



# Wakatipu HIGH SCHOOL Newsletter

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### Notices

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### 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.

Kia ora and welcome to the final Wakatipu High School newsletter for 2019. As always it has been a big finish and there's been plenty of action in the final days.

**Dave Geddes RSA Memorial Scholarship** - last Friday I attended a lovely ceremony at the RSA where Anna Nakayama was awarded the Dave Geddes RSA Memorial Scholarship. My thanks to Maryann Geddes and the RSA, and congratulations to Anna - see photo below.

**Branches Camp** - while the students came out last week, their gear was all brought out by Monday afternoon and the last of the vehicles were brought out yesterday (when the river had dropped enough to get them over the Boulders section). My thanks to everyone who makes Branches Camp possible - from Camp Coordinator, Bridget Janse, and her Branches Team, of Ken McIntyre, Paula Bell and Cara Sibtsen, to all of the staff and external contractors to Branches Trust and the community. It is a huge undertaking every year, but a wonderful opportunity for our students - thank you all. Thanks also to Fleur Caulton and others from the community who put on a 'Branches staff thank you' function at Madam Woos last night - it was lovely and much appreciated :)

**Year 9 End of Year Programme** - was on Tuesday, and was a great day featuring everything from dodgeball to roller derby and stained glass biscuit making, finished off by a great assembly. A huge thanks to Deputy Principal, Mrs Panapa, who is the driving force behind it as well as all the other staff and community members who made it happen.

**WHS Foundation Golf Day** - at Millbrook on Wednesday. Hot off the press is that the day raised approximately \$19k. Once again I am humbled by how supportive people are of WHS, and on behalf of the school my thanks to everyone who supported this event and all the WHS Foundation events and fundraising initiatives throughout the year.

Related, please see below for details of a Placemakers raffle for an awesome Hilux ute with proceeds going to the Foundation!

**Year 10 and 9 Prizegivings** - on Monday and Wednesday marked the end of the school year for our junior students. It was great to see many parents in attendance, thank you for supporting your child and the school. Congratulations to all recipients of awards - a full list of prizewinners is included below. Junior Reports have been sent out and are available on the Portal.

**Graduation** - Wednesday night was an important ceremony that celebrated the end of five years at WHS for our Year 13 students and their families. We wish our departing Year 13s all the very best for their futures :)

**2020 School Year** - start details are in Important Dates below, and on our website. Please note that our office reopens for 2020 at midday on Monday 27th January.

Another big year for WHS comes to a close. As I said in my Prizegiving speeches, I believe we have done a very good job of delivering a great all-round education for our students again in 2019. My thanks to everyone who has made it a successful year.

I would like to wish students, staff, parents and families and all other members of the WHS community a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, and I hope everyone has a great break with family and friends - see you in 2020!

**Steve Hall, Principal**

## Dave Geddes Memorial Scholarship

Congratulations to Anna Nakayama for being awarded the Dave Geddes RSA Memorial Scholarship to support her in further education. The award was presented at a special service at the RSA.



## Music News

### Roundhead recording

Last Wednesday a group of students went up to Auckland to record their songs at the Roundhead studio which was an amazing opportunity. This was the result of winning the inaugural "Songs of the Wakatipu" competition supported by the local Turn Up the Music trust. The students had a great time and learned a lot about how the process works. The final recordings are out soon so look for those on Spotify.

Students involved included:

Greta Balfour - solo artist

Murphy's Law - Eric Sebastian, Alfie Parvin, Sam Chan, Gareth Harcombe, Adriana Calabrese, Jordan McVicar



### Jazz Combo

Last Saturday night the jazz combo performed at the Kate Moetaua foundation dinner in Arrowtown. It was a great event and the group played extremely well. Well done to the following students:

Tyrone Henderson, Kai Komene, Jack James, Regan McIntyre, Eric Sebastian, Alfie Parvin

**Alison Price, HoLA Arts**

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## Wakatipu High School Foundation Lottery

The Wakatipu High School Foundation is selling tickets to win a Toyota Hilux at Placemakers - all proceeds to support the Awhi Fund!



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The winner determined by random draw on Monday 3rd February 2020 at 11am at Queenstown Police Station. Ticket butt drawn from a bucket under Police supervision. Results published in the Mountain Scene newspaper Thursday 6th February 2020. The winner will be contacted by phone. In the event of cancellation notification will be advertised in the Mountain Scene newspaper Thursday 6th February 2020 and all money will be refunded. Employed and contracted Placemakers and Micostaff are excluded from winning.  
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## Branches Camp Book

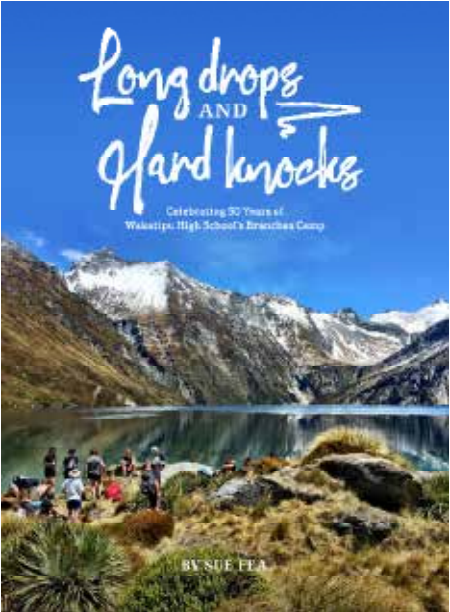
Long Drops and Hard Knocks celebrates 50 years of Branches school camps.

Adventure, laughter, danger, romance and intrigue all grace the pages of the Branches Charitable Trust’s greatly anticipated anniversary book, celebrating 50 years of Wakatipu High school Branches Camp memories.

