

Newsletter Term 3 Week 2



Windy Ridge School Newsletter

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Manaakitanga-Respect, Manawaroa-Resilience, Atawhai-Kindness, Honore-Integrity

Kia ora, Hello, Kamusta, Hola a todos, As-salāmu, alaykum, Kumusta, Annyeonghaseyo, Ni Hao, Konichiwa, Namaste, Zdravstvuyte, Ciao, Cześć, Szia, Hallo, Bonjour, Salut, Shalom, Fakalofa Lahi Atu, Talofa Lava, Malo e Leilei, Kia Orana, Kia Ora Koutou

He kokonga whare, e kitea; He kokonga ngākau, e kore e kitea.

"A corner of a house may be seen and examined; not so the corners of the heart"

News from the Acting Principal Matariki At Windy Ridge

Thank you to everyone who made the celebration of Matariki at Windy Ridge such a success on a very wet Friday morning. To have an event such as this being so successful requires a lot of people working together with a common goal. It was very obvious that this was achieved on Friday. Thank you to Danny Watson who set the scene with just the right touch, outlining the background to the celebrations and bringing a sense of joy and togetherness. The kapa haka and, indeed, the whole school provided wonderful support, as did the tireless ringawera (those providing the food in the kitchen and the working over the hot barbecue). Thank you to the large number of supporters who attended. I was extremely impressed with the level of support from the school's community. I feel a recurring theme of my time at the school will be an acknowledgment of the outstanding facilities the school has. The new building is a huge credit to those who were involved in the project from the initial concept to completion. The thoughtful design of the building meant there was an abundance of space for the celebration on Friday with excellent kitchen facilities to complement the event.

John McGowan Acting Principal <u>actingprincipal@windyridge.school.nz</u>



Our assemblies will be moving to every second Friday for the rest of the year with the first assembly taking place this Friday 28th July at 9am.

Student Led Conferences

In week 4 we will be holding our student led conferences on Tuesday 8th August and Thursday 10th August. School will be closing early on Tuesday 8th at 12.30pm. <u>Student Led Learning</u> <u>Conferences 2023</u>

sKids afterschool care will be open to accommodate any students unable to be collected at 12.30pm https://www.skids.co.nz/locations/windy_ridge/

Red Nose Day – Friday 28 July

Red Nose Day is all about raising awareness and important funds to support much needed child health research in Aotearoa New Zealand, so that we can have the big breakthroughs that mean the health of little lives can improve!

This Friday our community will be celebrating Red Nose Day by wearing red to school. Our school leaders will be selling Red Nose Day merchandise in the Kotare block from 8.30am-9.00am, so come along and support this great cause.

Red Nose = \$2

Badge = \$1

Wristband = \$1

Every purchase will receive a Red Nose Day Sticker and all proceeds will go to support this worthy cause.

Go RED on Friday.

If you would like to make an online donation <u>https://rednoseday.curekids.org.nz/windyridgeschool</u>



Kotare Zoo Trip

On Wednesday 9th August the Kotare students will be visiting the zoo. Please complete the permission form and return to your child's classroom teacher. <u>Team Kotare Auckland Zoo Trip Letter</u> <u>and Permission slip</u>

Have Your Say – Term 3 Policy Reviews

Like many other schools, we use the services of *School Docs* who design policies for many New Zealand schools; updating them to reflect current legislation. Periodically parents are asked to review certain policies. This term parents are invited to have their say around the following policies –

- Learning Support
- Learning Support Coordination
- Identify Learning Support
- <u>Gifted Learners</u>
- Inclusive Education
- Māori Educational Success
- 1. Visit the website <u>https://windyridge.schooldocs.co.nz/1893.htm</u>
- 2. Enter the username (windyridge) and password (WRS0629).
- 3. Follow the link to the relevant policy as listed.
- 4. Read the policy.
- 5. Click the **Start your review** button at the top right-hand corner of the page.
- 6. Select the reviewer type.
- 7. Enter your name (optional).
- 8. Follow the prompts to show that you've read the topic and enter your feedback if you'd like to comment.
- 9. Agree to the privacy statement and click "Submit review".

If you don't have internet access, school office staff can provide you with printed copies of the policy and a review form.



This winter, between Monday 12 June and Saturday 30 September, participating community pharmacies in Auckland will provide a Minor Health Conditions Service for Māori and Pacific people, children aged under 14 years, and community service card holders.

The service allows pharmacists to have a clinical consultation and provide advice as well as medication if needed for a select set of minor health conditions no cost to the patient.

It also includes whānau members of a child with similar symptoms. For example, if the pharmacist determines your child needs treatment for scabies and they have older brothers or sisters, or you yourself also have symptoms, they may provide advice and medication for all of you.

The following health conditions are included in the Minor Health Conditions Service:

- Acute diarrhoea
- Dehydration
- Eye inflammation and infections
- Scabies
- Headlice
- Pain and fever
- Eczema/Dermatitis
- Minor skin infections

If your condition needs further support, the pharmacist can tell you the best place to go to get further help.

Let's spread the word to our friends and whānau about this new service! It's also important to remember that you can always speak to your local pharmacist for free health advice, even if you are not eligible for this service.

