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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Kia ora and welcome to the Wakatipu High School newsletter at the end of Term 1! Clearly this has been an important term for WHS with it being our first term in our new school. It has been a journey of a number of years to get here, and I do want to acknowledge staff and students for their parts in that journey and making the move and transition a smooth and successful one.

Just a short piece from me today to end the term.

LE Reports - LE #3 are now up on the Portal and will be emailed out by this evening. Even though it is the end of the term please do have a look at these and check your student's engagement with their learning, and have a conversations with them about it - particularly if there are areas which are consistently of concern.

Uniform - please see below for updates and reminders re uniform for next term. With the changes this year, eg girls being able to wear the skirt or blue kilt year-round, there are less seasonal changes than there used to be - but please do have a look below.

School Hours - please note that the school building does not actually open until 7.45am in the morning and that it closes at 4.30pm in the afternoon (ie one hour after school finishes). Unless they have a practise or some other engagement at the time, students should not be hanging around at school outside these hours.

Feedback - every year or two we ask for feedback from staff, students and parents re WHS, and we are doing that again this year. We have already got feedback from staff, and over the last week we have asked students for feedback (and nearly 500 have currently responded). Early next term we will send out a survey to parents - please keep an eye out for that.

Formal - another reminder to parents of Year 12 and 13 students that, as per the email this week, Formal tickets will be on sale in the first week of next term and there are attendance and fees requirements.

Well, a unique and significant term in WHS's history comes to a close, and again my thanks to everyone for everything they have done to make it a success. I do hope everyone has a really great break and returns refreshed and ready to go for Term 2:)

Steve Hall Principal



UNIFORM REMINDER

As Term 1 draws to a close and the temperatures start to cool it is worth reminding students and parents about wearing the uniform correctly over the winter months.

For girls (and NB, unless stated otherwise, these rules apply year-round):

- The blue skirt or blue kilt may be worn.
- The blue kilt must be worn with navy tights or navy knee high socks (not ankle socks).
- The blue skirt must be worn with the navy ankle socks (not tights or knee high socks).
- In Terms 2 & 3 only, Y12 & 13 girls only may wear the old green kilt, with navy tights or knee high socks.
- Girls may also wear school shorts or trousers. NB trousers must be worn without any
 modification (including cuffing or cropping) other than hemming them so that they sit
 just above the sole of the school shoes. Only ankle socks may be worn with shorts.

For boys there are no changes to the uniform, although a reminder that they must wear a plain black belt with their shorts or trousers.

General uniform reminders:

- All students must wear the school tie, except Y13 students who wear the 2018 Y13 tie.
- The blazer is the compulsory uniform item, and the jersey or vest may be worn as a secondary item (Hoodies are not permitted at any time other than during PE lessons).
- Plain black Puffer jackets may be worn in June, July and August only.
- Shoes have a separate set of requirements which are outlined on the school uniform page of our school website (link below).

For a detailed breakdown of all aspects of the school uniform, please refer to our website.

As always, thank you for your continued support of our efforts to keep all students looking neat and tidy as they represent our school out in the community.

Justine Duncan Assistant Principal

FINANCE REMINDER

School Fees - a general reminder to please pay school fees (donations are not compulsory, but gladly received :)). As per all our communications, please engage with us if you wish to make an arrangement regarding payments or require financial support, via our Finance team and/or Guidance Counsellors. Parents of Year 12 and 13 students should also note that Formal tickets will be on sale in the first week of next term and that there are attendance and fees requirements.

Accounts will be sent out today, please check your spam folder and update school if your details have changed. If you did not receive an email invoice, please contact accounts@wakatipu.school.nz

RSA ANZAC SPEECH COMPETITION

On Monday evening, the school hosted the annual RSA ANZAC Speech Competition. Students were tasked with preparing a speech about any aspect of World War I but an emphasis on the last year of the war was encouraged given that it is the 100th commemoration this year.

Judges from our local RSA organisations selected two winners to present their speeches at the upcoming ANZAC Day commemorations in Arrowtown and Queenstown.

Congratulations to winners **Leah Kissick** and **Grete Johansson!**

The students were also awarded \$800 each along with a very special trophy, made from a shell preserved from World War I. This is extremely generous sponsorship and we would like to thank the Arrowtown and Queenstown RSA's for their support of our students.

Lucy Ford



80REC CLUTHA RIVER JOURNEY

The Year 13 Outdoor Rec students have spent a cold week down south doing their "Kayaking on Grade 2" assessments and experiencing the power of the Clutha River. River levels fluctuated greatly with Roxburgh Dam releases but the students all coped well and gained valuable learning and experiences from being in Mr Macs old past life in the South!

