

Wakari School Newsletter

"Wakari School - Happy Confident Learners"



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Calendar

July 12

End of term two

July 29

Start of term three

July 31

ICAS English exam

August 5

Cross Country (1.30pm)

August 9

Ukelele Jam

August 13

ICAS Maths exam
BOT meeting at 7pm

August 20

Hills Cluster X Country

September 6

Otago X Country champs

Welcome

We welcome the following pupils and their families to our community. We hope you will enjoy being part of Team Wakari and our learning environment.

Lily Sime

Marlee Silva

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Yesterday we had the pleasure of celebrating Support Staff Day. These staff members are an integral part of the fabric that makes up Wakari School. They always have the best for the children at the forefront of their thoughts and I regularly see children running up towards the Awesome Kids Room to ensure they get the most out of the session with their support person. Every member of our community would have somehow had dealings with Glenda and Bryce at the front office and we all know how key their performance is to the harmony of the school. Keep up the great work team.

Interviews around learning have been held during the past week and it is pleasing to see a significant turnout of parents. These interviews enhance the home – school partnership that is so important for our children. Again if there are areas of concern for you as a parent please make contact with your teacher to make an appointment as this will enable the school to act if the need arises.

It is an exciting time for our Junior area as the board looks at an upgrade through the classrooms. I know the teachers are excited around some of the options we are currently looking at. The orange carpet that has so beautifully adorned our floors may be looking for a new home.

I hope you and your families enjoy the holiday time together and the children have a chance to recharge as we head into the second winter term. Hard to believe we are already half way through 2013.

Kind Regards
Chris Smith



NEXT SCHOOL ASSEMBLY - Friday 2 August at 2pm

Caught In The Act

Once again there have been a lot of children caught in the act. Well done! Award winners from June 27 - July 10

5 tickets = 1 telephone call + 1 ice block!

Mackenzie Webb
Maia Epere
Zenah Taha
Dawson Porthouse
Isobelle Allnatt
Riley Fitzgerald
Jack Keen
Paige van Gorp
Casey Bennett
Ty Gray
Connor Machin
Bradley Swan

Summer Adams
Susan Begg
Kaylea Phillips
Olivia Thorn
Olivia Davies
Lachie Groves
Taymah Aiken-Wheeler
Olivia Glover
Poppy Annison
Brock Marsden
Wyatt Hohaia
Aidan Mullenger

Maddison Sutherland
Jasmine Bekhit
Hamish Grindlay
James Mosley
Isabelle Stanton
Kodai Yamamoto
Maia Lynch
Corey Gilliland-Dickson
Oliver Ushakov-Colling
Samantha Elliot
Liam Rasmussen
Natalie McDonald

Dom McPhee
Liliana Sneddon
Keegan Shaw
Kate Ward

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Kids Corner

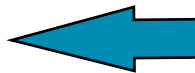


Room 11 Artworks

Below is a selection of some wonderful artwork done by the talented kids from Room 11:



Keira and Harmony made these fantastic owls made from corrugated cardboard.



DID YOU KNOW ?

Sound travels almost 5 times faster underwater than in air.



I made a ladybird. It was green. I used green wool. Keegan

Room 9 News

Keegan [above] proudly displays his sewing. Jake [below] is pictured here with his sliding picture he made in Technology.



Some colourful animals - among them are zebras, lions and cows.



Health tip: Diarrhoea or vomiting? Please stay at home for at least 24 hours after it finishes.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

Working Bee

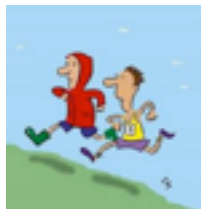
We will be holding a working bee on Saturday 7th Sept from 9am - 1pm. Among the work to be done is setting up a garden and light maintenance work. All help is much appreciated. Please email botchair@wakari.school.nz if you wish to come and please state any skills you can offer. Thanks.



Cross Country 2013

The Cross Country Season is nearly upon us and many children are in training for this. Here are the dates for the Cross Country events:

- Wakari X Country: Monday 5 August
- Hills Cluster X Country: Tuesday 20 August
- Otago X Country: Friday 6 September



Postponement dates will be advised closer to the time.

Garden Group News

We are hoping to start clearing the garden area over the school holidays in preparation for spring planting. Please contact us if you are willing and able to help either by email at gardens@wakari.school.nz or phone us on 467 5323. We look forward to hearing from you.

COMMUNITY NEWS

SUPAKids

SUPAKidz had a lot of fun this term, exploring the value of "Perseverance- keep on keeping on" with games, crafts and Bible stories.

Next term's 6 week programme will start in WEEK 2 (Monday 5 August)



with the value 'Respect' and the exciting, dramatic, suspense-filled story of Esther.

New children of all ages are welcome! Permission forms can be picked up from the school office or at the welcome table on Mondays. Parents are welcome.

HOME & SCHOOL NEWS

"Nacho day" was held on 17 June. It was a great success and enjoyed by the children!!! As requested by the teachers we have purchased a \$100.00 iTunes voucher for the purchase of new apps for the iPads.



Entertainment books:

There are still approximately **12** outstanding books. Please check to see if you still have one at home or you need to pay for your book.

Fair news:

100 days to go ... Hey kids – please go through your bedrooms these holidays!! Donate some of the toys you no longer play with, then you will have room for the ones that you buy at the fair!!

The storage facility will open soon after the beginning of term 3 - details to follow soon. The holidays are a great time to clean out the garage! If you have any large items, we can arrange for them to be picked up.

Do you have a pony that they could bring along for pony rides?

Do you work for or have a business that might be able to provide prizes or other sponsorship for the fair? We would love to have a plant stall at the fair but we need helpers to grow cuttings. **Please let us know if you can help in any way.**

Please check out our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/WakariSchoolFair so you can keep up to date with preparations. Please like this page and share with family and friends. This is one way of free advertising!!

Contact: homeandschool@wakari.school.nz



Mobile dental clinic phone: 0800 67 25 43

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FREE Family Day – Storylines Festival 2013

Keep Saturday 10 August free because the Storylines Festival returns to Dunedin City Library, for a fantastic day full of entertainers, storytellers, illustrators, activities and competitions. Enjoy the sausage sizzle and candy floss. Bring your books along and get them signed!

Featuring:

Kyle Mewburn, Robyn Belton, Adele Broadbent, Mandy Hager, Raymond McGrath, Rachel Stedman, Sandy McKay, Simon Pollard, Isobelle Carmody, Rachel Spratt, Tanya Batt and Kaitrin McMullan

Saturday 10 August, 11.00am - 4.00pm
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