds neatly sliced pieces of carrot. Does anyone recognise these? Please talk to your child about wasting food.

Kind regards

Janine Irvine

Principal

PTA NEWS

- **Mothers Day Raffle** - Will be drawn this Friday. Any donations of treats and goodies for mums would be appreciated for our raffle and can be dropped off at the school office - Thank You.
- **Sausage Sizzle** - We will be selling sausages this Friday lunchtime for Wheels Day - Sausage \$2, Drink 50c and Ice Block \$1.

Community news

- Windy Ridge Playcentre Carboot Sale 21 May @ 8am, 21A Tamahere Drive. Call now to book a space for \$10 on 443 3543 or 027 266 7444, or come along on the day for fantastic bargains, a sausage sizzle, entertainment for the children and a chance to look around your local Playcentre. ☺
- ZUMBA classes are going to start on 11 May in the Windy Ridge School hall from 6-7 pm. Jessica & Carolina have put together a class with lots of fun and, more importantly, fitness with a difference! \$10- casual visit or \$80 for 10 visits. Ph 021 024 44276 for more info.
- NZ Nannies offering before & after school care. Visit www.nznannies.org.nz for more info.
- FREE Pilot Workshop for working mothers - switch OFF Guilt & Stress, switch ON Freedom & Balance. 5 weeks, 1.5 hr sessions, starting 24 May in Browns Bay or 25 May in Glenfield. Contact Gabrielle info@claritycoaching.co.nz or ph 478 2059 or 021 149 738. Participate in a survey <http://www.claritycoaching.co.nz/survey> and win a \$130.00 voucher for a beauty treatment!