Ken McIntyre



TOP ART EXHIBITION

Top Art is an annual touring exhibition featuring a selection of the NCEA Level 3 portfolios that achieved Excellence in Visual Art in the previous year. Five streams are covered: design, painting, photography, printmaking and sculpture.

Top Art provides an opportunity for secondary students and teachers to gain an understanding of what is required to achieve Excellence at Level 3. It also allows members of the public to see the high quality art being created in schools.

Top Art will be arriving at Wakatipu High School in the first week of Term 2 and will be on display for students and members of the public during normal school hours from Tuesday 1 May through to Thursday 3 May.

If you wish to bring a larger group to view the exhibition please contact Monica Parker at mparker@wakatipu.school.nz.

Monica Parker Arts Coordinator







READERS' CUP

WHS takes on the Readers' Cup!

What is Readers Cup?

Readers Cup is a reading competition designed for Year 9 students. Teams of four students together will read a set of five books, and then compete with other school teams to answer quiz questions from these books. The winning team will then travel to James Hargest College in Invercargill in June to participate in the Regional Competition. Should we win this? Then it's off to Auckland for the Nationals! Here's hoping!

Why do it?

Readers Cup competitions challenge students to read widely, work collaboratively in a team and continue developing a love of reading. It allows readers to compete at an interschool level, similar to sporting events and to meet other students with an equal passion for books.

And our 2018 winners at WHS, now off to Invercargill for the regionals are (pictured from left) Billie Watts, Ruby Phelon, Jacob Stokes and Leijh Beale.

Jackie Rodgers



BUSINESS STUDIES

GETTING DOWN TO BUSINESS

It has been a productive term in our Level Two Business Studies classes. The focus since the start of the year has been looking at the internal operations of large businesses.

To assist students with their learning we have been fortunate enough to have had a number of guest speakers talk to our classes. Mr Hall spoke about leadership, explaining characteristics of what makes a good leader and the difference between management and leadership. He reflected on his own experiences and identified for us what he believed helped him to become the Principal of Wakatipu High School today.

A visit to Mrs Tapp in Reception helped to provide us with real examples of why there is a need for health and safety procedures for businesses, including schools in today's economic world. Mrs Tapp explained to students the reasons for visitor registration and other types of policies in regards to health and safety.

Most recently, Mr Peter Waaka from School of Thought, spoke to students about the Māori Business concepts of Pūtake, Tūranga, Tikanga, Kaitiakitanga and Rangatiratanga. He explained to students about the early Māori business practice of trading during pre-European times and after the settlement and colonisation of New Zealand. He discussed the implications for Māori Business in regards to collective ownership, intellectual property and Treaty of Waitangi claims. He identified and explained the relevance of Maori concepts in business today.

Next term, the Business Studies students will be undertaking their business activity. To inspire students we are lucky enough to have Dr Sam Hazledean - Managing Director of MedRecruit talk to our Learning Area about his own experience and top tips for business success. We look forward to yet another industrious term.

Nicola Proffit Social Science





STUDENT CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Jade Turner (Year 9) who had her short story published in this month's ODT Extra! Magazine.

Jade Turner - Year 9

Unimagined

It's not the same.

There she is, standing right in the middle of the room singing her heart out.

There I am in the corner, weeping like it's my last time here.

I feel so lost, kind of like I don't know what to do with my life anymore.

One minute I am there and then the next I am gone. It feels like I am invisible.

Of course she doesn't remember me.

I feel like one of those toys that are used for happiness and satisfaction and then when you're not satisfied anymore, you just forget about it and move on and find something even better.

The pain of loneliness stabs at my heart. I long for someone to talk to, just anyone to be with. No one should ever be thrown out like a piece of trash. But I guess that's what has happened to me. I've been abandoned. We used to laugh, play and sing, but the only song I hear now is the one I hear her sing.

Without me.

Tears start to trickle from my fragile, red eyes. I cannot live alone, I can't live without her. My brain throbs just from the thought of not having someone, just from the thought of not having anyone, anyone at all.

What am I supposed to do now? I am alone. I feel weak and reckless. I'm supposed to be with her forever. But I guess the stories you get told don't always come true.

"I have real friends now " she says. "I don't need you anymore." She turns and leaves me to look at the closed white door as I feel the emptiness and loneliness come rolling in.

"But I need you." I say quietly whilst staring at the door. So now I'm left alone and there is no one left to listen. Her imaginary friend, abandoned for the real thing. I should be happy for her, but I'm not.



