Wakatipu HIGH SCHOOL

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Notices

Please click here to view Wakatipu High School's Student Notice Board.

Facebook

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.

Key Dates

Click here for upcoming key dates



Principal's Message

Kia ora - welcome to the Wakatipu High School newsletter, at the end of a relatively rare nearly normal week. It has been a good week here, and it is great to see just how resilient our students are. Most of them are pleased to be back at school with their classes, teachers and friends, and the school has settled to a very normal rhythm.

Thanks very much to parents who engaged with Senior Next Steps last night. While it sounds like there were a few technical glitches, overall it sounds like they went really well in their various mediums - I hope that you found them productive. Remember, if you did have issues or if you wish to contact your student's teacher, please email them.

This week we have had assemblies with each of the year levels. A key focus of these was our Ad Alta awards, and Ākonga Passport awards for juniors and Excellence awards for seniors. While these would normally have been presented in our termly Excellence and Ad Alta assemblies, with parents invited, that is not possible at this time so it was good to acknowledge those students this week. Please see below for a list of recipients, my congratulations to them all.

Phase 2 - the work on the Phase 2 expansion to the school is continuing, albeit slowly and impacted somewhat by the lockdown. A very good piece of news is that we are actually going to get a new double gym as part of the expansion, although this will be some time away. We will keep you posted as the project takes shape.

Uniform - a reminder that, with next week being June, from Tuesday until the end of August students are permitted to wear puffer jackets. Please note that they must be plain black and worn over top of (not instead of) the blazer.

Ski Programme - we are not running the Year 9 ski programme this year. As you may be aware from the primary schools, it has become increasingly constrained and we decided not to continue. NZSki are still generously offering all students discounted ski passes - see below for more.

Reminders

- Adverse Weather hopefully its going to snow heaps soon, so ensure you understand our Adverse Weather comms and have the WHS App on your phone.
- Support & Wellbeing page is below, please check it out for all the different types of support available for families and individuals.
- Queen's Birthday public holiday is Monday, no school.

In the unique 12 weeks that is now Term 2, today marks the end of Week 7. There are two 4-day weeks ahead, with Queens Birthday on Monday and Teacher Only Day on Friday 12th, before the final three weeks which conclude with our Matatu (House Haka Waiata) Assembly. Term 2 is always busy - especially for seniors, so I hope everyone is able to get some downtime and enjoy the long weekend. Pretty reasonable weather for this time of year, especially as we officially head into winter on Monday, enjoy :)

Steve Hall, Principal

Adverse Weather

With winter fast approaching and cold temperatures on the way, this article provides some details about adverse weather and how we will communicate:

1. WHS App - please make sure you have it and sign up for Alerts.

App Store Google Play

- 2. WHS Website announcement on the front page.
- 3. Email students will receive an internal WHS email.

Adverse Weather Overnight and Early Morning We will liaise with QLDC's roading contractor and the bus coordinator and make a decision re any changes to the school day. If changes are made they are likely to be:

- a. School is open as normal, however some buses may be delayed or cancelled.
- b. School has a delayed start (often 10am), with a compacted timetable. Buses may be delayed or cancelled.
- c. School is closed.

Please note that we liaise with all the schools in the Wakatipu Basin, and our decisions are generally coordinated (although sometimes conditions are different for schools).

Adverse Weather During the School Day Please note that closing the school early is problematic for a number of reasons (notably trying to run all buses early), and we will try and run school until the normal end of day if at all possible. Accordingly we do not want parents coming to school to collect their children unless specifically notified to do so.

The likely scenarios for adverse weather events during the school day are:

- a. School runs until normal time, and buses run as normal.
- b. School runs until normal time, but some buses run early &/or runs are altered.
- c. School closes early, with buses also running early. In some cases bus routes may be altered.
- d. In an extreme adverse weather event students may be kept at school until travel is safe or even stay overnight.

James Rasmussen, Deputy Principal

House Results Update



We're just over one third of the way through the House competition and the results have been updated!

Junior Ākonga Passport

1st (5 points) = Hay 2nd (4 points) = Arthur, Duncan and Fox

Senior LE reports

1st (5 points) = Hay 2nd (4 points) = Duncan 3rd (3 points) = Mackenzie

Debating

<u>SEMI-FINALS (3v4)</u> Hay (affirming) v MacKenzie (Negating) Moot: This house believes schools should NOT be exempt from social distancing rules - A win to Mackenzie

FINALS (1v2)

Duncan (Affirming) v Arthur (Negating) Moot: This house believes New Zealand should start prioritising its economy over its citizens health at this stage of the pandemic - A win to Duncan

Events still to come: Matatu Assembly (15); Snr Learning Engagement 2 (5); Jnr Ākonga 2 (5); JNR Basketball (5); SNR Basketball (5); Snr Learning Engagement 3 (5); Jnr Ākonga 3 (5); Wakamaths (10)

Whānau Hui

Tihei mauri ora! Kia ora koutou e te whānau.

