Te Kura o Winiri
WINDLEY SCHOOL
E Tipu Nga Rakau Iti

Friday 28 March, 2025

Tena koutou e te whānau,

A big thank you to all the families who joined us for goal setting interviews. Your involvement in these matters makes a huge difference to your child's learning and development as we know this will make the biggest impact on raising student achievement alongside attendance.

Here's a summary of the strategic plan goals and initiatives for 2025 – our core business.

Te Tiriti o Waitangi
Implementing Culturally Sustaining Pedagogies and Systems to ensure equitable access for all learners.

- acknowledging and incorporating diverse cultural perspectives and practices, with a particular emphasis on enhancing Tikanga Māori, Te Ao Māori, Mātauranga Māori, and Te Reo Māori within the school.

Our Curriculum, Our Environment
Support the achievement of our learners by making learning accessible and equitable, with a focus on successful achievement.

- Prioritise time for literacy and numeracy teaching, integrated into unit inquiry planning
- Develop a consistent approach with sound assessment practices and tracking of progress

Our Hauora & Wellbeing
Ensure all members of the school community feel safe and secure

- Continue to strengthen Mana Enhancing practices to improve wellbeing and positive behaviour change.
- Develop a shared understanding of the values of our school, with proactive actions to support expected behaviours

Our achievement target for Reading, Writing, and Maths is for 70% of students to be at or above the expected level. This achievement can be reached if we're doing this together, with whānau engagement in learning, attendance and loads of aroha. **Ka taea e mātou!**

Ngā mihi

Anau Kupa
TUMUAKI - PRINCIPAL

STUDENT NEWS

PB4L AWARDS - Week 7

At our school, we are committed to creating a safe and respectful learning environment for all students. One important part of this is remembering to keep our hands and feet to ourselves. It is ofen a secondary behaviour - someone gets teased/put downs and then the other person uses their hands or feet to hurt. Neither is encouraged - we are doing our part to teach positive behaviour to keep students safe.

Congratulations to the following students for being safe by **keeping their hands and feet to self.**
Josephine Maselino, Arona Willis, Hala Alowedat, June Peto, Zion Te'o, Alexus Larkins, Khalais Martini, Cassidy Saengsoruinh Thongduang, Sharran Togafiti, Lopesi Futi, Ice Horne-Masters, Brooklyn Myers, Victory Waata-Kati, Iuta Sili, Jade Beauchamp-Ith, Batralina Togafiti Seuseu, Bryana Hernandez Sunga and Daniel Taylor.

VAI AWARDS - Week 6

Congratulations to the following students who have received their VAI certificates.

VOICE/To korero
"Everyone has a voice that can change the way things are"

Yuan Aquino
Isaia Sydney
Zeus Horne-Masters

ACTION/ Ngā mahi
"Learners make a difference"

Fetolofai Fa'atau
Kataraina Kelly-Tata
Souopuava Sinamaitai
Aiden Matagi-Stevenson
Orion Mataio
Tuilimu Tuilimu
Hineauripo Ahukata-Hickey
Sophie Sibounheuang
Zion Nanai
Mi-Suk Etuale
Malaki Fa'atau
Rhythm Herbert
Tamatamaarangi Te ahi Waru
Nukunuku

IDENTITY/Tuakiritanga
"Know who you are, be who you are, show who you are"

SPORTS/SCHOOL TRIPS

A big **thank you** to Barry Davey and his daughter, Courtney Davey, for coaching and managing the school's touch team. While they may not have won all their games, they certainly had fun.

STAFF NEWS

Jo Shuttleworth
After nine years at Windley School, Jo is moving on to Maraeroa School. Jo has primarily taught in the junior school and, last year, taught Year 7 & 8 students. Throughout her time at Windley, Jo's teaching has been defined by her dedication to fostering strong relationships with her students. Her nurturing nature has created a supportive and positive learning environment where every child felt valued and understood. During her time here, she also trained as a Reading Recovery Teacher and has supported students through this. Jo leaves with a basket of knowledge, skills, and experience that will no doubt benefit her new school. We wish her all the best in her new role. We will farewell Jo at the end of term VAI assembly on Thursday 10 April.

