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Notices

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

Notices are refreshed daily and can be accessed from anywhere, anytime. Check out the notice board for all the latest updates and information about ongoing events and WHS.

Principal's Message

Kia ora - as flagged, no piece from me this week but a quick correction from last week. I am very future-focused and got a bit ahead of myself last week - today marks the end of the first half of the term:)

Steve Hall, Principal

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, netball, snow sports and more. Posts this week include **#TEAMWHS**'s incredible Haka Performance at Mount Aspiring College on Wednesday and information on our upcoming course plannning sessions with The University of Auckland, Victoria University and more.

Another great resource is Facebook's message function - please feel free to message us on Facebook with any queries, questions or feedback surrounding your child's journey at WHS.

Important Dates

Date	Event	Who
Monday 27 August	80ED Mountain Expedition	Year 13's
Wednesday 29 August	SSS Senior Netball League	Seniors in Netball
Thursday 30 August	Victoria and Massey Uni Open Day	Year 13's
Friday 31 August	Exam results on Student Portal	Seniors
Monday 3rd September	Winter Tournament Week Begins	All Students

NZQA Fees & Financial Assistance for NCEA Exams 2018

Paying your fees will enable your results to be recorded on your Record of Achievement and to receive any certificates.

Domestic Students pay \$76.70 for all standards

International students pay \$383.30 for all standards

Scholarship exam fees are \$30 per subject but this will be charged later once students are attached to those standards. If you are a domestic student you can apply for Financial Assistance, to see if you meet the conditions please click here for further information. To get Financial Assistance you need to complete the Financial Assistance form and hand it in to the school office. You can get this form from the office or the NZQA website here.

All fees are due by Thursday 30th August 2018.

Dax Richards, Principal's Nominee and Maths Teacher

Play It Strange Songwriting Competition

Congratulations to Cheery Moon who have made it onto the Play It Strange national songwriting finalists album for 2018. This is open to secondary students throughout the country and recognises excellence in song writing. The group now gets to have their song professionally recorded and added to the album which will be released later in the year. Cheery Moon members are - **Hannah Coombe, Becky Reid, Zak Komene**

Alison Price, HoLA Arts

One Act Play National Festival

On Monday August 20th, nine students from the WHS drama department competed in the regional final of the New Zealand TheatreFest One Act play Festival for 2018.

The cast presented a modern adaptation of NZ playwright, Renee's 'Tiggy Tiggy Touchwood'.

This was the second stage of the festival was adjudicated by Jonty Hendry, former Artistic Director of Fortune Theatre & former Head of Acting at Toi Whakaari (NZ Drama School). Jonty was very impressed with the imaginative and original interpretation and the maturity of the young performers.

Special mention to Leah McHugo and Izzy Jack for their amazing performances as Tig & Missy and Hannah Coombe for her original composition for the play.

The whole cast was exceptional and we now await results from the other regional festivals to find out if we have qualified for Nationals in mid-spetember

Full Cast:

Izzy Jack
Leah Mchugo
Annie Black
Tucker Paris
Jenson Forsyth
Hannah Coombe
Izzy Morrison
Emeline lewis
Tasman Hughes - Lighting

Kata Moetaua and Jake Hansen, Drama

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Head Student's Update

Term three is flying by and so much has happened already! House Basketball is over and done with, getting heaps of people participating as well as the Year 13's doing some charity work and letting the teachers win.

Last Wednesday many of us went up to Mount Aspiring College to compete in the 2nd annual school sporting exchange. It was great for us to get the win 10-7 and a huge thank you to all coaches and teachers that made it possible. It was also great to see so many events taking place, showing our talents across a wide range of sports. With the exchange came the last game of rugby for the first XV so I'd like to use this to say a huge thank you to Mr Mac and Mr Gilbert who gave up so many hours to coach and travel with us. Many other sports will be wrapping up too so remember to thank everyone who has helped you or your team out.

Mock exam results will start coming in soon too! They're always a challenge being so early in the term but, being resilient students of Wakatipu, we persevere. It was good to see students studying hard and taking them seriously, so if for some reason your child doesn't get the result that they want don't be too hard on them!

This week marks the end of week five and the year is flying by. I felt like it was just yesterday that I got the email asking for my Year 13 quote and now it's due tomorrow and I'm trying to restrain myself from googling "Funniest yearbook quote". People told me that I should have it as, "I'm always right, even when I'm wrong." I told them that's not true but they're all way too stubborn to admit that they're wrong.

