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Newsletter Term 4 Week 3



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25 October 2023

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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

Ehara taku toa i te toa takitahi, engari he toa takatini

“My strength is not as an individual, but as a collective”

News from the Acting Principal

Kia ora everyone and welcome to Week 3! We were spoilt over the weekend with our sunshine, warm evenings and hopefully some time spent with friends and family. It is hard to believe that we have already been at school for 3 weeks. This Friday, we have Beats by Bingo, the adult only Bingo event organised by the PTA. One of the silent / live auctions on the night is to become *Principal for the Day*! That's right, your child could be sitting in the big chair, making decisions, ringing the bell or meeting and greeting our special guests that are joining us at an up and coming assembly.

This week is our last week of swimming lessons. Children have attended 6 lessons overall and it has been a huge success. Jesse's favourite part about the lessons have been swimming through hula hoops that were weighted down (Jesse M1). Vanilla enjoyed getting in the water because it was warm and she was able to concentrate on her swimming (Vanilla, M2). Finally, Asmit loved swimming on the bottom of the pool at the deep end (Asmit, T1). Well done to everyone who participated in swimming and thank you to all our parent helpers – this would not have been a success without you.

Have a great week everyone

Tracey Bullen

Safety at Windy Ridge

Now that the warmer months are upon us we are seeing more and more children and families enjoying our school grounds after school and in the weekend. Please remember, that unless you are supervising your child after school, they need to walk home after the 3pm bell.

During the weekend we have unfortunately been hit by vandalism. Smashed windows, holes in the wall and people climbing onto our school roofs. If you see anything suspicious, or anyone lurking around our school grounds could you please phone the office and let us know. We want to keep our school looking and feeling safe. Thank you for your support and for helping to make our school grounds a safe place for everyone.



Windy Ridge Book Week

Week 4

Monday 30th October – Friday 3rd November

We are super excited for our book week this term. We will be doing lots of fun activities like shared reading, teacher swaps to read their favourite book and special activities throughout the week to celebrate books and reading.

The Scholastic Book Fair will be in the Library selling books for the week which is a great opportunity to buy Christmas presents and to support the school.

On Friday we would love all children to come dressed as their favourite book character.

Here is an outline of the week:

Monday	Scholastic Book Fair Starts 8.30-9.00 open for Athletics Day, 2.45-3.10
Tuesday	Scholastic Book Fair 8.30-9.00 and 2.45-3.10 – Book Swap Day – bring a good condition book or books that you don't read anymore, to swap with other children in your team.
Wednesday	Scholastic Book Fair starts 8.30-9.00 and 2.45-3.10 Last day – Pyjama Day – bring a book and a soft toy – children and teachers will be reading and sharing books with each other
Friday	Dress up Book Character day Assembly 9.00 Book Character Parade, book cover competition winner drawn, best dressed

“The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go.” Dr Seuss

Kotare and Tui Athletics – Monday 30 October

Come along and support the Kotare and Tui team for the athletics day. We would love to see you all here. The Library is also open at this time so you can pop in and purchase books from the book fair. The PTA will also be onsite with a sausage sizzle and ice block – put your order in on KINDO.

Congratulations and Celebrations

We would like to congratulate and celebrate two of our teachers here at Windy Ridge. **Joy Marshall** and **Renee Binnie**. Joy and Renee will be graduating and completing their Beginner Teacher Induction. Teaching is a demanding job with many roles both inside and outside and classroom. We are so proud of our teachers. To all of those who have supported our graduates, thank you. Thank you for helping to make our teachers the best they can be. Congratulations to Joy and Renee.

This year some of the teaching staff at Windy Ridge have undertaken programmes of study in Te Reo Maori. Tutorials for these have taken place in the evening and weekends. Congratulations to **Jane Brown, Nicola Tyler, Joy Marshall, Caroline Walker** and **Gemma Crowther** who have completed the Takatū course, and to **Jenny Law** who has completed a course of study through AUT.

Whaiwhia te kete mātauranga. – Fill the basket of knowledge.

Term 4 Events

Friday 27 October – Adults Only Bingo

Monday 30 October – Athletics Day – Tui & Kotare

Monday 30 Oct-1 Nov – Scholastic book fair in the library
Thursday 2 November – Interschool Athletics Day
Friday 10 November – Athletics Day – Piwakawaka
Monday 13 November SCHOOL CLOSED – Teacher Only Day
Friday 24 November – Junky Monkey / PTA sausage sizzle and juicy
Friday 1 December – PTA Disco
Friday 8 December – Prize giving & Year 6 Graduation 11am – 12.30pm
Friday 15 December – Year 6 Party
Wednesday 20 December – SCHOOL CLOSED 12.30pm – Last day of school

PTA

BINGO Night 27 Oct

Adults only Beats by Bingo Night school Hall 27th October

BINGO Ticket \$25

Table 8 \$200

Includes 8 bingo cards and a dauber.

Doors open 6.30 For a 7pm start (Finish approx 9pm)

Silent Auctions, bottle toss games on the night.

This is a BYO refreshment event.

BYO Snacks.

BYO Beverages – Non alcoholic, Beer, Wine Cider, RTD. No bottle of Spirits please.

Senior Athletic Day Sausage Sizzle 30 Oct

PTA are selling Sausages and Ice Blocks on Senior Athletics day Monday 30 October. The lunch will go ahead in any weather.

Sausages \$2.00 each

Ice Blocks \$1.00 each

We are trying to go paperless, so please order via KINDO. Please talk to the school office if you are not on KINDO school payments yet. **Please Order by Friday 27th October 3pm.**

School Docs Policy Reviews

Review Instructions

In 2023, all schools will review the **Legislation and Administration** section and the **Curriculum and Student Achievement** section (including EOTC and Learning Support). See the full [Review and Board Assurances Schedule](#).

Who reviews our policies and procedures?

- All reviews are open to board, staff, students, and the school community (parents/caregivers/whānau).
- Anyone can review any policy/procedure that has a review button.

The board is responsible for board-level overarching policies. The table below shows which topics the board should review. Note that other reviewers can review these topics too; they're not exclusively for the board.

For more information, see About the review process. Get started. To start reviewing, click on a topic name below, then click the **Start your review** button. If a link is inactive, your school doesn't have the topic. Note that if you'd like to provide feedback on a topic that's not listed below, you can still do so if it has a review button.

Log into School Docs here

Username: windyridge
Password: WRS0629

Term 4 review topics

Curriculum and Student Achievement

Term 4 review topics	Review opens 9 October
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Curriculum and Student Achievement

<u>Curriculum and Student Achievement Policy</u>	Board review
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<u>Student Achievement Information/Student Assessment and Achievement</u>	
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<u>Home Learning</u>	
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<u>Distance Learning</u>	
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<u>Health Education</u>	Board review

Anyone who can't use the online review tool, can use this Policy Review form.

WALKING SCHOOL BUS



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. 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. [Walking School Bus website](#) [WSB-general-information](#) 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 jbrown@windyridge.school.nz



If you would like to support this programme would be happy to accept donations of canned fruit which the students enjoy having 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-dairy 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.

Sushiday on every Thursday



Normal order cut off time is 9pm every Wednesday.

My Kindo App



Order on the go with the mykindo App

Sign up to **Kindo** online to order lunches with ezlunch, pay for school items like stationery or sports fees, purchase fundraising items such as Juicie Day and sausages sizzles. [Term 3 menu](#)

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

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