SPORTS UPDATE

Lap the Lake Relay

Eight determined WHS runners pushed themselves beyond expectation to smash the Secondary Schools Record and Open Team Record by 12 mins in their quest to do eight laps of Lake Mavora in under six hours.

The undulating course was very challenging but weather conditions favourable. The team completed eight laps in 6hrs 2mins and 44 sec which considering the course is quite remarkable, but already the team are talking of returning next year to crack the six hour mark. The team also raised more than \$2500 for the Cancer Society as part of the charity fundraiser event.

Athletes in order of running; Benjamin Britton, Gareth Harcombe, Hayato Yoneto, Archie Ritchie, Aleks Cheifetz, Todd Vermeir, Cool Wakushima and Hannah Battrick.

A big thank you to team manager and coach Neville Britton who made this happen.

Naseby 12 Hour Race

13 riders from WHS competed in four teams in the Naseby 12 hour lap race last Saturday. Riders took turns at laps from 9am - 9pm with a running mass start. A very wet day and night before resulted in slick trails, with cool temperatures not providing much drying, resulting in a course that was techy yet still fun. WHS Speed Demons logged some impressive lap times and all riders managed themselves well, through the long day and into the night, keeping fed and hydrated along with dealing with the mechanical issues of racing muddy bikes. It is the first time any of the riders has competed in the Naseby 12 hour so the way the riders handled themselves on and off the course was especially impressive and something to build on for next year.

Results in the Junior Team Category:

WHS Speed Demons - Lucas Daish, Cam Marshall, Hayden Thompson, Riley Adlam: 3rd Slice of Wakatipu Pie - Jessica Blewit, Alex Barke, Jayd Adlam, Max McDonald, Josh Culling: 4th Wakatipu Space Cowboys - Piet Van Asch, Oliver Camp, Max Caulton, Lockey Daish (Remarkables Primary): 9th

Lady Shredders - Maia Jowett, along with Kalani Muirhead, Indy Wilton from MAC: 11th.

With the race prep and pack down spreading from Friday night to Sunday morning at Larchview Camping Ground a big thank you to all the parents as support crew. A special thanks to Henry Van Asch setting up Base Camp and Fleur Caulton for keep the riders and crew fuelled up with good food.



The WHS Warriors



WHS MTB Riders in Naseby 12 Hour Race

Mary Jowett

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SPORTS UPDATE continued...

Nowra College Sports Exchange

On Tuesday 17 April four WHS teams will be competing against a touring Australian School in a range of sports at the Event Centre. Please see draw below.

Draw:

3pm: U15 Boys Rugby - Field 5 3pm: Year 10A Netball - Court 1

3:45pm: Junior 1st XI Football - Field 2a

4:15pm: U15 Girls 7's - Field 5

1st XI Football

The WHS 1st XI Football team kicked off their season on Wednesday with a solid 7-0 win against James Hargest High School in a preseason match in Lumsden. A great result before the lads start their campaign to qualify for the premier grade tournament next term. This consists of four qualifying games, three of which will be played at home this year. The first match is against Timaru Boys High School on Tuesday 8 May. A big thank you to Jamie Whitmarsh for coaching the side and Paul Wilson for assisting with transport.

Rugby

The WHS rugby season began last Saturday with two preseason matches against Mt Aspiring College at the Event Centre. The U16 team had a good win to start their season while the 1st XV lost. It was great to see a large amount of support on the side line. The 1st XV continue their preseason campaign tomorrow when they take on Rangiora High School at 1pm.

Netball

The Wakatipu Netball Centre competition starts on Saturday 28 April at the Event Centre. WHS has 17 teams entered into this year's competition.

Basketball

QJBC Registration Forms are available now online at QJBC.wordpress.com

Laura Nathan

Sports Coordinator

NZSKI PASSES

NZSKI are offering Local School Passes this year for the same low price as last year. \$100 for primary aged children (5 years and under are just \$20) and \$165 for secondary school aged children.

Passes will be available from the Queenstown Snow Centre from 8 May and there is no deadline for purchase. Passes **<u>DO NOT</u>** need to be purchased before the end the general early bird sale which is 5 April.

ASPEN EXCHANGE UPDATE

Due to unforeseen circumstances one of the WHS students who was involved in the Aspen Sister City exchange has had to withdraw from participating. This leaves us with the opportunity for one Year 11 or Year 12 girl to participate in the exchange. The Aspen students arrive in Queenstown on the 13th of June for 10 days and we will be travelling to America at the start of January for approximately two weeks.

For more information on the exchange and to register your interest please contact Allan Birkett and Rachel Bell.

