WYMONDLEY NEWS

TERM 4 Week 4: Tuesday, 28 October 2025

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

WEEK 4

Wednesday, 29 October 2025
School Athletics

Thursday, 30 October 2025
Wymondley's Got Talent Auditions: 1:00pm

Friday, 31 October 2025
Wymondley's Got Talent Auditions: 1:00pm

WEEK 6

Wednesday, 12 - Friday, 14 November 2025
Year 5 & Year 6 Camp

WEEK 8

Wednesday, 26 November 2025
Board Meeting: 5:30pm

Thursday, 27 November 2025
OSC Athletics

WEEK 9

Wednesday, 3 December 2025
Akoranga:12pm-7:30pm

Thursday, 4 December 2025
WRS's Got Talent - 6pm-8pm

WEEK 10

Wednesday, 10 December 2025
Market Day: 11:30am-1pm

Wednesday, 10 December 2025
Wy in the Park: 5:30pm

Friday, 12 December 2025
Honour's Assembly

WEEK 11

Tuesday, 16 December 2025
End of Year Prizegiving

Wednesday, 17 December 2025
Last Day of Term 4

TUMUAKI MESSAGE

Kia ora koutou,

If anyone has been following the rugby league, wow, you will agree, it has been awesome to watch. There is so much pride in country and heritage for all nations involved. This was something that stood out to me, however it wasn't the only thing. There were so many 'great' moments. I love watching the celebrations when someone gets a try, that's great. I love listening to the singing and the cheering from the fans, that's great. I love the sea of colour in the grandstands, that's also great. However, I think the greatest thing that I have seen since the competition started, is the respect that each player has for the other, regardless of the team they are playing for. Yes, they are proud to represent their countries, but they are also 'good' men and women who are playing alongside and against players they have known for years and the respect between them, whether they be Kiwi, Samoan, Tongan or Australian, is amazing! They are incredible role models - they are hard workers, gentle giants (except on the field!), skilled, fit, respectful, intelligent and committed. We can see a lot of our values in these players: determination to give their best for their team and country; commitment to training and playing to the best of their ability; teamwork, because there is no 'I' in 'team'; respect for their nation, flag, teammates and opposition, and for the game; caring for their families and their fans; and integrity to do what they know is right, on and off the field.
As I said in assembly, to be your best, you have to give your best and that means training. All great athletes/ sportsmen or women train, they are committed, otherwise they will fall short. Don't fall short. Keep pushing, keep improving, and the results will follow.

BE THE BEST YOU CAN BE! ATTEND SCHOOL EVERYDAY!

ATTENDANCE

Kia ora e te whānau,
Regular school attendance is one of the most important factors in your child's learning and success. When tamariki are at school every day and on time, they are able to take part in all learning opportunities, build strong friendships, and feel confident in their progress.
In Term 3, 43% of our students attended regularly, which means they missed fewer than five days across the term. However, we also saw an increase in chronic absences — from 7% in Term 1 to 15% in Term 3.
If your child is in the chronic absence category, this means they were absent for 15 days or more during the term.
The Government's regular attendance target is that 80% of students are present for more than 90% of the term. As you can see, we have some work to do together to reach this goal.
Please don't be offended if we visit your home or contact you by letter or email — these are caring check-ins to see how we can work alongside you to support your child's attendance and wellbeing. Our aim is to help, not to blame.
If you are in need of support — transport, routines, uniforms, or anything that might be getting in the way of regular attendance — please come and see us. We are here to help.
Let's continue to work together so our tamariki are at school every day and on time, giving them the best chance to succeed.
Ngā manaakitanga,
Sisi Key

2025 TERM DATES

Term 1: 7 February - 11 April 2025
Term 2: 28 April - 27 June 2025
Term 3: 14 July - 19 September 2025
Term 4: 6 October - 17 December 2025

SCHOOL HOURS
Monday to Friday I 8:45am-2:50pm

OFFICE HOURS
Monday to Friday I 8:00am-4:00pm

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WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR CLASSROOMS IN TERM 4

TE RA

Te Rā has been brainstorming ideas for Market Day by thinking about what would make others happy and how we could share our culture and kindness.

The tamariki worked in small groups to plan what they would make and sell. They created posters, set up their stalls and took turns being the shopkeepers and customers.

Ka pai Te Rā! You showed that when we work together with love, he mea nui te aroha..

WHETU

In Maths, Whetu have been exploring algebra patterns, using colours, shapes, and Numicon to create and continue repeating patterns. For our inquiry topic, we are finding out what to make and sell for our Market Day - we've decided to explore making Christmas decorations to share some festive cheer! We've also been enjoying our Garden to Table sessions, where tamariki have been working together in the māra and making delicious muffins from our garden produce. We are having lots of fun in our learning and are excited to welcome new students from Te Rā who have joined our Whetu whānau. It's been a busy and joyful time full of creativity, teamwork, and aroha!

Are you curious about how to help your child succeed at school — and beyond?

Do you know which schools offer scholarships and how to apply for them?

Is your child ready to choose a pathway that excites, challenges, and inspires them?

Is your child unsure which subjects will suit their strengths and goals?

The Talanoa Ako Programme reminds us that education is not just the school's responsibility — it's a shared journey. When families, teachers, and communities talk, listen, and learn together, our children stand taller, dream bigger, and achieve more.

It's free. It's friendly. It's for you and your family.

REGISTER TODAY!

Our school is proud to be part of the Duffy Books in Homes programme, which inspires every child to become a lifelong reader. Through Duffy, our students receive brand-new books several times each year - books they get to choose and keep as their own. This wonderful initiative helps foster a love of reading that continues at home, building confidence, imagination, and pride in being a reader.

As Duffy reminds us, "It's cool to read and cool to achieve!" We are truly grateful to our Duffy sponsors for making this opportunity possible for our tamariki.

WYMONDLEY'S GOT TALENT!

Thank you to those who have already auditioned for our 2025 WRS's Got Talent. Our event will be on **THURSDAY, 4th DECEMBER** at **6.00 pm.**
If your child still would like to audition, we are having our last auditions on **Thursday & Friday** this week at lunchtime in our Food Technology room.
The categories are Solo/ Group in both Singing and Dance. We had a great show last year, showcasing many talented students, and we hope to do the same this year!

STATIONERY FEES DUE

A friendly reminder that there are still some students who have not yet paid for their 2025 stationery.

📌 **Payment Method:** Cash only

💵 **Where to Pay:** Please make payment at the school office.

Students should be at school EVERY DAY by 8.30am / School ends at 2.50 pm
Students will have HOMEWORK each week
We provide LUNCH EVERY DAY

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PHOTO GALLERY

Niuean Cultural Group performing for Niue Lanuage Week

Some deep learning happening in Pipi

Morning Jump Jam

Mrs Key showing her students the technique of discus throwing

Athletics Practice

GTT with Te Ra Students