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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. Posts this week include a video from student band Best Served Chilled's performance at the Queenstown Jazz Festival and this week's visit from singer-songwriter Stan Walker.

Principal's Message

Kia ora - as is always the case at this time of year, Wakatipu High School is very busy right now. There are now only three school days for seniors until senior prizegiving next Thursday, followed by Tutorial Week and then exams - which start in less than two weeks. As well as the focus on finishing studies and preparing for exams, it is also a time of year when we celebrate, recognise and reward students - and I will mention some of those ceremonies below.

One ceremony I will mention now was the inaugural 'Wakademy Awards' for our media students and their fine films. Complete with red carpet and flash frocks, as well as a great turnout of the school in the audience, it was a wonderful event in Break 3 today - we really do have some incredibly clever students and great opportunities here at WHS!

Youthmark - are awarded at this time each year. These awards are a great honour and it is always a pleasure to attend the ceremony in Invercargill and present our students. My congratulations to this year's great all-round recipients: Isabella Jack, Jordyn Clark, Hannah Coombe, Bianca Crichton, Alfie Duffy, Olivia Woodham, Chester Rosie and Cameron Ryall. Please also see below for more.

Central Lakes Trust Tertiary Education Scholarships - it was a real pleasure to attend the CLT Scholarships ceremony in Cromwell on Tuesday this week, including to hear the inspirational Jake Bailey speak. CLT have given tertiary scholarships to Central Otago youth for many years now, and it was wonderful to attend with our Year 13 students as they received their \$2,500 scholarships. The recipients were: Jordyn Clark, Hannah Coombe, Bianca Crichton, Alfie Duffy, Marina Honda, Ami Ishibashi, Maya Kiddle, Leah Kissick, Henry McIn-tyre, Maddie McLean, Eve O'Connor, Lexi Rosemoore, Chester Rosie, Cameron Ryall, Lana Stevenson and Olivia Woodham. Congratulations to the students, and our sincere thanks to Central Lakes Trust for their generous support.

Excellence and Ad Alta Assemblies - are also being held for the final time this year at the moment. It was great to recognise the effort and achievement of our students, and again we had great numbers of students receiving these awards - the list of recipients will be in next week's newsletter after the final two assemblies on Monday.

Blues Awards - also at this time of year are our two Blues Awards, Sporting Blues tonight and Cultural Blues next Tuesday. These are important and special evenings which recognise the achievements and service of our students.

Senior Prizegiving - is next Thursday afternoon, and is our most formal ceremony of the year. With the new school the format is different this year and attending are Year 11 and 12 prizewinners and all Year 13s. Please do note that school finishes and buses run early for juniors and Year 11 & 12 students not attending - please see below for more details, including parents wishing to attend.

Paid Union Meeting - a headsup that a PUM has been scheduled for the afternoon of Wednesday 7th of November (after seniors have left). More details next week.

As per my introduction, it really is a very busy time of year - but it is exciting and always a great pleasure to be recognising so many of our students all-round efforts and achievements. I look forward to seeing many of you at the celebrations and ceremonies of the next week.

After last weekend's stunning weather this weekend will be a bit more mixed with cloud & some showers - tomorrow will be best for outdoors and lawn-mowing :)

Excellence and Ad Alta Assemblies

Our final round of Excellence and Ad Alta assemblies began this week on Wednesday and will continue on to Monday. Prizewiners and parents have been notified. The times are as follows:

Monday 29th October

Hay House 09.00 - 09.30 Mackenzie House 09.30 - 10.00

Excellence awards will be for Senior and Junior students taking NCEA subjects. Ad Alta awards will be presented to senior students. Junior students will receive Ad Alta awards at the conclusion of their remaining LE reports.

James Rasmussen, Deputy Principal

Senior Prizegiving

The WHS 2018 Senior Prizegiving is to be held next Thursday 1st November from 1 - 3.30pm in the school theatre. In a departure from the format of previous years, as mentioned in last term's final newsletter, only Y11 and Y12 prizewinners as well as all Y13 students will attend.

An email has been sent this afternoon to parents and caregivers of all senior students receiving academic and/or special awards. In the email we have provided a link to a Google Form - please complete this if you wish to attend, as seating is at a premium; the deadline is 12pm on Wednesday 31st October.

