### Dear Parents / Caregivers,

Roll: 269

Well done to all our students for all the effort and skill that was applied throughout our Athletics season. A special mention to those who made it through to higher honours and represented Winton School and the Central Zone. Congratulations to the children who placed at Sunday's Southland Primary Schools Athletics Meet at Surrey Park. We are proud to have 4 Southland Athletics champions attend Winton School. A huge thanks to our Sports Coordinator, Brenda Mee, for organising all of our Athletics events.

Cyber Safety expert, John Parsons, is returning on Wednesday 10 April to talk to all our students about how to stay safe online. Please find below some information about 2 Parent Sessions John will be doing in our School Hall. I strongly encourage you to come along and hear from NZ's leading authority on safeguarding children online, about how to best manage and monitor your child's online activity.

In line with the Government's 'Phones away for the day' policy, our Board will be discussing at tonight's Board meeting some guidelines around students cell phone usage at Winton School. These draft guidelines will be shared with you tomorrow. We will be inviting feedback before the end of the term so that they can be firmly in place for the start of Term 2.

Over the next three terms there will be a number of property projects taking place at school. As they progress, we will keep you updated with where things are at. They include:

- Interior upgrade of the Technology Block (from the start of Term 2)
- A Pump Track at the northern end of the school
- A Bike Track around the perimeter of the field opposite school
- Astroturf in front of Rooms 9 and 10
- A new look Sand Pit

Have a great Easter Break!

Steve Wadsworth, PRINCIPAL



## **Upcoming Events**

#### Week 9

Today Board Meeting
Thurs 28 Mar Easter Mufti Day
Fri 29 Mar GOOD FRIDAY



#### Week 10

Mon 1 April EASTER MONDAY
Tues 2 April EASTER TUESDAY

#### Week 11

Wed 10 April John Parsons visit

Parent Sessions

1:45pm and 6:30pm Fri 12 April Assembly, 1:45pm

Last day of Term 1

Thurs 25 April ANZAC DAY

## Te kupu o te wiki

Te pai katoa All the best



## <u>'Internet Health and Wellbeing' Session</u> <u>with John Parsons</u>

# Are you concerned about how your child uses the internet or their mobile device?

We invite you to a presentation facilitated by cyber safety expert John Parsons on the issues associated with the inappropriate use of computers, mobile devices and the internet. Cyber crime is a very real issue facing NZ families in NZ, but there are easy practical steps to reduce the risk.

John, who is NZ's leading authority on safeguarding children online, visits our school every year to share important internet safety messages to all our students. On **Wednesday 10 April** he will also be holding two Parent Sessions in our School Hall.

# 1:45-2:45pm and 6:30-7:30pm. Both sessions will be the same and be held in our School Hall.

You will be sure to leave with knowledge that will help you relate and build strong relationships with your child when it comes to their online activity.

#### 2024-25 Strategic Plan

Thank you to those parents who provided feedback on our 2024-25 Strategic Plan. This has now been sent to the Ministry of Education and is available to view on our school website.

### **Contact Information**

If your contact details have changed, ie new address, cell phone number, work number, emergency contacts etc could you please contact the school office to update your child's school records. It is important that we have up to date information in case of emergencies.

### **School Lunch Orders**

Subway lunch orders can be made on Tuesdays. You can also place orders at Subway or on the Subway app. Bakery orders are on Thursdays. Parents can also order direct at The Bakery before 9.30am. Please use the revised Bakery Lunch Order Price List which was previously posted on HERO.

## School Accounts - HERO

Reminder to parents to please check your child's account on HERO (\$) and make sure they are paid up to date. There are still some outstanding payments from last year to be paid.

Year 7 & 8 students have Technology Fees and will also have school camps coming up this year. A good practise would be to set up a direct credit and pay a small amount each week/fortnight/month into the school bank account for crediting against your child's account.

### Yr 5/6 Camp Raffle

Thank you to everyone who supported our Yr 5/6 camp fundraiser by either buying an Easter Raffle or donating an item for the hampers. We had a total of 9 lovely hampers to raffle off. The winners were all delighted with them.