‘Long Drops & Hard Knocks’ is available to purchase \$59.95 purchase from:

- Wakatipu High School
- Arrowtown Museum
- Summerfields Pharmacy
- Remarkables Market
- Online [www.branchestrust.co.nz](http://www.branchestrust.co.nz) or [Branches Facebook page](#)

A big thank you to the businesses and people who have supported this initiative. This would make a wonderful Christmas gift of memories. Please support Branches Trust!



## School Stationery

2020 Stationery lists are now available online and can be purchased through Officemax - [www.myschool.co.nz/wakatipu](http://www.myschool.co.nz/wakatipu). Order your child’s stationery in December and you decide when to pay - see more detail online - [www.myschool.co.nz/december](http://www.myschool.co.nz/december)

## Bring Out The Books!

Now that exams have finished, we would love for senior students to return their English texts to the library. Look out for any copies of Mister Pip, The Kite Runner, Perfume, The Things They Carried, Station Eleven, Night, To Kill A Mockingbird, Purple Hibiscus and any others that might be crammed in the bottom of schoolbags...

We will be charging students for texts that haven’t been returned by the start of 2020 so get them to us ASAP!

## Jennifer Smart, HoLA English and Media Studies

## Transit Journal Available For Purchase

Transit is the inaugural publication of the best work from senior (and some junior) writers in 2019. From Claudia Snow’s award-winning poem to an ode to Harrison Maguire’s ear lobes by the enraptured Alfie Parvin, the journal showcases some beautiful creative writing. It’s also packed with feature articles written and designed by Year 13 Media Studies students: Jack James looks at how social media has disrupted democracy; Geena Slow wonders why philosophy is missing from the curriculum and Kai Komene explains exactly what’s gone wrong with the gaming industry. There truly is something for everyone!

Transit is available at reception for \$10. Great stocking stuffer!

## Jennifer Smart, HoLA English and Media Studies



## Rocket Lab Scholarship

Rocket Lab builds and launches rockets in New Zealand. With five successful missions to space this year alone, Rocket Lab as a single company has launched more times than Japan and India and is regarded as the global leader in small satellite launch.

Each year the Rocket Lab Scholarship offers \$20,000 across four years of study for one outstanding student pursuing a degree or course in STEM (science, technology, engineering, or maths). The Scholarship also pairs the recipient with a Rocket Lab mentor towards the end of their degree to enable them to learn from the country's leading space and engineering experts at Rocket Lab.

Rocket Lab scholars must demonstrate an interest in science, technology, engineering, or maths, and be involved in cultural, community, or leadership activities. Any applicant with a strong connection to the Māhia and wider Wairoa District on New Zealand's east coast - where Rocket Lab's Launch Complex 1 is located - will have an advantage.

For more information, and to apply for the Rocket Lab Scholarship, click here: <https://www.rocketlabusa.com/careers/scholarships/>

Applications are open until 31 December 2019.

- The scholarship is worth \$20,000, covering four years of tertiary study.
- Applications extended until 31 December 2019.
- Available to all New Zealanders pursuing education in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM).
- Applicants who can demonstrate a strong connection to Māhia and the wider Wairoa District in Hawke's Bay, New Zealand, will have an advantage.

**Tanya Glanfield, Careers Assistant**

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## Sports Coordinator Report

### Youth Winter Olympics - Free Ski Selection

Congratulations to Year 10 student Ruby Andrews who has recently been selected to represent New Zealand at the 2020 Youth Winter Olympics in Lausanne, Switzerland. Ruby will compete in the Slopestyle Halfpipe and BigAir events and is joined by only three other Freeski athletes in the NZ Team selection. Ruby scrapes in by three days, turning 15 just before the end of the year. Three WHS students will represent NZ at the games in January, in a team of approximately 20. We wish them all the very best of luck for this incredible experience!



### Athletics - NZSS Champs

Seven WHS students competed at the NZSS Athletic Champs this past weekend in very trying conditions in Wellington. There were some great results and most students made their finals. A huge congratulations to Year 9 Sammy Fookes who finished 2nd in the Junior Girls 800m final and Year 13 Hayato Yoneto who finished 6th in both the Senior Boys 100m and 200m sprints. A phenomenal effort by both! Unfortunately the Road Race was cancelled due to the poor weather conditions which affected Benny Britton and Louis Conway. A massive thank you to coach Neville Britton for all of his hard work with this group of athletes.

Results are below:

- Sammy Fookes - 2nd Junior Girls 800m
- Hayato Yoneto - 6th Senior Boys 100m, 6th Senior Boys 200m
- Milly Wikstrom - 12th Junior Girls 1500m
- Aleks Cheifetz - 14th Senior Boys 1500m
- Gareth Harcombe - 12th Senior Boys 800m (semi final)
- Benny Britton - 28th Senior Boys 3000m (preliminaries)



### Cricket - Otago Representative Selections

A number of WHS cricketers have made the final selection into Otago age group teams to play in national tournaments this summer. Congratulations and all the very best to the following students as they compete for their province.

- Toby Hart - Otago U17's
- Paige Loggenberg, Kloe Vermeir and Lucy Viggers - Otago U19's
- Angus Herron - Otago U19's



### Equestrian - Southland Schools Show Jumping Champs

The WHS show jumping team competed at the annual Southland Interschool Champs in Gore on Sunday. The team had a solid outing finishing 6th out of 13 teams. The team consisted of Amber Jarvis, Chloe Jones, Abigail White and Kendra Van Leeuwen. Well done girls. Thank you to Lisa White for managing the team on the day.