Wednesday will be an early finish for senior students not attending prizegiving as well as junior students - see timetable below:

9.00- 10.00 p1 Line 6 (Music rehearsal)

10.00 - 10.15 Break 1

10.15 - 11.45 p2 Line 1 (Prizegiving Rehearsal)

Buses run for students not attending prizegiving from 11:50

11.45 - 12.25 Break 2 (for students attending prizegiving; bell at 12:20)

12.25 - 12.50pm Ako time (bell at 12:50)

1.00 - 3.30pm Senior Prizegiving (followed by Ako time, time permitting)

After prizegiving we invite parents to enjoy a cup of tea in the foyer.

Justine Duncan, Assistant Principal

NCEA Schedule

Tutorial Week

Begins on Friday 2nd November and goes through to Tuesday 6th November, with exams starting on Wednesday 7th November in the theatre. Senior students are welcome to attend school during tutorial week, but only for study. The following study spaces will be available to students throughout tutorial week and exams; Shotover (Maths/HPE), O Te Rotu (Languages) and the Library. Students at school must be studying during 'normal class times' and using the normal school breaks, otherwise they must be offsite.

Exam Admission Slip

For an official transcript of results, students will need to order their Record of Achievement (ROA).

In Ako time on the morning of 24th October, each student received their Exam Admission Slips and external exam information sheets. This is their entry ticket into the exam room (with student ID). Students are reminded not to write on this. Digital English candidates will have their passwords on the sheet. External standards cannot be removed at this stage, but if you have an external standard missing students should speak with Mr Richards ASAP.

If students miss an exam due to sickness or an incident beyond their control, they should get a medical certificate or contact Mr Richards to start the Derived Grade process.

If students choose not to attend an exam session they need to contact the school to avoid a phone call home.

NCEA Results

At any stage of the year, students can log in via the Learner login and view the results that NZQA holds for them. They will need their NSN number and to make their own password (if you forget this, email or phone NZQA). If they haven't already done so, we ask all students to login to NZQA during Ako time before exams to ensure they can access the information required. In January, students can access a Results Notice which provides results for internal and external assessment from the previous year.

Students also have the right to request:

A review (if a processing error has occurred)

A reconsideration (if they believe an error in marking has occurred)

A change of address (for return of exam papers)

Just Short of a Major Qualification

In years past, when possible, we have endeavoured to support students who have fallen just short of a 'major qualification'. Students who fall just short of UE, Level 2 and Level 2 endorsed with Excellence may be eligible for support in the following academic year, provided they meet the following requirements: Within 4 credits and 1 standard of achieving a 'significant' qualification and have had satisfactory attendance and work ethic. Please note that this is not always a possibility as standards and/or teachers may not be available to support this, so please don't fall short.

If you have any questions, comments or concerns please let Mr Richards or myself know.

Thanks and let's all do our best to make these last couple of weeks great for everyone.

Oded Nathan, Deputy Principal

Senior Tutorial Week

During Tutorial Week teachers of senior classes will be available in their classrooms during the usual timetabled lessons to provide tutorials for students as they prepare for their exams. All senior students that are on the school site must be in tutorials in designated study rooms, or the Library, otherwise they are expected to be offsite. Students may wear mufti during this week and throughout exams.

Please note that Examinations begin on Wednesday 7th November and students are expected to attend all exams for which they are entered. See here the link to NZQA website - exam timetable.

Sonia Panapa, Assistant Principal

Junior Exams

On Friday 2nd November, Year 9 & 10 students will have their end-of-year English Examination and on Monday 5th November, Year 9 & 10 students will have their end-of-year Mathematics Examination. These are an important opportunity for students to practise revising and preparing for an extended examination.

Congratulations to our 2018 Youthmark Award winners, who recieved the prestigious honour on Thursday night at a ceremony in Invercargill. These students have worked tirelessly throughout their time at Wakatipu High School and more than deserve the accolade. Congratulations!



Bianca Crichton

Bianca is a student who has been destined for great things since arriving at Wakatipu High School as a Year 9 student. She applies herself resolutely to her studies, satisfied with nothing less than Excellence in all



Alfie Duffy

Alfie is a young man who has absolutely taken Wakatipu High School's vision for a great all-round education, and run with it. He applies himself with tenacity to his studies, and to date he has gained NCEA Level 1 with Excellence



Chester Rosie

Chester is a focused and d isciplined young man whose varied achievements both in and out of the classroom are a reflection of his persistence and hard work.



