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Notices

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 Youth Philanthropy New Zealand, Queenstown Robostormers and the Generation Give Raffle.



Principal's Message

Another great and busy week in which Wakatipu High School's great all-round education was in full swing. We began with senior exams wrapping up and it was pleasing to see many students putting in the necessary time and energy to perform to their potential. There are only nine school weeks left before seniors go on exam leave, and it is very important that senior students put study plans into place to ensure that their academic and pathway goals are achieved.

Junior Next Steps were on Tuesday and it was great to see so many parents and students in attendance for this very important evening with Kaiārahi. If you were unable to attend, it's definitely not too late to meet, so please get in touch with the Kaiārahi or Dean, as appropriate. Year 10 students have recently completed their 'Careers Planning' sessions and they should be using this to help with 2020 Option Selection, which needs to be completed for all students by 4 pm next Friday 23 August. This is a great topic of conversation for parents/caregivers to be having with their students and again, if you would like support with the process or option selection, please be sure to contact us.

Meanwhile, our Year 13 students are starting to prepare for university life, getting Scholarship and Accommodation applications ready for submission. Speaking of University, a group of Year 10 and 11 students have just returned from Otago University where they learned about the latest research pertaining to a range of topics from philosophy, business, genetics and geography (see below for more details). Also today, our Year 9 Peer Mentoring Programme culminated in a Community Service Day, in which nearly 100 Year 9's, along with their 30 Peer Leaders, went out into the community and provided service and support in a range of contexts (see below for more details). Next year, we are on board with the Graham Dingle Foundation and will be running the Stars (peer mentoring) Programme with all our new entrant Year 9's. We will need up to 75 Peer Leaders to support, so Year 11 and Year 12 students should keep an eye out for this great leadership opportunity.

The Branches Trust Fundraiser - Arts and Hors D'oeuvres, was last Friday evening and it was nice to see it being so well supported by our community. A huge thanks to the Branches Trust and to all the artists who contributed to a great event.

Next Tuesday, we will be hosting Mt Aspiring College (MAC) for our annual winter sports exchange, which we're looking forward to (see below for more details).

Hope everyone has a great weekend.

Oded Nathan, Acting Principal

Community Service Day

The final phase of this year's peer mentoring pilot programme saw approximately 100 year 9's and their senior mentors taking part in community service across the basin today. From cleaning up the Arrowtown Trail to helping out at Happiness House, active citizenship was the focus of the day.

Whilst some literally rolled up their sleeves to clean, tidy, sort, check traps and pick up litter, others engaged on a more personal level with young and old alike. The students responded well to being taken out of their comfort zones, positively contributing to the diverse needs of the Wakatipu Community.

Many members of the public were grateful for their contribution to cleaning up the tracks, streets, and parks of Arrowtown. Ka pai to those involved for demonstrating our value of responsibility! Thanks go to all the community groups that got behind this initiative and welcomed our students into their ranks for the day.









Helen Jermy, Programme Support Coordinator

Gifted and Talented

On Thursday 15 August and Friday 16 August, a small group of Year 10 and 11 students were lucky enough to have the opportunity to travel to Dunedin, in order to learn what life is like at the University of Otago and to get a taste for some of the courses available.

On Thursday we started with a quick tour of the campus, looking at things like the labs and lecture halls. Afterwards we went to one of the collages and learned about what it was like being a first year. We then went to do a business course. In this course, we had to try and come up with a business idea using words from a spinning wheel and make a mini sales pitch. It was quite interesting to see all of the creative ideas. Next we went to learn a bit about the geography course. Everyone learned plenty of new things about Lake Wakatipu.

Friday was a full day, starting by looking at the dance theatre and doing an interactive session, followed by looking at genetics and after tht religion. We are all thankful for this great opportunity.



Sophie Thompson, Student







Student Representative Election for the Board of Trustees 2019

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. Student trustees have equal standing, voice, accountabilities and vote as other board members. The Student Representative's term of office is 12 months.

Further information may be found in the Student Trustee Handbook here.

A nomination form and copy of this notice has been distributed to all eligible voters on the student roll on Wednesday 14 August. If you are considering standing for the election, you need to print the nomination form or collect from Reception. The nomination form is to be completed and returned to Miss Dawson at Reception before midday on Friday 30 August, along with a short candidate statement (400 words max, also to be emailed to kdawson@wakatipu.school.nz) and may include a photograph. These 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.

Voting papers will be given to eligible students by Wednesday 4 September in Ako Time. Voting will close at midday on Friday 13 September 2019.

