

Kia ora koutou e te whānau,

Welcome back to our final issue of Wisdom for Term One 2025.

We have managed to get all three camps completed, thank you to all of the whānau that supported this by sending your child or by volunteering to be a kaitiaki on the camp. We tried to balance keeping it local, having some adventure and being affordable, compromise means it never suits everyone but we think met our aims of bringing our classes and areas together and allowing students to show their leadership in different environments. There is a parent survey link to get your feedback as we look to what we can offer next time. (link) Thank you also to staff who gave up your own whānau and home comforts for 3 days to provide this opportunity.

One of the areas we are focussing on is attendance. Our latest attendance data shows students attending at 62% (Which is down on our usual 72% due to 3 weeks of camp) against the Ministry target of 75%. The pleasing aspect is that there is no difference across ethnicities or genders which is not the case nationally. 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%.

Another area we will focus on in Term 2 is "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 but too many of them are because they "don't want to do their work", we make an effort to ensure that the learning is engaging and designed to move students forward, we will seek your help if necessary to get your tamariki to give it their best effort. And display the behaviours and effort you would expect them to.

The Term 2 calendar is attached and I will highlight the Learning Conferences for all students on Friday May 16, where students and whānau will have a 15 min meeting on where they are currently placed, and goal setting for the remainder of 2025. There is also a Teacher Only Day Tuesday June 3 (following King's Birthday) to focus on the new Math Curriculum with some of our primary schools.

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 support this Term, enjoy your tamariki over the break and we look forward to helping them achieve more of their goals in Term 2.

Ngā mihi nui,

Craig Sharp Kaihautu/Principal





Week One Apr 28 - May 2

Mon 28: Term 2 Starts

Thur 1: Bands and Tuition Pasifika Kapa Haka

Week Two May 5 - 9

Mon 5: Duffy Theatre

Wed 7: WRISSA

Girls Football

Thur 8: Bands & Tuition Pasifika Kapa Haka

Week Three May 12 - 16

Wed 14: WRISSA Boys Football

Thur 15: Pink Shirt Day
Bands & Tuition
Pasifika
Kapa Haka

Fri 16: Learning Conferences 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Week Four May 19 - 23

Mon - Thur: Learning
Conferences
after school
Tues until 7:00 pm

Wed 21: Inter Intermediate Spelling Comp

Thur 22: Rugby 7's
tournament
Bands and Tuition
Pasifika
Kapa Haka

Week Five May 26 - 30

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

Wed 4: Inter Intermediate
Speech Comp

Thur 10: Bands and Tuition Pasifika Kapa Haka

Week Seven June 9 - 13

Wed 11: WRISSA Girls
Basketball
Arts Showcase

Thur 17: Bands and Tuition Pasifika Kapa Haka

Week Eight June 16 - 20

Tue 17: Ki-o-rahi Invitational

Wed 18: WRISSA Boys Basketball

Thur 19: Bands and Tuition Pasifika Kapa Haka

Fri 20: Matariki Holiday

Week Nine June 23 - 27

Tue 24: Hutt Fest - tbc

Thur 26: Bands and Tuition Pasifika Kapa Haka

Fri 27: Last Day of Term 2 12:30 pm finish



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 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>