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

Facebook Page

Please see our Facebook page for all the latest updates from Wakatipu High School, and take a look at our sports page for news on football, rugby, snow sports and more. Recent posts include our WHS Arts Instagram account and last weekend's trip to the Dunedin Tertiary Open Day.



Principal's Message

Kia ora, and welcome to the Wakatipu High School newsletter at the end of the second week of term, which has been a busy one as the term really hits its stride. We hope everyone saw the PAS Reports which were issued on Monday. Wednesday night's 'Sexuality, the Law and Psychology' evening was very interesting and informative - good on you to those who came along. This afternoon was our summer Sporting Excellence Assembly, and it was great to acknowledge and celebrate participation and achievement in sport, as well as to thank those who make these opportunities possible for our students.

Below are some important events which are coming up next week and in the weeks ahead.

Excellence and Ad Alta Assemblies - are next week, and are where we celebrate students who have have gained over 50% of their NCEA credits at excellence level and achieved in the top 5% in their Learning Engagement (LE) Reports. Also next week for the first time we will recognise junior students who have achieved their Ākonga Passport bronze.

Parents of recipients have been emailed, but the assembly times and dates are:

- Arthur Monday 13 May, 9:00am
- Duncan Monday 13 May, 9:30am
- Fox Wednesday 15 May, 9:10am
- Hay Friday 17 May, 9:00am
- Mackenzie Friday 17 May, 9:30am

We look forward to celebrating our students' success.

Year 12 Health - the 'Loves Me Not' programme for Year 12 students is being held next Tuesday 14. This programme is about healthy relationships - which is such an important topic for our students. As part of the health curriculum, it is compulsory for all Year 12 students.

Student Wellbeing Evening - as a school we are about to begin a wellbeing programme with the NZ Institute of Wellbeing and Resilience. This programme is a long-term project, but as part of the launch one of the Institute's leaders, Dr Denise Quinlan, is running an evening on student wellbeing on Tuesday 21 May, 7pm. Wellbeing is a very important topic - from the government considering it at the highest level in NZ to our young people on a daily basis, so put it in your calendars and come along.

Internet Evening - on Monday 27 we are hosting an evening on online safety for young adults. This is set to be a great event around the topic of internet 'health and well-being' with web expert John Parsons, author of the book 'Keeping Your Child Safe Online'. Please see below for more.

WHS Foundation Rata Dinner - the WHS Foundation is such an important supporter of the school and enables us to be able to deliver a great all-round education for our students. It supports a number of initiatives which support students and staff, both in the present and strategically. The WHSF supports us to the tune of \$200,000 each year and to do this holds a number of fundraisers - and one of these is coming up soon. The Gala Dinner at Rata is on Saturday 8 June, and it's always a great night for a great cause - see below for more.

Some great events coming up - be sure not to miss them. Saturday looks like a good autumn day, while Sunday looks more wintery. Enjoy:)

Internet Use Workshop

John Parsons is presenting an Internet Health and Wellbeing workshop at Wakatipu High School Monday 27 May, 7pm. (Free of Charge)

We are finding parents need help and support around their children's use of ICT - this 1.5 hour workshop has been proven to be an excellent forum regarding internet safety, device time, use of websites and positive support for young people.

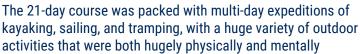
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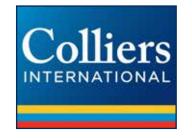
Vicki Patton, Guidance Counsellor



Outward Bound Experience

For three weeks over April, I had the amazing opportunity to attend Outward Bound's School Leaders course in Anakiwa with 25 others from across the country, thanks to the generous support of Colliers International.







challenging. Each morning started with personal time, at dawn which consisted of a run before breakfast and we would be busy throughout the entire day, often late into the night. On top of the demanding physical activities, the course also had plenty of time for self-reflection with a 2-night solo expedition in the bush, along with sessions on personal values and leadership. As one person pointed out during the course you really learn the power of five minutes. There was never any downtime or distractions which made the course that much more intense.

Despite the physical and mental challenges, I felt that the most unique and also valuable part of the Outward bound experience was the people that I met on the course. Through the entire course, I was surrounded by an extremely diverse group of individuals from completely different walks of life. Despite our differences, the whole group formed close friendships that will be appreciated long into the future. Without Outward Bound and the support of Colliers, I would have been extremely unlikely to meet the people I did and be exposed to the wide range of perspectives that they each held.

