

18 September 2018

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT SCHOOL

Term 3 Week 9	17	18	19	20 Consultation with Māori Whānau 11am	21
Week 10	24	25 Y8 Wellington Trip	26 Y8 Wellington Trip	27 Y8 Wellington students return home	28 Last day of Term 3

MRS ROBATI

Next Friday, 28 September, we will farewell Mrs Elmay Robati at a school assembly at 9.30am. Mrs Robati started her teaching career at Wiri Central School 19 years ago. She has taught in the junior school and been a leader of learning for Pukeko and Piwakawaka during that time. Mrs Robati is a strong supporter of and organiser many of our cultural weeks and activities. We will miss her very much but wish her all the best for her new teaching position at Manurewa East School.

Parents, please join us next Friday for our assembly for Mrs Robati.

CONSULTATION WITH MĀORI WHĀNAU

Nau mai, haere mai. On Thursday (20 September) we would like to take the opportunity to meet with and talk to as many of our Māori whānau as possible. Please come along to school on at 11am. There will be a short welcome performance by students followed by an opportunity to korero with us and then have lunch together. We will be meeting in Te Puna. Whether your tamariki are learning in Mōkai Āwhina or mainstream classes we want to hear about what is important to you.

YEAR 8 TRIP TO WELLINGTON

Next Tuesday most of our Year 8 students and their teachers will be flying off to Wellington for 3 days. During their visit to our capital city they will visit Parliament, Weta Studios, Te Papa museum. Students need to be at the airport by 6.15am on Tuesday 25 September. They will return at 6.40pm on Thursday 27 September and must be picked up from the airport. We wish them all a safe and inspiring trip.

LOST PROPERTY

We seem to have accumulated a huge pile of unclaimed clothing this term. It has all been washed (thank you Whaea Sandra), and will be displayed between room 5 and the admin building every day next week. Parents, please come and check for any items your child has lost. On Friday afternoon 28 September all unclaimed clothing will be given away. You are welcome to come and help yourself at 3pm.



SCHOOL SWIMMING

The Pools in Schoolz portable pool will be set up at Wiri Central during the holidays and we hope that it will be filled and ready for swimming lessons at the start of Term 4. Learning to swim is not only a part of the Health and Physical Education curriculum, it is a life skill. Each class will have rostered weekly swimming times and all students are expected to participate unless there is a specific medical reason why they cannot. The pool is heated and covered and life jackets are available for use by smaller/younger students if required.

We will be requiring spotters to assist with swimming. Spotters are an extra pair of eyes watching the students while the teacher is taking the swimming lesson. If you are available to be a spotter, please let your child's teacher know. All classes must have at least one spotter to be able to swim.



DUFFY BOOKS

This week has been a busy Duffy Book time at Wiri Central School. Yesterday students attended a Duffy Theatre performance and today we got to meet Manase Latu at a Duffy assembly. Manase is a New Zealand born Tongan who graduated from Auckland University with a Bachelor of Music with First Class Honors. He has been a member of different ensembles and choirs such as the NZ Youth Choir, Voices NZ Chamber Choir, National Youth Choir of Great Britain, Freemasons Opera Chorus and The Shades. He is also a part of the Singer Development Programme run by the Kiri Te Kanawa Foundation and has most recently been selected as a Dame Malvina Major Emerging Artist for 2018. It was great to have Manase visit our school and share his experiences of books and reading with us.



Our assembly was also attended by representatives from our Duffy sponsor, James and Keryn from The Goodman Group. We are extremely grateful for their support. Today every student will be bringing home their latest Duffy books thanks to Duffy Books in Homes and The Goodman Group.

LOUD SHIRT DAY: FRIDAY 28 SEPTEMBER

Please bring a coin donation.

A promotional graphic for Loud Shirt Day. The background is a bright cyan color with a yellow diagonal stripe. At the top, the text "Wear your loud outfits and help deaf kids listen and speak" is written in orange. Below this, three children are shown in superhero costumes: a girl as Batman, a girl as Wonder Woman, and a boy as Superman. To the right, there is a pink t-shirt with the text "LOUD SHIRT DAY" and ".org.nz" on it. Below the t-shirt is a yellow starburst shape with the text "SUPERHEROES UNITE!" in red.