The timeline for the student election is as follows:

- Electoral Roll available Wednesday 14 August
- Nomination forms available Friday 16 August
- · Nominations close Midday Friday 30 August
- · Voting papers issued in Ako Time Wednesday 4 September
- Voting closes Midday Friday 13 September
- Votes counted Thursday 19 September
- New trustee takes office Friday 20 September (First Board of Trustees Meeting Monday 23 September)

Karla Dawson, Principal's PA

Kate Moetaua Foundation Scholarship Application 2019

Envisioned by Kate, developed by T and the girls - The Kate Moetaua Foundation supports Wakatipu area children to reach their full potential in art, sport culture etc through scholarship funding.

Please click here for an application form which needs to be completed by 5pm on 22 August.



Generation Give Raffle



Students are selling raffle tickets this week to put money towards six chosen charities, which will be given at the Wayfare Spirit of the Wakatipu Gala Evening on September 14.

Students will be selling the tickets around town for \$5. Keep an eye out or message wakatipucommunityfoundation@gmail.org to purchase. The raffle will be drawn next Friday 23 August.

Blenheim Jazz Trip



Last Tuesday the jazz bands set out on their annual twelve hour bus trip to Blenheim to compete and perform at the Southern Jam event.

There were 13 schools involved with 22 bands playing in total. Over the four days we played five gigs, had a masterclass and competition and listened to other bands that were playing. This year WHS did very well with both bands achieving a gold grading, which is an exceptional result. Eliott Allemand was named Best Saxophone player and Harrison Maguire gained the Best Drummer award. Both were in the All-Stars band which recognises the stronger players from throughout the week. Our Ensemble (Big Band) won the overall Ensemble section which was an outstanding result given the level of competition on show.

Huge thanks to Alistair Monteath and Vince Leahy who have run the practices and tutored the students to this level. Also to Gen Numaguchi who gave up weekend time to help run the practices; Natasha Kumar, Paula Bell and Toni Glover who came on the trip and supported the students, the parents who cooked up a storm and Matt Rhodes our wonderful bus driver.

And a final well done to the students who performed and entertained with great skill and energy. This year we were also lucky enough to have hoodies donated by Ronnie and Kevin Bouchier and designed by Melissa Hinves. We looked fabulous!

To watch the videos taken from the event, click here.





Careers Update

Year 13 University Scholarships

Application deadlines for University Scholarships for Year 13 students are now beginning to close, so please revisit the MoneyHub Scholarship page and ensure that all your applications are in on time. As advertised in previous newsletters, the MoneyHub website provides a guide to hundreds of scholarships for any student planning to start university in 2020. The comprehensive list includes scholarships offered by every university as well as those specifically available to local students. A list of privately-funded, Maori, 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.

Year 13 Applying for University Accommodation for 2020

Most opened 1 August and the first round of offers for accommodation need to be completed by 15 September. Please call by the Careers Hub if you would like assistance with this.

Years 10-12 Course Selection for 2020

To assist with course selection, Year 10-12 students could look at www.careers.govt.nz/tools/career-checker/at-school/ where there are links to:

- Plan your school subjects
- · Explore tertiary study options
- Find out about apprenticeships

Melanie Holland, Careers Advisor

Trades Academy Cromwell

The Hospitality and Level 3 Cookery students cooked and decorated 400 cupcakes for Cromwell Primary School – which they sold as a fundraiser for St Johns!

Tanya Glanfield, Careers Assistant



Emerging Creatives

The Senior Design students are about to put on the annual group exhibition of their latest Design work.

This year we are also joining forces with Mt Aspiring students, with the aim of creating an ongoing regional event.

The basis of each student's work stems from a brief that they have individually devised. On show are their posters which present a collection of ideas they initially explore, with one final larger piece as the final resolved work. The variety of ideas and styles explored is the hallmark of this exhibition displaying the wonderfully creative statements made by our young people.

This year we are exhibiting the work at a new and exciting art space at the Five Mile Shopping centre. Marc Blake, the director of Queenstown Contemporary, has kindly offered his full support in providing this venue.

Our thanks also go out to Fluid Design who have very generously provided the venue in the last five years, however, due to the increasing numbers of students involved, we have needed to find a bigger space.

Queenstown Contemporary is an exciting new arts initiative that offers a lot of opportunities for the wider community. I encourage you to come along to view our exhibition and to also give your support to the development and establishment of a permanent, world class community Arts Hub.

Opening night is Friday 30 August at 6.30pm.

We would love to see you there!

Leslie Koehn, Assistant Head of Arts



Head Students' Address



Hey guys,

What a busy week it has been. Senior mock exams were on Monday and Tuesday and the House Gaming Competition started on Wednesday.