Cameron Ryall

Cameron is a motivated and self-disciplined young man who takes his learning seriously. This is reflected in his high academic achievement: Cameron gained NCEA Level 1 with Excellence in 2016 NCEA Level 2 Endorsed with Excellence last year.



Isabella Jack

Isabella is a student who has "star power" written all over her. Her natural aptitude for the dramatic arts has seen her rise quickly through the ranks over the last five years, culminating inthe role of student director for the 2018 WHS Musical.



Jordyn Clark

Jordyn is an exceptional young man who applies himself diligently and with focus to his studies. As a Year 10 student he studied NCEA Level 1 History, English and Maths, receiving an Excellence endorsement and two Merit endorsements.



Olivia Woodham

Olivia's teachers describe her as hard-working, focused and diligent. These traits have translated: In 2016, Olivia gained NCEA Level 1 with Excellence, including Level 1 Science, Visual Art and History each with individual Excellence.



Hannah Coombe Hannah is a remarkable young woman who has been making a considerable contribution to the Performing Arts at Wakatipu High School since joining us as a Year 9 student in 2014.

Central Lakes Trust Scholarships

Massive congratulations to Cameron Ryall, Alfie Duffy, Henry McIntyre, Bianca Crichton, Maddie McLean, Jordyn Clark, Olivia Woodham, Chester Rosie, Leah Kissick, Eve O'Connor, Maya Kiddle, Ami Ishibashi, Lexi Rosemoore, Marina Honda, Lana Stevenson, Hannah Coombe, who recieved a \$2,500 tertiary scholarship at a Central Lakes Scholarship Award on Wednesday.

Fifty students from 8 secondary schools were presented Central Lakes Trust tertiary education scholarships at the official awards function held in Cromwell. The scholarships, which are valued at \$2,500 each, aim to assist students who study at a tertiary institution.

"We're very pleased to have found a way to support young people build their futures. In the 12 years this programme has been running we've helped 434 young people, to a total amount of \$1,051,500," said Chief Executive, Susan Finlay.

Eligibility for these scholarships requires applicants to be between 16 and 19 years of age and have lived in the Central Lakes Trust region and meet the eligibility criteria. The selection criteria considers various factors including the applicant's academic record, allround qualities and achievements.





Young Shakespeare Company

Huge congratulations to Izzy Jack who has been selected as one of 24 students nationally to be part of the Young Shakespeare company who will visit the Globe theatre in July next year. Fabulous achievement!

Kate Moetaua, Drama

ICAS Results

ICAS is a large scale academic competition system based out of Australia. Every year Wakatipu High School provides students with the opportunity to enter. This year students have competed in Digital Technology, Science, Writing, English and Mathematics. The results for English and Mathematics have now arrived. Certificates will be given to students shortly. Well done to all who participated, in particular Alicia Webster who came in the top 1% of all participants in English.

Award

High Distinction Certificate Distinction Certificate Credit Certificate Merit Certificate

Recipients Top 1% of participants

the next 10% of participants the next 25% of participants the next 10% of participants

Well done team WHS.

Name	Year	Area	Award
Alicia Webster	Year 9	English	High Distinction
Gareth Harcombe	Year 12	Mathematics	Distinction
Briar Greer	Year 11	English	Distinction
Helena Hornbacher	Year 9	English	Distinction
Harry McVicar	Year 9	Mathematics	Distinction
Jacob Wilkinson	Year 9	Mathematics	Distinction
Georgie Atkinson-Strang	Year 11	English	Credit
Zoe Braham	Year 10	English	Credit
Bryn Rasmussen	Year 10	English	Credit
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Julia Salonga	Year 10	English	Credit
Sam Davis	Year 9	English	Credit
Jasper Cusiel	Year 9	Mathematics	Credit
Helena Hornbacher	Year 9	Mathematics	Credit
Sophie May	Year 9	English	Credit
Alicia Webster	Year 9	Mathematics	Credit
Jacob Wilkinson	Year 9	English	Credit
Minna Zhu	Year 9	English	Credit
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Music Happenings

Congratulations to the jazz combo who won the Southern Schools Jazzfest held in Invercargill last friday night. There were ten bands in total and the group won individual awards for Alfie Parvin (Best Bass player), Eiott Allemand (Best saxophone player) and Rafe Swan (Best Drummer). This was the fourth year in a row that the WHS combo had won this event so well done to everyone involved, especially Vince Leahy and Alistair Monteath, our band tutors. Thanks also to Richard Ryall for driving us all down and back.