Again I would like to give a huge thanks to Colliers International for their generosity and continued support. Outward Bound is a truly unique experience and has given me lessons that will be applicable long into the future.

Learn more about Colliers and Outward Bound.

Archie Ritchie, Head Boy





NZ Ski Student Discount

All students enrolled full-time at WHS are entitled to a discount for the 2019 NZSki Lift Pass priced at \$169 for secondary school students. This year, this discount can be accessed via this link, which is live until 5pm on 31 May. Discounted passes may also be purchased at Guest Services locations (Station Building, Coronet Peak, Remarkables) beyond this date.

Y9 Snowsports Programme: As part of the Y9 Health & PE curriculum, all Y9 students will take part in a 5-week programme at Coronet Peak and begins on Friday 23 August. All students must have a 2019 Season Pass to take part. Permission slips are due by Friday 17 May and can be found/accessed on the Snowsports Programme Website at the bottom of the main page. Please check your emails as important detailed information will be sent to all parents and caregivers this afternoon.

Kayleigh Murray, Science and Juliet Scott, Health & PE

Overdue English Textbooks

We have a huge number of overdue English Department novels that were issued last year. Please could all seniors check at home for any overdue class texts and return them.

Senior students are again being issued with texts for this year's novel study and should be reminded that they are responsible for returning the exact copy they were issued. This happens through the library and books not returned at the end of year will be charged for.

Jennifer Smart, Acting Head of English

WHS Science Garden

Hi everyone - We are currently looking for any and all gardening items that could be donated for the purposes of our ongoing Science Pollinators Garden at WHS! This is a great opportunity for students to learn about biology and develop practical gardening skills. We would hugely appreciate any of the following from the community;

- Garden Tools esp Garden Fork, trowels, secateurs, spade etc
- Kowhai Tree
- 1 small trailer loads of top soil

Thank you!

Rose Christian, Science

Film Industry Visit

Did you know Queenstown is the third largest film production centre in the country? Neither did our Media Studies students! Kevin 'KJ' Jennings and Kahli Scott of Film Otago Southland came in to the Scholarship class on Wednesday to talk through the machinations of local film production and the boost given to our local economy by the industry.

Students were treated to the inside story on the production of big budget films like Mission Impossible and stories of passion projects made on a shoestring budget with local talent, like Stray. KJ also outlined in very pragmatic terms, the tensions between the creative and practical processes in film-making. Excellent messages before they launch into productions of their own! Thanks to KJ and Kahli for sharing their experience with us.

Jennifer Smart, Acting Head of English



Head Students' Address

Week 2 has already rolled on past, and the holidays already seem like a distant memory. As always, Term 2 is crunch time. With workloads already ramping up, I thought I would dig into my new Outward Bound quote book to give a small piece of advice for those who are already feeling the pressure.

"If you are going to eat a frog, best not stare at it too long" - Mark Twain. It's best not to procrastinate and dwell on the difficulties. Just get stuck in and focus on the task at hand.

On Monday a group of around 50 year 13s visited Otago University/Polytechnic in Dunedin for the open day. The day was crammed full of presentations, lectures and residential hall visits and was a significant eye-opener into life outside of school for all of us who attended. Along with this, last week a number of WHS students made a significant journey up to Christchurch to visit the University of Canterbury. Students had a similar experience to the Otago open day checking out different departments of the university and the range of residential halls.

As some of you may be aware already, next week is Bully Free New Zealand Week. Throughout this week the Whanaungatanga Council will be running a few friendship/kindness themed activities. Next week will conclude with Pink Shirt Day. On Friday we will encourage students to wear pink accessories to support a Bully Free New Zealand. It will be great to see everyone getting involved to support this amazing cause.

Lastly, the final Wakatipu Reforestation trust community planting day this autumn is on tomorrow on Slopehill Rd. For more information see the facebook page.

That's all from me, Have a great weekend

Thank you!

Archie Ritchie, Head Boy

Parliament XR App

Hamish Walker MP is giving WHS students the opportunity to see the inside of Parliament through the Parliament XR App. Through these headsets, users can step in to a fully immersive experience of Parliament. Hamish will be bringing the virtual reality headsets to the WHS Library at Break 3 on Friday 17 May and students are welcome to attend.

Karla Dawson, Principal's PA

Performing Arts Fueled by the Community

This week the Performing Arts technology class had two very talented community professionals come in and run work shops with the class. This is on the back of the introduction of the new course and there support for the musical. A huge thank you to Ali Soper and Mike Brettell for there time and knowledge.

