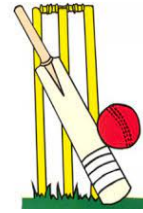


FAMILY FUN NIGHT IS TOMORROW



WEDNESDAY 21 FEBRUARY
4.30 - 6.30PM
On the school field



Come along and join in with the games and activities
Meet your child's teacher
Meet our staff
Enjoy a snack



INVERELL AVE ROAD WORKS

Thank you for your continued patience while the road works in Inverell Ave are impacting students' arrival and leaving from school. Your support to keep all our children safe is greatly appreciated.

The new crossing on Inverell Ave has been completed and is now in use. This is the safest place to cross Inverell Ave and all students needing to cross the road are expected to use it. Our traffic safety team and a teacher will be on duty at the crossing each day at 3 pm. Parents, please be good role models and use the crossing as well. The Wiri Community Hall car park or the Great South Road continues to be the safest places for vehicle drop off or pick up.

YEAR SIX CAMP

Dates for Year 6 Camp in 2024 are **Tuesday 5 March to Thursday 7 March**. Individual permission forms and camp information were sent home with students last week. Please fill in all the forms and return them to school as soon as possible.

Payments for camp can be made online to the school bank account 12-3109-0012113-00 or at the school office.

There will be a meeting on **Wednesday 21 February at 5.00 pm**, during the Family Fun Night. The meeting will be in TePuna theatre. This is a great opportunity to find out everything you need to know about camp and ask any questions. If you have a child in Year 6, please come along.



ATTENDANCE CELEBRATION

Last Friday our whole school attendance was excellent, 92% of students were at school. We celebrated by rewarding everyone at school with an ice block. Well done Wiri Central! Let's keep our attendance rate in the 90s. If we can better 92% we will have another ice block day.

MANA KIDZ- SCHOOL-BASED HEALTH SERVICE

The Mana Kidz programme is a school-based health service. It has been operating at Wiri Central School for many years and is supported by the Counties Manukau Public Health Nurses. Our Mana Kidz service operates most mornings at school. The service screens consented students for sore throats and skin conditions and can support students and whānau with other medical care if required. Our Mana Kidz support worker (Nita Stanley) and Public Health Nurse (Saane Muimuiheata) work closely with parents and the school. You are welcome to contact Saane if you have any questions or concerns about the Mana Kidz programme or your child's health. Contact Saane on 027 2767568.

SCHOOL COSTS

Our school has opted into the Government School Donations Scheme. We do not ask for any school donations or day trip fees from parents. School stationery is provided to each student. If your child requires money for any other purpose, you will be informed via the newsletter or a note will be sent home for the required amount.

The school heavily subsidises the Year 6 and Year 8 camps however, we ask parents to contribute \$100 towards the cost. These are the only excursions we ask parents to pay a fee towards. While the camps cost the school a considerable amount of money, the experience for the students is well worth it.

BIKES, SCOOTERS AND SKATEBOARDS

Students are not permitted to bring bikes, scooters or skateboards to school as we do not have appropriate storage for these during the school day. If your child brings a bike, scooter etc to school we will require a parent/caregiver to come and collect it.

The school has several small-sized bikes that were donated. These are used by Year 0-3 classes to teach safe riding as part of our school curriculum. Students are required to wear a helmet and closed-in shoes when riding the school bikes. Occasionally we might hold a special event where students are permitted to bring bikes, scooters etc - we will let you know of this in advance via the newsletter and an individual notice. At these times we will make special arrangements for storage and safety routines.

YEAR 7/8 PRESEASON NETBALL TOURNAMENT

Netball Manurewa is providing a free tournament for interested teams. Games are on Tuesdays at 4:15pm. The tournament starts on 5 March and goes until 9 April. If your child is interested they can collect and return the permission slip from the school office. If you are interested in coaching, managing or umpiring, see Anet Conroy (DP).

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

There is always a lot of information and reminders to share at the start of the school year. For the first three weeks of this year we have sent home a school newsletter each week. From today, a newsletter will generally be sent home every fortnight (odd weeks) on a Tuesday with the eldest/only child from each family. The newsletter will keep you informed of school events.

If you would like the school newsletter e-mailed to you, please contact office@wiricentral.school.nz Newsletters are also available on the school website.