### Cricket - WHS Junior Tour to Australia

All the very best to the WHS Junior Boys Cricket team as they head to Orange, New South Wales to compete in the Western NSW U15 Cricket Carnival in mid January. This is an awesome opportunity for young cricketers and the tour takes place every second year. Thank you to Tim Young, Mike Cooper, Damien O'Connell and Nick Hart for organising the tour and taking the team. Go well!

### WHS Sport This Summer

We have a number of teams competing and a large number of individuals representing their province and country, as well as many training in a wide variety of sports across New Zealand and the globe this summer! To keep up to date with sporting results, like/follow the school sports facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/WakatipuHighSchoolSports/>  
All the very best to these students in their competitions this summer.

### Thank you!

On behalf of WHS Sport a sincere thank you to all of our students, parents, community members and staff who have contributed to sport in 2019. It takes coaches, managers, referees, committee members, organisers, van drivers, jersey washers, bottle fillers and supporters in all forms to make sport happen at WHS for our students and I thank you all for your contribution this year, whatever the size. 2020 is going to be an exciting year for sport at WHS and we are looking forward to it already. Happy holidays!

**Laura Nathan, Sports Coordinator**



## Student Job Opportunities

### Operations Assistant - Real Journeys

Are you an energetic, people person who would love to share what Queenstown has to offer with people from all over the world? Real Journeys are looking for a couple of new team members to help out our Queenstown operations where needed. Based primarily at Steamer Wharf, you could be assisting with crowd control at one of our visitor centres, helping with queue management for the TSS Earnslaw or answering customer's questions as they come up. You'll spend your days interacting with customers, whether they're waiting to get on their bus to Milford or checking in for their Walter Peak experience. You will quite often be one of the first people our guests see upon arrival.

This is a part-time role for our busy summer season, starting now and finishing in February 2020. The shifts we be from 9am – 6pm and for the right person, we can be flexible with days.

We are looking for someone who is a people person with excellent communication skills and a natural host. As you'll be part of a big team, you have to have great verbal and written skills. You'll be assisting with crowd control and the unloading and loading of passengers or freight, so you'll also require a good level of fitness. No experience is necessary as full training will be provided.

In return, you'll be working for one of New Zealand's leading tourism providers so you'll be exposed to an awesome work environment and some really cool perks, such as the ability to try some of our products for free with your friends and family and access to discounts across our wider group (Cardrona, Go Orange, Canyon Food & Brew and the International Antarctic Centre).

So, if you'd love a summer role where you really get to make a difference to people's Queenstown experience, and you think you have what it takes to make our customer experience even more remarkable, then apply today!

For more information and to apply online, visit [www.careers.realjourneys.co.nz](http://www.careers.realjourneys.co.nz)

Applications close 16th December, 2019.

All applicants must be eligible to work in NZ.

### Housekeepers wanted for the holidays

Fridays and the occasional Thursday.

Ridge Resort, Goldfield Heights or Queenstown Mews, 10/12 Frankton Rd - you can pick which one! From 9am Fridays. Great teams, lovely supervisors, great working environment. Please get in touch! [nicola.warren@classicholidays.co.nz](mailto:nicola.warren@classicholidays.co.nz) or text 027 222 5579.

## Important Dates

Date	Event	Who
Monday 20 - Friday 24 January	Uniform Shop Open 10am - 4pm	
Monday 27 January	Office Opens Midday	
Wednesday 29 January	Year 12 Academic Counselling & Course Confirmation – 9am Year 13 Academic Counselling & Course Confirmation – 10:30am Student Leaders & Peer Mentors 9am	Year 12, 13
Thursday 30 January	Year 9s first day	Year 9
Friday 31 January	All students at school School photos	All students