Jake Hansen, Drama

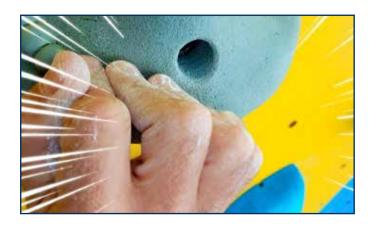




Bouldering/Climbing Competition

Come, test yourself and enjoy some climbing and bouldering at the school wall! Saturday 18 May from 10am - 1pm. The event is free for students and a donation would be hugely appreciated from adults! This is a fun competition which was an enormous success last year, thank you.

Guillaume Charton, Teacher in Charge of the Climbing Team



Sports Report - Week 2

Football - WHS vs Timaru Boys High School

On Thursday the WHS first XI Football team travelled to Timaru to play TBHS in a qualifying match for the Lotto Premier Tournament. The Wakatipu boys played superbly to win 4 to 1.

Well Done! Next up is a match against Otago Boys High School.

Winter sport is now well underway, keep an eye out for incoming results and upcoming fixtures for our teams and individual athletes. If you have any results, updates or photos of our students in action please send them through. apeters@wakatipu.school.nz

Rugby Season kicks off with battle of the Crown Range.

Saturday saw the official start to the 2019 season with our U14 and U16 (Colts) sides playing host to Mt Aspiring College. Both games were well contested, played with a high skill level and pace. Mt Aspiring U14's hit back hard after going down to a dominant Wakatipu team in the first half to take the lead early in the second spell - a classic game of two halves with the home team feeling that this one they let slip away. The Colts in contrast started a little more slowly but warmed into the game soon enough. They proved too strong for their counterparts from Wanaka to take out a solid win to start their season.

Wednesday was a big day for Wakatipu HS rugby as not only did the Girls begin their season with a 7's tournament at Jack Reid Park the 1st XV played their first ever Otago Premier Schools game. The girls, comprising of mostly Y9, 10 and 11 players, many of whom were playing for the first time, had a very successful night gaining wins against Mt Aspiring, Cromwell and Dunstan. Their only loss of the night was to the Cromwell Senior side but this was a very close encounter.

The 1st XV were very privileged to have All Black and Crusaders legend Justin Marshall present the playing jerseys and a special opportunity for us to have him present Lachlan Marshall his 1st XV Cap.

The 1st XV game ended dramatically with Mt Aspiring scoring a try on the final whistle to take the win after a sustained period of attack. With Wakatipu leading 22-14 with less than 10 minutes to play the experience and calm heads of the Mt Aspiring side prevailed. Some key learnings to take from this but also great confidence for the team as they now know first hand that they are and will be competitive in this competition.

This Saturday teams will travel away with the U14 and Colts teams heading to Mosgiel to play Taieri College and the 1st XV to Oamaru to play St Kevins. Round 2 of the Central Girls Sevens is in Alexandra next Wednesday.

Click here for more information.

Alexa Peters, Sports Coordinator and Jim Gilbert, Teacher in Charge of Rugby





WHS Mobile App

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





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

Push Notifications

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

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

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

Other Features

The app also gives you quick links to:

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

Date	Event	Who
Monday 13 - Friday 17 May	Excellence and Ad Alta House Assemblies	Everyone (Parents by invite)
Friday 17 May	Pink Shirt Day	Everyone
Monday 20 - Monday 27 May	House Debating	Students
Tuesday 21 May	Wellbeing Evening with Dr Denise Quinlan	Parents
Saturday 25 May	School Formal	Seniors
Monday 27 May	John Parsons - Cybersafety talk	Parents and Students
Friday 31 May	Teacher Only Day (No Students at School)	Everyone

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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:

Chris Duffy (Trustee): chris.duffy@crowehorwath.co.nz +64 3 450 1801 Mia McGregor (Executive Officer): wakatipuhsfoundation@gmail.com + 64 22 037 8993

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Just Cuts in Frankton is offering a \$1 donation to WHS for all services over \$20 from now until the end of June. A style is \$30 for adults and \$25 for teenagers. All people have to do is mention that they are part of WHS and \$1 of the fee will be donated back to the school.

Just Cuts is on 19 Grant Road, Frankton for anyone interested in this great deal!