Hopefully you all have a great weekend,

Alfie Duffy, Deputy Head Boy

Cultural Blues Awards

Nominations are now open for Wakatipu High School's Cultural Blues Awards. Cultural Blues are a celebration of the Arts which recognise contribution, leadership and achievement in Visual Arts (Painting, Drawing and Photography), Performing Arts (Drama, Speech and Drama, Dance and Kapa Haka) and Music.

You may nominate yourself or someone else to receive an award. Recipients include students from Years 9 - 13. Nominations must be submitted no later than 4pm on Friday, 7th of September. Please click here to view the nomination form with additional information.

Nominees will be notified if their application has been successful.

This year the Cultural Blues will be held at WHS in the theatre on Tuesday, 30th October. Remember to save the date.

Please contact Monica Parker at **mparker@wakatipu.school.nz** with any further questions.

Monica Parker, Arts Coordinator

Media Workshop

A small group of Media Studies students were treated to a thought-provoking and hands-on workshop on Wednesday, thanks to the Outlook for Someday team. Students explored local and national issues around sustainability and then learned storytelling and filmmaking techniques from two industry professionals: Auckland-based director Jeremiah Tauamiti and local photographer Simon Williams.

In the afternoon they worked together to make a short film which goes to show you don't need tons of time or super flash gear to tell a good story! Our old high school site brought back fond memories of whole school assemblies (not even kidding) and also provided the perfect backdrop to their film about the sense of dislocation felt by some young locals; the need for a space in Queenstown to meet and mingle.

Future media students should definitely keep an ear out for this workshop next year.

All photos are courtesy of Simon Williams (thanks Si!)

Jennifer Smart, English and Media Studies





Steptember

Hi everyone! This is a further call for any students who want to participate in Steptember this year to sign up now! You have until midnight tonight to register for your free event pack to be delivered in time. However, you can still sign up after that date if you already have a pedometer.

Sign up right now (click register) using the code: whs18 and this will bypass the registration fee.

If you weren't lucky enough to take part last year and you want to know more, just head to the Steptember website here or email me at 14crosie@wakatipu.school.nz.

The challenge is to take 10,000 steps a day for 28 days straight. The average office worker takes only 3,000 steps a day, so Steptember is a great way to boost your own fitness and do something great for kids and adults with cerebral palsy at the same time. We will be running events and games all month to help you get to that 10k!

Just organise a team of four, and nominate one person as your team captain. The captain signs themselves up (using the code: whs18 so that all team member's rego costs are covered) and invites three team members to join. Each team member will receive an email invitation which they click on to complete their registration.

If you can't find a full team of four, let us know (14crosie@wakatipu.school.nz) and we will help you find a team.

Remember to sign up with Wakatipu High School as your group so you can compete against other students and staff!

Sign up for Steptember now. Thanks so much!

Chester Rosie, Deputy Head Boy

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Youth MP Search

Clutha-Southland MP Hamish Walker is on the hunt for a youth MP to take his place during the New Zealand Youth Parliament 2019.

"Youth Parliament is a wonderful opportunity for young people from all over the country to come to Wellington and debate topical issues facing New Zealand, in the heart of Parliament", says Mr Walker.

"It's a great chance for a young person from Clutha-Southland to come and experience the inner workings of Parliament and learn a few new skills.



MP for Clutha-Southland

"I am on the search for a young Clutha-Southlander who is keen to give our region a strong voice in Parliament.

"My fiancé Penny was a youth MP for Eric Roy, and she's happy to give advice to anyone who wants to apply, and to the person who will become Clutha-Southland's Youth MP.

"Nominees must be aged 16-18 years old and will come to Wellington in July next year to experience what it's like to be a MP for a couple of days. They will participate in Parliament, debate a number of issues in Select Committees and attend caucus."

Mr Walker is looking forward to reading all the applications to see what issues the young people of Clutha-Southland think are most important to the region to raise at Youth Parliament 2019.

To apply, applicants need to write no more than 750 words to Hamish Walker. It must include what the applicant believes the three biggest issues in Clutha-Southland are, how these issues could be solved and details of their involvement in their local community. Please email your application to **Hamish.walkermp@parliament.govt.nz** before 1 October 2018.

Year 9 Ski Programme

WHS's Year 9 Students left early this morning for both the ski and non-ski programmes, which will run every Friday for the next five weeks. Today, our non skiiers spent the day hiking, learning about camp crafts, fire safety and - most importantly - how to toast marshmallows properly. They'll undertake a variety of activities throughout the programme. Our skiiers, meanwhile, will spend their time on Coronet Peak practicing and finessing their snow sports skills. Enjoy, everyone!









Snow Sports Selection

Year 10's Cameron Marshall has been invited to join Snow Sports New Zealand's training session today after an amazing performance at last weekend's PUMP Mini Mountain Competition at Treble Cone.

