

Wyndham Primary School Newsletter



Our Learning Term 1:

- **School Value - Respect**
- **Inquiry -How do our brains work?**
- **Play is the Way - Virtue: "Treat others you would like them to treat you." Liferaft: "Good Manners"**
- **iDeal Structured Literacy**
- **Swimming -stroke lessons**
- **Tōtara - kayaking, Road Patrol training**
- **LMV & Southland Athletics**
- **CoL REAP extension -Art**
- **Whānau Groups**

Upcoming Events:

- **Dental Bus**
- **John Parsons Cybersafety visit - week 11**
- **Tōtara ANZAC Day assembly - Friday 12th April**
- **PTA Quiz Night Fundraiser - tbc**

CHECK OUT OUR HERO CALENDAR FOR ALL SCHOOL DATES!

Principal's Update

Kia ora koutou

Yesterday we had an onsite visit from our Education Review Office (ERO) partner, Carole Clark. The visit consisted of a school statutory compliance check, discussions about health, safety & hauora wellbeing as well as classroom observations.

Ms. Clark was impressed both by our students and staff and could see the progress our school is making towards improving student learning outcomes, developing the professional capabilities of our staff and towards embedding respectful and positive behaviour support systems within our school.

The next step in our ERO journey will be an Evaluation Report which we will receive in the next few months and which will outline our priorities for teaching, learning and operational matters at WPS for the next three years. These priorities align with the Strategic and Annual Goals we are already working on.

As principal I am always proud of our students and staff but it is very pleasing to see the hard work and commitment of our team over the past two years recognised by ERO. As a whole school we will continue to **Aim High**.

Enjoy your weekend together.

Catherine Lewis

Reminder:

Next Tuesday (9th April) we have John Parsons onsite to work with our students and teachers on the important topic of personal safety online.

As well as talking with our students, John will be providing a parent/whānau session after school from 3.30 to 4.30pm.

If you would like to attend, please RSVP to the school office by Monday so that we can organise some refreshments.

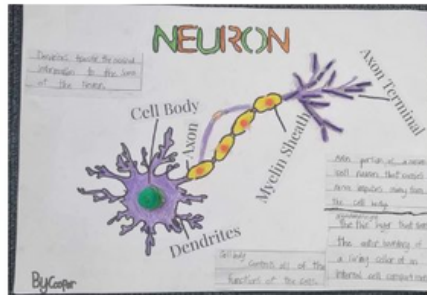
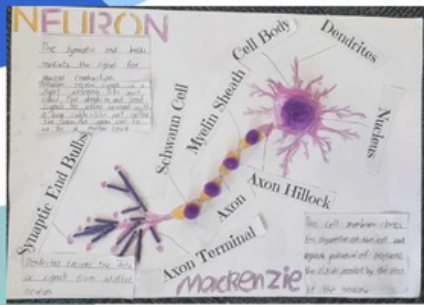
We are so lucky to have John visit WPS and hope to see lots of our community join this session. Check out his website for more information on John:

<https://www.citizen21.co.nz/>



contact: principale@wyndham.school.nz

Pohutukawa



The Brain

By Oriwia

Your brain isn't fully formed until age 25!

Your brain information travels up to an impressive 441km per hour.

Headaches are caused by a chemical reactions.

The human brain will triple the size the first year of your live.

An adult brain weighs about 1.3 kgs.

When you learn, you change the structure of your brain.

Our Brain

By Ella

Frontal Lobe
This is a very important part because this is where you move, talk, think, remember and behave.

The Cerebellum
This coordinates with movement and balance.

The Cerebrum
This controls movement, speech, intelligence, emotion, what we see and hear.

Temporal Lobe
This controls pain and sensory.

Optical Lobe
This area is associated with distance, depth, color, object, face recognition and memory formation.

The Brain Stem
Controls breathing, consciousness, blood pressure, heart rate and sleep.

This term our class learning has been around the brain and what type of thinkers we are, what are brains are made up of and other cool things



We have also learned how to play Kī o rahi - with Jodie from Active Southland



THE BRAIN

By Rydah

- 60% of the human body is FAT.
- Your Brains storage capacity is unlimited.
- Multi tasking is impossible.
- Brain information travels at a top speed of 260mph.

About 75% of the brain is made out of water.

