



Wakatipu HIGH SCHOOL Newsletter

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Notices

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Facebook Page

Please see our [Facebook page](#) for all the latest updates from Wakatipu High School, and take a look at our [sports page](#) for news on football, rugby, snow sports and more. Recent posts include photos from this week's performances of Dusty: The Original Pop Diva by our talented musical cast!

Principal's Message

Kia ora, welcome to the Wakatipu High School newsletter as we come to the end of the penultimate week of Term 1. This week's newsletter is a big one - in part because we didn't have one last week, but mainly just because there is lots happening at WHS.

Summer Tournament Week dominates the Sports Report - and my congratulations to all students who participated and excelled in their various sports. My thanks also to staff, parents and community members who coached, managed, supported and made these opportunities possible for our students.

The Musical is also big news this week - reviews of the show have been absolutely awesome, there are still a few tickets left tonight and tomorrow so get along and be entertained and impressed - don't miss out! (see more below).

The big news today was our Lockdown Drill this morning. It went very well and was very successful - our staff and students took it seriously and did a great job. Part of the purpose of the drill was to identify areas to improve and we will do that now.

Senior Next Steps - are next Tuesday 9 April, and we encourage senior parents to come along to meet teachers and be engaged with and support their student's learning, progress and achievement. Bookings are now open at www.schoolinterviews.co.nz, enter the event code 5aduh. We do know that some staff are heavily booked, and if you do need to see a specific teacher please do not hesitate to contact them directly (see our [website](#) for contact details.) Please note that for all students school will finish at 1:50pm on Tuesday, with buses running from that time.

Board of Trustees Elections - as I referred to last week, this year is election year for BoTs nationally. School trustees operate at a governance and strategic level, and play a very important role in terms of leadership and direction of the school. WHS has had very good BoTs in recent years and it is important that great people put themselves forward. We will send out a formal letter on the election process next week, but key dates to note are:

- Nominations close - Friday 10 May.
- Election day (voting closes) - Friday 24 May.

There is now only one week left in the term. Many seniors are busy with internal assessments - please support them to do their very best, and support all students to stay focused on their learning until the end of the term.

We are definitely now in autumn - which will feel even more so by Sunday when daylight saving has finished, but a weekend of great autumn weather lies ahead. Look forward to seeing some of you at the closing night of the Musical tomorrow :)

Steve Hall, Principal

Senior Next Steps

Senior Next Steps are coming up soon on Tuesday 9 April. These follow the traditional 'five minutes with subject teachers' model, and we encourage senior parents to come along to meet teachers and be engaged with and support their student's learning, progress and achievement. Bookings are now open at www.schoolinterviews.co.nz, enter the event code **5aduh**.

NZQA Fees

NZQA Fees have been attached to all students doing NCEA in 2019.

These fees must be paid to the school before Friday August 30, after this date you will be required to deal with NZQA directly. To obtain Financial Assistance you must fill in the form on the NZQA website. Information is provided about fees and financial support [here](#).

And for more information on online assessments, please click [here](#).

Dax Richards, Principal Nominee, Timetable, Distance Learning Coordinator and Mathematics

Winter Uniform

Now is the time to order your winter uniform!

The blue winter kilt can be ordered from [Argyle Online](#). Please note that only Year 13 may wear the green winter kilt. Both items are optional (see more about uniform requirements on our [website](#).)

Sizing guide: If the summer kilt is a good fit, order a size up for the kilt eg. size 10 summer skirt will require a size 12 winter kilt.

Knee high socks (\$15 for 3 pairs), tights (\$18 per pair) and winter jerseys (\$90) are also now available in the uniform shop. Uniform shop hours are 8.30am to 3pm.

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WHS Musical 2019: Dusty The Original Pop Diva

It's performance week of the Wakatipu High School Musical! The show continues tonight at Queenstown Memorial Centre. Tickets are available below.

Both Wednesday and Thursday night's performances went very well with huge amounts of positive feedback; our students are looking to having a successful season that showcases the learning and skills that have been developed over the past couple of months. We hope you enjoy it as much as we have!

