



Wakatipu HIGH SCHOOL

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Principal's Message

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Kia ora - a somewhat smaller newsletter on junior Teacher Only Day, but it has been a big week at Wakatipu High School. Junior Prizegiving on Tuesday was an important event - which had a huge number of parents keen to attend (our apologies to those who missed out, we will look into our format in the future). It was also great that so many parents came along to meet with Kaiārahi yesterday at our Junior Next Steps - good on you for being engaged with your child's learning, we hope you found it useful. If you were unable to attend please email the Kaiārahi to make an appointment; similarly, if you do want to meet with any subject teachers please do email them - [click here](#) for a link to teachers' emails.

The House Basketball competition concluded with the big finals on Wednesday - congratulations to Hay juniors and Mackenzie seniors on their wins, and to staff who dominated the Year 13s! (See the photo below).

Senior exams are also well underway now, and it is good to hear that many students are taking them seriously and studying hard.

2019 Course and Subject selection - a reminder that this closes at 4pm next Friday 17th August. Please do take the time to support your student in this process and ensure that it is complete and submitted by next Friday.

Parent Tours - are a great opportunity to come and have a look at teaching and learning in our new school. Our final tour at this stage is planned for Wednesday 22nd at 09:30, please email my PA, Karla Dawson kdawson@wakatipu.school.nz, if you are keen to attend.

Student BoT Rep - schools are run by Boards of Trustees and an important member of the BoT is the Student Rep. We are now at the time of year for the election process for the Student Rep - please see below for information and details.

Breaks - as you may have heard me say or refer to, in preparing for the move to the new school we spent most of our time and energy on teaching and learning - which is going well, but there have been other aspects of the move which we aren't so happy with and which we are now turning our attention to. This includes students' behaviour inside, rubbish and that many students aren't going outside (something which we have also had feedback from parents on). Starting on Monday we are rolling out a new system for how we manage the school before school and during the Breaks - which will include some outside time for most students. We will roll this out to juniors on Monday and seniors after their exams; more on this next week.

We've got a **One Act Play** performance in the Theatre at 7pm tonight if you're keen to come along and see and support our talented students.

A wonderful weekend of weather awaits - tomorrow looks particularly magnificent, a great weekend to hit the slopes, hope you can make the most of winter in the Wakatipu :)

Steve Hall

Year 9 Junior Prizewinners - Term 3 2018

Name	Commendation	Name	Distinction	Commendation
Hershey Avila	Spanish	Vince Alzaga	English	
Frankie Cairns	Health, P.E	Isaac Bird	English	
Oliver Camp	English	Ben Blewitt	Health and P.E	
Sam Davis	English	Keely Erskine	Food Technology	
Hanz Dimaano	English as a Second Language	Morris Finnigan	Health and P.E	
Ruby Dowsett-Smith	Health, P.E	Maz Gregory	Mathematics	
Dylan Foote	Health, P.E	Emily Lawless	Music	
Lara Gutierrez	English	Megan McCulloch	English	
Jack Higgins	Social Studies	Sophia Purdon	Dance	
Sahara Hood	English	Lottie Reed	Health and P.E	
Finn Hyndman	Mathematics	Gracie Seeto	Music	
Yebin Kim	Mathematics	Sophie Thompson	Health and P.E	
Darcie Koberstein	English	Austin Watts	Food Technology	
Sophie May	English			
Liam McCord	Science			
Sophie McDermott	Japanese			
Aliyah McPherson	Food Technology			
Kyran Mitchell	Health, P.E			
Naomi Mitchell	Spanish			
Miles Numaguchi	Science			
Sean Obergawa	English			
Ollie Ridd	Science			
Deegan Scully	Hard Materials Technology			
Lucca Spring	Design, Visual Communication			
Charlie Stanley	Mathematics			
Loretta Steyn	Food Technology			
Jagan Sudan	Health and P.E			
Sofia Taquet	Health and P.E			
Jack Tucker	Mathematics			
Lily Wang	English as a Second Language			
Logan Willard-Squire	English			
Hannah Winter	English			
Charlotte Woods	Health and P.E			
Bruce Zheng	Science			
Gabriella Carpenter	Food Technology, Health and P.E			
Kaiya Collins	Mathematics, Music			
Mikayla Evans	English, Health and P.E			
Tannin Heeley	English, Spanish			
Fletcher Marshall	French, Health and P.E			
Julia Morrison	Health and P.E, Mathematics			
Abby Phillips	English, Hard Materials Technology			
Ollie Pope	Health and P.E, Science			
Olive Ritchie	Mathematics, Social Studies			
Ruby Savidge	English, Hard Materials Technology			
Esther Vile	Art, English			
Ed Forrest	Art, Design, Visual Communication, Mathematics			
Jacob Stokes	Health and P.E, Mathematics, Science			
Sonya Sunder	English, French, Mathematics			
Jacob Wilkinson	Science, English, Music			