Queenstown Jazz Festival - The big band and combo played at Earnslaw Park last Saturday as part of the Queenstown Jazz festival. The bands had an hour to entertain the crowd on a sunny day and this was a very enjoyable outing for everyone. After that, there was an hour workshop with Geoff Culverwell which was extremely valuable. Thanks to Luke Baldock for making it all happen.

Alison Prince, HoLA Arts



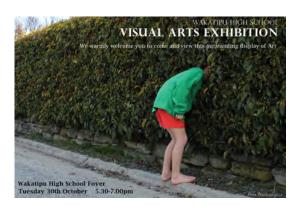
End of Year Student Folio Art Exhibition

We welcome everybody to attend our annual art exhibition.

This is a free event to celebrate the outstanding work our students have produced this year. On display will be senior final examination work from painting, photography and design disciplines and a small selection of year 9 and 10 Art classes. This is always a fabulous showcase of the brilliant creativity we have here at Wakatipu High School and is a must-see event. We look forward to you joining us in this celebration.

Also running that evening is our Cultural awards evening which is a ticketed event. If you are not attending the Cultural Blues event you are welcomed to join us in the foyer where the Student Artwork will be on display. See you there!

Leslie Koehn, Assistant HoLA Arts



Branches Trust

The Branches Trust wishes to extend a big thanks to the school community for the incredible support given to the annual Art and Hors d'oeuvres Evening that was held on the last night of last term. It was a great evening and raised \$17,000 for the Trust. This is essential to allow us to continue supporting this important school camp by way of covering the costs incurred over and above what is covered by the parents each year.

Many people made personal contributions and our thanks go out to Paula Hepburn and Rachel Vemeir from Double Thyme catering and their team of helpers, Bronwyn Kerr, Tim and Kay Young, Julia Morum, Kim Marshall, Helen McDonald, Sachiko Crawshay, Ian and Karen Collin, Tulani Morgan, Robyn Ia Roche, Sumi Almquist, Karen Buchanan, Pip Souness, Todd and Melissa Read, Simon Battrick, Jeremy Sinclair, Michelle Thompson, Annie Nipper, Di Finlay, Scott Souness, Samantha Daish, Trevor and Janice Jones, Maria Thomson, Sue Hulsman, Michelle Loggenberg, Jim and Sue Moore - It would not have been possible without your support.

Special thanks go out to Jack Wilson who did an exceptional job with the set up and audio in the hall, Savannah Bowman for the musical entertainment, Annie Black for doing the photography, Alex Bailey for the audio visual, the students who contributed artwork for display and those who assisted with food service - you were amazing!

We now look forward to our next fundraiser which is Workday on Friday 16th November - a day where each person attending Branches gets involved in the lead up to Camp 2018.

Important Dates

Date	Event	Who
Monday 1 - Wendesday 31 October	WHS Foundation Annual Spring Appeal	Everyone
Monday 29 October	Excellence and Ad Alta Assemblies	Hay and Mackenzie
Saturday 27 and Sunday 28 October	Rite of Passage Bungy Jump	Year 13
Tuesday 30 October	WHS Cultural Blues Awards	Years 9-13
Wednesday 31 October	Full-School Assembly - House Competition Results	Everyone
Thursday 1 November	Senior Prizegiving	Seniors
Friday 2 and Monday 5 November	Junior Exams	Year 9 and 10
Friday 16 November	Year 10 Branches Workday	Year 10

Save the date: WHS Foundation Annual Golf Day: Wednesday 12 December



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

Josie Debenham (Executive Officer): josiedebenham@gmail.com + 64 22 037 8993

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Saturday 27th October Lake Hayes Showgrounds



All proceeds go toward our

Bouncy Castle Face Painting **Books** Plants & Produce Home Baking Homemade Sweets Brazilian BBQ Kiwi Sausage Sizzle Korean BBQ & Noodles Food & Drinks Lucky Dips

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Devonshire Teas

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November -Queenstown Primary School -Robins Road (QPS Fundraiser)

November,

-Upstairs

Function Room

Queenstown Events Centre

-Frankton (Kingsview fundraiser)