Alison Price, Head of Arts Learning Area



The Wakatipu High School Musical
April 3-6, Queenstown Memorial Centre
Tickets now at [Eventfinda](#)



A musical celebration of pop icon Dusty Springfield. Listen to the Spotify Playlist [here](#), featuring hits like *'Son of A Preacher Man'*, *'Take Another Little Piece of My Heart'* and *'I Just Don't Know What to do with Myself'*

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Speech Competitions

Rotary Speech Competition

Congratulations to Gracie Hansby for winning the Regional Rotary Speech Competition in Wanaka on Tuesday evening. Her speech campaigned against the use of photo editing software used to manipulate photos on social media and she explored the consequences of these tools, including the unrealistic expectations this can enforce upon teenagers. As a result, she has coined the 'Take credit for your edit' campaign.

She will now compete at the District Finals in Oamaru on the 27th April. Good luck, Gracie!

RSA ANZAC Speech Competition

On 27 March, we held the annual RSA ANZAC Speech Competition, sponsored by both the Arrowtown and Queenstown RSAs.

Students were tasked with presenting a speech on any aspect of World War I, with a theme of "How we remember them". All speakers presented confidently on a range of topics, including personal stories of connection to the war effort, the effects of the war on families in the Wakatipu Basin, and the ways we commemorate ANZAC Day each year as a community. All students reiterated their deep gratitude to the fallen soldiers who fought for our country.

After much deliberation from the judges, Emeline Lewis and Greta Balfour were selected to speak at the local 2019 ANZAC Day commemorations. In addition, the two students were presented with a trophy each and a significant \$800 prize, generously donated by the Arrowtown and Queenstown RSAs and local sponsors.

Congratulations to Emeline and Greta and to all of the students who competed. A huge thank you to our local RSAs for their support of our students.

We would also like to thank the below businesses for their contribution to this event and the prizes.

Todd and Walker Law

D'Or Hairstylists Arrowtown

PBS (Plumbing and Building Services) Arrowtown

Lucy Ford, Assistant Head of English Learning Area



Emeline and Greta with the judges

Outward Bound Leadership Award - Supported by Colliers

Next week WHS's Head Boy Archie Ritchie will have the outdoor education opportunity of a lifetime; testing his endurance and leadership skills with 28 other school leaders from across the country, as part of Outward Bound's three-week school leaders course in Anakiwa - all thanks to the generous support of WHS Foundation Partner Colliers International.



Outward Bound - one of New Zealand's leading organisations for showing people their full potential through outdoor challenge and adventure - offers students on the course the chance to understand what it means to become a leader and work as part of a team. Over 21 days, they learn how to inspire others and be a great role model, while getting in touch with their values and creating life long friendships and networks with other young leaders from schools across New Zealand.

Every year, generous support from Colliers funds WHS's student leaders to attend the course during school holidays - with Archie due to attend between terms 1 & 2 and WHS Head Girl Gracie Hansby scheduled to get stuck in between terms 2 & 3.

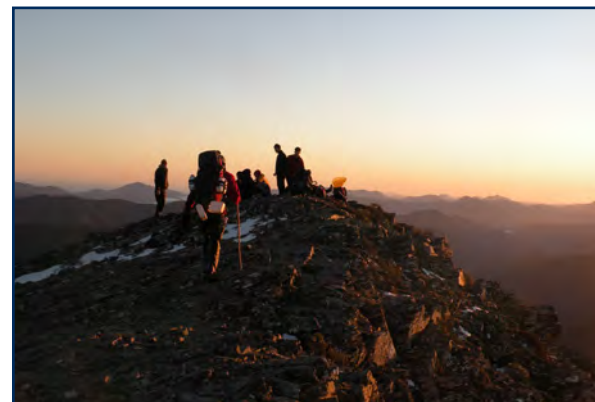
"The course is based on your leadership philosophy and it's a great opportunity to build on that," Archie says. "I'm expecting it to be really quite challenging, physically and mentally - it's a really good way to grow and adapt."