Cameron's mum Kim recieved an e-mail this week from SSNZ Manager Luke Hetzel to invite Cam to join the prestigious team in training. "We are not sure what this will lead to at this stage but... as you can expect Cam is pretty excited about this, he had an awesome competition last weekend at TC taking out the win at the PUMP Mini Mountain," Kim said.

Aside from today's training, Cam is also competing in the NZ Junior Freeride tour consisting of three events next month.

Well done Cam!



"I was one of the judges at PUMP Mini Mountain last weekend. Put simply, Cameron was a standout skier. The rest of the judging panel and I were very impressed. The NZ Freeride Team is having a training day on Friday, and I'd like to invite Cam to join."

MAC Exchange 2018

It was a glorious day in Wanaka on Wednesday when Mt Aspiring College hosted the second annual winter sports exchange between our two schools. WHS had over 170 students represent the school in 17 matches across six different sports. It was a great day of competition which saw MAC keep the Battle of the Range shield for winning the 1st XV Rugby match but WHS brought home the trophy outright this year with a 10-7 victory overall. A huge thank you to all of our coaches and teachers for their efforts in preparing our teams and coaching them on the day and to the great turn out of parents who came to support. Please see results below. For more photos check out the WHS Sports Facebook Page.

Basketball:

Junior Boys Basketball:WHS 74-23 Senior Boys Basketball: WHS 87-31

Football:

Girls 1st XI Football: MAC 2-1 Boys 2nd XI Football: WHS 5-3 Boys 1st XI Football: WHS 3-2

Hockey:

Mixed 1st XI Hockey: WHS 5-2

Netball:

9A Netball: WHS 23-12 10A Netball:WHS 29-22 Senior B Netball: WHS 34-11 Senior A Netball: MAC 29-24

Rugby:

U15 Rugby: WHS 49-5 Girls Rugby: MAC 49-12 1st XV Rugby: MAC 31-17

Volleyball:

Junior Boys Volleyball: MAC 2-0 Junior Girls Volleyball: MAC 2-0 Senior Boys Volleyball: MAC 2-1 Senior Girls Volleyball: WHS 2-1

Overall: WHS won 10-7

Netball - Senior A Division Champions

The Year 10 Firebirds took out the Senior A division of the Wakatipu Netball Centre competition last Saturday with a convincing 34-13 win over Flints Flyers. A great way to cap off a very busy season for the side which included the weekly Southern League competition in Term 2, the SISS Junior Champs in the holidays and numerous other tournaments. A huge thank you to coach Sue Albrecht and manager Kate Moetaua for all of their wonderful efforts with the side.



International Students Sports Day

Yesterday 22 of WHS's 67 current international students travelled to Invercargill to participate in the Southland Secondary School International Student Sports Day. 260 of Southland's international students had the opportunity to experience two sports during the day. They learnt the rules, basic skills and had plenty of game time all the while interacting with other international students. The sports on offer were basketball, volleyball, squash, futsal, dodgeball, badminton and track cycling at the velodrome. Thank you to Study Southland and ILT for sponsoring the event and to Southland Secondary School Sport for putting it together.



Laura Nathan, Sports Coordinator







Above Left: Head Students Olivia Woodham and Alfie Duffy with the spoils Above: Ouinn McDonald looks to evade defenders in 1st XI Boys Football, and Charlie Hogan secures a lineout ball for the U15 Rugby Team Left: Senior Boys Basketball: Kendall Liscom and Cam Jackson make it difficult for the MAC attack, and Senior A Girls Volleyball set up an attack.

Sporting Blues Awards 2018

The 2018 Sporting Blues Awards process is underway. The form is open from today, Friday 24th August and closes Friday 31st August. This form and information will also be sent to coaches and sporting organisations our students are associated with. The nomination form is also available on the school website. There will be a number of students whose competitions are still yet to take place and occur before the end of Term 3 holidays deadline. These results will be included in these awards. To complete a nomination please click here.

Ice Figure Skating - South Island Champs

WHS had three students compete in the South Island Ice Figure Skating Champs held in Queenstown last weekend. Jorja Frewen was second in the Juvenile over 12 grade and Alicia Webster finished fourth, a narrow 0.01 points behind third place. Caragh Early was fourth in the Elementary grade. Congratulations to these girls and their results.



Winter Tournament Week

Winter tournament week is an annual event across the country where a large number of secondary school competitions are held in a range of winter sports. This year WHS is sending eight teams to compete in a range of sports at tournaments of varying levels across the South Island. Next week there will be detailed information on winter tournament week. In the meantime check out the winter tournament team profiles on the WHS Sports Facebook page.