An adult brain weighs about 1.3kg.

WPS Excellence Awards - Term 1 2024

The following students have received a Term 1 Excellence Award because they have demonstrated excellent individual learning progress and have also consistently modelled our School Values and Play is the Way Liferaft and Virtue.

These awards replace our previous termly Principal's Awards as we believe it is important that our whole school recognises when a student achieves excellence and is seen to always *Aim High*.

When students join or leave our school, when they represent our school in sports or arts events or when they achieve well in exams or assessments, Principal's Awards will still be part of our celebrations of learning.

Well done to each of these awesome Wyndham Primary School students, tino pai rawa atu!



Kōwhai: Rylee Kelly

Rylee always tries her best across all learning areas.

She asks questions when she is unsure and shows great perseverance when she finds things tricky, but she keeps on trying! Rylee consistently demonstrates Wyndham school values both inside and outside the classroom, she is a fabulous role model.

Rimu: Eli Muth

Eli is a model student. He is respectful, able to make strong decisions and shows the school values consistently. He always displays a passion for learning and is able to take on feedback. Eli has made awesome progress with his spelling and is beginning to use this new knowledge in his reading and writing. Ka pai Eli, you're a superstar!



Kahikatea: Ruby Bonnar

Ruby has had an excellent term in Kahikatea. She is aiming high and progressing well in all learning areas. Ruby consistently displays our school values, uses good manners and is an excellent role model!

Matai: Harley McDonald

For her excellent effort and determination. Harley has been working super hard especially in maths and writing this term. Ka pai Harley you super star!



Pōhutukawa: Archie Liddell

Archie always strives to be the best that he can be. He always settles to his work quickly and gets the job done. He is a great class member to have in our class. He actively participates in all class discussions and role models our school values to a high standard. Koia kei a koe (you're awesome)!

Tōtara: Milton Maxwell

Stepping up in our class and around the school. You have shown some great examples of leadership around school, while leading in our class with a great work ethic. Top work Milton.



If you would like to contribute to our current procedure review please visit our School Docs site at:

<https://wyndham.schooldocs.co.nz>

Our **username** is **wyndham** and **password** is **wyndham**.

Week 10 Learning Awards

Kōwhai:

Cooper Sloan for learning about less than, great than and equal to. Cooper likes 'gobbling up' the biggest number with his crocodile. Kei te whakapau kaha koe, you are working hard.

Wolf Barnett for working hard to read and spell two letter words in iDeaL spelling. His letter/sound knowledge has greatly improved. Kia kaha ki te mahi, keep working hard.

Rimu:

Benjamin Henderson I have been very impressed with your effort and concentration during spelling time. You are making awesome progress because of this. You are amazing, ka pai!

Timothy Muir your writing over the past few weeks has been awesome to read. You can use finger spaces, sound out words independently and are using some describing words. I can't wait to read more! Ka pai!

Kahikatea:

Tahlia McEwan is aiming high in Maths! She always tries her best, is focused and asks questions. You are quickly picking up re-grouping - excellent learning Tahlia!

Oliver Cameron is aiming high in literacy! I am so impressed with how you are transferring your iDeaL spelling knowledge into reading Oliver! Keep up the great finger spelling and decoding.

Pōhutukawa:

Walter Paterson what great mahi you have been doing in writing. In particular, the narratives you have been writing have great depth & personal voice. You have all elements that are important when writing a narrative. Keep up the great work.

Hunter Perkins what a great piece of art you produced as part of our Easter work. You used good brush techniques when working with water colour paint and creating shades of colours. Tu meke.

Matai:

Jaxon Barry well done for making huge improvements in your writing. Keep up the hard work. Miss Yeo is proud of you.

Samira Khadka you have a great work ethic and love to share your writing. Your letter size and formation is amazing!

Tōtara:

Ryan Turnbull what a wonderful, original idea you had with your self portrait. Great job Ryan.

Scott Gifkins top work with your ANZAC research. You have worked hard to find interesting facts.

Week 10 Values Awards

Kōwhai:

Harley Luff is always kind and tries to show others what to do by modelling the values. Kia pai, kia ngakau atawhai, be cool, be kind.

Rimu:

Jacob McRae you demonstrate the school values every day and consistently make strong decisions. Awesome work! I am also impressed with your work ethic and your ability to produce work to a high standard

Kahikatea:

Matilda Webb shows good manners both in and outside of the classroom and is a good role model.

