

Friday 22nd May 2020



Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Kia ora koutou! It has been great having all the children back at school this week and we are excited to be back together again. The children have settled well into our daily routines and are enjoying being able to work alongside their friends and classmates again. Over the next six weeks we have a number of exciting events planned.

We are completing our inquiry based around 'What makes Winton School Unique?' This has many layers from us as individuals all the way up to school wide systems and processes. It is an excellent way to help consolidate our Term One learning about our class community.

Cross Country will be a focus this term and while we do not have a Southland Championships this year, we are hoping to still hold both school and Central events. We will be training each day (weather permitting) so please ensure your child has their PE gear and running shoes.

Our final important note for parents and caregivers is that we will be holding Three-Way Learner Conferences near the end of term. The structure and format of these is being redeveloped due to the cancellation of our Term One conferences. More information will follow shortly.

A reminder that while we have these dates in the calendar, they may change due to Covid-19 Alert Level requirements. If there are any changes you will be notified as soon as possible.

Some important dates this term:

- Three-Way Learner Conferences 24th and 25th June
- Senior School Cross Country - Friday 12th June
- Central Cross Country - Friday 19th June
- Central Cup - Friday 26th June

Although we were unable to attend our Camp to Queenstown in Term 1, we are still hoping to attend Camp in Term 4 (dates to be advised). The coffee cup fundraiser order has arrived and will be sent home with your child next week.

With the winter months fast approaching, please ensure your child wears their hi-viz vest everyday to and from school so that they can be easily seen. We are continuing to have weekly hi-viz vest checks. Please ensure your child arrives at school **after 8.30am** each morning as staff are often not in their rooms to supervise them until then.

Over the lockdown period a number of staff had difficulty contacting some parents. As a result your child should have brought home a pupil profile sheet on Wednesday. **This needs to be signed and returned to the office by next Wednesday the 27th May.** Please return this even if your details are correct.

If there are questions, concerns or celebrations please contact me either through Seesaw or by email, especially while we are at Alert Level 2.

Regards

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