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The BOT have worked hard this year, amid Covid-19 related challenges, to enhance the outdoor learning spaces for our tamariki. The senior playground was a major project and set the scene for the BOT's ongoing commitment to create an inspirational: divergent learning environment –

Strategic Goal 1:

We have invested in creating a collaborative outdoor learning environment that we trust excites our students and serves the wider Wigram community. Under Rob's guidance (and carefully tended by committed garden helpers), the school garden has flourished; we all reaped the reward of strawberry plants for sale earlier in the year. Athletics day saw the debut of our new long jump area. Thank you to Damyon Schofield and the team at Freelance Concrete Limited for the donation of time and materials. You will have noticed the recent addition of screen printing on some walls and windows reinforcing our HEART values – Hauora, Explore, Aspire, Respect and Taonga.

Strategic Goal 2:

Enriched, Embracing Culture is evident in our new 'welcome wall' which represents 'welcome' in our school community languages. There is plenty more space to fill as our multi-cultural school community grows. Within the next few weeks some concrete surfaces will come to life with line markings – hopscotch, foursquare, an exercise circuit, cricket wickets, and a bright alphabet caterpillar outside the Toroa learning space. The BOT has also set the wheels in motion for an exciting addition to the play space in 2021!

Last, but definitely not least, the BOT is well advanced on an overhaul of the existing school website. The new website will be a key communication tool, source of up-to-date information and instrumental in how Wigram Primary School is presented to the wider community. This will be online in the New Year.

Happy holidays.

Cheers

Katherine Forward
Board Chair