

TERM 4 IS HERE!



Welcome back for Term 4, our final school term for 2023. A very warm welcome to new students and families who have joined our Wiri whānau.

Like all the school terms, there are lots of events planned, especially as we approach the end of the year. We are in the process of finalising details for our Year 8 camp in Rotorua from Tuesday 7 November to Thursday 9 November. Individual notices have been sent home with Year 8 students.

Some dates to note for Term 4 are:

- Monday 9 October- First day of term 4 - Welcome back to school
- Friday 27 October - Duffy Theatre performance at Wiri Central School
- Monday 23 October- Labour Day holiday (School closed)
- Friday 17 November - Staff Only Day - No school for students
- Wednesday 29 November - Wiri Central School Showcase evening
- Tuesday 12 December - School prize giving - BNZ theatre, Due Drop Events Centre at 10am
- Wednesday 13 December - Year 8 Graduation evening
- Friday 15 December - 2023 Whānau winner reward trip to pools, End of Year Reports sent home
- Wednesday 20 December - Last day of school for 2023, school finishes at 12.30pm

In addition to the above, some roopu have day trips and events planned. Children will bring home individual notices about these events. It's going to be a great learning term. We look forward to sharing it with you.

PERFECT ATTENDANCE

Below are the names of the 36 students who attended school every day last term. This is an outstanding achievement. Being at school every day helps students to make progress in learning. These students will receive an ice cream sundae treat in the staffroom on Thursday afternoon. They were also presented with a certificate at our assembly yesterday.

The following students achieved 100% attendance for Term 3:

Room 1 Tanielu Atinae

Room 2 Chloe Manejable, Bella-Rose Brown

Room 3 Tere Marsters

Room 5 Shanaa Nand

Room 6 Rejoyce Crichton

Room 7 Acen Aberahama, Muriel Felton, Israel Tapui, Khloee Booth-Brett

Room 8 Tristan Ma'u-Webster

Room 10 Carter Depree-Fatialofa

Room 11 Chardonay Tupe, Teatawhai Faataape-Maihi,

Room 12 Melahdie Rose Williams-Hurunui, Adaijah Depree-Fatialofa, Te Rangi Faataape-Maihi, Honey Hopa-Davita

Room 15 Gloria Tuitamai, Liu Siivale, Samuel Fruean, Samuel Tele'a, Lupeautino Atinae, Salatielu Fiu

Room 16 Christian Vailepa, Leeroy Iusi, Faaeteete Atinae, Milo Atinae, Rowan Sagapolutele, Lance Tauetia

Room 17 Temeinga Akai, Adwin Mani

Room 19 Elleina Turner, Redeem Crichton, Te Rangiataahua Allen

Room 20 Zakir Ali

We also had a number of students who only missed one day of school in Term 3. These students also received a certificate at yesterday's school assembly. The following students are commended for their excellent attendance:

Room 1 Layla Tawhara

Room 8 Kevin Uriaro

Room 9 Josefa Davukenimate

Room 11 Kingi Walters, Sweyze Paul, Devin Wiremu, Eljay Harris Tara

Room 14 Fiti Lameta

Room 15 Sefo Telea, MJ Solomua, Isaac Ianusi, Josielli Talisau

Room 17 Adrian Dacara

Room 19 Hamiora Faiva-Chase

SCHOOL LUNCH SURVEY

Last term a small group of Year 8 students conducted a survey to find out how students at Wiri Central were finding the school lunches.

The hundreds of survey results were collated by the Year 8 group who then presented the results to representatives from our school lunch provider, Libelle Group. Libelle really appreciated the feedback and will use it to make changes to the meals and service they provide.

Here is some of the information discovered and shared from the survey:

The favourite meals were: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Pizza2. Butter chicken3. Pasta and meatballs	The least favourite meals were: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Sweet and sour pork2. Mac n' cheese3. Chicken gravy mash
Other comments: <p>Only a few more students preferred hot meals over cold meals like sandwiches or wraps</p> <p>Many students said they liked the lunches and were grateful to get them</p> <p>Some meals were a bit dry, not enough sauce or dressing</p> <p>The garlic bread that comes with some meals was popular, so was the brownie</p> <p>Some students did not like the vegetables that were added to meals, especially in the Mac n' cheese</p> <p>Some meals lacked flavour/seasoning/salt</p> <p>The lunches are healthy</p> <p>Some meals are yum and some are not</p> <p>A few students were not keen to try new foods</p>	

School lunches are provided free for every student at Wiri Central School through the Government's Ka Ora, Ka Ako School Lunch Programme. Since the survey was shared, Libelle has set up a new system for students to rate the lunches each week, and based on the feedback, meals that are not popular will be removed from the menu and replaced with a different meal.

Thanks and well done to Honey, Sapphire and Aleyah for conducting the survey and sharing the feedback so that Wiri Central students could contribute positively to school lunches.

SCHOOL VAN

We have purchased a van for school use. This will be particularly useful for getting sports teams to and from local events. We are very grateful to the Port of Auckland, our business partner, for their donation towards the cost. Many thanks to Sister Margaret and Sister Anne from the Sisters of Mercy, Wiri, for blessing the van for us. We look forward to many successful excursions.



CASUAL VACANCY FOR A PARENT REPRESENTATIVE

A casual vacancy has occurred on the school board for an elected parent representative.

The board has decided to fill the vacancy by selection. If 10% or more of eligible voters on the school roll ask the board, within 28 days of this notice being published, to hold a by-election to fill the vacancy, then a by-election will be held.

Request for a by-election should be sent to:

Stacey Morunga, Presiding Member

Wiri Central School Board, PO Box 97148, Manukau, 2210

by Tuesday 16 October