<u>abirkett@wakatipu.school.nz</u> <u>rbell@wakatipu.school.nz</u>

CURIOUS MINDS

Curious Minds - Hunga Mahirahira

Albert Einstein once said: "I have no special talents. I am only passionately curious." WHS is providing opportunities for all students who wish to feed their 'curious minds'. All our students need to do is join the Google Classroom 'Curious Minds, Hunga Mahirahira' (code: fvyhtiz) and curious minds will be linked to awesome opportunities. Everything from competitions within school, activities locally, nationally and internationally, will appear here. These will come from all learning areas and some outside organisations. The possibilities to feed the curiosity within us is limitless.

Should you have any queries about 'Curious Minds' please do not hesitate to contact Jackie Rodgers <u>jrodgers@wakatipu.school.nz</u>

Jackie Rodgers

RICKSHAW RUN FUNDRAISER

A group of us from Queenstown are about to take off on an adventure through India to compete in 'the Rickshaw run'. Although this has been done before, we want our adventure to fund an adventure for your child!

We will be crossing India from the South to the North, from Kochi (Cochin) to Jaisalmer, 3500kms in a Rickshaw (Tuktuk). Armed with a starting point and an end point along with a GPS (driving something similar to a 2 stroke lawnmower), we will race teams from across the globe travelling the fastest route possible!!

Whilst we are racing for Cool Earth, a charity which helps prevent deforestation of our beautiful Earth, we would also like to donate 50% of that money to fund Wakatipu students who struggle to afford attending the Branches Camp!

You can follow us on our journey which starts March 30th through our Facebook page which includes a link to donate. www.facebook.com/Curry-on-running-2019752091626121/

So come on, let our adventure fund your child's adventure and make their dream a reality!!

Juliet Fraser





Important dates for your diary...

DATE	EVENT	WHO
Fri 13 Apr	Last day of Term 1	All
Mon 30 Apr	First day of Term 2	All
Sat 26 May	WHS Formal	Yr 12&13

JAZZ BAND WORKSHOPS

Jazz band workshops at WHS Saturday 14/Sunday 15 April.

Timetable as follows:

Saturday: Woodwind/Brass 11.00

Full Big Band/Combo 12.00 - 4.30

Sunday: Big Band/Combo 10.00-3.15

BRANCHES 2017 PHOTOS

If you ordered Branches 2017 photographs, they are available from the school library (\$20). This is a Branches Trust fundraiser so please don't forget to come and collect them.

ENGINE NEEDED

WHS Automotive needs an engine for a go kart - possibly a motorcycle engine with gears and clutch or stationary motor with a clutch if any one has one to donate. Or a complete motorcycle would be awesome for student learning. Thanks so much.

Glenn Brickell

Meet the Staff... Helen Jermy

How long have you been at WHS? Since the beginning of 2018.

What is your position?Maths teacher, Kahui Ako Within school teacher

What do you love about the job? That no one hour of the day is the same as the next and the challenge of

convincing students that they CAN do Maths.

What do you like doing in your free time? Walking my dog, cycling, being outdoors, travel.

What item could you not live without?

HooFoot website to watch all the highlights of the English Premier League.

What do you like about Queenstown?

Accessibility to outdoor adventures and my picturesque cycle to work.

Describe yourself in three words: Interested, Cheeky, Motivated.



Wakatipu High School Foundation Business Partnership Programme

The success of Wakatipu High School Foundation depends on the strength of its partnerships – with our schools, our community and business leaders. The WHSF Business Partnership Program is comprised of a dynamic group of local companies and professionals who, through their financial support, share in its success. Partnering with WHSF is a great way to invest in our schools and promote your business. Outstanding schools help strengthen the entire community including the business community.

If you would like more information on how your business can participate in this vital programme, please contact:

Chris Duffy: chris.duffy@crowehorwath.co.nz +64 3 450 1801 Jennifer Belmont: jennifer.belmont.nz@gmail.com +64 22 394 5955

Our Current Partner List:

Colliers **New World Wakatipu** Millbrook Resort **Hush Spa & Salon** Rata Cookie Time **Lakes Weekly Bulletin** McCulloch + Partners **KJet** NZSki Anderson Lloyd Lane Neave **Trinity Development** Kinloch Lodge **PlaceMakers** Deloitte Queenstown Goldfields Jewellers **Highlands Game Over**

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Lane Neave
Kinloch Lodge
Pak 'n Save
Jacks Point Clubhouse
Affleck Dodd O'Meara
Adventure Group
Flame Bar & Grill
Cavell Leitch
Black ZQN
Mega Mitre 10
Crowe Horwath

Please support these businesses as they are investing in our students and school.