"The other big thing is about meeting a huge range of people - at the School Leaders course - and with the Mind-Body-Soul course too - there will be people from a variety of different social backgrounds, and I think that's really cool. I'm sure it will be a really great way to form strong bonds."

"It will be really pretty awesome."

A massive thank you to Colliers and all the best to Archie. We're sure you'll have an incredible time!

Learn more about [Colliers](#) and [Outward Bound](#).



Head Students' Address

Good afternoon everyone,

Wow! How this term has flown by with only the last week of term catching up! It's been a busy few weeks with many teams away for summer tournament week last week, and the musical crew having held their first two nights of the musical. Although the term is coming to an end, I know that it may not be a time for many to kick back and relax for many with internals due the next term, so I hope that you all are putting in the effort to finish the term on a high note.

All of our thoughts and prayers go out to the Muslim Community throughout NZ and we want to let them know that we're here for them. Students at WHS have shown their support through the paper chains, the mufti day, the 2 minutes of silence, and the photo of students forming the word Kotahitanga supporting them in as many ways as we could. Thanks to everyone who wrote a message on a piece of paper and added it to the chain, it's a great way to get every single person in the school involved, and we managed to make a very impressive chain! A huge thanks also to everyone else who was a part of forming Kotahitanga for the photo. It could not have turned out any better than it did. A huge shoutout to Mrs. Ford, who did an outstanding job in organising all aspects of it, it wouldn't have gone as well as it did without her.

The Academic Council has been working hard to get as many speakers to come into WHS as possible to speak about their profession, with the most recent one being Peter Newport, who has worked in the media industry for BBC, TV3 and National Geographic. It was great to see all the students at his talk, to hear about what being a journalist is really all about. I'm sure that you have sparked an interest for many students in Wakatipu High School to consider this career pathway. Also a huge thank you to Beca for coming in to talk about her job as a Civil Engineering, I'm sure that everyone who came in to listen to you is more informed on what this job is all about. Please contact 15aritchie@wakatipu.school.nz if you have any ideas for any potential speakers.

Over the past weeks, the Community and Service council have been working behind the scenes to get an event organised for the last week of the term. The Community and Service Council is running the third Can for a Cause event next week from 8-12 April. This event gives students the opportunity to help out in the wider community, by bringing in as many cans as possible to school to each Ako of this week. These cans will be donated to Happiness House in Queenstown which will, in turn, help the Wakatipu community that requires support. A massive pizza lunch for the house with the most amount of cans will be awarded so I encourage you all to bring as many cans as you can!

The Community and Service Council are also looking for businesses that would be interested in helping to raise funds for the Branches Trust next term. If you know of anyone that would interested feel free to email 15thartono@wakatipu.school.nz.

The sports council is going to run an unofficial futsal house competition in the first week of term 2. They will also be running fun games break 3, every second Monday in term 2. There are going to many different opportunities to play in a range of different sports, so get involved as much as you can!

Only two more nights left of the musical! The musical crew has been working hard over the last several months to produce an outstanding performance, which they undoubtedly have.

Tickets are still on sale on Eventfinda and at the door, so make sure you don't miss out on the opportunity to see some very talented students in action.

Have a wonderful weekend and a great next week :)

Livvie Thompson, Deputy Head Girl and Thomas Hartono, Deputy Head Boy

French Play retracing the life of a WWI soldier

Last Tuesday junior and senior Languages students watched a theatre piece in French which retraced the life of a soldier during World War I. This play was even more meaningful as it was created from real letters from World War I from French but also New Zealanders. L'Homme de Boue (Mud Man) is a one-man play that tells the story of a young man who went to war and discovers the horrors for which no one had prepared him. To keep from going mad, he concentrates on the pleasures of life, and the play poignantly addresses the experience of a young man going from innocence to adulthood against the backdrop of war.

This play has toured around the world and by bringing to New Zealand acknowledges the shared history and the connection between the experience of French soldiers and NZ soldiers in WWI. Thanks to the French sub-titles students were able to grasp the subtleties of the play.

A massive 'merci beaucoup' to the French theatre troupe: actor Lionel Pascal, director Océane Pivoteau and digital director Mathieu Delacourt and to Marion Borrell for her help and support.



