



*Me Mahi Tahī Tatou Mo Te Oranga O Te Katoa
We work together for the well-being of everyone*

Term 4 Update

2020 Term Dates

Last day of term for students - Friday 11th December 2020

2021 Term Dates

Term 1 - Tuesday 2nd February - Friday 16th April

Term 2 - Monday 3rd May - Friday 9th July

Term 3 - Monday 26th July - Friday 1st October

Term 4 - Monday 18th October - Tuesday 14th December





Kia ora koutou,

Here we are, only a couple of weeks left before the end of term and the end of the school year. It's been a challenging year but also a year where we have learnt to adapt, change, be flexible and support each other. We've got lots of exciting things planned over the last couple of weeks including awards assemblies, Christmas parties and wishing those well who are moving on.

You will shortly receive a letter confirming which class your young person will be in next year and which Teacher will be supporting them. This is always a really important task for a school to get right, we've included input from the Teachers and Therapists to support this.

Sadly we do have some staff who we will be saying goodbye to. This includes—

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| Laura Unwin - Speech & Language Therapist | Sam Unwin - Outreach Teacher |
| Ophelia Asentista -Teacher | Beverlyn Carpio - Teacher |
| Rebecca Bartlett - Teacher | Dawn Jun—Teacher Aide |
| Geoff Pratt—Teacher Alde | |

We are also saying goodbye to Alison McGill, Teacher Aide. Alison has been a very committed member of the team who has worked with the School for over 19 years. We wish Alison well with her retirement, however we understand her two grandsons are going to keep her very busy!

We have a few changes ahead of us for next year, with the growth of the School, the leadership team will be expanding. I'm very pleased to announce that Kay Gunston will be stepping into the role of Assistant Principal. Kay is currently one of our Senior Leaders and is based at Albany Junior High School. Kay holds a wealth of knowledge and experience from mainstream and specialist education. For 2021 we are thrilled to welcome the following colleagues to the Wilson team—

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| Emily Botes - Speech Language Therapist | Alicia Gilchrist - Teacher |
| Bridie Connew - Teacher | Agustin Delle Donne - Teacher |
| Patricia Pascual - Teacher | |
| Leizl Mowbray—Teacher (Joined the team this term) | |



We wish all of the students moving on this year the very best, you will all be missed by our

community. Good luck with your new and exciting ventures. Please keep in touch, parents if there is any further support we can provide please let us know.

As we near the end of 2020, we want to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! We've appreciated all of your support this year, and hope that you enjoy a well-deserved break. We look forward to seeing you and your students in 2021. As always, please get in touch if there is anything we can help with in the meantime.

Meri Kirihimete

In addition to providing the music therapy services at Wilson School, Raukatauri Music Therapy Centre also provides individual and small group sessions at their Grafton centre and satellite locations – located around Auckland in Orewa, Titirangi, Otara and Pukekohe. The Registered Music Therapists at Raukatauri use the motivating power of music to work towards each child's individual goals, which may focus on growth in areas such as expressive language, emotional regulation, attention, engagement and self-expression. Because Raukatauri is a charitable trust, they subsidise all of their sessions and never want payment to be a barrier to anyone receiving music therapy. While their suggested fee for individual sessions is \$55, families who are on a low income can apply to pay as little as \$6 per week. You can find more information about their services on their website, which is also where you can make a referral for your child to music therapy: <https://www.rmtc.org.nz/>. Once their team receives the referral, they will invite you in for a free parent/carer consultation to answer any questions you might have.

2021 Staffing

Principal	Neil Kefford
Deputy Principal	Rosemary Jenkins
Assistant Principal	Linda Kneale
Assistant Principal	Kay Gunston

Administration	
June Morton	Executive Manager
Sue Purnell	Secretary / Receptionist
Frank Heath	Caretaker

Outreach Team	
Joanne Rennie	Outreach Leader
Rebecca Sadler	Outreach Teacher
Victoria Caruth	Outreach Teacher

Therapy Team	
Adrian McPherson	Occupational Therapist
Angela Robinson	Occupational Therapist
Susie Mole	Speech Language Therapist
Emily Botes	Speech Language Therapist
Dermot Comar	Physiotherapist

Teaching Team			
Craig Field	Base Room 1	Phil Johnson	Manuka 15
Mike Wynne	Base Room 2	Anjuman Raza	Senior Teacher - Manuka 16
Greg Woodcock	Base Room 3	Ria du Plessis	Windy Ridge 1
Marie-Therese Stevenson	Senior Teacher – Room 4	Susan Murray	Senior Teacher - Windy Ridge 2
Patricia Pascual	Base Room 5	Kathryn Huish	Albany Junior High 15
Kirsten Kirkby	Base Room 6	Bridie Connew	Albany Junior High 16
Alicia Gilchrist	Bayswater 1	Leizl Mowbray	Glenfield Junior
Robin Taylor-Lyons	Bayswater 2	Vanessa Shoobert	Glenfield Transition 1
Naomi George	Room 5 / Across-School	Jenni Verity	Glenfield Transition 2
Judy Woodcock	Across-School Teacher	Kipa Rangiheuea	Kaiwhakaako
Agustin Delle Donne	Across-School Teacher	Genevieve Nalder	Drama Specialist
Nicola Sander	Parental Leave		

Plus our amazing team of Teacher Aides!

Student absence - Please remember to report all absence to the base school office each morning.

We can be reached by -

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