House Gaming is off to a great start with the theatre full of students who came to support their House and friends as they go head to head in an intense game of Fifa. On Wednesday we had Arthur beat Mackenzie in juniors and seniors, Hay beat the Duncan juniors and Duncan beat the Hay seniors. On Thursday Fox beat the Arthur juniors and Hay juniors came out on top with a close game, going into overtime against Mackenzie. The Hay seniors also won against Mackenze. Arthur and Fox seniors drew.

The Arts Council is still running Bob Ross Painting sessions every second Wednesday in the art area, starting up again next Wednesday. Everyone is welcome to come along and create a piece of art.

I personally have been super busy with One Act Play. I am apart of a cast and crew of eight students who travelled to Dunedin last weekend to perform the play 'The Rosenburg Sisters.' We won an award for the most Innovative Performance and one of our talented cast got an emerging talent award. We are now moving on to regionals in Timaru next week and we are rehearsing for this exciting event everyday.

On Monday 19 August we are performing after school, starting at 4pm. Everyone is welcome to come and watch our half hour show.

That's all from me for this week, have a great weekend!

Tasman Hughes, Deputy Head Girl

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Football - New Zealand Under 17 Women's Football ID Camp

Well done to Nieve Collin who has been selected for the NZU17 Women's Football ID Camp. Nieve will travel to Auckland at the end of September to participate in the camp. All the best Nieve, we look forward to following your progress.

Snow Sports - Skiing Halfpipe and Slopestyle, Toyota Rev Tour and US Nationals

Congratulations to Samantha Johnston who competed in the Toyota Rev Tour event at Copper Mountain in Colorado back in February. The Rev Tour is an open age group event for athletes making the transition to Elite level. Samantha competed in the ski halfpipe and placed 3rd in a field of 16. Samantha then went on to qualify for the US Nationals in ski halfpipe and slopestyle U14 events where she placed 5th in both. Fields were large in both events, consisting of the best athletes competing in the US in her age group.

Weekly Results

Hockey

A team lost 4-0 to Dunstan High School 1st XI in the finals to come second in the Central Otago Competition - Player of the day was Buddy Rich.

Good luck to the A team who travel to Blenheim for the South Island Secondary Schools tournament in September. B team lost 5-0 to Upper Clutha - Player of the day was Micah Walther.

Rughy

1st XV - Beat St Kevin's 26 -17. Qualifying top of the bottom 4 group in the Otago Premier Schools Comp - Our boys are now due to play in a finals match this Saturday vs St Kevin's again at the WHS pitch.

U14's - Had a come from behind win 29-22 against John McGlashan Blue, making the trek to Dunedin all worthwhile. The match was played in the worst conditions of the season so far, with both sides playing positive rugby and making very few handling errors. The last game of the season for the U14's is this Saturday against Waitaki Boys High School. We are looking forward to what will be a great arm wrestle, having gone down to them earlier in the season.

Basketball

Southland Basketball Association - Both Junior and Seniors had a bye week last week. Monday 12 August - Junior Boys beat Dunstan High School 100 - 30







Next Tuesday 20 August we will be hosting Mt Aspiring College (MAC) for our annual winter sports exchange. This year all games and matches will be played here at school, apart from the Hockey match which will take place at the Cromwell Hockey Turf. The draw for the day, plus further details and student expectations will be emailed directly to students who will be participating and their parents. We are looking forward to a great day of winter sport and hope that we can hold on to the trophy for another year!

Alexa Peters, Sports Coordinator

Climbing Team Special News

Calling all keen young climbers, do you want to take part in the Queenstown Climbing Club (QCC) Youth Development Programme?

If you are a keen and committed young climber (between 12 and 18 years old for the duration of the programme) and want to develop your climbing skills through a six month programme (from mid September until end of March 2020), then apply for this amazing opportunity.

QCC will cover mentors' costs, most of the overnight trips and daily trips costs and group gear.

QCC will also cover 50% of indoor wall fees if not already purchased.

Applicants must be Queenstown Climbing Club members or become a member by the beginning of the programme (only \$15 for the year).

Email us a motivational letter (no longer than one page) and a supporting statement from your parents by Friday 23 August to queen-stownclimbing@gmail.com.

Only 8 places available! Decisions about successful applicants will be disclosed on Friday 30 August.

A draft of the 2019/2020 Youth Development Programme is as followed:

- A range of indoor climbing sessions.
- One-day and half-day climbing outings on local crags.
- One-day trips on local mountains.
- Overnight trips to South Wye and the Darrans.
- Overnight trip to Wanaka.
- Meetings with mentors and local experts.
- Self reflection discussions and logs.