We acknowledge the challenges faced by our community and are looking at positive ways to support our whānau moving forward. We look to build on our initial whānau engagement with a follow up hui before the end of Term 2.

Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou

Kia haumaru.

Roni Bouchier and Matua Darren Revvi

Photo Order

If you would like to order your child's 2020 school photos a link has been sent to you with a photo shoot code.

Leaving Process

In this time of rapid change, if you have a student leaving WHS please let us know. This includes students leaving for work/further study and students who will be enrolling in another school.

We have updated our leaving process and made it online. The new electronic leaving form is located on our website here. This is a very short, quick form. This form also initiates in school processes ensuring NZQA information is up to date, and accounts/refunds are finalised.

If you have any questions, or if there is anything we can do to support your student with a transition to a new school please contact Lee Hiestand.

Excellence / Ad Alta / Ākonga Passport Awards

This week we presented our students with a range of awards that celebrated their efforts and achievements for the first part of the year. Normally we would celebrate these awards at our excellence assemblies, however due to level 2 restrictions we are unable to run these assemblies with parents, and as a consequence made the decision to cancel them.

To receive an excellence award, students need to have achieved over 50% of their moderated NCEA credits at the excellence level between the start of the year and the cut off date, in this case the 1st of May. Excellence credits achieved after this date will contribute toward the next excellence assembly.





"Reach for your heights! " To receive an Ad Award, students need to have achieved an average of 3.55 or more in their learning engagement reports for the first 3 reports of the year.

To receive an Ākonga passport award, students need to have achieved 15 points in their passport through displaying school values, displaying effort indicated by LE reports and by participating in extra and co- curricular activities.

Congratulations to all students who received awards. We look forward to another opportunity to celebrate with parents later in the year as the nationwide restrictions reduce.

Ad Alta Award Kira Almquist 12 FABR HJTH Georgie Anderson 13 Bella Archibald 12 MRML **Neve Bates** 10 ADKW Hannah Battrick 12 DCSB Olivia Bisset 9 HJKN Harriet Blundell 9 DMPR **Caitlin Braun** 13 HJST 9 **Taylor Breen** FJRD Azaria Briscoe MRML 10 Nadia Burns MLHI 11 Phoebe Cavanagh 10 HJAD Jasmine Crichton FRND 12 Paige Cusiel 11 HJST Daniela DiFazzio 10 HNKU HJAD Jan Ebbinge 10 Sammy Fookes 10 AKEL Hannah Gaboda 12 MAPC Lucy Glover AONT 12 Tannin Heeley HJHZ 11 Georgia Henderson 10 FRCA Jack Higgins 11 HJST Mae Higgins 10 HJRM **Fineen Hingston** 12 DNPD Helena Hornbacher 11 HJTH Jess Hudson 9 **FSTM** Sade Kaihe FKMT 11 Georgia Key 11 **FSTM** Olivia Key 10 DNPD



Alix Long	11	DEQD
Johannes Mackay	12	FRND
Zara Mackley	10	FRCA
Aurora Macleod	10	HDAS
Zara Martin	9	HJHZ
Jack McBeth	11	AJGB
Erin McDonald	13	MLHI
Sophie Mead	9	DKWB
Naomi Mitchell	11	ARSC
Jazsy Molloy	9	HLKN
Charlotte Muir	10	DNPD
Mary Navasca	10	DPQA
Sylvia Niccol	10	FRND
Beth Pick	9	FKMT
Alice Price	13	DNPT
Olivia Read	12	AAKU
Daphne Ricketts	9	DCHW
Tara Rooney	9	FKJA
Ruby Ruski-Jones	13	HJHZ
Rachel Scobie	11	DEQD
Ellie Shuttleworth	10	HNKU
Natsune Suzuki	13	MLHI
Mia Tucker	10	DCSB
Abigail White	10	HDAS
Sorcha Wilkinson	9	DMPR
Carmen Woodhouse	12	DJHN
Judy Ye	10	FABR
Vani Young	10	DJJN