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Academic Awards

Sophie Askham	Commendation in Design and Visual Communication
Matthew Attenborough	Commendation in Practical Physical Education
Ayla Balona	Distinction in English
Marite Balzarini	Commendation in Digital Technology and Social Studies
Evie Barlow	Commendation in Design and Visual Communication and Japanese
Jemima Barr	Commendation in Mathematics and Science
Neve Bates	Distinction in Food Technology and Commendation in Science
Oliver Battrick	Distinction in Practical Physical Education
Cate Bodle	Distinction in French and Commendation in Food Technology and Social Studies
Eva Bogue	Commendation in English, Mathematics and Visual Art
Azaria Briscoe	Commendation in Mathematics and Social Studies
Tom Busst	Commendation in Talent Development
Logan Campbell	Commendation in Practical Physical Education
William Carian	Commendation in Hard Materials Technology
Phoebe Cavanagh	Distinction in Food Technology and Commendation in Visual Art
Hayden Cave	Commendation in Digital Technology
Kavya Chauhan	Commendation in Science
Nico Cheifetz	Commendation in Mathematics
Lucy Chisholm	Commendation in Social Studies
Billie Comer	Distinction in Music
Lolabelle D'Andre	Commendation in Food Technology
Ruby Dawson	Commendation in French
Jan Ebbinge	Distinction in English, Mathematics and Social Studies
Elise Edmonds	Distinction in French
Jasper Feenstra	Commendation in Social Studies
Sammy Fookes	Distinction in French, Mathematics, Practical Physical Education and Science
Stella Fraser	Distinction in Music and Commendation in Social Studies
Tobi Fraser	Commendation in English
Joel Gerard	Commendation in English
Emily Gilbert	Commendation in Maori 1: My World
Sam Glover	Distinction in Digital Technology and English and Commendation in Mathematics
Maisie Grufferty	Distinction in Mathematics and Commendation in Practical Physical Education and Social Studies
Luca Hall	Distinction in Design and Visual Communication
Stefan Hall	Commendation in Mathematics
Marco Hartono	Commendation in Mathematics, Science and Social Studies
Georgia Henderson	Distinction in Music and Commendation in Design and Visual Communication, English, Mathematics and Hard Materials Technology
Mae Higgins	Commendation in Food Technology and Science
Bryce Hollebon	Distinction in Maori and Music
Emily Howick	Commendation in Mathematics
Alissa Ibe	Commendation in Level 1 Japanese
Sidney Isip	Commendation in English
Mackenzi Jackson	Commendation in Social Studies
Sara Jameson	Distinction in English and Commendation in Mathematics
Keira Jamieson	Commendation in Social Studies
Emily Johnston	Commendation in English and Visual Art
Greta Jones	Commendation in English
Morgan Kan	Distinction in Mathematics
Kokoro Kawashima	Commendation in Level 1 Japanese
Olivia Key	Distinction in Science and Commendation in Digital Technology and French
Anja Lambrechts	Commendation in Visual Art
Mia Lanuel	Commendation in Spanish
Kyra Lazor	Commendation in Mathematics and Social Studies
Julia Lima	Distinction in Social Studies and Spanish and Commendation in English
Zara Mackley	Distinction in Mathematics and Commendation in English, Science and Social Studies
Aurora Macleod	Distinction in Mathematics and Commendation in Visual Art- What is in a word
Lola Maglaras	Commendation in Visual Art
Ben McAuliffe	Commendation in Practical Physical Education
Connor Mclsaac	Commendation in English
Gracie Mclsaac	Commendation in Science
Ella McKinney	Commendation in Design and Visual Communication and Hard Materials Technology
Madi McLean	Distinction in English and Food Technology
Luna Millan	Commendation in Science
James Modina	Commendation in English
Charlotte Muir	Commendation in Mathematics and Visual Art
Ayla Nakayama	Distinction in Mathematics, Social Studies and Level 1 Japanese
Mary Navasca	Commendation in Spanish
Maddox Newell	Distinction in Drama
Sylvia Niccol	Distinction in Drama
Kaleb Poole	Commendation in Japanese
Alexandra Roberts	Distinction in English
Rylee Robertson	Commendation in Music
Holly Rogers	Commendation in Science
Ruby Rose	Distinction in Mathematics and Commendation in English and French
Scarlett Rose	Distinction in Social Studies and Commendation in French, Mathematics and Science
Ruby Ross	Commendation in Science
Tru Russell	Commendation in Science
Saxon Sheehan	Commendation in Science
Neve Short	Distinction in Hard Materials Technology and Visual Art
Ellie Shuttleworth	Commendation in English , French and Mathematics
Lucy Sinclair	Commendation in Food Technology
Jack Speedy	Commendation in Mathematics
Isabelle Spencer	Distinction in English, Science and Social Studies and Commendation in Mathematics
Ruth Stevens	Commendation in Mathematics
Kika Struthers	Commendation in Visual Art

## Year 9 Prizegiving

### Academic Awards

Pearce Summerfield	Commendation in Digital Technology
Minnie Tam	Commendation in Hard Materials Technology
Scarlet Taylor	Commendation in Visual Art
Connor Thomson	Distinction in Drama
Annika Thornton	Distinction in Spanish and Commendation in English and Mathematics
Rochelle Tickle	Commendation in Music and Science
Mia Tucker	Distinction in Design and Visual Communication and English and Commendation in Mathematics
Zali Vaivars	Commendation in Drama and Food Technology
Francis Valdez	Commendation in English for Second Language Learners
Kane Viggers	Distinction in Digital Technology
Thisanka Weeraddana	Distinction in Hard Materials Technology
Meg Wheatley	Distinction in English
Abigail White	Commendation in Mathematics and Science
Judy Ye	Distinction in Mathematics and Commendation in Mandarin
Mikaela York	Commendation in English and Food Technology
Vani Young	Commendation in Drama

### Special Awards

Wakatipu High School Speechfest Award - Lachy Boniface for Best Junior Speaker

Wakatipu High School Award - Clara De Melo Ferreira for Excellence in ESOL

The Robertson Family Trophy - Sammy Fookes for All Round Effort and Participation in Year 9

Wakatipu High School Award - Tobi Fraser for Year 9 Creative Writing

Wakatipu High School Cup - Connor Thomson for Most Promising Progress in a Junior Drama Course

Principal's Commendation

Azaria Briscoe for All Round Effort and Participation in Year 9

Jan Ebbinge for All Round Effort and Participation in Year 9

Maisie Grufferty for All Round Effort and Participation in Year 9

Olivia Key for All Round Effort and Participation in Year 9

Wakatipu High School Award - Sammy Fookes for Top Year 9 Academic Achiever

### Ad Alta Awards

Ad Alta	Ad Alta Blue	Ad Alta Gold
Sophie Askham	Lily Adams	Jan Ebbinge
Lachy Boniface	Evie Barlow	Sammy Fookes
Greta Jones	Jemima Barr	Neve Short
Arya Kurniawan	Neve Bates	Ellie Shuttleworth
Anja Lambrechts	Zoe Bennetts	
Zara Mackley	Jessa Bodle	
Ella McKinney	Eva Bogue	
Mary Navasca	Sam Glover	
Ruth Stevens	Maisie Grufferty	
Kika Struthers	Marco Hartono	
Rochelle Tickle	Georgia Henderson	
	Mae Higgins	
	Olivia Key	
	Ayla Nakayama	
	Tru Russell	
	Mishika Sikka	
	Mia Tucker	



## Year 9 Prizegiving

### Akongga Passport

#### Akongga Passport Bronze

Eric Albertini  
Ayla Balona  
Mooklada Boonprasit  
Jessica Brian  
Aliah Edwards  
Joao Goncalves  
Josh Hall  
Emily Howick  
Wil Hughes  
Shidoh Ichihara  
Chloe Jones  
Anja Lambrechts  
Cam MacKenzie  
Cody McRae  
Logan Noton  
Alexandra Roberts  
Ruby Ross  
Zoe Sinteur  
Mya Stratford  
Carson Tyne  
Vani Young