Tom Clearwater thanks for showing good manners and being a helpful class member Tom!

Pōhutukawa:

Edward Instone what an awesome term you have had. You have been a great team member who works collaboratively with others in the class. Keep it up.

Rydah Walker-Baker you have settled in well to our class this year. You lead well within the class and are always respectful of others belongings.

Matai:

Amelie Ayers ka pai on a fantastic term. You are always using great manners.

Cross Penus is constantly using his manners and shows respect towards others.

Tōtara:

Jethro Coley super kid displaying manners by helping out and being helpful around the school.

Mikaere Walmsley you always have a smiley face and a happy greeting for everyone. Keep up those great manners.



10th ANNIVERSARY

Open day

Saturday 6th April 2024

We invite our community to join with us in celebrating our 10th Anniversary. Preschool will be open to everyone to look through from 1-4pm. The formal part of the celebrations will be held at 1:30pm.



FREE digital help on **DORA** in Southland

Drop-in and get

- tech help with your smartphone or tablet
- support with your health app
- tips for staying safe online

Location	10am-12pm & 2pm-4pm	Date
Gore Health Practice, Birch Lane		Wed 3 April
Gore Medical Practice, Eccles Lane		Thu 4 April
1st Gore Scouts, Eccles Lane		Fri 5 April
Fiordland Medical Practice, Te Anau		Mon 8 & Tue 9 April
Waiau Health Trust, Tuatapere		Thu 11 April
Otautau Medical Centre		Fri 12 & Mon 15 April
87 Birchwood Rd, Ohai (10am-12pm)		Tue 16 April
Nightcaps Medical Centre (1pm-3pm)		Tue 16 April
311 Great North Rd, Winton		Wed 17 April
West Invercargill Health, Arena Ave		Mon 22 & Tue 23 April
Te Hau o Te Ora, Clyde St, Invercargill		Wed 24 April
He Puna Waiora Wellness Centre, Spey St, Invercargill		Fri 26 April
Invercargill Medical Centre, Don St		Mon 29 April

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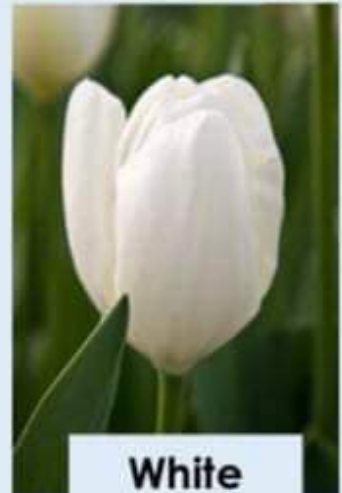
Tulip bulbs fundraiser



Yellow



Pink



White



Red



Red/Yellow



Orange



Mixed

20 bulbs for \$ 5.00

Bulbs are packed per colour

6 different colours to choose, or a mixed pack with 5
different colours

Orders due by the 20th of April, delivery after the 1st of May

Bank account: 03-1355-0766288-00

Ref: tulips / your name

Boys Outreach and Girls Rally on this Friday at the Edendale Activity Centre, George Street.

Anyone 9 years old and up welcome just turn up.

Girls - fair, 7-9pm. **Boys** - 10-pin bowling cost \$10 meet at 6.45 home late 9.30pm

Any questions contact Johnno & Becs Ferguson 027412941

No Youthgroup this Saturday because of ball, will be following Saturday.

HOLIDAY TIME

Mataura Library

Week 1

Monday 15 April

10:30am - CraftTime

Thursday 18 April

10:30am - StoryTime

Week 2

Monday 22 April

10:30am - BrickTime

HOLIDAY TIME

Gore Library

Week 1

Tuesday 16 April

10:30am - StoryTime

3:30pm - StoryTime

Wednesday 17 April

10:30am - CraftTime

3:30pm - BrickTime

Friday 19 April

10:30am - GameTime

Week 2

Tuesday 23 April

10:30am - StoryTime

3:30pm - StoryTime

Wednesday 24 April

10:30am - BrickTime

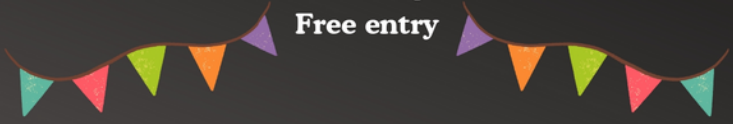
3:30pm - CraftTime



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~ DEEP SOUTH FIBRE FESTIVAL

Come along to the
Gore Town & Country Club
2 Bury Street, Gore
on Saturday, 4th of May
10 am - 3 pm
Free entry



**We'll have a kids corner,
where all the cool crafts will be.**

(No cost to your parents.)