Bronze Excellence Award	Bronze	Excel	lence	Award
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Eliott Allemand	13	HJTH
Kira Almquist	12	FABR
Om Alva	13	MDHR
Georgie Anderson	13	HJTH
Bella Archibald	12	MRML
Hershey Avila	11	DCHW
Tom Bailey	11	DMPR
Greta Balfour	13	DNPT
Zak Barham	13	AJGB
Zoe Barham	12	ASKG
Ivy Barker	11	ARSC
Pippa Bashford	11	FKJA
Hannah Battrick	12	DCSB
Dillon Bouchier	12	DJJN
Ben Boulton	12	DJJN
Cole Bramwell	11	HJTH
Nadia Burns	11	MLHI
Finn Cartman	13	MGLO
Hanna Cerecke	12	MBJN
Izzy Cheifetz	12	DCSB
Nieve Collin	13	MKJK
Kaiya Collins	11 13	MLHI HLKN
Ryan Connaghan	13	
Will Cooper Mia Crawshay	12	FRCA
Jasmine Crichton	12	FRND
Jasper Cusiel	11	HJHZ
Paige Cusiel	11	HJST
Mikyla Eden-Wishart	11	HJKN
Kate Edmonds	12	MZAR
Ed Forrest	11	MLHI
Annie Fraser	13	HJKN
Maggie Frew	13	AJGB
Isaak Frewen	13	MHDX
Antonia Gavin	13	ADRS
Jacob Gjaja	11	MGLO
Briar Greer	13	DEQD
Katelyn Greer	11	DMPR
Lara Gutierrez	11	AJDL
Grace Hall	12	FJDC
Oliver Herron	13	DCHW
Fineen Hingston	12	DNPD
Helena Hornbacher	11	HJTH
Tobi Hughes	13	DCHW
Katie Hulsman	12	HRLU
Millie Jamieson-Gough	12	HJAD

Sam Jamieson-Gough	13	HJST
Samantha Johnston	11	HJKN
Sade Kaihe	11	FKMT
Chantal Kertcher	11	HMBN
Georgia Key	11	FSTM
Yebin Kim	11	MGLO
Elke Koehn	12	DNPD
Marigold Kunath	12	MRML
Paddy Lawn	13	DCHW
Alix Long	11	DEQD
Jess MacDonald	11	HJTH
Jack McBeth	11	AJGB
Vincent McComb-Frew	13	HJKN
Megan McCulloch	11	DJHE
Erin McDonald	13	MLHI
Alisha McKinney	13	FSTM
Ollie McLean	12	HDAS
Aliyah McPherson	11	HJST
Harry McVicar	11	FSTM
Bella Middleton	11	AKBM
Marcus Millan	12	FHWD
Mucha Milne	13	FBKL
Niki Nakao	12	DNPD
Micky Nguyen	13	FKJA
Ruby Noton	13	HLKN
Sakshi Pal	13	ASKG
Keanu Panapa	13	MDHR
Ollie Pope	10	MKJK
Olivia Read	12	AAKU
George Reedy	12	DCSB
Olive Ritchie	12	DJHE
Scarlett Rose	10	FRCA
Juliana Rossi Macaes		HJTH
	13 13	
Victor Rottgering		AJDL
Ruby Ruski-Jones	13	HJHZ
Amelie Saint-Pere	11	FKMT
Emma Saxon	13	MKJK
Viki Schiele	12	AONT
Skyla Schwass	13	AAST
Cameron Scobie	12	DJJN
Rachel Scobie	11	DEQD
James Scoles	11	MLRY
Iroha Shimizu	11	MKJK
Hannah Stevens	13	FJRD
Loretta Steyn	11	MLRY
Emma Stokes	11	HJST

Natsune Suzuki	13	MLHI
Daniela Tapper	13	DMPR
Josh Thompson	13	AJGB
Lucy Tulloch	13	FJRD
Dane Villanueva	11	HJST
Anru Wakushima	12	MAPC
Humaira Warsi	13	DJHE
Rei Watanabe	13	FSTM
Katie Westphall	11	DNPT
Olivia Whibley	11	FLFD
Lily Wiapo	13	ADRS
Jacob Wilkinson	11	FJRD
Nina Williams	11	FSTM
Hannah Winter	11	MKJK
Carmen Woodhouse	12	DJHN
Teresa Zhang	13	HMBN
Minna Zhu	11	FKMT

Ākonga Passport Bro	nze	
Brodie Banks	9	HJKN
Isabella Burt	9	HJHZ
Phoebe Cavanagh	10	HJAD
Georgia Chinn	9	AAST
Jude Deaker	9	HJHZ
Abby Fookes	9	ADRS
Tommo Glover	9	HJHZ
Lucas Haas	9	MDHR
Jess Hudson	9	FSTM
Zara Mackley	10	FRCA
Pippa McAtamney	9	DNPT
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Covid-19 | Support and Wellbeing

We are all in this together | Help is avaliable

As the COVID-19 outbreak unfolds, it has become clear that a number of people in our community may need some support. Whether you need help or know someone in your whānau that does, there are organisations and charities locally and nationally who can help.