#### Akongga Passport Silver

Lily Adams  
Marite Balzarini  
Jemima Barr  
Neve Bates  
Zoe Bennetts  
Lachy Boniface  
Azaria Briscoe  
Guinevere Buckley  
Nico Cheifetz  
Lucy Chisholm  
Ruby Dawson  
Elise Edmonds  
Grace Hastie  
Charlotte Ireland  
Ella Jackson  
Mackenzi Jackson  
Sara Jameson  
Greta Jones  
Julia Lima  
Gracie McIsaac  
Ella McKinney  
Zara McRae  
Luna Millan  
Mandela Moodley  
Sylvia Niccol  
Tru Russell  
Neve Short  
Isaac Swain  
Annika Thornton  
Rochelle Tickle  
Meg Wheatley  
Sophie Wood  
Mikaela York

#### Akongga Passport Gold

Sammy Fookes  
Emily Gilbert  
Olivia Key  
Ellie Shuttleworth  
Maisie Grufferty

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Academic Awards

Nicole Albertini	Commendation in Physical Education
Vince Alzaga	Commendation in Hard Materials Technology
Ollie Bailey	Commendation in Music
Tom Bailey	Distinction in Physical Education
Pippa Bashford	Commendation in English
Leijh Beale	Distinction in Japanese
Cole Bramwell	Distinction in English, Science and Level 1 Mathematics and Commendation in Digital Technology
Mia Burgess	Commendation in Economics and Business Studies
Nadia Burns	Commendation in English, Food Technology and Spanish
Gabriella Carpenter	Distinction in Physical Education
Sebastian Cera	Distinction in Social Studies and Commendation in French, Physical Education and Mathematics
Emily Clearwater	Commendation in English
Giselle Conway	Distinction in English and Commendation in Physical Education and Mathematics
Trinity Cope	Commendation in Science
Luke Crichton	Commendation in Mathematics
Brooklyn Crow	Commendation in French and Science
Jasper Cusiel	Distinction in Physical Education, Science and Talent Development and Commendation in Digital Technology
Paige Cusiel	Distinction in English and Commendation in French and Mathematics
Earn Dechawaleekul	Commendation in Music
Ollie Denney	Commendation in Mathematics
Jess Dredge	Distinction in Design Visual Communication and Commendation in Mathematics
Mikayla Evans	Distinction in Food Technology and Commendation in English and Science
Jett Fa’amalepe	Distinction in Maori and Physical Education
Morris Finnigan	Distinction in Sports Science and Commendation in Physical Education
Liv Flight	Commendation in English
Ed Forrest	Distinction in Mathematics
Katelyn Greer	Commendation in Food Technology
Maz Gregory	Commendation in Mathematics
Lara Gutierrez	Distinction in Science and Commendation in English, Japanese and Visual Art
Tannin Heeley	Distinction in Digital Technology and Science
Jack Higgins	Commendation in Maori, Physical Education and Science
Charlotte Hogan	Commendation in English, Science and Mathematics
Helena Hornbacher	Distinction in English and Mandarin
Finn Hyndman	Distinction in Mathematics and Commendation in Science
Samantha Johnston	Commendation in Design Visual Communication
Sade Kaihe	Commendation in English
Sydney Kay	Commendation in Economics and Business Studies and Food Technology
Juliet Kennedy	Commendation in Physical Education, Science and Visual Art
Georgia Key	Distinction in English, Food Technology and Mathematics and Commendation in Science
Yebin Kim	Distinction in Mathematics and Commendation in Science
Darcie Koberstein	Commendation in Hard Materials Technology
Emily Lawless	Distinction in Music
Alix Long	Distinction in English and Physical Education and Commendation in Science and Level 1 Mathematics
Jess MacDonald	Commendation in Food Technology
Harvey Manumbas	Commendation in Migrant English
Jacob Marriott	Commendation in Economics and Business Studies and Mathematics
Kaitlyn McKay	Distinction in Physical Education
Harry McVicar	Distinction in Science and Commendation in Level 1 Mathematics
Toby Meek	Commendation in Science
Ethan Mendoza	Commendation in Science
Bella Middleton	Distinction in Mathematics and Commendation in English
Naomi Mitchell	Commendation in Spanish
Joshua Nyberg	Commendation in Drama
Abby Phillips	Commendation in Physical Education
Ollie Pope	Distinction in Physical Education and Commendation in Design Visual Communication, English and Maths
Rohil Prasad	Commendation in Economics and Business Studies
Ronil Prasad	Commendation in Sports Science
Hazel Read	Distinction in Visual Art
Olive Ritchie	Commendation in Economics and Business Studies and Mathematics
Amelie Saint-Pere	Distinction in Visual Art and Commendation in Physical Education
Victor Sampaio Cavalcanti Albuquerque	Commendation in Physical Education
Kate Samson	Distinction in Physical Education
Rachel Scobie	Distinction in English and Mathematics and Commendation in Physical Education and Science
James Scoles	Commendation in English and Mathematics
Gracie Seeto	Commendation in English
Sania Sharan	Distinction in Food Technology
Iroha Shimizu	Distinction in Visual Art and Commendation in Science and Mathematics
Dominic Smith	Commendation in Physical Education
Ella St John	Distinction in Social Studies
Meila Stalker	Distinction in Japanese and Commendation in Science and Visual Art
Loretta Steyn	Distinction in Visual Art
Jacob Stokes	Distinction in Physical Education
Sonya Sunder	Commendation in Mathematics
Georgina Thompson	Distinction in Drama
Sophie Thompson	Commendation in Food Technology and Mathematics
Eli Tregidga	Distinction in Hard Materials Technology and Commendation in Music
Jonty Vaivars	Commendation in English and Mathematics
Esther Vile	Commendation in Food Technology
Lily Wang	Commendation in Japanese
Olive Watherston	Commendation in Sports Science
Alicia Webster	Distinction in English, French, Science and Level 1 Mathematics and Commendation in Digital Technology
Katie Westphall	Commendation in Mathematics
Jacob Wilkinson	Distinction in English and Level 3 Calculus
Hannah Winter	Distinction in Visual Art and Commendation in Music
Bruce Zheng	Commendation in Physical Education
Minna Zhu	Distinction in Level 1 Chinese and Commendation in English