AJ Hackett Bungy New Zealand





Hawker & Roll offer for WHS

Get excited Queenstown hawker roll fans because Hawker & Roll, fast-casual spin off to sister restaurant Madam Woo, is opening its doors at 38 Ballarat Street next week on April 17th! The hawker roll eatery is fashioned after the crowd favourite: the hawker roll (i.e. a rolled roti stuffed with delicious Malaysian flavours), which is already available at Madam Woo restaurants across New Zealand. The first Hawker & Roll restaurant opened at Sylvia Park Shopping Centre in Auckland in December, and has since been an instant success. Co-owners Fleur Caulton and Chef Josh Emett are excited to continue to grow this new brand with the Queenstown restaurant opening.

Hawker & Roll Queenstown will be open daily from 10am - 1am. They have created a unique WHS promo code valid for \$10.00 to spend at Hawker & Roll Queenstown. All people need to do is download the Hawker & Roll app from Google Play or the Apple App store, and under 'Vouchers' in the left hand menu enter the voucher code: **WAKATIPUHIGH** - a \$10.00 credit will then be applied to the users account. The user can then order ahead using the app, or order normally in-store and pay through the app to redeem the offer (note: a valid NZ credit card will need to be loaded onto the app for it to work correctly). The Wakatipu High unique promo code will be valid for 30 days from today.

So download the Hawker & Roll app for discounts, bonus offers, and special giveaways to come. For more information, visit: hawkerandroll.co.nz or follow Hawker & Roll on Facebook and Instagram at @hawkerandroll









ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

Support Wakatipu High School and you'll be rewarded!

We are raising funds for our Basketball Team and you can help! Order the NEW 2018 | 2019 Entertainment Book or Entertainment Digital Membership and you will receive hundreds of valuable offers for everything you love to do, and you will also be supporting our fundraiser.

PLUS, order now to receive over \$200 of bonus Early Bird Offers (hurry, these sell out quickly).

www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/260506v

AA New Zealand Defensive Driving Course - the next course is to be held on April 17,19,24 & 26 (inclusive) from 7.00-9.00pm in Queenstown.

For further information please email kaye@lakesdrivingschool.nz or text 027 623 3534

Kaye Rowell Lakes Driving School



The Playground - WHS Special!

Available from 23 April until 6 May 2018
Book your spot in advance and be in quick before you miss out!

Choose between:

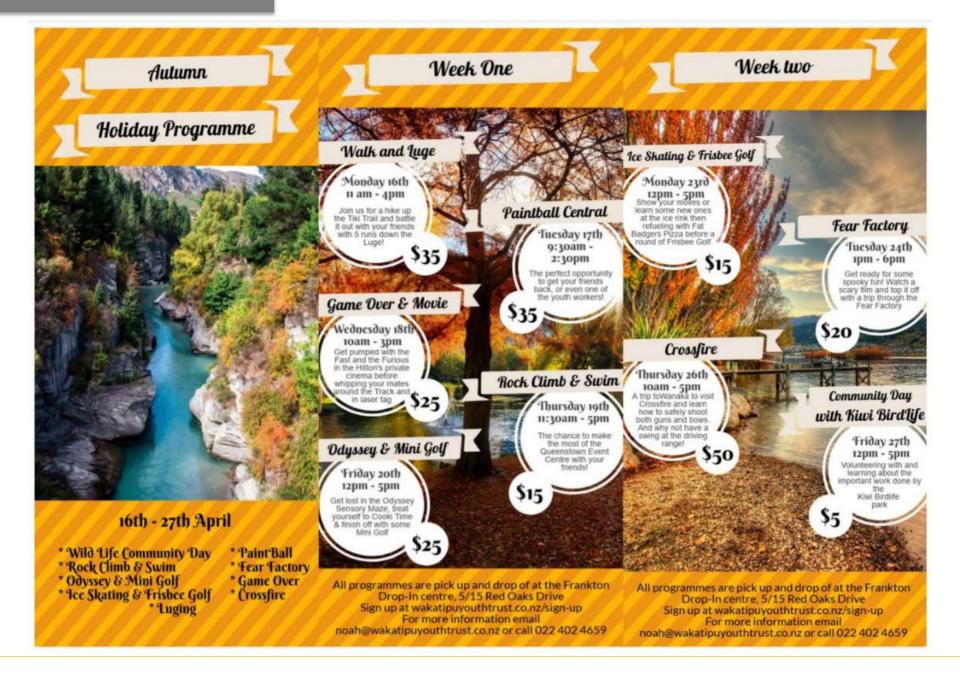
- Paintball (with 200 paintballs) and Bubble Soccer, normally \$80 per person, WHS Special \$50 per person.
- Paintball (with 200 paintballs) and Archery Combat, normally \$80 per person, WHS Special \$50 per person.
- Bubble Soccer and Archery Combat, normally \$50 per person, WHS Special \$35 per person.

