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Term 3 Update

Dates For Your Calendar

2020 Term Dates

Term 3 Monday 20th July - Thursday 25th September
Term 4 Monday 12th October - Monday 14th December

School Closed: Staff Only Day - Monday 3rd August
 Staff Only Day - Friday 25th September
 Labour Day - Monday 26th October
 Staff Only Day - Tuesday 27th October



A message from the Board...

We hope you all enjoyed the term break and you managed to get some family time together. The Board would again like to thank the staff team for their flexibility and dedication during the COVID-19 restrictions. The team quickly adapted to meet the requirements of Level 2 and have continued with vigilance now we are at Level 1. We would also like to thank families for their support in keeping students at home if they display COVID-like symptoms. We ask for this to continue while we remain at Level 1.

Enjoy Term 3.

Greg Davey, Wilson School Board of Trustees Chairperson



Kia ora koutou,

Wow, I can't believe how quickly Term 2 flew by! A big thank you to the entire school community for making me feel so welcome. It's been great getting to know everyone and experiencing some of the exciting things happening at Wilson School.

We would like to give a warm welcome to two new entrant students, Daniel Jansen van Rensburg and Eternity Aladini who have started at our Windy Ridge Satellite. Their families are already part of our school community as both Daniel and Eternity have siblings attending Wilson School.

The school has continued to work on the priorities set in the strategic plan, this includes reviewing the IEP process and focussing on how we share progress with you. We have also continued to focus on the development of Literacy with the support of Dr Sally Clendon, the direction this year has been on shared reading. Sally's time has been spent providing professional development and in-class coaching, working alongside classroom teams. Sally will also be working with teachers at a staff meeting this term.

Please note we have now set the revised dates for staff only days this year, these will be 3rd August, 25th September and 27th October. These are also on the front of this newsletter as a reminder for you.

Some of you might be aware that the school building is used during the holidays for a play-scheme, this is organised and run by Spectrum Care. Spectrum run several holiday programmes across Auckland, these are very popular and currently have a waiting list. Further information can be found at www.spectrumcare.org.nz or by phoning 09 634 3790.

Ngā mihi

Neil Kefford, Principal

Wilson Home Trust –Thank You

The Wilson Home Trust is a private Trust that provides information, support and services to physically disabled children and their families, in the upper North Island of New Zealand. We want to acknowledge and thank the Wilson Home Trust for their generous support in providing funding which enables some of our students to receive Music Therapy through the Raukauri Music Therapy Centre. Music therapists use the special qualities of music in a shared relationship with their clients, to meet personal needs, support learning, and promote healing and change. This has proved very valuable for many of our students. If you would like more information about the Wilson Home Trust's grants scheme and their services please phone: 09 488 0126 or 0800 948 787 or email info@wilsonhometrust.org.nz visit the web-site www.wilsonhometrust.org.nz

Transport to and from school

It is the parent/caregiver's responsibility to secure car seats into the vehicle, buckle children into their seats and to receive the child at the end of the day. Drivers contracts state that they are not allowed to buckle the children in, so please support them by doing this each day. It is important that there is an adult at home when the child arrives from school. For safety purposes the driver **may not leave** the van as there are other students needing supervision.

Any change of address needs at least 10 days notification before the necessary changes can be actioned, make sure you contact the school well in advance. Call Sue Purnell at the office or email her at suepur@wilson.school.nz or admin@wilson.school.nz if you have any changes, issues or concerns regarding transportation.

Snapshots from Term 2



Working hard at
Rangatahi Café!



Running around
the playground,
showing my friends
my certificate.



Great poetry
Corey!



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Can stay home for 56 days
Only one person can go out
Rest on a bed to get better
Only essential workers
Natural Disaster
Always keep your hands clean
Virus is our enemy
If people are feeling ill, they will
stay home
Rules are the best
Unsafe to go outside
Stay home, save lives

During Term 2 the student's at AJHS read the book 'The Scarecrow's Wedding' by Julia Donaldson. This sparked our interest in scarecrows and we followed it up by learning all about what scarecrows are, why they are used and what they are made from. We designed and made mini prototypes out of cardboard and plywood. We looked at the tools needed to build life sized scarecrows and practiced using them safely. It was a great experience - we drilled, hammered and sanded the frames, and then used recycled materials to create our characters. Our main goals were based around teamwork and planning and designing our finished products. We think we smashed it and are very proud of our fabulous unique creations.



transition expo

Explore what is available

Interactive Activities:

- Opportunities and advice from Transition, Vocational, Recreation and Information providers
- Pet Therapy, dancing, sports
- Competition with Prizes
- Café on Site

TIME: 9am – 2pm

VENUE:

Auckland Netball Centre,
7 Allison Ferguson Drive,
St Johns



For more
information
visit our website
disabilityconnect.org.nz

Additional Information:

- Free Parking
- Wheelchair accessible
- All students with a disability and those involved in the disability sector will enjoy this day.



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