



Windy Ridge School Newsletter

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Week 6 Term 3

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Kia Ora Koutou. Hello Everyone

Thank you to all the parents and whanau who joined us yesterday at the school Cross Country afternoon. The weather held out well, and the students all participated with enthusiasm. Our appreciation to Ms Lewis and Mrs Harries for planning the day for us. Everything went very smoothly and the team for the Cluster Cross Country will be competing on Monday 6 September.

On Friday 27 August, Polka Dots will be coming to the school for a performance for the Year 1 and 2 students and the children from the local Early Childhood Centres.

The Polka Dots are a performance group that encourages children to sing, dance, imagine and enjoy their learning. You are welcome to join us for this event, and to bring along your preschoolers also. The concert starts at 9.30am so you will need to be seated by 9.20am. This is a free event as it is being sponsored by Telstra Clear. Our thanks to them for this wonderful opportunity.

Our apologies for any difficulty you may have had in contacting the school this week. We had a problem with our phone connection, but this has now been fixed. Please remember that you can also contact us via email office@windyridge.school.nz or for absences directly through the website www.windyridge.school.nz. In an emergency please phone 021 261 7799 during school hours if you are unable to make contact with us any other way.

A BIG thank you to Derek Powell for gifting us eight large umbrellas from Bunnings. These will come in very handy for teachers doing duty on these cold and wet days, although hopefully there will not be too many of those to go!

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Netball

WR 1 had a bye last Wednesday. WR 2 had another great game beating St Johns 14-6. Player of the Day was Yun.

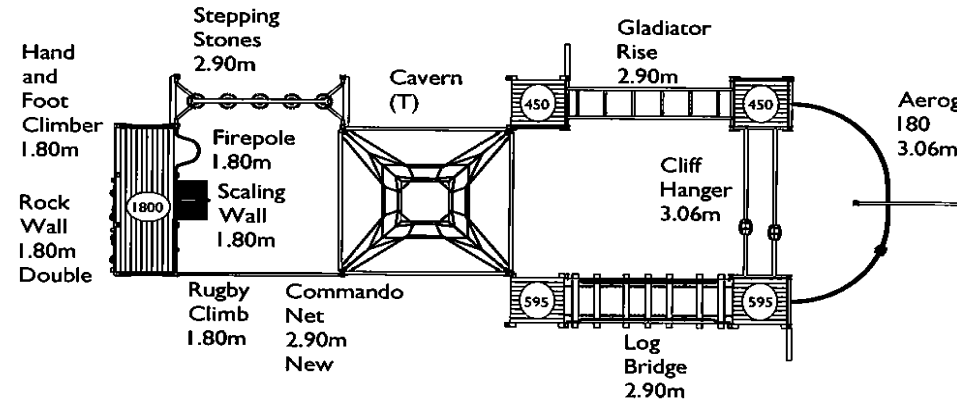
Basketball

The girls had another very good result, winning 9-1 vs Bayview. Player of the Day was Asher. The boys also had a great game winning 14-2 vs Kristin. Player of the Day was Oliver H.

Maths made Easy - EdAlive DVDs

Orders need to be into the office by Friday 27 August please.

Playground: The PTA wish to thank the Playground Centre for the offer of an interest free loan to enable the purchase of the new senior playground prior to having raised enough money through our fundraising events. The new playground is going to benefit both our children as well as other families in our community and we can't wait for it to be installed - within the next 6-8 weeks - how exciting! But remember the PTA still requires your continued support and participation in our upcoming fundraisers to finish paying off this loan. You can watch our progress on the Playground Thermometer in the school office. See picture below for the new playground design.



Glenfield Intermediate visit

Tomorrow Thursday 26th the Year 6 children will be attending GIS for an Orientation visit. All the Year 6 students are given this opportunity regardless of what Intermediate they will be attending next year as it allows them to gain an insight into what an Intermediate school is like. They will be leaving school by bus at 11 and returning at 1pm.

Enviro news

The Enviro Council group has registered Windy Ridge on the McCain veggie patch website. By collecting the barcodes from McCain frozen vegetables or McCain purely potato packs and bringing them to school we can use them to earn points towards gardening equipment for our school. Please bring your barcodes to school. We will be sending the Enviro group children to the classrooms each day to collect them.

PTA NEWS

- **Black & White Disco** - Friday 3rd September 5.30pm to 7.30pm. A disco order form will be coming home this Friday.
- **Fathers Day Raffle** - Don't forget to return your raffle tickets by next Friday 3rd September. The raffle prizes will be in the office foyer from next Monday. Any donations of treats and goodies for dads would be appreciated for our raffle and can be dropped off at the school office. Thanks
- **Room 5 Cake Day** - Don't forget to bring your 50c this Friday 27th. ☺ ☺
- **Car Rally** - Look out for more information on the upcoming event next term, on Sunday 31st October. Great prizes to be won. We also will be having a family fun day in conjunction with the car rally here at the school. Keep this date free in your diary and tell all your family and friends.
- **Hoyts Movie Tickets** - Don't forget we have these tickets for sale in the office. Children \$8, Adults \$12