

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!

A very big thank you to all the parents/caregivers who have been dropping students off and picking them up from the Wiri Community Hall carpark. We hope you enjoy the small token of appreciation. Thank you for keeping our kids and community safe.

APPROACHING THE END OF TERM

It's hard to believe we have been back at school for 7 weeks. Our routines are operating smoothly and it's exciting to see lots of great learning happening at school. There are three days of school left until the school holiday break. The last day of term is Friday 3 July. While it seems to have been a short term, this is because we spent the first 5 weeks in lockdown. Term 3 will start on Monday 20 July.

When we returned to school at Alert Level 3 we introduced staggered break times to enable greater social distancing. Due to the success of this initiative we will be continuing to implement staggered break times in Term 3. Break times are:

<i>Morning tea</i>	<i>10.00 - 10.20am - Pūkeko and Tūī 10.20 - 10.40 - Pīwakawaka and Mōkai Āwhina 10.40 - 11.00 - Toroa and Fofoa i Vaoese</i>
<i>Lunch</i>	<i>12.00 - 12.30pm - Pūkeko and Tūī 12.30 - 1.00 - Pīwakawaka and Mōkai Āwhina 1.00 - 1.30 - Toroa and Fofoa i Vaoese</i>
<i>Food is eaten in class after or before the break. Check with your child or their teacher.</i>	

Occasionally, if there is a special event, we might all have morning tea or lunch at the same time. We will make this known in advance.

Each morning at 8.45am students will be required to go into their classrooms rather than play outside. This ensures everyone is ready to start learning at 9am. Next term we will also revert to everyone finishing school at 3.00pm when the bell goes. No students are allowed to be released from class before 3pm unless they have been signed out by a parent/caregiver.

The Inverell Avenue pedestrian gate will open for students at 8.30am daily. This gate remains open all day. Please use this gate at any time that the other gates are not open. The gate behind Room 17 (between the Great South Road and the Wiri Community Hall) will open at 8.15m daily and close at 9.30am. This gate is located well away from all the road and traffic hazards making it the safest place for drop offs and pick ups.

I have been awarded a Principal's sabbatical for Term 3 which means I will not be at school but will be completing some study. This is very exciting and I am grateful to our Board of Trustees for supporting this opportunity. While I am absent Whaea Anet Conroy will be the Acting Principal. She will be well supported by Ms Gillian Lolesi (Deputy Principal), Matua Chris Morunga (Acting Deputy Principal) and all of our very capable staff.

Have a safe holiday break everyone. I look forward to seeing you all when I return for Term 4.

Jan Donaldson

HOME SCHOOL CONFERENCES

Home-School Conferences will be held on Tuesday 4 August between 1.30 and 7.00pm. On this date students will go home at 12.30pm. This is a major part of how we report to parents about your child's progress and achievement. As well as meeting with class teachers you will receive your child's mid-year report. At the start of Term 3 we will send out forms for you to book a time to meet with your child's teacher. You will also be able to book times using the Skool Loop app. Put this date in your calendar now.

ANOTHER CHANGE to previously advertised Staff Only Days

Last week we advised two new dates for 2020 Staff Only Days. Unfortunately we have discovered a clash of events on Friday 4 September (Term 3). This Staff Only Day has now been changed to Monday 31 August. The two dates for 2020 Staff Only Days:

- Monday 31 August (Term 3)
- Friday 6 November (Term 4)

There will be no school for students on these dates.

SATURDAY NETBALL

We will be playing netball this Saturday 4 July. During the holidays there will be no netball on 11 and 18 July



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