Wakatipu High School Sports Facebook Page

Take a look at the new sports Facebook page and follow it on Facebook by clicking "Like" for all of the latest news, results and updates. Please click here.

Weekly Wrap - Week 5 Results and Week 6 Draw

Results Basketball - Friday 17th August

Junior Boys A beat James Hargest Junior B - 52-25 Senior Boys A lost to James Hargest 1st V - 90-66

Hockey - Friday 17th August

Mixed B lost to Cromwell Red Mixed A - bye

Ice Hockey - Wednesday 22nd August WHS tied with Blue - 4-4

Netball - Saturday 18th August

Senior A Competition: Year 10 Firebirds beat Flints Flyers - 34-13 Senior B Competition: WHS Year 10 Vixens lost to WHS Butter - 24-19 Southern League - Wednesday 22nd August WHSA - Bye

Draw Basketball - Friday 24th August

Junior A Boys vs James Hargest Junior A Boys - Stadium Southland Court 1 5pm - Final Senior A Boys vs Verdon - Stadium Southland Court 2 7:30pm

Football - Wednesday 29th August 1st XI Boys vs James Hargest - NSC 4pm

Hockey - Thursday 23rd August

Mixed B vs Cromwell Blue - Cromwell 4:45pm Friday 4th August Mixed A vs Dunstan 2nd XI - Cromwell 6:45pm

Ice Hockey - Thursday 23rd August

WHS vs Gold - Ice Rink 7:45pm

Netball - Wednesday 29th August Senior A - Southern League 3rd/4th playoff TBC

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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:

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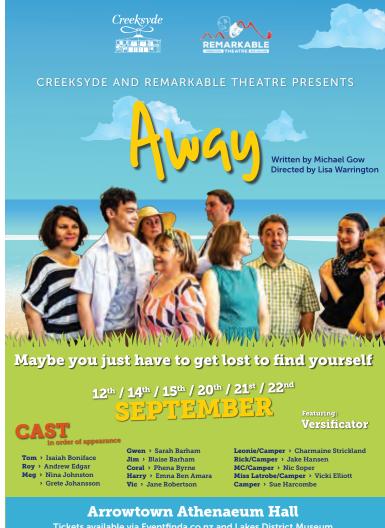
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August 30: Can we ever fix Queenstown's housing crisis? Housing Minister Phil Twyford, Generation Rent author and independent economist

TWO BIG TOPICS COMING UP OVER THE NEXT MONTH...

Shamubeel Eaqub, and Queenstown Lakes Community Housing Trust chair Martin Hawes will speak, before the floor opens to questions. Between them, they will cover national,

local, societal and economic perspectives of this multipronged and vexed issue Read <u>Catalyst's task force report</u>, which we compiled after our 2015 affordable housing forum and subsequent community workshops, outlining required actions over two, 10 and $\,$ 30-year periods. Was any heed taken? The evening will end with an opportunity for

Queenstown Memorial Centre, August 30, 7 PM to 8:30 PM. \$5 koha at door. Registration required with tickets available through our page on Eventbrite. Please bring your tickets (printed, emailed or Eventbrite app).

September 4: NZ Treasury – the choices, the challenges.

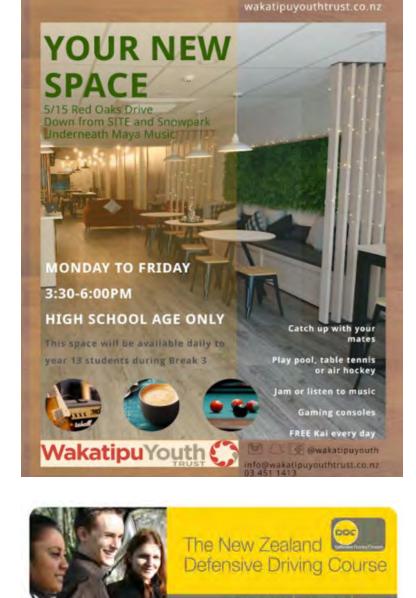
Makhlouf, who grew up in the Pacific as the son of UN diplomats, will also reflect on the different lens Treasury's new "Living Standards" framework and his own perspective as an immigrant might provide to both the issues and potential solutions.

NZ Treasury CEO and secretary Gabs Makhlouf will outline the key policy

challenges and choices ahead for New Zealand.

room. \$5 koha at the door. Registration is required with tickets available through this link to our page on Eventbrite. Please bring your tickets (printed, emailed or Eventbrite app).

Tuesday, September 4, 7:00 to 8:30 PM, The Rees Hotel Queenstown conference







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