Tahitian students visiting Languages students

On Tuesday Wakatipu High School welcomed a group of 23 students from Tahiti.

The group of Year 8 and 9s Tahitian students started the day with some traditional dances that they specifically designed for our school and which was followed by a haka.

They then invited WHS students to learn the traditional dance which ended up in a few laughs.

The Tahitian students were then taken to junior French class where they mixed and mingled while using both French and English. Needless to say that this opportunity was very meaningful as students discovered another culture and used another language, French in this case, to make themselves understood and understand others.

A big 'thank you' to the Languages Learning Area staff for allowing this to happen and to Mrs Lee Hiestand for convening this visit.

Guillaume Charton, Head of Languages Learning Area



Year 12 Students and the importance of NCEA Level 2

The qualification students achieve at the end of Year 12 is the only official qualification they have at the time of applying for courses, accommodation and scholarships when in Year 13. It is really important that students be totally focussed and achieve to the best of their ability to support their plans for beyond school. For those planning on going on to tertiary study at University or Polytech, the better their NCEA Level 2 outcome the better advantaged they will be:

- NCEA Level 2 endorsed with excellence guarantees a place in an accommodation college and often the college of their choice (not guaranteed but a good chance).
- Central Lakes Trust Scholarships based on Year 12 results - \$2,500 for top 7-8 achievers and another approx. 7 scholarships for good results combined with contributions to school and community.

University Academic Scholarships (based on NCEA Excellence results) as follows:

Otago University

- New Frontiers \$2,500-\$5,000 based on Level 2 and/or Level 3 Excellence endorsements (not available for Health Science studies)
- Academic Excellence \$45,000 over three years – based on NCEA Level 2 Excellence credits (need 80+ to be eligible)

Canterbury University

- Undergraduate based on NCEA Level 2 and 3 results – up to \$6,000 depending on Merit and Excellence endorsements

Victoria University

- \$5,000 – based on NCEA Level 2 Excellence credits

Massey University

- Up to \$7,000 based on NCEA Level 2 Excellence credits

Auckland University

- Up to \$20,000 based on NCEA Level 2 credits

Open Day/Tertiary Information Visits for Year 13's

Year 13 students who are committed and serious about particular Tertiary Study in 2019 have been invited to sign up for our school organised visits – we do all the travel and accommodation bookings for these (please do not do this your own). Students are subsidised by 50% to attend two experiences. Those who attend more will be asked to pay the full cost for the extra one(s). Planned visits include:

- Canterbury University: 30 April and 1 May
- Otago Uni and Otago Poly: 5 and 6 May
- Auckland Uni: 21 May
- Victoria and Massey (Wellington) Uni's: 22-24 Aug

This information is communicated to Year 13 students via e-mail and Year 13 Assemblies. In addition to the school organised trips the Careers Team supports students to attend experiences at other Uni's and Poly's – please check with us for booking these.

Studylink

Students who have turned 18 and are still at school may qualify for a Student Allowance (this does not have to be paid back). It is based on parents combined income - if joint earnings are less than \$55,027 a year before tax, the rate your child can get for Student Allowance is the maximum and it reduces up to the income level of \$95,428. Check Student Allowance Rate Calculator and apply on

www.studylink.govt.nz.

Reminder to Year 12 and 13 students – Order Official Record of Learning

Students need to order their Official Documents from NZQA if they haven't already done so. These are not mailed out automatically so need to be ordered. This is the only official record to be used as evidence of results for course applications, scholarship applications etc later in the year and in the future. The printout done at home or school is not an official transcript. If this hasn't been done the advice is to do this asap.