*conditions apply: minimum of 6 per group, must prove you are local – WHS Students please bring Student ID, parents please bring a bill.

Email us at <u>info@theplayground.kiwi.nz</u> or phone Penny on 021545574 to book.

more fun than you ever had at school http://theplayground.kiwi.nz















CAB provides a fun and supportive environment where we give volunteers full training and the tools and ongoing support so that they can help others. Not only is CAB a great place to make new friends, work with people with such diverse backgrounds, keep in touch with the local community but also be apart of the bigger picture by helping bring social change in our communities locally and nationally. Each client interaction makes a difference.

The Gypsy Fair is a great day out for the family and it is free entry. The fair has something for everyone, handmade crafts of all types, many being made before your eyes, Clothing, a unique obstacle bounce for the kids. awesome coffee, food, face painting, candy floss, music, which you can come up and have a go too, if you feel so inclined and lots of good old fashioned tovs and entertainment in the green. So come along for a couple of hours or even the day and soak up the atmosphere of the Gypsy Fair.

> Wanaka - 21-22 April Wanaka Showgrounds, Ardmore Street, Wanaka





We now offer defensive driving courses

This course is an NZTA approved advanced driving skills course. It gives you the tools you need to drive defensively for life. The course also reduces your full licence wait time by 6 months.

For information on courses or for driving lessons please email: info@drivinginstruction.co.nz

or Phone Rach Gerard on 027 273 9610



Rotary International

Youth Exchange Programme

WANTED – SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENTS TO GO ON EXCHANGE IN 2019

Rotary Youth Exchange is an official programme of Rotary and we are now seeking applications from motivated secondary school students interested in spending a year overseas as part of this long established successful educational and cultural exchange.

This is your chance to immerse yourself in the culture and become fluent in a foreign language in a supportive exchange programme. Become fluent in Swedish, Mandarin, Danish, German, French or Spanish.

- Students must be aged between 16 and 18 ½ at departure in January 2019.
- Exchange partners for 2019 are: Sweden, Denmark, Germany, Belgium, Austria,
 Chile and Taiwan
- No family Rotary affiliation required.
- Applications close 30 April 2018.

Rotary Youth Exchange offers student training and preparation, a strong student support structure and oversight by a reputable global service organisation. Students attend a local school but stay with several host families for variety and a true cultural experience.

Students benefit from personal growth and development, independence and self confidence while making worldwide friendships and learning a new language. If you want to gain a fresh understanding of yourself and others, have fun and a whole lot of new experiences consider being a Rotary Youth Exchange student for 2019.

If you are ready for a life changing experience and for the rewarding challenge and the unique and life long rewards that come from living in another country as a RYE student, then check out www.rotaryyouthexchange9980.wordpress.com or contact us for more information and an initial application form.

Contact: Gary Williams

Chair Rotary Youth Exchange District 9980 [lower South Island, N Z]



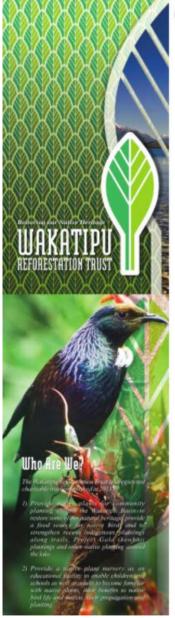
fine orthodontics

is coming to Remarkables Park
Town Centre
and we would like to invite WHS
students to a Free Orthodontic
Assessment*

Call now to book your place 021 0200 8524 or click here to see our website and learn more

* Limited spaces available. Please note an assessment includes photos but x-rays, if required will incur a charge





GO NATIVE AUTUMN

INVITATION TO HELP PLANT

This APRIL/MAY, with the help of awesome volunteers we will be planting and maintaining beautiful native plants most SATURDAYs and we would love you to join us!

9am – 12noon every Saturday Bring Shovels, Gloves, Water.....and Friends and Family!