Successful applicants will assist mentors on future youth programs to continue their development.

If you have any questions about this programme please email Mr Charton at gcharton@wakatipu.school.nz or meet him in the Languages Learning Area space (O Te Rotu).

Guillaume Charton, Head of Languages

Year 10 Branches Camp 2019

A number of you have got in touch regarding the dates for the Year 10 Branches Camp. To confirm, this year's camp dates for all Year 10 students are Friday 29 November - Tuesday 10 December. There is a Branches Camp information evening this term, on Thursday 18 September 7.00pm - 9.00pm at school. All parents/caregivers and students are welcome.

Bridget Janse - Year 10 Branches Camp Coordinator



Noumea 2020 - French Immersion Trip







Next year we are aiming to take students who are learning French (in the senior school) to beautiful Noumea (New Caledonia)!

If you study French in 2020 as senior student you are welcome to apply for this trip, however, it is not compulsory, even if you take French next year.

If you are keen to join and know more about the trip, join the Noumea Google Classroom: go to Classroom, click on '+' sign and enter the code: ndtotrp.

We will have an information evening before the end of term to talk about the programme, timings and costs associated with the trip. All info will posted on the above Classroom.

This is a truly an amazing, once in a lifetime opportunity.

Au revoir,

Guillaume Charton, Head of Languages





LOOKING FORWARD - GIVING BACK

The WHS Foundation is having a very real and positive impact in our school community, funding the school approx \$200,000 per year and raising over \$1.4 million dollars for Wakatipu High School since 2013.

FOCUS 2019



AWHI FUND

We understand that on occasion, families may need assistance in meeting the costs of various aspects of school life.

Supported by the WHS Foundation, WHS operates the Awhi Fund, named for the Maori word for 'help'. This fund is designed to assist families cover the costs of almost any aspect of school life, such as uniform, fees, 'BYOD' devices, camps and school/extra-curricular trips.

If you would like to get more information about Awhi, please contact a school Guidance Counsellor to arrange a confidential meeting.

BECOME A BUSINESS PARTNER The success of the WHS Foundation depends on the strength of its partnerships with community and business leaders. The WHS Foundation business partnership program works with a dynamic group of local companies and professionals who recognise that an exceptional high school offering a great "all-round" education is key to retain families in the region, develop the future employees and entrepreneurs of the Wakatipu Basin and strengthen our local community. Interested in being a part of it?

Contact our Executive Officer on wakatipuhsfoundation@gmail.com or 022 327 9397

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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.

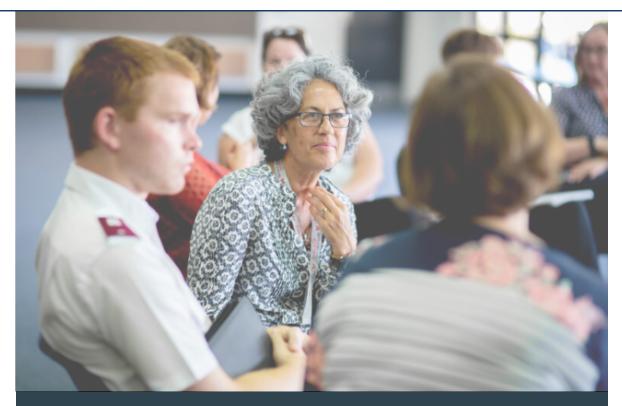
Other Features

The app also gives you guick 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		
Tuesday 20 August	MAC Sports Exchange	Winter Sports Teams		
Thursday 22 August	Year 10 Youth Expo	Year 10 Students		
Friday 23 August	Year 9 Snowsports Programme	Year 9 Students		
Friday 23 August	2020 Course Options Due	Year 9-12 Students		
Friday 30 August	Emerging Creatives Art Exhibition	Everyone		
Thursday 18 September	Branches Camp Information Evening	Everyone		

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QUEENSTOWN FUNDING CLINIC

Looking for funding for a community project?

Not sure where to start and have a few questions?

Come and meet your local funders & discuss your project.

Tuesday, 20 August, 2019 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM Queenstown Events Centre, Jo O'Connell Drive, Queenstown

To register your interest email dianne@communitytrustsouth.nz









Real Time Tracking For Buses

Good on those students and parents who are choosing to use the bus to get around! Our fledging bus service can be challenged by seasonal user changes and traffic congestion and may run late. While ORC is getting on top of this, try using the new real time tracking service to reduce your wait at the bus stop.