LOCAL QT SUPPORT



Queenstown Lakes District Council

Assistance with day-to-day costs of living, access to essential services, and basics such as food - for more info click here.

Register for help: www.qldc.gov.nz/covid-19



Happiness House

Client Support & Advocacy | Agency referrals -Community mental health, Central Lakes Family Services, etc | Heating Costs & Firewood | Free Counselling

T: 03 442 6531 (9.00-4.00pm) E: happinesshouse@xtra.co.nz Facebook: HappinessHouseQueenstown



Queenstown Salvation Army

Food parcels | Winter Clothing & Bedding | Financial Mentoring | Language Assistance P: 03 442 9661

II Nāu te rourou, nāku te rourou, ka ora ai te iwi.

With your food basket and my food basket the people will thrive.

YOUTH / KIDS

WakatipuYouth

Wakatipu Youth Trust

Support for young people aged 10-24yrs www.wakatipuyouthtrust.co.nz/



Wakatipu High School

Christopher Tweddell and Vicki Patton, the school Guidance Counsellors, are available by email in the first instance. They can arrange to talk to you or connect you with other resources or agencies as needed.

Students and families can also email help@wakatipu.school.nz with questions or concerns about support.

MENTAL HEALTH & WELLEBING

Section A section of New Zealand

Mental Health Foundation

www.mentalhealth.org.nz/ Youthline: 0800 376 633



NATIONAL SUPPORT

Government Resource Hubs

www.covid19.govt.nz

www.gldc.govt.nz

Healthline

Free health advice and information.

0800 358 5453





Central Lakes Family Services

Family Mental Health | Wellbeing | Violence www.clfs.co.nz | P:0508 440 255

FIVE WAYS TO WELLBEING



How can you support your community?

Endorsed by Queenstown Lakes District Mayor Jim Boult, the Wakatipu Community Foundation (WCF) has established the Greatest Needs Fund to help address gaps in central Government assistance to the most vulnerable or worst affected by Covid-19 in our community.



Donate here



7 Outdoor Rec Day tramp on Queenstown Hill









Earlier in the week the Year 12 Outdoor Recreation classes spent a day walking up and around Queenstown Hill as part of their learning around Day Tramps. Thank you to the Middleton family for allowing access to some iconic locations up on the hill.

Head Student Address

Good afternoon everyone!

Our first full week back at school is finished. I hope everyone is enjoying being back at school and being able to see your friends. Everything is starting to feel a lot more normal as we are settling back into the school rhythm. For me being back at school has been really energising, I'm happy to be hanging out with my friends everyday and being able to have face to face conversations with my teachers.

Congratulations to Duncan for winning debating! To all the other debaters congratulations for representing your house and winning them some more valuable points. As far as the leaderboard goes we have Duncan sitting in first place, then Hay in second (Go Hay) and Mackenzie sitting close behind in third place. Haka waiata is coming up soon and I encourage you all to support your house and get involved!

The Community and Service Council and the Whanaungatanga Council have brought back their Breakfast Club. It's a great place to come grab some breakfast before school starts! They are in the Mackenzie social space Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 8:30am. The Community and Service Council will also be doing a food drive for non perishable foods from the 8-19th of July so keep a lookout for that in the coming weeks. 40 Hour Famine is coming up soon so keep an eye out for that as well. Term 2 is notorious for being a very busy term, so make sure you are keeping up with your work and internals. If you do need any help feel free to ask any teachers or any of us head students as we are here to help you achieve to your very best. With all of this school work it is still very important to hang out with friends and make time for yourself, so make sure you put aside some time for that as well.

I hope everyone makes the most of the long weekend!

Ruby Noton Environmental Lead Prefect

NZ Ski Student Discount

All students enrolled full-time at WHS are entitled to a discounted 2020 NZSki Lift Pass priced at \$169 for secondary school students. This discount can be accessed via this link, which is live until 25 June.

As you may well have heard, WHS will not be running the Year 9 Ski Programme in 2020.

Arts Department

Big Break/Rockquest

We are looking to run a Big Break event on June 14th in the WHS Theatre for the school bands and solo/duo acts. There are still things to be confirmed around the timing and organisation and further details will be out in next week's newsletter. It is likely to run late afternoon where we will also do some recording.