To order the Official Documents the process is as follows:

1. Log on to NZQA using your student name and password
2. On the left hand side under My School Entries and Results click on Order Documents
3. Click on all boxes that say 'cost free'
4. Click on Next
5. Confirm Delivery Details ie check address and e-mail correct
6. Select Standard Post as Delivery Option as this is free
7. Click on Next to confirm
8. Log out

Part-time Jobs for Students

A reminder that we advertise these on the daily notices and on the 'Jobs' Board at the Careers Hub. Students are welcome to pop by and get details from us. Currently we have positions advertised for:

- Skyline Luge
- Lifeguard at the Pool
- Odyssey Sensory Maze
- Caroline Eve
- Torpedo 7

WHS Assistant-Instructor Programme 2019

Outline

This programme offers a pathway for suitable Kiwi/Aussie Wakatipu High School students to receive the required skills and experience, through our training, which could lead them to an instructor qualification.

This is a great opportunity to start a career in the Snowsports industry, to get the future connections to travel internationally (during your summer breaks) and get paid to ski & ride in the northern hemisphere.

Requirements:

- o Must be 16 years old or older at the start of the course (no 15 years old will be eligible to complete the training)
- o Enrolled at Wakatipu High School
- o Hold an NZ or an Australian passport
- o Your own equipment
- o Local Schools student seasons pass
- o Intermediate to advanced skiing or riding ability
- o Your own transportation to The Remarkables for the duration of the training
- o A passion for people, mountains and Snowsports
- o A Professional appearance with a friendly and outgoing personality
- o Looking for a challenge and committed to learning
- o Able to commit to working 2 weeks full time during your July school holidays
- o Will have to complete an NZ Police check with parental authorisation
- o The NZSIA level one exam is encouraged but not compulsory during 2019 season, to see more visit [NZSIA Website](#)

Presentation at WHS - Wednesday 22nd May 2019 at Wakatipu High School at 3.30pm

Course content

- o Five full days on training on snow* at The Remarkables (June 9, 15, 16, 22 and 23 2019)
- *Weather dependant, if mountain is not open we will run these sessions indoors.
- o Two night-sessions (Friday 7 June & Friday 14 June or Saturday 15 June 2019- To be confirmed)
- o Link to NZSIA /SBINZ manuals online
- o Formal interview process (Monday 24 June 2019), only successful candidates will be offered positions.

Bronwyn Gardiner, Careers Advisor

Lost Property

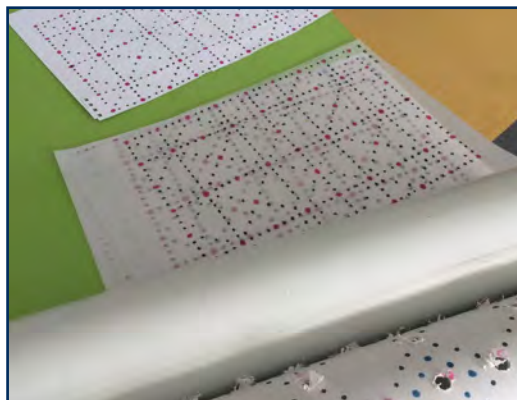
Missing from PE, a blue bag that contains 1 sports top, 1 pair of shorts and 1 pair of Adidas running shoes. Could you please contact Student Services if you know the whereabouts of any of these items. Many thanks!

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Across Schools Luma Project

I had the pleasure of going around the primary schools this week on Tuesday to see the progress our primary school students had achieved for our joint exhibition in LUMA 2019. It is wonderful to report that all schools are trucking away nicely! The Directors has some stakeholder feedback that I delivered to students and their teachers so we are all on the same page regarding how the pieces will be displayed in LUMA over the long Queens Birthday weekend. The next time I see the work I will be transporting them all to one of the Directors homes. From there they will be stored until the work is ready for the onsite electricians where they will be installed in the Queenstown Gardens. I will be taking some Year 9 students to help with this set up onsite so they can appreciate the technical aspects of how the Luma festival is prepared for ten of thousands of visitors.

Rebecca Lund, Technology & Luma Schools Coordinator



Kayaking Trip

This week WHS's Outdoor Recreation Class went on an amazing kayaking trip on the Shotover River. Thanks to Mr Mac for these great photos!



Ballet Visit

This Thursday, a member from the New Zealand royal school of ballet held a workshop for the junior dance class. They experienced a ballet warm up and down that would be typical for their ballet school. This was followed by the students' being taught a full ballet choreographed routine. This was a great opportunity for the dance students to experience an expert in ballet and learn a full choreographed ballet routine.

