

PAID UNION MEETING FOR TEACHERS (NZEI - EDUCATION WORKERS UNION)

Teachers in our school will be attending a paid union meeting on Thursday 21 March. NZEI Te Riu Roa leaders are calling paid union meetings for members to discuss and consider important issues, including how members might collectively:

- Ensure the historic Mana Taurite | pay equity process properly values the skills, and intellectual and emotional effort of our work as teachers
- Shape union priorities for 2024

Students will finish school at 12.30pm on Thursday 21 March (this week). Students will eat their school lunches prior to going home at 12.30pm.

HOME SCHOOL CONFERENCES - TUESDAY 26 MARCH 1.30 -6.30PM

Our first HomeSchool Conferences will be held on Tuesday 26 March. Please come along to discuss your child’s strengths, interests and needs, their learning goals and progress to date.

Conferences will be held in classrooms and take about 10 minutes per child.

YOUR CHILD + HOME + SCHOOL = SUCCESSFUL LEARNING

MEET WITH YOUR CHILD’S TEACHER AND GO IN THE DRAW FOR ONE OF THREE PAK ‘N’ SAVE GIFT CARDS

You can book your own time through the Skool Loop app. If you have already downloaded the app go to interviews, select the teachers name, available time, select.

PLEASE NOTE: STUDENTS WILL BE GOING HOME AT 12.30PM ON TUESDAY 26 MARCH SO CONFERENCES CAN BEGIN AT 1.30PM

SCHOODOCS

Our school uses SchoolDocs, a web based platform for all our school policies and procedures. SchoolDocs provides us with a comprehensive core set of policies, which have been well researched and align with the National Education and Learning Priorities. The policies and procedures are tailored to our school, and the school supplies specific information such as our strategic plan, procedures for behaviour management and reporting to parents, etc.

SchoolDocs updates, modifies, or creates policies in response to changes in legislation or Ministry guidelines, significant events, reviews/requests from schools, and regular reviewing from the SchoolDocs team. There is a regular cycle of policy review and you can log into the site to view policies and take part in reviews.

We invite you to visit the site at <https://wiricentral.schooldocs.co.nz> (note that there's no "www."). Our username is "wiricentral" and password "whanau". By selecting the “Current Review” tab you will see a list of the policies that are under review each term and a link to these policies. Follow the instructions to provide your feedback.

SWIMMING

The pool is full, heated and swimming has started. Please support your child to bring their swimming gear on their allocated swimming day.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Mōkai Āwhina	Roopu Pūkeko	Fofoa i Vaoese	Roopu Tūi	Roopu Toroa

Please let your child’s teacher know if you are able to assist as a spotter during swimming lessons. Spotters are an extra pair of eyes watching the students while the teacher is taking the swimming lesson.

TOUGH GUY AND TOUGH GAL

Let’s get fit! Training has started and is on Mondays and Fridays at 8am. Meet Whaea Anet in Te Puna.

SATURDAY NETBALL

If your child is interested in playing Saturday netball they can collect a notice from either the office or Whaea Anet. Saturday netball is for all ages Year 1 through to Year 8.

YEAR SIX CAMP



Our Year 6 camp was a huge success and it was great to see the students developing their confidence and independence, giving new activities a go. A huge thanks to the fabulous group of parent helpers who attended camp to support us. We really appreciate your time and efforts.

HEALTHY FOOD AT SCHOOL

Wiri Central School is part of the Fruit in Schools programme and the Ka Ora, Ka Ako lunch programme. Every child receives a free piece of fruit every day and there is often extra fruit available in the classroom for anyone who wants it. The free, healthy lunches are delivered daily to classrooms.

The purpose of these programmes is to:

- ensure every child has healthy food to eat at school as this supports them to focus better on learning
- save busy whānau time and money by not having to provide food for school

As a health promoting school we work hard to teach our students the value of good nutrition. This includes trying new things to eat and making good food choices. We encourage all students to eat the school fruit and lunches. Please ensure that any additional food sent to school is also a healthy choice.

HEALTH AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION CURRICULUM

Today we are sending home a copy of our draft statement on the delivery of the Health and Physical Education Curriculum. This statement has taken into consideration feedback received during last year's consultation with students and whānau. The statement will be confirmed at the next board meeting however you are welcome to contact the principal if you have any further comments or feedback.

STAFF ONLY DAY - FRIDAY 31 MAY

The Ministry of Education allocated four staff only days across 2023 and 2024 to enable teachers to participate in professional learning about changes to the New Zealand Curriculum and Te Marautanga o Aotearoa. We held two days in 2023 and will hold the other two in 2024. The first staff only day for 2024 will be held on Friday 31 May (preceding King's Birthday weekend). School will be closed for students on this date.