Participating pharmacies can be found by going to HealthPoint and searching "Minor Health Conditions". You can also find a list here<u>https://smex12-5-en-</u> ctp.trendmicro.com:443/wis/clicktime/v1/query? url=www.tewhatuora.govt.nz%2fgo%2dwell&umid=03f15db0-214a-489f-8314-00eb263ff8f0&auth=a274b9305a0a6774f29265a98f8f893dbafe8641-7336a07cf314fecd43e11828bcc2ef38514cf6e9.

Glenfield Intermediate Transition Information and Dates for 2024 Enrolments



On Tuesday 15 August, all Year 6 students will spend the day at GIS for a taster day. Again students will be bused to and from GIS and will be back by the end of the school day.

Transition-Events-2023



Our stocks of canned fruit are very low, we would love some more donations of cans as the children do enjoy having them with their Weetbix.

- parent volunteers to help out in the morning from 8.20 9.00 one morning a week. The role involves overseeing our student monitors and ensuring things go smoothly. Please leave your name and preferred day with the office.
- hungry children who'd like a nutritious breakfast to kickstart their day of learning and play
- if your child would like breakfast but is allergic to dairy milk, please send along a carton of their preferred non-diary replacement which we can name and leave in the fridge for them.

Our breakfast consists of Weetbix supplied by Sanitarium and milk supplied by Fonterra, with or without fruit. This year we have set our club up in the kitchen of Te Mara (The Gardens) block of Te Whare Ako (our new block). Please let your children know that they are welcome any day.

We would love to increase our list of Volunteers, you don't need to attend meetings, if you have some time available during the week please let us know. Contact Kieren on Facebook or email <u>PTA@windyridge.school.nz</u>

Term 3 Events

Friday 28th July – Cure Kids – Red Nose Day Tuesday 8th August – Student Led Conferences – school closing at 12.30pm Wednesday 9th August – Team Kotare Zoo Trip Thursday 10th August – Student Led Conferences **Road Safety Around Schools**

A reminder to our school community to observe the 40 km max speed limits around schools and borrow a phrase being used by the Police at present – 'speed limits are a maximum speed allowed, not a target'. Can we also ask parents, whānau, and friends to park safely and legally around our school at pick-up and drop-off times? We continue to see cars parked or stopping on yellow lines and at bus stops, or in the limited time zone areas at the back gate, all of which are clearly marked to be kept clear. This is about your child and our students' safety.

Finally, we have noticed a number of cars carrying out u-turns or three-point turns in front of the school. **This is highly dangerous**. and compromises the safety of children on the crossing and the footpaths, as well as other traffic on the road. On Tuesday morning a driver almost hit one of our children while reversing as part of a three-point turn. Please consider the whole area in front of the school a **no-turning zone**. You can easily drive along to Tamahere Rd to complete your maneuver.

WALKING SCHOOL BUS



We now have 19 kids walking on the Capilano and Roberts Road walking school bus. We would love more.

What is a Walking School Bus? It's an organised group of children who walk to and from school along a designated route, under the supervision of adult volunteers. Children are 'picked up' and 'dropped off' at specific walking school bus 'bus stops'. Walking School Buses (WSBs) reduce the number of cars on the road, making our environment safer and cleaner, and they provide exercise for kids in a fun and social way.

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Please contact Jane Brown jbrown@windyridge.school.nz if you are interested in joining an existing WSB, or are able to support Route A or B. <u>Walking School Bus website</u> <u>WSB-general-information</u> Thank you for your support.

Route C (Roberts Road)

Kieren Streifler (route coordinator)

Route D (feeder route to Roberts Road)

Amelia Bone (route coordinator)

Tree View Avenue – we have had some interest in opening a route in this area, if you are interest in joining please contact <u>jbrown@windyridge.school.nz</u>

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My Kindo App



Kindo & ezlunch are excited to share the arrival of a fresh new look in Term 3!

With it's improved layout and enhanced features, the interface is now easier than ever to navigate, further simplifying school life and saving you time.

So what can you expect from the new and improved versions of Kindo & ezlunch?

- A fresh, new look with better navigation and clear student selection
- Clearer cart layout showing what has been purchased for each person
- Faster and easier checkout flow for a better shopping experience
- Better visibility of which items are available and which aren't
- New item search & sort function e.g. sort lunch by dietary requirement
- Easier process for ordering lunches for 'multiple days'

Order on the go with the mykindo App

Sign up to <u>Kindo</u> online to order lunches with ezlunch <u>ezlunch menu for Term 2</u>, pay for school items like stationery or sports fees, purchase fundraising items such as Juicie Day, sausages sizzles or Christmas Cookies

Have you downloaded the myKindo app? Faster when you're on the go...

No passwords are required! Simply login, then add your PIN or use Face ID or Touch ID.

myKindo App on <u>Google Play</u> myKindo App on <u>App Store</u>

Skool Loop App

Windy Ridge School Thanks to the below businesses for sponsoring our school app:



If you would like to advertise on the School Skool Loop App please email Content@skoolloop.com

KOLLOOP (Skoel Loop' & choose School and installed 'Skool Loop' & choose School once installed.



School Fundraising Shop NZ



School Term Dates 2023:

Term 3: Monday 17 July – Friday 22 September

Term 4: Monday 9 October – Monday 13 November (Teacher Only Day) – Last Day of the Year 20 December –

Public Holidays: Labour Day – Monday 23 October

sKids Before & Afterschool Care

Visit www.sKids.co.nz/Windy_Ridge to BOOK TODAY!

Ezra Holliday (Programme Manager)

027 270 1260 Community Notices