Natasha Kumar, Performing Arts



Here are the final results from our students efforts during summer tournament week. We've had students competing at all ends of the country and even overseas, with a number of impressive achievements recorded across a range of different pursuits. Well done to all involved!

Touch - South Island Secondary School Touch Champs

WHS sent a mixed Touch team to Christchurch to play in the South Island Secondary School Touch Championships. The team came away with a 5th placing after some tight competition and are now waiting on the result of a ballot entry into Nationals.

Cricket - First XI Cricket Gillette Cup

Over Otago Anniversary weekend the Wakatipu High School Cricket First XI competed in the Otago/Southland Regional Finals of the Gillette Cup - 50 Over Secondary Schools National Competition. The winner would represent the Otago/Southland region in the nationals at the end of the year. The regional final is a knockout format between the top 6 schools in the region. Including traditional cricket powerhouses, Kings High School, Otago Boys High School, Southland Boys High School, John McGlashan College and Waitaki Boys High School. Wakatipu High School was the only co-ed school to qualify. For the first time ever, Wakatipu High School made it into the semi-finals, where they would face Kings High School (winners from last year) Unfortunately the next day was an on/off again affair with the weather and so the game was delayed a day. Unfortunately the team lost four of its established batsmen with only 16 runs on the board and couldn't recover. In the end they were bowled out for 84 runs, with Om Alva top scoring with 34 runs. The loss puts the team against Southland Boys High School to determine whether they will finish 3rd or 4th. Due to the lost day of cricket, the teams next game will need to be played at the end of the year. Players were; Gabe White (c), Angus Herron, Seth Mawhinney, Regan McIntyre, Jordan Gibbons, Lachlan Marshall, Om Alva, Ben McDonald, Tim Johnson, CJ Kemp, Toby Hart and Will Cooper. Thank you to Daniel Gibbons, Russell Mawhinney and Bernadette Johnson for making this trip possible.

Mountain Biking - South Island Secondary School Champs

Fourteen riders from the WHS MTB Club competed at the South Island Secondary School Championships at Mt Hutt Bike Park, Methven last weekend. Over 400 individual riders from across the South Island were entered, a record for this event. Racing started on Friday with the Enduro, which included four downhill timed stages with untimed liaisons (generally uphill sections) between. Enduro courses are generally ridden blind (no practice runs as in DH) and was a mix of challenging rocky, tight corners and dirty, rooty chutes, made more technically demanding by a drying track. Saturday's Downhill field was biggest at a race for many years and produced some amazing results on a fast and sometimes very steep course. Sunday's Cross Country race was hot and fast with some trying, short sharp hill climbs but flowy trail as the reward. High participation and great results secured Wakatipu High with an impressive 3rd place overall out of 53 Schools.

Special congratulations to Jess Blewitt for a 1st in the U20 Girls downhill, Maia Jowett for being called out for good sporting behaviour twice in the weekend and Grace Hastie for keeping her cool during a technical dispute. A huge thank you also to Mary Jowett and the parents involved for their support during the weekend.

Results

Enduro

U14 Boys Marley King-Smith 12th
U15 Girls Grace Hastie 6th
U15 Boys Max O'Donoghue-Price 48th, Connor Mclsaac 52nd
U16 Max Caulton 11th, Ben Blewitt 21st, Jaxon Brian 25th, Jasper Cusiell 26th
U17 Boys Cam Marshall 14th Josh Culling 17th, Bryn Rasmussen 18th
U20 Girls Jess Blewitt 5th, Maia Jowett 6th

Downhill

U14 Boys Marley King-Smith 16th
U15 Girls Grace Hastie 2nd
U16 Boys Max Caulton 6th, Will Adamson 9th, Ben Blewitt 13th, Jaxon Brian 17th
U17 Boys Josh Culling 4th, Cameron Marshall 6th, Bryn Rasmussen 28th,
U20 Girls Jess Blewitt 1st, Maia Jowett 4th