## Year 10 Prizegiving

### Special Awards

Wakatipu High School Award - Cole Bramwell for Top Year 10 Academic Achiever

The Tapp Family Trophy- Minna Zhu for Junior Graphics

Rock Formation

Ollie Bailey - Most Promising Band

Eli Tregidga - Most Promising Band

Hamish Waters - Most Promising Band

The Mactodd Award - Georgia Key for Achievement in Junior English

The Robertson Family Trophy - Helena Hornbacher for All Round Effort and Participation in Year 10

The Wakatipu Lions Club Trophy - Helena Hornbacher for Excellence Writing in Year 10

The Q92 FM Cup - Ted Kerr for Most Promising Junior Musici

- Jacob Marriott for Most Promising Junior Musician

Wakatipu High School Trophy - Helena Hornbacher for Outstanding Potential in Junior Drama

The Tony Middendorf Memorial Award - Rohil Prasad for Humility,Team and Work Ethic at Branches Camp

Wakatipu High School Trophy - Loretta Steyn for Most Outstanding Junior Visual Art Student

Principal's Commendation

Alicia Webster for All Round Effort and Participation in Year 10

Jacob Wilkinson for All Round Effort and Participation in Year 10

### Ad Alta Awards

Ad Alta

Tom Bailey

Kaiya Collins

Earn Dechawaleekul

Jess Dredge

Mikayla Evans

Ed Forrest

Katelyn Greer

Georgia Hay

Tannin Heeley

Charlotte Hogan

Juliet Kennedy

Jess MacDonald

Jack McBeth

Abby Phillips

Rohil Prasad

Hazel Read

Jacinta Ricketts

Gracie Seeto

Jacob Stokes

Gigi Thomson

Ad Alta Blue

Sebastian Cera

Jasper Cusiel

Paige Cusiel

Lara Gutierrez

Finn Hyndman

Georgia Key

Ollie Pope

Olive Ritchie

Amelie Saint-Pere

Jasmine Savage

Meila Stalker

Lily Wang

Alicia Webster

Katie Westphall

Jacob Wilkinson

Ad Alta Gold

Nadia Burns

Zoe Crawford

Helena Hornbacher

Alix Long

Ruby Phelon

Sonya Sunder

Hannah Winter

Minna Zhu

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## Year 10 Prizegiving

### Akonga Passport

Akonga Passport Bronze  
Nicole Albertini  
Ben Barke  
Ivy Barker  
Ben Blewitt  
Cole Bramwell  
Gabriella Carpenter  
Sebastian Cera  
Emily Clearwater  
Hanz Dimaano  
Jess Dredge  
Mikyla Eden-Wishart  
Libby Emanuel  
Morris Finnigan  
Max Frew  
Eliza Herron  
Anna Holtz  
Samantha Johnston  
Yebin Kim  
Emily Lawless  
Sam Little  
Finn Mallon  
Liam McCord  
Toby Meek  
Jesse Murray  
Joshua Nyberg  
Hazel Read  
Ursula Reyland  
Victor Sampaio Cavalcanti Albuquerque  
Kate Samson  
Deegan Scully  
Sania Sharan  
Jacob Stokes  
Millie Walker-Smith  
Micah Walther  
Hamish Waters  
Billy Watts

Akonga Passport Silver  
Nadia Burns  
Jasper Cusiel  
Paige Cusiel  
Earn Dechawaleekul  
Jett Fa'amalepe  
Ed Forrest  
Charlotte Hogan  
Alix Long  
Bella Middleton  
Ruby Phelon  
Rohil Prasad  
Jacinta Ricketts  
Jasmine Savage  
Gracie Seeto  
Meila Stalker  
Sonya Sunder  
Eli Tregidga

Akonga Passport Gold  
Minna Zhu

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## Principal's Awards

### Year 9s

Abigail White  
Alexandra Roberts  
Alexis Alberts  
Allyx Palacio  
Anja Lambrechts  
Aurora Macleod  
Ayla Nakayama  
Azaria Briscoe  
Ben McAuliffe  
Bryce Hollebon  
Elise Edmonds  
Ella McKinney  
Ellie Shuttleworth  
Elsa Guo  
Emily Gilbert  
Eva Bogue  
Evie Barlow  
Georgia Henderson  
Grace Hastie  
Greta Jones  
Guinevere Buckley  
Isaac Swain  
Isla Cope  
Jackson Lines  
Jan Ebbinge  
Jemima Barr  
Jessa Bodle  
Joel Gerard  
Jorja Thomson Farquharson  
Josh Watson  
Juanye Silva-Hoani  
Judy Ye  
Kane Viggers  
Lachy Boniface  
Lily Adams  
Lochlan Spence  
Logan Noton  
Lolabelle D'Andre  
Lucy Chisholm  
Maddy Macdonald  
Mae Higgins  
Maisie Grufferty  
Mandela Moodley

