



WELCOME TO TERM 2

We start Term 2 welcoming several new staff to our school. Mrs Emelda Shah will be teaching in Room 3 for the remainder of this year. Today three new teacher aides have joined our support staff team, Mr Seremaia Turagabeci, Mrs Iuliana Moe and Mrs Rangi Heather. We wish them all a warm welcome to Wiri Central. A schoolwide learning focus for the first two weeks of the term will be Cyber Safety. We know our students love using digital technology and it can be a fantastic learning tool. However, it is important that all students understand the risks and responsibilities that come with working in the online environment. We want all students to be good digital citizens and know how to keep themselves and others safe online. Alongside this learning we will be updating Digital Citizenship Agreements (except for students in Pūkeko, Room 10 and Room 13). When your child brings home the new agreement, please sign the parent consent section and return it to school as soon as possible. Without a signed agreement students are not permitted to use school devices.

ATTENDANCE HIGHLIGHTS IN TERM 1

An important goal in our school strategic plan is to increase student attendance. It is important that children attend school regularly. The Ministry of Education defines regular attendance as more than 90% of the time. Regular attendance is important if children are to make progress in their learning and maintain relationships with their peers. All students need to be present at school so they can participate and engage in learning. Students with high levels of attendance are more likely to succeed in their learning. We want every student to succeed in learning.

In Term 1 we had 181 students who attended school regularly (more than 90% of the time). These students enjoyed a yummy ice block treat on the last day of term to acknowledge their great attendance. Additionally, 58 students attended school **every** day last term. This is an outstanding achievement. To acknowledge this achievement these students will receive a special ice cream sundae treat in the staffroom this Friday. They will also receive a certificate at our school assembly on Friday. Assembly will be held at the usual time of 2.15pm, parents, you are welcome to join us for the assembly.

Room 1:	Zakir Ali, Tere Marsters, Ayvalei Mahani-Malase
Room 2:	Tanielu Atinae, Lavinia Maake, Navish Mishra
Room 4:	Trinity Taiva
Room 6:	Zayn Ali, Naumanuka Veatupu, Tai Bao, Pharrell Paea
Room 7:	Ellena Akai, Avani Gupta, Moana Tuivailala, Lanessa Tuilagi
Room 8:	Bella-Rose Brown, Chotawli Tafeaga, Hyla Rawhara, Andrew Tamatoa-Tukerangi, Lufeena Boaza, Uikelotu Tuivailala
Room 9:	Esilovina Lolesio, Shikha Prasad, Mikayla-Rose Bristowe
Room 11:	Hezekiah Flanagan, Leighton Sa'u, Arahi Wiremu, Jorja Tipene, Raiden Depree-Fatialofa, Isaiah Flanagan
Room 12:	Ryder Vercoe, Kage Harris, Crysileah Wiremu, Mahaki Scott, Ngatahi Scott, Jireh-Jade Flanagan
Room 13:	AJ Uini Paulo
Room 14:	James Auvaa, Virginia Faale
Room 15:	Faaeteete Atinae, Milo Atinae, Lao Maninoa, Jazmine Ianusi, Etuavale Isaako, Ricky Piki, Roberbob Pele
Room 16:	Liaga Isaako, Pao Masoe
Room 17:	Aston Turner, Lazarus Tuumatavai, Miracle Lam Sam
Room 18:	Jeremiah To'oto'o-Afoa, Josiah Magolua, Yuan Yao, Billy-West Whare-Williams, Jordan Tokele-Wilson
Room 19:	Aniv Patel
Room 20:	Xiuyuan Xu

MATHS WIZARD

At the end of last term a small group of Wiri Central students entered the Maths Wizard competition. This competition was open to students from all over Auckland. Three Wiri Central students qualified to participate in the finals which were held at Westlake Girls High School. Congratulations to Shikha Prasad, Lokingi Tolutau and Aston Turner.

The competition was fierce! They each had to answer 100 questions in 10 minutes! The winners all scored 100/100. Lokingi and Shikha received medals for being the top qualifiers from our school in their year levels. In the final, Aston finished about 20th, a very commendable performance. It was a great experience, and they are keen to go back next year!



SATURDAY NETBALL

A reminder for students who registered their interest in playing Saturday netball at Browns Road that fees need to be paid by 2 May (this Friday). The fees are \$40. Players will not be registered until fees are paid. Please pay at the school office or online. Training will start this week and will be on Thursdays from 3pm till 4pm. Just for this week the Y5/6 team will have training on Wednesday from 3pm-4pm.

BBM

We would like to say a huge thank you to David Letele and his BBM crew. Each term two groups of our Year 7 and Year 8 students attend weekly sessions at the BBM gym on Great South Road. David is sponsoring this programme for our school and we are grateful for this very generous support. Our students love BBM and there is high demand to be included in the programme. The aim of BBM is to support students with their health, fitness and motivational goals. We have seen positive outcomes for our students and really appreciate the manaakitanga from BBM for our students and their whānau/aiga.

DUFFY BOOKS IN HOMES

At the end of term all students received Duffy Books to take home and add to their home library. We were fortunate to have Halaifonua (Nua) Finau come to Wiri Central to entertain and inspire the students at a special Duffy Role Model assembly. A proud Tongan, born and raised in Aotearoa, New Zealand. Nua studied dance but made his name in the industry as an actor and presenter. He is a writer and producer, with a mission to take his little corner of the Pacific to the world. Nua encouraged our students to enjoy reading for pleasure and to tell their own stories.

Thank you Duffy Books In Homes for the books and for the opportunities to meet great role models.