Cross Country

U14 Boys Marley King-Smith 6th
U15 Girls Grace Hastie 6th
U15 Boys Max O'Donoghue-Price 30th, Connor Mclsaac 32nd
U17 Boys Cameron Marshall 10th, Josh Culling 23rd, Bryn Rasmussen 29th
U20 Girls Maia Jowett 4th.
Overall Results – for those who competed in all three disciplines:
U14 Boys Marley King-Smith 5th
U15 Girls Grace Hastie 3rd
U17 Boys Cameron Marshall 4th, Josh Culling 5th, Bryn Rasmussen 14th
U20 Girls Maia Jowett 2nd



South Island Secondary School Touch



WHS Mountain Bike Team

Mountain Biking - NZ MTBNZ National Performance Hub

Alex Barke has been selected for the NZ MTB National Performance Hub for downhill mtb racing for the 2019 season. This is an NZ selection of under 19 year olds (16-18). This year 4 athletes from around the country have been selected, with Alex being the youngest. The riders are travelling to Bright Australia in April to contest the Australian National DH MTB Championships and then the Oceania DH MTB Champs. They are then travelling from June - August to compete in four world cup events being held in Vallnord - Andorra, Les Gets - France, Val Di Sole - Italy and Lenzerheide - Switzerland.

Athletics - South Island Secondary School Championships

The following students traveled to Nelson to compete with some excellent results.

Special mention of Sammy Fookes from Coach Neville Britton: "Sammy won both her 800m in 2.16 and 1500m in 4:52, taking another 5 and 6 seconds off her PB's. She's phenomenal!"

Athletics Results

Girls 800 Metre Run Under 14

1st Samantha Fookes

Girls 1500 Metre Run Under 14

1st Samantha Fookes

Boys 100 Metre Run Under 16

9th Tasuku Yoneto

Boys 100 Metre Hurdles 840mm Under 16

3rd Tasuku Yoneto

Boys Long Jump Pit 1 Under 16

10th Tasuku Yoneto

Boys 100 Metre Run Under 19

3rd Hayato Yoneto

Boys 100 Metre Run Under 19

2nd Hayato Yoneto

Boys 200 Metre Run Under 19

2nd Hayato Yoneto

Boys 200 Metre Run Under 19

3rd Hayato Yoneto

Boys 800 Metre Run Under 19

5th Gareth Harcombe

6th Aleks Cheifetz

Boys 1500 Metre Run Under 19

7th Aleks Cheifetz

9th Gareth Harcombe

10th Archie Richie

Boys 3000 Metre Run Under 19

5th Archie Richie

6th Benjamin Britton

Boys 4x400 Metre Relay Under 19

5th Wakatipu High School 1) Hayato Yoneto 2) Benjamin Britton

3) Aleks Cheifetz 4) Gareth Harcombe

Triathlon - New Zealand Secondary School Triathlon Champs

Logan Campbell travelled to New Plymouth to compete and placed 11th in the U14 boys category. Well done Logan

Rowing - Maadi Cup

Congratulations to the following students who travelled up to the North Island to compete at Lake Karapiro against the best in NZ.

U16 Coxed Quad - Bronze: Enzo Wilson, Oliver Herron,

Oliver Bisley, Lucas Erskin, Alex Thomson (cox)

U16 Double Sculls - Bronze: Oliver Herron, Oliver Bisley

U16 Single Sculls - 4th: Oliver Herron

U17 Double Sculls - Silver: Loic Billoud, Charlie Campbell

U17 Coxed Quad - Bronze: Jesse Heal, Rohan Key, Loic Billoud,

Charlie Campbell, Alex Thomson (cox)

Girls u18 Novice Double Sculls - 4th: Alicia Webster and Gigi

Thomson

Girls u15 Double Sculls - 2nd in B Final: Alicia Webster and Gigi

Thomson

Adventure Racing - NZSS Adventure Race Championships

Well done to the following two teams who showed some incredible endurance across a number of disciplines in the hills of Cromwell.

7th place mixed team: Zara Mackley, Neve Bates, Ruby Dawson and Josh Watson.