Sunday 26th May 9:30AM - 12PM Hilton Queenstown Resort & Spa



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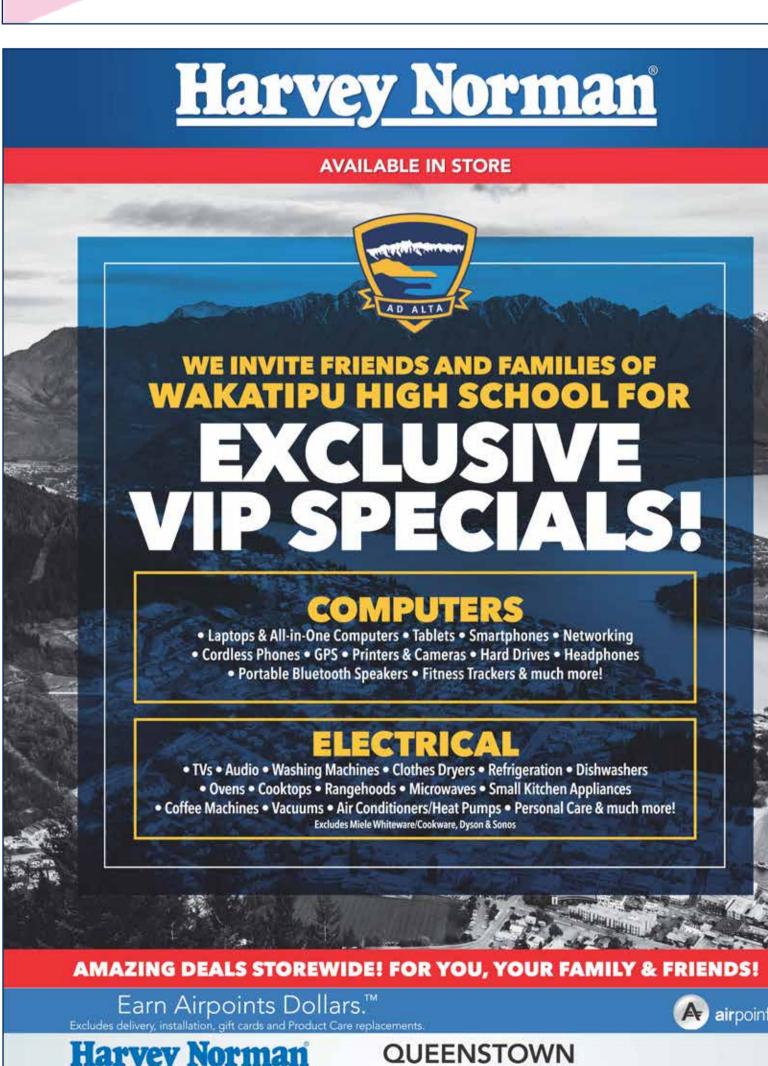
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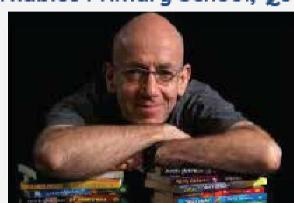
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Australian Children's Laureate

Morris Gleitzman

Wednesday 15 May 2019 at 4pm at Remarkables Primary School, Queenstown



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The tagline of the independent Ombudsman Office is "fairness for all". It is the official entity that handles complaints about and investigates state sector agencies, administers the Official Information Act and protects citizens' rights through activities like monitoring prisons and implementing the UN disabilities convention.

Aimee Bryant is a principal advisor to the Chief Ombudsman and she will discuss her office's role in ensuring fairness, transparency and the fundamental right of citizens to access government information. She will cover topical issues plus trends she has seen on these fronts during her five years in the office. And how best to get information from perhaps reluctant officials. With local body elections this year and central government in 2020, it's a good time to be informed about how to get official information...