Available on phone or desktop, the website (not App) asks you to choose which route you are travelling on, then offers a button called Real-time Tracking which shows how far away your bus is.

https://www.orc.govt.nz/public-transport/queenstown-buses

Anna Mickell, CEO at Queenstown Chamber of Commerce

Arthurs Point to Arrowtown

View other direction

+ Route Map - Real-time tracking

7-days a week Every day except 25 December					Times are a	approximate
All stops		Next Service				
Arthurs Point (Coronet Hotels)		10:05 AM	11:05 AM	12:05 PM	1:05 PM	2:05 PM
Atley Rd (Shotover Top 10 Holiday Park)		10:06 AM	11:06 AM	12:06 PM	1:06 PM	2:06 PM
McChesney Rd		10:07 AM	11:07 AM	12:07 PM	1:07 PM	2:07 PM
Industrial Place		10:13 AM	11:13 AM	12:13 PM	1:13 PM	2:13 PM
Camp St, 23	<	10:18 AM	11:18 AM	12:18 PM	1:18 PM	2:18 PM >
Camp St, Village Green		10:18 AM	11:18 AM	12:18 PM	1:18 PM	2:18 PM
Upper Stanley St		10:20 AM	11:20 AM	12:20 PM	1:20 PM	2:20 PM



Queenstown Primary School **Annual Quiz Night** FRIDAY 20 SEPTEMBER

Tickets available from the QPS School Office OR **QPS SCHOOL SHOP**

7:00 - 11:00PM **QPS SCHOOL HALL**

COME DRESSED AS YOUR ANY SPORT AND TEST YOUR GENERAL KNOWLEDGE (NOT JUST SPORTING QUESTIONS!)



Turn Up the Music and Queenstown Airport are pleased to provide the opportunity for you to experience the DSO during a **free open rehearsal** from 2.00 pm on Saturday 31 August. Please be seated by 1.45 pm to enjoy the performance.

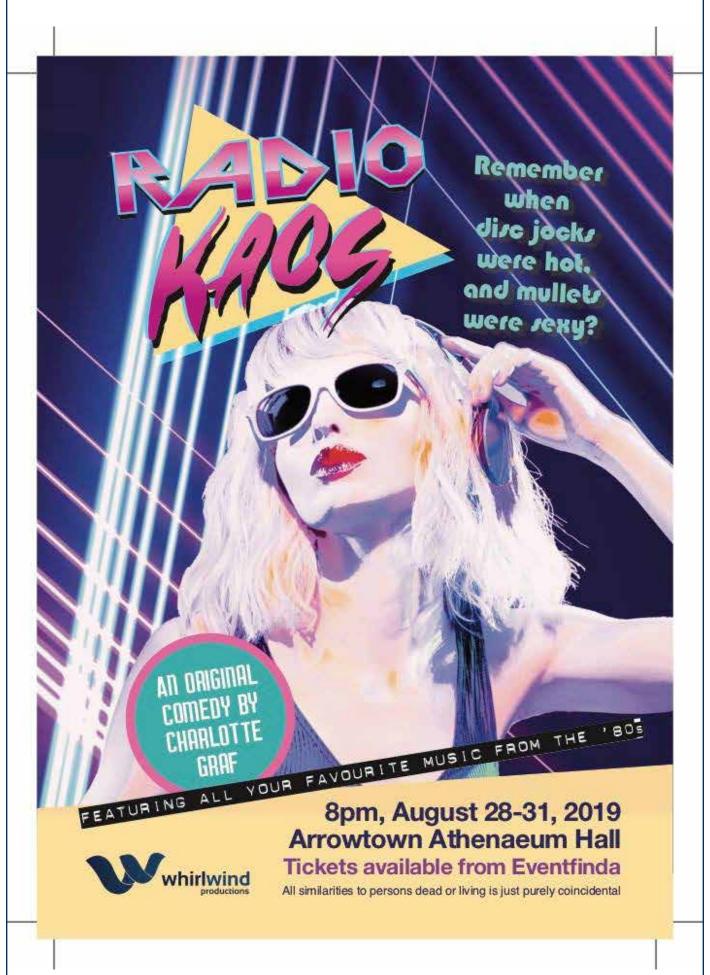


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Thursday 5 SEPTEMBER



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To understand why stress and anxiety are increasing, we first need to unpack how incredibly different this generation is to the last.

Learn what impact this difference is having on the development of children's emotional resilience. Through this knowledge, you can become more aware of how to increase the resilience of your own children.

The information will be easily understood and will make so much sense, you will wonder how you got by without it!

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