Year 10 Junior Prizewinners - Term 3 2018

Name	Commendation	Name	Distinction	Commendation
Paulo Bjorck	P.E	Jorja Frewen	Social Studies	Mathematics
Olivia Boland	English	Lucy Glover	Music	Drama
Louis Brabant	English	Millie Jamieson-Gough	English	Mathematics
Izzy Cheifetz	Social Studies	Amelia Peasey	Mathematics	Science
Sam Clark	Hard Materials Technology	Penelope Scarborough	French	Science
Lucas Daish	Sports Science	Cameron Scobie	Mathematics	French
Amelia Grufferty	Hard Materials Technology	Jacob Shannon	Hard Materials Technology	Social Studies
Grace Hall	Science			
Toby Hart	Digital Technology			
Riley Jones	Science			
Tessa Jones	Science			
Zach Key	Social Studies			
Meg Kilbride	Science			
Sienna Lodge	Art			
Paige Loggenberg	Sports Science			
Jerami Macdonald	Mathematics			
Grace Mai	English			
Ollie McLean	Digital Technology			
Brooklyn McLeod	Dance			
Marcus Millan	English			
Anika Moetaua	Drama			
Alicia Rober	P.E			
Remy Scarborough	French			
Tobin Wilson	Science			
Imogen Christopher	Art, Science			
Michaela McLister	Mathematics, Sports Science			
Olivia Read	Economics, Business Studies, Dance			
Lexie Weaver	English, Food Technology			
Kira Almqvist	English, Science, Music			
Kate Edmonds	Science, French, Social Studies			
Ruby McKellow	Design, Visual Communication, Mathematics, Social Studies			
Kyla Santos	Mathematics, French, Spanish			
Carmen Woodhouse	English, Hard Materials Technology, Mathematics			
Twiolo Bevan	English			
Emily Bisset	Art			
Allegra Boyd Slawson	Social Studies			
Aimee Clark	English			
Will Cooper	Sports Science			
Oto Higuchi	Physical Education			
Fineen Hingston	Drama			
Tim Johnson	Sports Science			
Cameron Marshall	Sports Science			
Niki Nakao	Science			
Kelsey Reading	English			
Martin Saa Soto	Spanish			
Harry Thomas	Mathematics			
Phoebe Wallace	French			
Oliver Watson-Palmer	Mathematics			

Board of Trustees Student Representative Election 2018

Nominations are invited for the election of one Student Representative on the Wakatipu High School Board of Trustees. All students enrolled full-time in Year 9 and above and under 20 years old, are eligible to be placed on the electoral roll, stand for election and vote in the school's election for the Student Representative on the Wakatipu High School Board of Trustees. The voting roll is open for inspection at Reception and may be viewed during opening hours.

If you are considering standing for the election, you need to print the nomination form emailed to all eligible students on Friday 10 August or obtain a nomination form from Reception. The nomination form is to be completed and returned to Miss Dawson at Reception before midday on Friday 24 August, along with a short candidate statement (400 words max, also to be emailed to kdawson@wakatipu.school.nz) that will be printed as part of the voting paper. There will be a list of candidates' names as they come to hand on the notice board by the TVs in the Foyer.

The Student Representative's term of office is 12 months. Further information may be found in the Student Trustee Handbook - <http://online.fliphtml5.com/dvtu/ugsg/#p=1>. This link was emailed to all students on 10 August.

Voting papers will be given to eligible students on Wednesday 29 August in Ako Time.

Voting will close at midday on Friday 7 September 2018.

The timeline for the student election is as follows:

Electoral Roll available	Wednesday 8 August
Nomination forms available	Friday 10 August
Nominations close	Midday Friday 24 August
Voting papers issued in Ako Time	Wednesday 29 August
Voting closes	Midday Friday 7 September
Votes counted	Thursday 13 September
New trustee takes office	Tuesday 18 September – First Board of Trustees Meeting

Karla Dawson (Principal's PA)

Finance

A big thank you to those who have paid their school fees, or are in an arrangement to pay. We have sent out statements yesterday. A reminder re trips - Our school policy is that activities have to be paid for in full before the trip unless you are in an arrangement to pay. Upcoming trips/activities are:

- Year 9 Ski Programme
- Winter Tournament

As always please contact the finance team if you have any questions regarding your school account.