### Year 10s

Alix Long  
Amelie Saint-Pere  
Ed Forrest  
Ella St John  
Emily Lawless  
Georgia Hay  
Gigi Thomson  
Giselle Conway  
Hannah Winter  
Harry McVicar  
Hershey Avila  
Jacob Wilkinson  
James Scoles  
Jasper Cusiel  
Jett Fa'amalepe  
Jonty Vaivars  
Juliet Kennedy  
Katie Westphall  
Lily Wang  
Liv Flight  
Loretta Steyn  
Luke Crichton  
Micah Walther  
Minna Zhu  
Nadia Burns  
Ollie Pope  
Paige Cusiel  
Pippa Bashford  
Rachel Scobie  
Ruby Phelon  
Sade Kaihe  
Samantha Johnston  
Sebastian Cera  
Sofia Taquet  
Sonya Sunder  
Tannin Heeley  
Zoe Crawford

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## Wakatipu High School FOUNDATION

## LOOKING FORWARD - GIVING BACK

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

### MAKING AN IMPACT 2019

We are proud to have funded a large selection of projects in 2019 with a total of \$200,000 donated throughout the year. These projects include:

- Awhi and BYOD financial hardship
- Akonga passport
- Extra and Co curricular managers, coaches, volunteers support
- Student Software
- Teacher Aide
- Leadership development programme
- Peer support programme
- English language support
- Scholarship classes

# Thanks!

## TO OUR GENEROUS BUSINESS PARTNERS

### PLATINUM PARTNER



### GOLD PARTNER



### SILVER PARTNER



### ASSOCIATE PARTNER



### PARTNER

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Flame Bar & Grill  
Goldfields Jewellers  
Highlands Game Over  
Kinloch Lodge  
KJet  
Lakes Weekly Bulletin  
Lane Neave  
McCulloch & Partners  
Mitre 10 Mega

NZSKI  
Pacific Travel Planners  
Placemakers  
Remarkable Park Town Centre  
Trinity Development  
Westwood Group Holdings

## 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 [wakatipuhfoundation@gmail.com](mailto:wakatipuhfoundation@gmail.com) or 022 327 9397





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**AT PLACEMAKERS QUEENSTOWN!**

**Wakatipu High School**  
**FOUNDATION**

Terms & Conditions Apply. All proceeds will go to the Awhi Hardship Fund.

Tickets on sale from 02/12/2019 - 31/01/2020

The winner determined by random draw on Monday 3rd February 2020 at 11am at Queenstown Police Station. Ticket butt drawn from a bucket under Police supervision. Results published in the Mountain Scene newspaper Thursday 6th February 2020. The winner will be contacted by phone. In the event of cancellation notification will be advertised in the Mountain Scene newspaper Thursday 6th February 2020 and all money will be refunded. Employed and contracted PlaceMakers and Micostaff are excluded from winning.

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### CHRISTMAS TREES!!

Coronet Peak is once again selling wilding pines as Christmas trees to raise money for Happiness House over the holiday period. For a \$20 minimum donation you can order a 'Happiness Tree' online and get it delivered to your door before Christmas. This year the trees will be available in two sizes – medium (between 90cm – 149cm) and large (between 150cm – 200cm+). The delivery dates are Sunday 8th or Sunday 15th December.

This will be the third year we have sold Happiness Trees for Christmas and are aiming to sell over 300 this time round. It's not only a great way to raise money for a good cause but also has a positive impact on our mountain environment by eliminating hundreds of wilding pines. It's been so successful we are having to visit neighbouring properties to find trees as we've removed most of them from Coronet Peak!

To find out more or to purchase a Happiness Tree visit

<https://shop.coronetpeak.co.nz/happiness-tree-christmas-tree>

Libby Baron

Communications and Media Relations Manager

The Remarkables – Coronet Peak – Mt Hutt Ski Areas NZSki Ltd

[libby.baron@nzski.com](mailto:libby.baron@nzski.com)

A promotional banner for Parent Help. The top half features a photograph of a smiling woman holding two young children, one of whom is waving. In the top left corner of the banner is the 'Parent Help' logo, which includes the text 'For Parents and Family Support'. The bottom half of the banner has a dark blue background with white and orange text. It reads: 'FREE PARENTING HELPLINE' and 'ALL ISSUES ALL AGES' on the left, and 'www.parenthelp.org.nz' and '0800 568 856' on the right.

**Parent Help** For Parents and Family Support

**FREE PARENTING HELPLINE** | **www.parenthelp.org.nz**  
**ALL ISSUES ALL AGES** | **0800 568 856**





# CHRISTMAS SHOW

**SUNDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2019**

**1PM & 5PM**

**QUEENSTOWN EVENTS CENTRE**

**FOR ALL AGES!**

Stepping into the World of Christmas

**TICKETS FROM:**

**WWW.CHRISTMASSHOW.CO.NZ**

QUEENSTOWN LAKES DISTRICT COUNCIL | SKY | QUEENSTOWN COMMUNITY TRUST | TOMTOM | soundpeople | Community Trust South | MORE FM | MEGA



QLDC Libraries present:

# BINGO

*Slip, slap, slap!*

**Summer Reading Fun 2019!**

Drop by your local library today to grab your bingo card. Join the competition for your chance to win AMAZEBALL prizes! Completed bingo cards must be received by 5.00pm on Saturday, 1 February.

**Special thanks to our community champions!**

BASECAMP ADVENTURES | CARDRONA | ICE CREAMERY | PAINTBALL CENTRAL | PUZZLING WORLD

Go Orange | icebreaker | GAME OVER | iFLY | realJOURNEYS

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Enriching minds and communities: Te whakaputahi i ka hinengaro me ka hapori

## CROSSFIT TEENS!

REMARKABLES CROSSFIT - AGES 12-16

**01 Relieve Stress!**

School can be stressful! With deadlines, exams and social stressors sometimes all you need is to blow off some steam! CrossFit Teens can help you focus that frustration into something positive for not only your physical health but your head too!