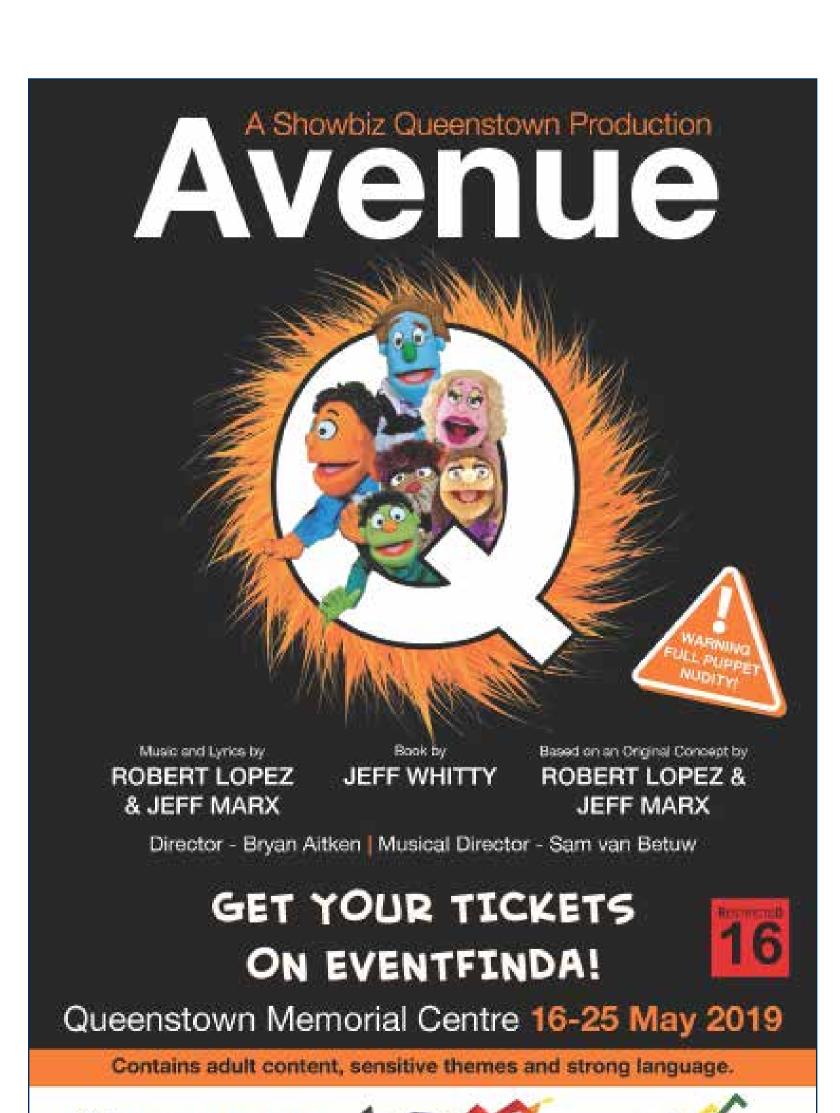
Monday, May 20, 6 to 7:30 PM, The Rees Hotel Queenstown conference room, \$5 koha at door. Registration is required as seating will be limited, with tickets available through Catalyst Trust's <u>Eventbrite page</u>. Please bring your tickets (printed, emailed or Eventbrite app).



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Arthur's Point, Wakatipu Basin, Lake Hayes Estate, Shotover Country	mid – late April
Frankton, Frankton Rd, Fernhill, Quail Rise, Kelvin Heights, Jack's Point & Hanley's Farm	early May
Queenstown Hill & CBD	early June



Glenorchy, Kingston, Arrowtown and Gibbston residents should already have their bins. If you didn't get yours, call QLDC on 03 441 0499.

When your bins arrive:

- check that the street number on the bins matches your house.
- Your bin is tagged to your place.
- help out any absentee neighbours by taking their bins off the street.

The new kerbside collections won't start until 1 July, so keep using your old bins and blue bags until then. Check out the FAO's online or call QLDC on 03 441 0499 if you have any questions.









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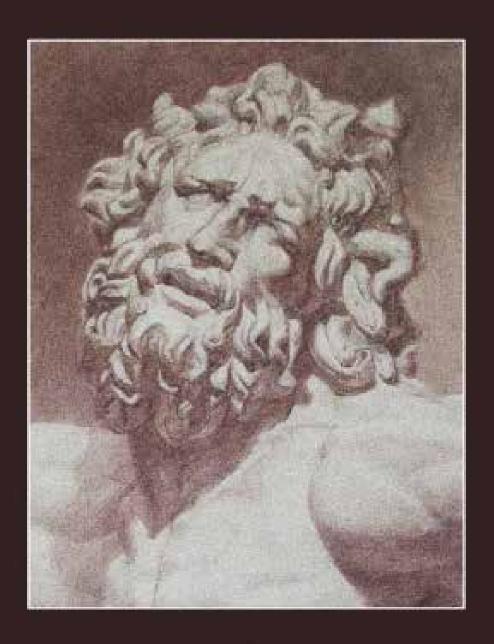
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