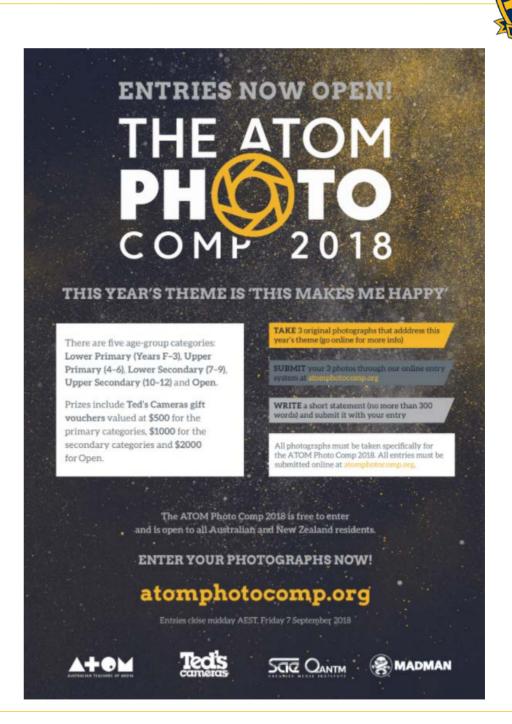
- April 7th Whitechapel, Arrow Junction with BBQ
- April 14th Lake Hayes South Roadside
- April 21st Feehly Hill, Arrowtown
- April 28th Lake Hayes West Maintenance, bring gloves and secateurs
- May 5th Whitechapel, Arrow Junction with BBQ

PLANTING LOCATION MAP



For more info contact: volunteer@wrtqt.org.nz









School Formal hair appointments Call Brenda at Vivo Remarkables Park on 4092206

Nails and make up services also available



We are reasonably priced !!!! Why buy online and risk getting wrong size/fit???

















Your Perfect Dresses From Leather Direct







Red Alert – Friday 13 April - Catalyst Trust event Should we fear Russia?

That's the question highly regarded Russian academic Dmitri Trenin, director of the Carnegie Centre Moscow, will address for Catalyst Trust on Friday 13 April. And he should know, he has written the book of that name.

Thanks to a last-minute opportunity offered by Victoria University's Centre for Strategic Studies and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Queenstowners will have the opportunity to hear Dr Trenin analysing Russia's relationship with the West. He will also cover arms control, geo-economics and implications of the recent Russian presidential election. Dr Trenin has been with the Moscow think tank since its inception. He retired from the Russian Army in 1993, where his roles included external relations liaison and nuclear arms talks. He later held posts at the NATO Defense College in Rome and the Institute of Europe in Moscow.

Meet at Red's Bar, QT Hotel, accessed through The Rydges. Friday 13 April, 5:30pm for 6pm start. Please register at register@catalystnz.org \$5 koha at door.

ALPINE FAULT

Wakatipu straddles the South Island's largest fault line, which produces magnitude 8 quakes around every 300 years. The last was 301 years ago. Catalyst's May 16 event (7pm at QT Hotel, accessed through Rydges) covers what might happen and what we can do to prepare, with quake specialist Dr Caroline Orchiston. Please register at connect@catalystnz.orgs as seats are limited. See catalystnz.org or Facebook catalystnzQT for details https://www.facebook.com/events/1904412613141628/







MindPlus is a programme for creatively and intellectually gifted 6-13 year olds that provides intellectual, creative, social and emotional learning and support. Children come together, with a specialist teacher, for one day each week. Together they engage in differentiated, strength-based, learning experiences to further develop their gifts and talents and a greater understanding of what it means to be gifted.

"MindPlus works for me because of the different ways and subjects that we learn and how we do stuff differently from school that makes us think outside of the box" - MindPlus Student

Why MindPlus is great for creatively and academically gifted children:

- Children connect with like-minded peers who think like them and understand each other.
- Learning is challenging and applied, and stretches children's abilities and ways of thinking.
- Small class numbers enable personalised learning that focuses on each child's strengths and interests. (MindPlus class numbers are capped at 1 6 children.)
- Our specialist teachers understand gifted learners and what makes them tick.

Curriculum

Like all programmes delivered by the New Zealand Centre for Gifted Education, all teaching and learning at MindPlus is guided by the Centre's own curriculum. Developed specifically for meeting the needs of gifted children outside of the mainstream classroom, the curriculum is specialised, comprehensive and based on best-practice recommendations in gifted education. It is responsive to the needs and characteristics of each individual gifted learner and fosters challenging learning that connects with children's strengths and interests.

Where MindPlus Operates

Auckland, Hamilton, Rotorua, Kapiti, Wellington, Lower Hutt, Nelson, Christchurch. The Centre also supports local groups with the delivery of the MindPlus programme in Masterton, Lincoln, mid-Canterbury, Dunedin and Invercargill, with Taranaki opening in 2016.