Please also contact us if you haven't received a statement – we may need to update your details.

Michelle Loggenberg

Careers Notices

University Scholarships for Year 13 Students
MoneyHub, a consumer finance website, has published a guide to hundreds of scholarships for any student planning to start university in 2019. The comprehensive list includes scholarships offered by every university as well as those specifically available to local students. A list of privately-funded, Māori, Pacific and International university scholarships completes the list. Applications close throughout the year, with tens of millions of dollars available. MoneyHub has also published a list of tips for scholarship success. For more details and to find suitable scholarships, visit the MoneyHub Scholarship [page](#).

Defence Careers Experience over the period 1 - 5 October 2018.
This event is open to Year 12/13 Secondary School students. The Defence Careers Experience will provide a forum for your students to explore career opportunities, develop team and leadership skills, enhance personal confidence, resilience and experience some aspects of life in the military. Defence Careers cover all cost's including food, accommodation & transport. To register for the event click [here](#) to fill out the appropriate google form. Registrations close on the 19 August 2018.

Course Planning Support for Enrolments
We have the following Liaison Advisors running Course Planning for students enrolling for 2019 Programmes. These are as follows:

- University of Otago – Thursday 16 and Friday 17 August– all day but we try to schedule students during breaks and SIL periods
- Otago Polytech – Thursday 23 August – 1.50-3.00pm
- Auckland University – Wednesday 29 August – 9.00-10.00 am
- Victoria University – Monday 17 September 9.00-10.00am
- Canterbury University – will be coming to school now, date to be confirmed
- Massey College of Creative Arts– Wednesday 29 August – 1.50- 3.30pm will be in the Art department to talk with prospective students about careers in the creative sector, the programmes of Massey's College of Creative Arts, and their (portfolio) selection process.

Year 10 Careers Programme -The year 10 students were taken through the Choicesmatch programme on Monday. We did have some delays with generating the report with some students and they have been asked to please redo the task. It would be really helpful if parents/caregivers can make sure that this has happened and view and discuss the final report with your child. This is the starting point for year 10 students to identify possible/suitable career pathway based on their interests, skills, and personality.

Option choices are your first career choices
- you need to plan carefully

- TOP 10 TIPS**
1. Be well organised and have a plan that supports future opportunities – work towards it and review often
 2. Set longer term goals and work backwards
 3. Choose subjects that keep options open
 4. Check the on-line Course Option Booklet (pages 4-6) for extra careers advice
 5. Talk to subject teachers or Head of Learning Areas for more advice on courses
 6. Make sure you know about pre-requisites for entry from level to level for school courses and what you need for further study beyond school and NCEA/UE Requirements
 7. Choose subjects you enjoy and are good at to fit with your interests, abilities, passions and strengths
 8. Mostly previous achievement or poor achievement dictate options choices and available pathways beyond school
 9. Be positive and believe in yourself – have a 'you can do it attitude'
 10. If unsure be sure to seek advice - we're here to help.

Influences on Career Decisions
You need to build confidence, be connected and actively involved and a lifelong learner – Develop Self-Awareness, Explore Opportunities, Decide and Act
People who influence you are: Yourself, Family, Teachers, Careers Advisor, Friends, Media, and Employers

Bronwyn Gardiner and Tanya Glanfield

Mountain Trip

Some fantastic - and very lucky - students took a trip up to Coronet Peak this week - please see a short article below written by one of our students, Louise, all by herself. We all had an amazing day up the hill!

Ellen Paterson

Blake Tash Amos Louise Ellen Fran went down the slides.

We went in the ice house up the mountain.

We went up the mountain on Friday.

- By Louise Wright



Media Studies Visit

WHS Media Studies students must be the luckiest in the country. We have access to a thriving local film industry, stunning locations and best of all, experts who are willing to share their time and experience with us.

Last week the Level 2 classes welcomed Trey Ratcliff, renowned travel photographer, to share some of his favourite photos from his [stuckincustoms.com](#) blog as well as his unique pathway into photography. Under his instruction we ventured outside for a crash course in framing and focal length.

Many thanks to Trey for sharing his ideas about creativity, what to read and what not to care about.

On that note -- if you work in the media, we'd love to have you in so students can hear about some of the many opportunities in the industry. Just email me at jsmart@wakatipu.school.nz

Jennifer Smart

International Site Launched

Wakatipu High School's new International study microsite has officially launched and is now available by clicking [here](#). Thank you to everyone who has put so much hard work into designing and creating the new site. We look forward to welcoming more international students and sharing our wonderful school and community with them in the future.