Food & Drink Trucks
including candy floss, ice
cream
(and healthy stuff too)

Have a go at:
weaving, knitting, cross stitch
pompom animals,
plaiting rats tails,
daisy-making

Fibre Animals
to meet and pet

(There will be stuff to keep the adults busy, too.)

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~ DEEP SOUTH FIBRE FESTIVAL

4th & 5th May 2024
Gore Town & Country Club
2 Bury Street
Gore, NZ

Saturday

- traders
- demonstrators
- displays
- have a go
- childrens craft corner
- food carts
- devonshire teas
- raffles
- fibre animals
- social spin & chat space

Sunday

- 4 morning workshops
- 4 afternoon workshops

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Wyndham Street Market

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MINI FAMILY PHOTO SESSION
FIVE PROFESSIONAL IMAGES

\$50

Wyndham Memorial Hall
May 4th and 12th



LET'S GET SINGING!

FREE Professional Development Workshops for Teachers in New Plymouth, Greymouth, Tauranga, South Auckland, Masterton, and Invercargill

Join us for a free, practical workshop on ways to use singing in the classroom for student development and wellbeing.

If you are keen to introduce or add more singing into your classroom, let us show you some songs and games that can support your students' learning, improve hauora and help build their confidence and sense of community.

This workshop will include

- singing for teachers to enhance your own musicianship and wellbeing
- how you can get your students singing, even if you aren't a confident singer yourself
- ways to use singing for routines, to reinforce learning, for mindfulness, and for fun!
- Waiaata Māori and songs for different year groups and where to find them

Six workshops to choose from:

New Plymouth: Sat 11th May, 1-4pm at West End School



Presenter: **Jennifer Moss** believes everyone can sing! Based in Manawatu, she is an award winning and classically trained musician and she loves bringing joy to people through music. From opera singing, to children's entertainer to primary music specialist and freelance singing teacher, you are assured an abundance of joyful & practical musical inspiration with Jennifer.

Tauranga: Sat 8th June, 1-4pm at Greenpark School



Presenter: **Roshan Tuivavalagi** is a music educator based in Paeroa. She has worked for many years as a music specialist and has led a number of community and school-based singing programmes. Roshan is passionate about singing in the classroom.

Invercargill: Sat 18th May, 1-4pm at Waverley Park School



Presenter: **Sally Bodkin-Allen** is a composer, music educator and musical director. She believes that everyone can and should sing. Based in Invercargill, Sally has run the SIT Kids Concerts for over twenty years, and worked with the Outreach Singing Trust for ten years.

South Auckland: Sat 15th June, 1-4pm at Waimaha Intermediate School



Presenters: **Kriss Rapana** and **Melissa Absolum** have been South Auckland-based primary classroom teachers for many years and are experienced leaders of singing with expertise in kapa haka and waiaata-a-rianga. They are both foundation members of the Graduate Choir of New Zealand. Melissa is a member of Voices NZ and serves on the NZCF Governance Board.

Greymouth: Sat 25th May, 1-4pm at Grey Main School



Presenter: **Lala Simpson** is a Wellington-based community song leader, song writer, singing workshop facilitator and singer who delights all with her joyful approach to singing and her focus on community singing.

Masterton: Sat 22nd June, 1-4pm at Masterton Intermediate School

Presenter: **Jennifer Moss** (see New Plymouth workshop)

This workshop is part of NZCF's outreach programme "Singing for Lifelong Wellbeing" and is funded through a grant from Manatū Taonga Ministry for Culture & Heritage.

Registration link: <https://nzcf.infooodle.com/f/LetsGetSingingTerm22024>

Contact Maria Winder, NZCF Children's Outreach Coordinator 027 226 8044 outreach@nzcf.org.nz