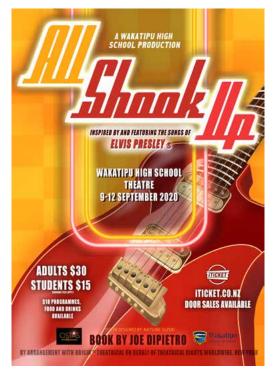
Blenheim Jazz festival

We are waiting on confirmation of a postponement for this event which would take place in the October holidays. The update should come out this coming week and parents/students will be informed as soon as we know.

Treetop Sessions

This coming weekend Ziptrek tours are holding the Treehouse Music sessions to celebrate May Music month running from 12-4 both days. A total of twenty musicians are involved including current WHS student, Ryan Connaghan. Another six of the musicians performing are past WHS students. Should be two afternoons of great music.





Sports News, Results and Information

Information

Sports Update

With the change to mass gathering numbers from 10 to 100 from 12pm today, national sporting organisations have given the go ahead for full training to resume, including contact training, as long as Ministry of Health and NZ Sport Alert Level 2 guidelines are followed. This will see many WHS sports teams move from fitness into full sports training. All coaches are aware of the protocols that are in place to ensure that training takes place in a safe manner. All students and parents have been informed of these protocols too and when training/trials will resume for each code. The key aspects to remember are:

- Do not come to training/trial if you are feeling sick or have flu like symptoms.
- Wash and dry your hands (or sanitise) before and after training/trial.
- Bring your own labelled drink bottle and towel.
- Parents are to remain in vehicles when collecting players following training/trial.
- A teacher/coach will take a roll of who is present before any activity takes place.

Sports Hoodies - Second order

The first order of sports hoodies have arrived and look awesome. We are going to do a second order for anyone who would like one. Please click here to find out more information and place an order by 9am Tuesday 2nd June.

Sports Opportunities

3 v 3 Social Basketball League WHS will be running a 3v3 social basketball league after school on Wednesdays in the school gym, beginning Wednesday Week 10 (17th June) and running until Wednesday Term 3 Week 3 (5th August). You will need to have a team of four players for this comp. This is designed for players who want to play a social grade. Please email Matua Brad for an entry form. Entries due next Friday 5th June.

Table Tennis Competition

There will be a weekly table tennis ladder competition that will begin next Friday 5th June at Break 2. This is a singles competition for anyone interested in a bit more of a challenge for their table tennis game as we look towards Southland Champs early next term. Please email Matua Brad to enter by 9am Thursday 4th June. Meet in Te Kirikiri at the start of Break 2 next Friday.

Want to Play a Winter Sport?

If you are keen to play a winter sport and did not sign up at the beginning of the year, it is not too late. Drop Mrs Nathan or Mataua Brad an email with what sports you are interested in or come and see us in the sports office.

The Careers Department

Scholarships

It is coming up to that time of year when our students, who are intending to study at one of New Zealand's tertiary providers can apply for scholarships. Luckily there is one website that has created a bank of possible scholarships for students across the country. Log on and see details such as when applications open and close and what scholarships you might be eligible for!

Click here to go to Money Hub and see if you are eligible.

Once you have shortlisted the scholarships that you are eligible for you need to:

- Gather information about your achievements, skills, attributes and contributions so you can efficiently complete every scholarship.
- Spend as much time on the application as is necessary to get it right. The competition is so significant that any oversights could see you miss out, even if you were the strongest applicant.
- Pick the best referees. Ensure that your referees are the appropriate people to provide the right kind of information for the selection panel.
- Proof read your applications. What's on paper • reflects you as a person.

For extra top tips to consider when writing your scholarship application view this link.

Job Opportunities



Opportunities for the following roles:

- Chefs
- FOH
- Kitchen Manager (40hr p/w salaried position)

All roles are full time, average 30 hours/week Starting rate for every role is \$19/hr, plus as many discounted tacos as you can eat!

Send your CV to apply@tacomedic.co.nz using the following references:

- Chefs 'cooking up a storm' •
- FOH 'FOH sure'
 - Kitchen Manager 'In the kitchen at parties'

Follow Us on Facebook

The WHS Sports Facebook page is the best place to stay up to date with the latest news and results of our students.

School Key Dates

- 1 June **Queen's Birthday - School Closed**
- 12 June **Teacher Only Day**
- 23 July **Open Evening**



In 2020, we're helping WHS deliver the best all round education to the students of WHS by funding:



Find out how you can support the students in your school community by visiting www.wakatipuhsfoundation.co.nz



JOIN OUR BUSINESS PARTNERSHIP PROGRAMME

It is only because of the generous contributions from businesses like yours that we are able to deliver the best all round education, fund a variety of educational, co and extra curricular activities as well as the much needed Awhi Fund providing support to families in hardship.

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Annual Donation \$1,000



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