Unranked mixed team: Sam Davis, Zoe Crawford, Linus Ritchie and Jess MacDonald.

Golf - China vs NZ Match Play Tournament

Danielle Bailey travelled to China as part of a 12 member strong NZ team to represent the country in a match play Golf tournament against the best national players in China, from 13 to 18 years of age. The tournament ran from the 25 March to 1 April in Hangzhou and was called the 2019 China vs New Zealand match. The format was partners for the first two days which entailed 36 holes each day. After the first two days China and New Zealand were tied. It all came down to the last day of singles, where each team member played individually against a player from China. Danielle was 5 up after 9, before her opponent came back with 4 birdies and I was 1 up. Danielle then birdied the next two holes to win her match 3 up with two to play. Well done Danielle!

International Students Sports Day

Well done to the following students who received prizes for outstanding effort and exemplary sportsmanship at the International Students Sports day held in Invercargill this week. Manon Bruzzese, Stella Joziassse, Rochelle Quiozan, John Carlos Quiosan and Juan Parejas Chada. Over 160 students from Schools all over Southland took part in a choice of 7 sports, Basketball, Badminton, Futsal, Indoor hockey, Track Cycling, Squash and Volleyball. Well done!



Danielle Bailey, second from left, with the trophy



Lucas, Oliver, Oliver, Enzo and Alex on the podium

South Island Satellite Volleyball Championships

Last week the Senior A and Senior B girls Volleyball teams travelled to Christchurch to compete in the South Island Satellite tournament. It was a full-on three days of games for both teams with lots of close sets and 5-set games going for well over an hour each time. The A team, playing in Division 1, had success in pool play to see them through to a Semi final against Bayfield High School A (Dunedin) but unfortunately they were outplayed, losing 3-0. They went on to lose a closely fought 3rd/4th play-off against Cashmere High School (Christchurch). The B team won a great game against Queens High School (Dunedin) who eventually finished 5th but lost some frustratingly close games in the remainder of pool play and finally finished 10th in Division 2. It was fantastic to have Wakatipu High School represented at this tournament for the first time and even better to have two teams there. A big thanks to Rachel Vermeir for being our superstar Manager and to David Clearwater for flying up to drive us back.



Lawn Bowls

On Monday 25th, when every other student from Wakatipu High School was safely tucked in bed enjoying the extra sleep in provided by Otago anniversary Day. Three keen lawn bowlers headed South to Invercargill to compete in the Southland Secondary Lawn Bowls Champs. The competition and rivalry were almost as tough as the weather, but our three competitors did us proud, especially considering this was their first competition. Tom Cerecke and Oliver Bowman won the men's double, whilst Chloe Scarborough won the silver in the individual women's category. A massive thanks to the Queenstown Bowling Club for your ongoing support of our students and a particularly special thanks to Jane Anderson for your tireless coaching!



WHS Mobile App

Upcoming events and important dates now available on the WHS App Calendar



You can now get information on our important upcoming events on the 'Calendar' section of our WHS App. It's free to download and use for iOS and Android devices. Once you have the app on your smartphone or tablet, simply hit 'Calendar' to view important upcoming events. You can also tap on the three bars in the top left to bring up the menu, then use the 'Alert Subscriptions' option to select what groups, years, or subjects apply to you. The WHS App is recommended for both students and parents.

Push Notifications

The app allows you to select alert groups so that you only get notifications relevant to you such as:

- Whole School information alerts
- Sports and activities reminders
- Year level events
- House announcements
- Buses updates, such as lateness or breakdowns

This feature will help ensure that you receive only messages that are applicable to you.

Other Features

The app also gives you quick links to:

- Report your child's absence
- Log into the WHS Portal
- Access the school notices
- Read the latest newsletter
- Quick link to the school website
- Check upcoming calendar events
- Contact the school

Date	Event	Who
Saturday 6 April	WHS Musical Closing Night	Everyone
Tuesday 9 April	Senior Next Steps (Timetable Change)	Everyone
Wednesday 10 April	Sheila Winn - Dunedin	Sheila Winn participants
Friday 12 April	End of Term	Everyone