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ROAD SAFETY

We have noticed a significant increase in unsafe practices especially at the end of the school day. We know you are concerned about the safety of your child or children. We are concerned about the safety of all children. Please do not:

- park on yellow lines to load or unload
- load or unload while waiting at the pedestrian crossing
- drive into the staff carpark
- drive on the footpath on Inverell Ave or Great South Road
- park on the medium barrier
- park in the driveway in front of the gate
- call out to your children to run across the road

From now on we will be taking photos of any illegal behaviours and uploading them on the police website.

Please help us keep all children safe.

SCHOOL ACCESS

I am pleased to inform you that the work to replace a section of the walkway between the school and the Wiri Community Hall has now been completed. **The gate behind Room 17 is back in use for access to school.** Please use the Community Hall carpark for all vehicle drop off and pick ups.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH

Thanks to the below businesses for sponsoring our school app: SKOOL LOOP



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HEARING AND VISION TESTING

Wiri Central School and Painga Project are working together to offer free hearing and vision screening for all tamariki. With your consent, your child will have their vision and hearing checked by Painga Project during school hours

If your child requires further vision and hearing support we will let you know what is involved. Then with your written permission this can also be completed within school hours at no cost to you. Painga Project will continue to follow up throughout your child's time at school to ensure that they have the most up to date and correct free vision and hearing support.

Consent forms for hearing and vision testing will be sent home with students tomorrow. Please ensure you return this consent form at your earliest convenience.

TALKING MATTERS



Everyday opportunities

Singing, storytelling and playing not only extends our knowledge of the world around but helps build brains. Any way to extend conversations and create more opportunities for children to get their time to speak with the conversation going back and forth helps children learn. More talking with children, anytime, anywhere about any topic helps brains develop fast, especially in the first few years. Language is a key part of helping them learn more and faster. Reading to babies and children means they hear new words, learn about new ideas and become familiar with books. It's never too early to start because brain growth is so rapid in the first few years of growth. It's also never too late - whatever your child's age, talk, talk talk.

COMMUNITY EVENT