**02 Excell at your sport!**

Whether you play rugby, tennis, golf, swim or anything in between, being properly prepared will put you a step ahead of the competition. CrossFit helps to build all aspects of physical fitness, making sure you excell at whatever your game is!

**03 Build habits for life!**


The habits you build now will carry you through the rest of your life. Learn how to move well, eat well, get in shape and stay fit and healthy for life!

**04 Join Now!!**

- January summer special!
- Tuesday 7th, 14th, 21st & 28th from 4pm - 4:45pm
- Every class coached by our highly qualified and experienced Head Coach
- Only \$40!
- Contact: ziggy@remarkablescrossfit.co.nz

**TRY IT NOW!**

TRY IT OUT BEFORE OUR NEXT FULL TERM STARTS IN FEBRUARY!



## GRAB A SLICE OF PISA!

### EARLY BIRD SEASON

### PASS SALE!

Season 2020  
19 June - 20 September

	SEASON PASS	WITH RENTALS
ADULT	\$149	\$309
CHILD	\$49	\$99
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# KIDS GO FREE

The best things in life are free.  
That includes the best holidays.

Kids can travel free on selected adventures these school holidays, from 6 – 20 January 2020.

**The best sights.** Experience the exhilarating natural wonders of Milford Sound and Doubtful Sound, or travel via catamaran to enchanting Stewart Island.

**The best way to travel.** Cruise across Lake Wakatipu on our vintage steam ship – the renowned TSS Earnslaw.

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## Calming Anxiety

### the ABC guide

Join us to explore how to calm and steady the over-thinking mind by anchoring in the background presence of the Heart. An interactive learning session blending modern science, Chinese medical viewpoints, practices of Medical Qigong and the ABC of Mindfulness

**Friday 22 November, 7 - 8.15pm, Frankton** Facilitator: Cameron Tukupua offering 30 years of Wellbeing & Chinese Medicine experience

Tickets: <https://www.eventbrite.co.nz/e/calming-anxiety-using-mindfulness-tickets-81412391655>



**WARBIRDS OVER WANAKA**  
INTERNATIONAL AIRSHOW

**Children attend for free!**

**FRIDAY 10TH APRIL 2020**  
**SCHOOLS PROGRAMME**

[www.warbirdsoverwanaka.com](http://www.warbirdsoverwanaka.com)



# Raise funds in your sleep

Real Journeys is giving away two entire Overnight Cruises, one in Milford Sound and one in Doubtful Sound, to two worthy causes or charitable organisations. Over the last four years these cruises have raised over \$230,000 for nine amazing organisations. We are offering this unique fundraising opportunity again in 2020.

To learn more and apply, visit [cruiseforacause.co.nz](http://cruiseforacause.co.nz)  
Applications close Sunday 15 December 2019

[www.cruiseforacause.co.nz](http://www.cruiseforacause.co.nz)



 **ORANGA TAMARIKI**  
Ministry for Children

## WE NEED MORE CAREGIVERS

Can you provide a stable and loving environment for tamariki until it's safe for them to return home?

All children need a place where they can feel at home with their wider whānau or caregivers. Those who can give them aroha, a place of belonging and connection with family, whakapapa and culture

Caregiving can be hard at times but the rewards can be amazing. Your aroha can make all the difference.

For more information about becoming an Oranga Tamariki caregiver, please get in touch anytime on:



**0508 CARERS (0508 227 377)**  
[www.orangatamariki.govt.nz](http://www.orangatamariki.govt.nz)

REMARKABLE THEATRE PRESENTS  
**THE 11TH ANNUAL GARDEN SHOW**

# MOVIE SCENE MADNESS



**JAN 24-26: FRI 6pm, SAT-SUN 2pm, 4pm, 6pm**  
**Starts at Queenstown Gardens Rotunda**  
BYO chair or blanket - Entry by folding koha / donation

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Santa's Grotto  
Photo Opportunities  
Skating Demos & Performances  
Christmas Cookies & Hot Chocolates  
Christmas Movies & Music  
Games & Prizes

# Santa on ice!

*A Winter Wonderland Holiday Celebration*

Join Santa and his helpers at the Queenstown Ice Arena  
in support of Queenstown Ice Skating Club (QISC)

Friday, December 20th, 5-7pm & Saturday, December 21st, 12-2pm



- Skate Hire \$15 for 6yrs + / \$9.50 for 5yrs & under
- Get Skating Tips & Tricks from Santa's Helpers for Gold Coin Donations! No booking required, pay on the day!



Wakatipu Conservatoire of Classical Ballet  
Presents

# Down The Rabbit Hole

Saturday 14 December  
12noon and 5pm

Queenstown Memorial  
Centre

[www.eventfinda.co.nz](http://www.eventfinda.co.nz)

Heart Foundation

## Get active with whānau this summer

Being physically active is good for our mood, overall health and can provide hours of fun. Summer is a great time to be active together as whānau. Here are some fun physical activity ideas to fill in the summer holidays:

- Collect shells or driftwood at the beach.
- Play nature bingo – create a list of things to find and whoever finds them all first wins!
- Explore somewhere new.
- Have a concert or dance party in the backyard.
- Try a game of backyard cricket or touch rugby.
- Challenge some friends to a game of ultimate frisbee.
- Look out for free local activities which provide opportunities to be active.

For more information, visit: [heartfoundation.org.nz](http://heartfoundation.org.nz)