

# Wakari School Newsletter

"Wakari School - Happy Confident Learners"



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## Calendar

### December 20

Last day of 2013.

### February 4

First day of 2014.

### February 6

Waitangi Day

### March 3 - 7

Year 6 Camp at Iona

### March 24

Otago Anniversary

### April 17

End of term one.

## Welcome

We welcome the following pupil and her family to Wakari. We hope you will enjoy being part of Team Wakari and our learning environment.

Shalia Rowe



Dear Parents and Caregivers,

The last blurb for the year is one that I would like to thank those who have made contributions to Wakari School in 2013. As with all acknowledgements if I miss you out it is not intentionally, rather that the list is a long one.

Firstly I would like to thank the Board of Trustees that has governed the school this year. This is a selfless job with little thanks but be assured that the staff and I appreciate the support from this group. I must make a mention of Brian Shea whose leadership, support and challenging nature has helped me immensely in my first year as Principal here.

To our Home and School Committee (always on the lookout for supporters) have continued to play an integral role in supporting the teachers and children throughout 2013. The highlight of the year was months of planning coming together beautifully for the Fair. Keep up the

hard work for the coming years.

To the Flagstaff Community Church that come in and help with various tasks that significantly lighten the workload for Staff your support is appreciated.

To the senior management team of Stacey Gribben, Judith Stanbridge and Lou Maguire special thanks for your guidance and support for what has been a good year for our School.

To the teaching staff, teacher aides and office team the entire school community hugely values your work. Enjoy your holiday and look forward to another successful year in 2014 for Wakari School.

Most importantly to the families of Wakari School; parents, children, coaches, cooks, campers, road patrol volunteers, taxi drivers, and extended whanau, we thank you for all the things that you do that support the school in so many ways.

Have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and I look forward to seeing you all early in February.

Kind Regards

*Chris Smith*



**NEXT SCHOOL ASSEMBLY - Friday 14 February 2014 at 2pm**

## Caught In The Act

Once again there have been a lot of children caught in the act. Well done! Award winners from **December 5 - 18**

5 tickets = 1 telephone call + 1 ice block!

Lucy Irvine	Josh Harris	Brock Marsden
Oliver Rongen	Will Cone	Fletcher Key
James Pedersen	Nicholas MacGregor	Jesse Glover
Jack McFarlane	Jacob Roberts	Harry Major
Dylan Hill-McLean	Dom McPhee	Paul Lee
Sam McLean	Aidan McEwan (2)	Emily Hall
Blake Willitts	Michael Bennett	Courtney Duff
Ben Williams-Davies	Charlotte Thompson	Charlotte Sims
Isobelle Allnatt	Samantha Elliot	Makayla Houpapa
Jay Houston-Hynd	Ben Freeman	Keegan Shaw
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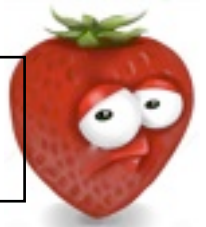
**RICOH**  
imagine. change.

Adam Dunlop  
Min Shin  
Bailey Marsden

## Artists Corner



**DID YOU KNOW ?** Lemons contain more sugar than the strawberries!



### New Artwork

Wow! Miss Benwell and her team of budding artists have done it again! What a magnificent display of colour through the use of bottle tops! We would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Miss Benwell and her team. Please take time to view this artwork on the end of Room 15.

Miss Benwell would also like to say a big thank you to the Home and School and the school community for helping to create it. The design is not yet finished. If you have **DARK GREEN** or **RED** lids, please drop them off to the office and Miss Benwell can complete the last two designs.



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



## IMPORTANT REMINDERS

### Last Day School Ends at 1pm

Please note school will end for the year at 1pm on Friday 20 December. Children can be collected from 12.30pm. If you are not intending to send your child to school on Friday you must inform the office. They will advise class teachers via our electronic attendance programme. This will avoid unnecessary calls and checks on absentees. Thank you.

### After School Care (Last Day)

Magic Childcare will NOT be operating on the last day of term.

### Start of 2014

The school day of 2014 is Tuesday 4 February. The school day will begin at 9am.

### Holiday Security

Thank you to those parents that have volunteered to do security over the holiday period. Schedules were sent home with your child earlier this week. We encourage the community to use the school grounds over the holiday period, as this helps minimise vandalism and any potential mischief.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### Surf Holiday Programme

The Break – Away Surf Programme like the Break - Away Sailing Programme is running on the following weeks;

1. January 6 - 10 (12 spots left)
2. January 13 - 17 (15 Spots left)

The surf programme is based at Warrington and is also FREE. Registrations are to be made at [www.sportotago.co.nz/](http://www.sportotago.co.nz/)

### Japanese Drummers

Recently the children were treated with a show by some Japanese drummers. They were amazing to watch and the drums could be heard from a distance. After the show, a number of children had the opportunity to learn how to play the drums.



SUNSMART FACT



### Being cool doesn't help

Sunburn can occur on cooler days. There is no relationship between air temperature and the strength of UV radiation from the sun. Be prepared. Slip, slop, slap and wrap, and stay in the shade when you can.



**Cancer Society**

Te Kāhui Matepukupuku  
o Aotearoa



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(free call from mobile phones)



## 2014 Class Structure:

### Junior Syndicate

Rm 6	Mrs Judith Stanbridge	NE
Rm 7	Ms Lynda Pollock	Yr 1
Rm 8	Mrs Anna Lawson	Yr 1-2
Rm 4	Miss Aleisha Williams	Yr 2

### Middle Syndicate

Rm 10	Mrs Lou Maguire	Yr 3-4
Rm 11	Mr Richard Murray	Yr 3-4
Rm 15	Miss Andrea Benwell	Yr 3-4
Rm 14	Mrs Lisa Lowden	Yr 2-3

### Senior Syndicate

Rm 13	Mrs Stacey Gribben	Yr 5-6
Rm 12	Mrs Caroline Brown	Yr 5-6
Rm 3	Mr Murray South	Yr 4-5

### Staff Dance

Yesterday the children were 'treated' with a 'dance' by the staff. Staff danced to a medley of music ranging from Gangnam style to YMCA.



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