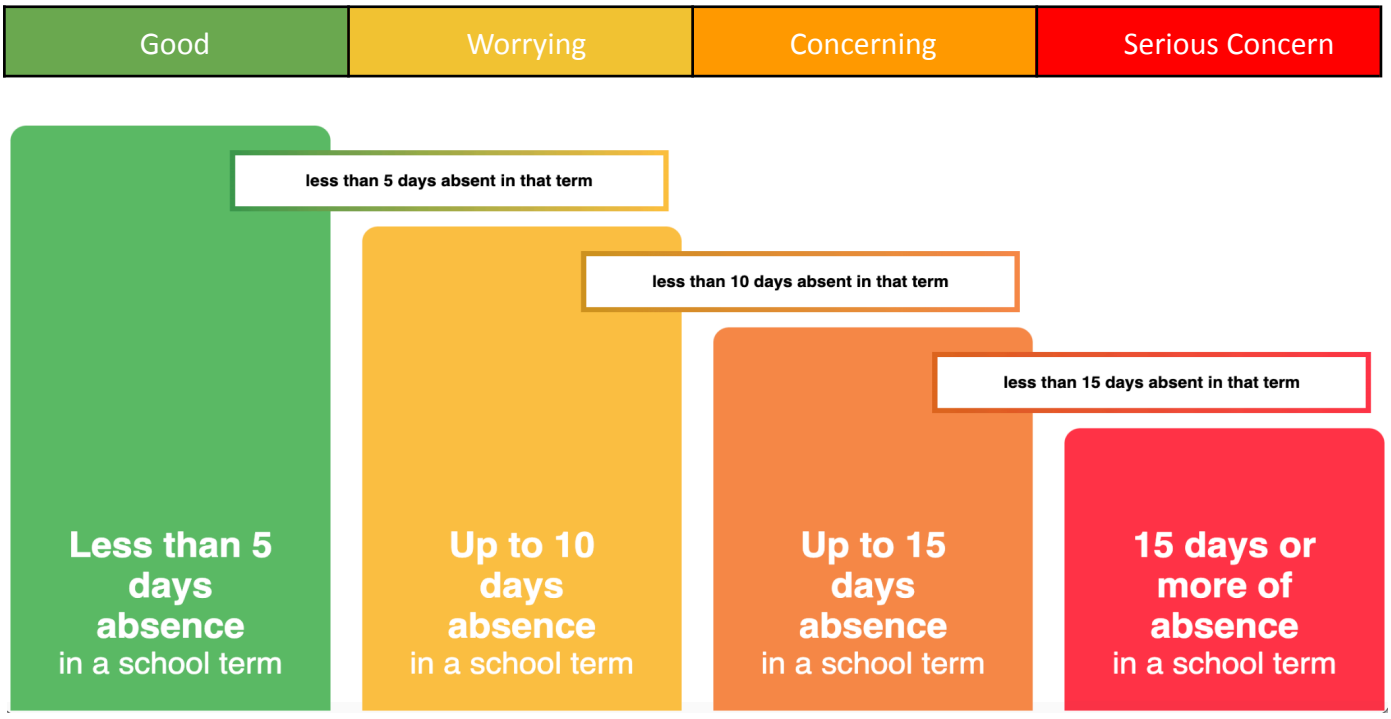
Nicolle Louez - Support staff
We farewelled Nicolle three weeks ago. She held several roles here, supporting students with special abilities one-on-one, working with small groups, and assisting Arabic students. She also took extra care in her role as a librarian and was always there to capture photos of our events, for which we are grateful. We wish her well as she enjoys some time with family.

Danica Anderson - Support staff
We welcome Danica Anderson, a familiar face at our school, a parent who has supported and helped organize fundraising events, and now our new part-time librarian. She is also a big supporter of our new mums group - come along every Wednesday at 2.00pm.

WHANAU NEWS

Attendance Update
We have several interventions in place for students who need additional support, but it becomes more challenging when they are absent. We want to ensure they don't miss out on valuable learning opportunities. If you attended the recent parent interviews, you likely have a good understanding of your child's learning progress and the support they need.

In line with the Ministry of Education's attendance objectives, our goal is to ensure that **80% of students attend school at least 90% of the time.** Attendance is closely monitored and categorised into four groups: as shown below. Please make every effort for your child to attend school.



School Photos

We have school photos on the last day of this term - **Friday 11 April.** We will send out forms as soon as they're available.

ERO visit
Next term, we will have an ERO onsite review to assess our school and evaluate how we're progressing in areas like leadership, curriculum, and teaching and learning. We're looking forward to having them visit and provide valuable feedback.

Asbestos Management Team
We will have contractors on-site during the first week of the holidays, from **Monday, April 14th to Friday, April 17th.** They will be moving in and around the classrooms and blocks. Please allow them to carry out their work without interruption.

Vandalism
Last weekend, our drinking fountains and water taps were vandalised, leading to water waste. I want to thank the community for informing us. Unfortunately, this has resulted in an unexpected cost to the school.

BOARD NEWS
Congratulations to **Sheryl Brown** for her appointment as presiding member(board chair). As a presiding member her role is specific and supports the board to be successful;

- work with the principal to set meeting agendas
- preside over board meetings
- lead the board to work as a team and ensure the work of the board is done
- develop an effective and professional working relationship with the principal
- promote effective communication between the board and the wider community
- speak for the board when delegated to do so
- uphold the school board's responsibility to give practical effect to Te Tiriti o Waitangi.

Calendar Dates - Term 1: Monday, 3 February to Friday, 11 April 2025

- Monday 31st March - 5.00pm BOT meeting
- Tuesday 1st April Touch Rugby Touch Festival
- Wednesday 2 April - Swimming
- Thursday 10th April - 9.45am VAI Assembly
- Friday 11th April - School photos/Last day of school

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