#### Week 7, Term 1 RERE Awards

Room 1/2 Llhyyansmayne Paulose & Ollie Caldwell

Room 4 Holly Ferris & Nate Jones

Room 5 Meila Smith & Colton Livesey

Room 6 Alfie Brunell & Taylor Thompson

Room 7 Amelia King & Beau Marshall Room 8 Imahni de Thierry & Zain McMullien

Room 9 Xavier Stroud & Lilly Maguire

Room 10 Charlotte Nelson & Ashton Kemp

Room 11 Emily Nelson & Jaxon Moodie

Room 12 Lucus Sammons & Kyle Short

Room 13 Tamzyn Verdon & Makenna Sinclair

## Week 7, Term 1 MITEY Awards

Room 1/2 Aleeah Turner Room 4 Yenuli Welengoda Room 5 Harper Collins-Mann Room 6 Lottie McIlwrick

Room 7 Harper Dodds Room 8 Lucy Aitken Room 9 Indi Laughton Room 10 Ariel Thom

Room 11 Rose Maguire Room 12 Sydney Finn Room 13 Spencer White

### Week 7, Term 1 Winton Wav Awards

Jake Ridd, Nate Jones, April White, Robyn Crous and Lucia Boys.



## What's Happening in Room 7......

Tēnā koutou from Room 7. We have had a very busy and enjoyable Term 1 in Room 7. Now that athletics is finished, we have tried out disc golf and learnt some new fitness games. We have continued to do our Mitey work around mental health and we have been exploring what it means to be healthy in our 'Healthy Me' Inquiry unit. In Maths, Room 7 have been learning strategies for addition and subtraction and finding ways to prove our answers. We have been working on adding more detail to our writing by using adjectives and adverbs. It has been a truly wonderful term and we look forward to what next term will bring.





# **SPORTS NEWS**



For all sporting inquiries, please contact Brenda Mee at <a href="mailto:sport@winton.school.nz">sport@winton.school.nz</a>

#### Sports Fees

Reminder that ALL outstanding Touch, Volleyball, Cricket and Yr 7/8 Basketball fees are now due for payment. Could these please be paid by the end of the week, EFTPOS available at the office or into the school bank account 031750 0195550 00, thanks.

#### Hockey

Reminder that all Fun Sticks and Mini Sticks permission slips and \$20 payments must be handed into the school office before the end of the school day on Thursday 4th April. Competition starts Monday 6th May and runs throughout Term 2.

# **PTA NEWS**

**Second Hand Uniforms** - The PTA have a range of 2nd hand uniform items available to purchase. Please check out the Winton School PTA FaceBook page to see what is available. If you are interested in purchasing something please message via the FB page or contact Mel McKenzie 027 805 2871

# **COMMUNITY NEWS**

#### **Music Lessons**

Individual lessons in piano and theory of music, beginner to Grade 5. Time slots available for 2024. Contact Gill Hendry 03 236 7413.

#### **Piano Lessons**

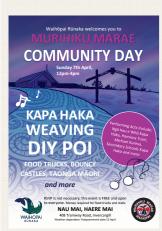
Piano lessons for children aged 6/7+. Email teresa.adendorff@gmail.com for booking lesson times and further information.

#### **Central Academy Dance School**

Contact Sarah on <a href="mailto:sarahdancebookings@gmail.com">sarahdancebookings@gmail.com</a> for more information about after school lessons.

#### **Winton Football Club**

Registrations are now open to play football in the winter season for the Winton Club. This is open to all ages, 4 years and above with adult and junior teams looking for members across the grades for all genders. Registration can be completed by going to: <a href="mailto:sporty.co.nz/wintonfc">sporty.co.nz/wintonfc</a> Any enquiries can be directed to <a href="mailto:wintonfootballnz@gmail.com">wintonfootballnz@gmail.com</a>















Pickleball with Scott from Tennis Southland