MindPlus Entry Selection

Through the Entry Selection Process, information regarding a child's intellectual, creative, and personal abilities and traits are collected from their home, school and from the child themselves. This information is analysed to determine whether the child would benefit from attending MindPlus. Referrals can come from either parents or a child's school. (We welcome referrals from home-schooling parents, too.)

The Centre also has a Resource Base available to educators and parents.

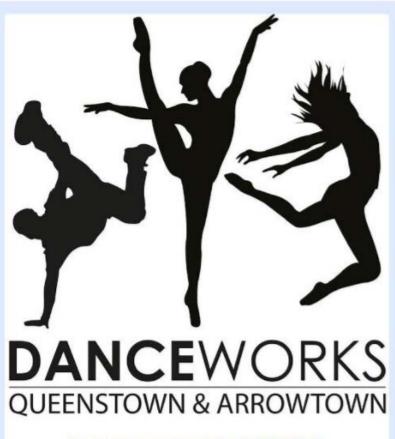


Empowering Extraordinary Minds

To find out more about MindPlus, to refer a child or to enquire about MindPlus starting in your region, please contact our office.

0800 769 234 office@nzcge.co.nz





Now taking enrolments for TERM 2 2018!

Classes from 2 years to adults in Jazz, Tap, Hiphop, Ballet, Contemporary

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Further details available on The Academy website https://www.theacademyatkip.co.nz

Building Blocks for Building Buddies

A social development programme that helps children build buddies through structured Lego sessions. Children that typically benefit most might have individual needs, social communication issues, sensory needs or language delay. The programme is based on the highly structured, systematic and predictable nature of LEGO play, which appeals to children with social communication difficulties who are particularly attracted to systems. Much more than simply playing with building blocks, Building Blocks for Building Buddies is structured and guided by trained teachers who direct the children and encourage them to address and resolve problems. Through Building Blocks children learn to communicate with others,

express their feelings, change their behaviour, develop problem-solving skills and develop a

All the World's a Stage - Creative Writing



relationship with the world around them.

We will develop creative writing skills, learn how to structure play-scripts and embed traditional language into modern scripts. We will share and re-craft scripts, edit and combine our ideas and present a piece of Masterpiece Readers' Theatre to an audience.

Ancient Civilisations - Exploring Egypt



Building historical knowledge of how ancient civilisations impact modern life. STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, Maths) learning really is 5,000 years old! Bringing history and inquiry alive, discovering their hidden secrets through fascinating artefacts, books, websites & e-learning.



SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME: CAKE DECORATING FOR TEENS!

Hands-on class, limited numbers for maximum personal attention!



We are creating a professional Unicorn, Emoii or Star Wars cake

Learn the Art of Cake Decorating

Cake decoration is creative expression and a skill that lasts a lifetime. Book now for this fun school holiday programme. Nikki Jones, owner of Nikki's Celebration Cakes, teaches her cake decorating tips, tricks and techniques. Perfect for 12-18 year olds.

Each student will be set up with their own decorating station and set of tools. Two 2-hour classes where you will:

- ★ Learn how to stack cakes and achieve square edge buttercream finish ★ Make your own fondant decorations ★ Pige buttercream or smooth fondant ★ Paint and shimmer your cake
- ★ Use of professional decorating equipment and metallic edible cake paint, powder, spray
- * Tutorials * One finished cake

Be in quick as class numbers limited to 8 for maximum personal attention.

Two back-to-back classes: Wednesday 25th & Thursday 26th April 2.30-4.30pm

Local venue: 33 Onslow Rd, Lake Hayes Estate Price for full course: \$50 + \$30 materials.

Book: FB msg, email, or txt now - class numbers limited!





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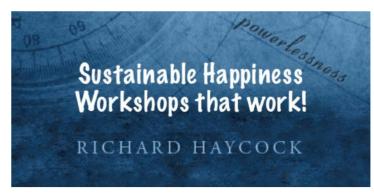






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A workshop in "Sustainable Happiness." Queenstown - Sunday 15th of April

Workshop content is a blend of wisdom (examples of which can be viewed in my videos on Facebook page find happiness and inner peace) combined with practical application. The daily how to's.

Workshops are presented by Richard Haycock author of Sustainable Happiness. I teach from deep personal experience, in a direct matter of fact way. I have personally moved from a place of depression and suicidal tendencies, to a point that these states are no longer a part of my life at all! This stuff works!

These workshops could be described as advanced mindfulness education with a unique perspective of human psychology. Yet they are not based in buddhism or traditional mindfulness at all.

Frankly these workshops are life changing regardless of your feeling state or circumstances!

Bookings essential. Call now to book your place 0273652666. \$119