

Kia ora koutou e te whānau,

Thank you to all whānau who attended Learning Conferences, the opportunity for students and whānau to acknowledge where students are currently placed academically, and set goals for the remainder of 2025 is invaluable. There is research showing the connection with and support from home has a major impact on student success.

Of course, at Intermediate School there are lots of other ways to also be successful. On the inside page there are photos from our area pōwhiri - which were all student led, our cross-country team, our Spelling Bee - Teira-Leigh was second in the Wellington region after a massive 15 minute spell-off between the final two competitors. Our rugby 7's boys took out the Nairnville Tournament beating Hutt Intermediate 69 - 7 in the final. Our amazing Showquest team who took out 5 categories with their wearable arts designs. And so much more. Please check the calendar, page 3, for what else is coming up.

Representative hoodies are only to students showing ongoing commitment to one of our Wainuiomata Intermediate Netball, Total Touch, or Basketball teams, by making our Performance ropu for Pasifika or Kapa Haka, or by being picked for at least 3 WRISSA events. A letter will be issued when they qualify.

One of the areas we are focussing on is attendance, the Ministry has a target of 75% of students attending 90% of the time. Our attendance data for Term 2 shows 81% of students attending 90% of the time. That is 264 students who have had less than 5 days off for any reason.

As this can only happen in partnership with you, thank you to those whānau that get their tamariki here inside that Ministry target of less than 5 days absent per term or 90%.

We are turning our attention to "in-school absence", that is when the student is here, but not where they are supposed to be! That can be for a variety of reasons, we make an effort to ensure that the learning is engaging and designed to move students forward, and we will seek your help if necessary to get your tamariki to give it their best effort and be where they are supposed to be.

There is a Teacher Only Day Tuesday June 3 (following King's Birthday) to focus on the new Math Curriculum with the Ministry of Education and Konini Primary school. Sorry for the inconvenience.

A reminder about sport and camp fees. If you are paying off camp or have fees still owing for Netball or Basketball these can be paid at the school office during school hours, we have eftpos or online banking available.

Thank you for your continued support this Term Ngā mihi nui,

Craig Sharp
Kaihautu/Principal





Week Five May 26 - 30

Tue 27: Spell it Out

Wed 28: WRISSA Cross Country

Thur 29: Bands and Tuition Pasifika Kapa Haka

Week Six June 2 - 6

Samoan Language Week

Mon 2: King's Birthday

Tue 3: Teacher Only Day

Thur 10: Bands and Tuition Pasifika Kapa Haka

Week Seven June 9 - 13

Wed 11: WRISSA Boys Basketball

Thur 17: Bands and Tuition Pasifika Kapa Haka

Week Eight June 16 - 20

Tue 17: Ki-o-rahi Invitational Journey to the Stars Matariki Show

Wed 18: Ki-o-Rahi Tournament

Thur 19: Bands and Tuition Pasifika Kapa Haka

Fri 20: Matariki Holiday

Week Nine June 23 - 27

Thur 26: Bands and Tuition Hutt Fest

Fri 27: Last Day of Term 2 2:40 pm finish Mid-Year Reports go Home and on App







Our School Values - "That's how we do it here"

All of our "rules" at Wainuiomata Intermediate School are based in our school values, or tikanga. These were developed in conjunction with our community and embody the expectations we have for all of our students.

We teach them and then look to catch our students going "over and above" displaying them. They are taught, sought and caught:

Kaitiakitanga - Guardianship, Protecting, Nurturing

In our school we are the guardians, protectors and nurturers of all things and the connections between them.

Manaakitanga - Kindness, Respect, Service

In our school this means showing genuine kindness, care and respect for the good of self, others and the environment. We value and care for others through our words and actions. We use our gifts and talents for the good of others.

Rangatiratanga - Leadership, Team Building, Collaboration

In our school we lead, guide and keep people together.

We also have the ability to lead others to their own rangatiratanga by nurturing them, empowering them and acknowledging their mana.

Whanaungatanga - Relationships, Community, Family

In our school we honour who we are and where we come from. We create a safe learning environment, where we all discover our strengths and interests, and we take calculated risks to make progress.

Our Values - Ngā Tikanga

Whanaungatanga, Kaitiakitanga, Rangatiratanga, Manaakitanga.

Our school values are about knowing where we are from, that we belong here, that we create an environment where we all feel safe to learn and grow in, and that we use our talents to give back to our community.

Showing Whānaungatanga - WIS School Uniform

It's great to see so many of our new and returning students wearing the school uniform with pride. Thank you to all our whānau who made that happen. For us, wearing the proper school uniform is one way that we show whānaungatanga as all our students feel part of a collective team and no one feels left out. It is for this reason that we ask that you continue to help your child wear the correct uniform each day...especially as the weather starts to change. Please name your uniform - especially rain jackets - to make it easier to find.

If you are having trouble finding any lost uniform item, please contact our office.

CONTACT DETAILS

Please advise the office of any change of phone, email or address details.

PARENT PORTAL - eTAP @School

Please sign up and download the eTAP @school app to receive your child's learning goals, progress, notices, absentees and written reports.



ABSENCE

Please advise the office if your child is going to be absent. Messages can be left:

- Parent Portal eTAP app
- Text 021 02824544
- On the school answer phone 939 1970
- Email absences@wis.school.nz
- School website <u>www.wis.school.nz</u>