

Wakari School Newsletter

"Wakari School - Happy Confident Learners"



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Calendar

March 17 - 28

Senior Syndicate swimming.

March 24

Otago Anniversary - school closed.

March 28

Heritage photos

April 3

Strike performance

April 7 - 17

Junior Syndicate swimming

April 17

Last day of term one.



Quick access to
our website

Welcome

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

Jonty Hill

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

A vital cog to the School wheel is our Home and School committee. The work that this group of parents do allows for the children to receive those "extras" that the Ministry does not allow for with its current funding levels. I ask that you support this group in whichever way you are able to contribute.

A note went home earlier in the week around a Working Bee taking place on the 6th of April beginning at 9am. It would be pleasing to see a good turnout of helpers on this day.

Thanks to Mrs Gribben, Mrs Brown and Mr South for their efforts in the running of the Year 6 camp at Iona. It was my pleasure to witness first hand a smooth operation that offered all of the children challenges and opportunities to explore their talents and step outside of their comfort zone. A thank you also to the parents who take time out to ensure that camp can take place. This includes those parents who don an apron on a Friday at lunchtime for the sausage sizzle. The proceeds from this goes directly to subsidise the Year 5 and Year 6 camps. Without this support school camps simply could not happen.

Kind Regards

Chris Smith

Wakari School Code of Conduct:

Courtesy: "Show good manners to other people"

Caught In The Act

Once again there have been a lot of children caught in the act. Well done! Award winners from **February 27 - March 12**
5 tickets = 1 telephone call + 1 ice block!

Bronwyn Tunster
Sam Holborow
Noah Smith
Gideon Craigie

Oscar Lambeth
Nicholas MacGregor
Katie Willis
Fletcher Key

Ollie McCulloch
Amelia McCulloch
Charlie Nisbet
Bonnie Wallace

Chihiro Graham

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Kids Corner



Senor Syndicate News Sports Day

"Yesterday the Year 5 and 6s were invited down to Kaikorai Valley College to take part in a Sports Expo. There were lots of different sports. All of the sports we did were lots of fun but my favourites were rugby and basketball. We got to meet some Otago players which was cool. It was good trying some different sports that I haven't played before."

- Tayla Campbell

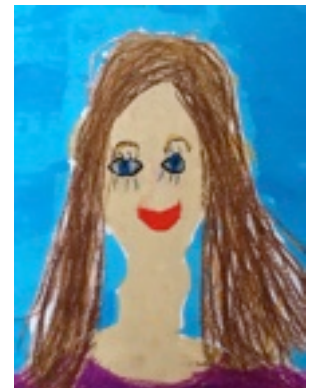
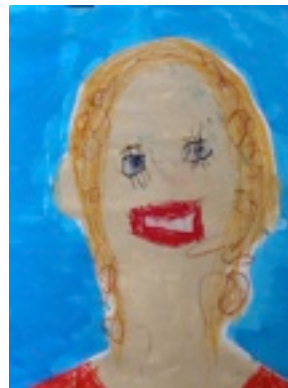
"I got to play rugby, petanque, surf life saving, rock climbing, volleyball, basketball, table tennis and softball. My favourite was volleyball because I learnt some new skills and really enjoyed it."

- Ryan Kenton



Room 7 Artwork

Here is a selection of self portraits from Year 1 children in Room 7



DID YOU KNOW ?

Rabbits like licorice and reindeer like bananas!



Health tip: Diarrhoea or vomiting? Please stay at home for up to 48 hours after it finishes.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

Contact Details

Over the next week we will be sending home a summary sheet of contact details we have for your child. Please take the time to look over these details. If you need to make any corrections write on the sheet and return to the school office. We particularly need up to date email addresses, as we hope to send out surveys and reviews via email. Thanks.

Middle Swimming

Due to pool issues this week, the Middle Syndicate has not been able to swim with Jill Clarke Swim School. However this weeks lessons have been transferred to week 9 of this term (week starting 31 March). Please ensure that your child has their swimming togs with them this week. Thanks.

Junior Swimming

The Junior Syndicate and Room 14 children will be swimming in Week 10 and 11 (April 7 to 17). The cost of this block of lessons is \$36. Please send along payment to the school office before swimming starts. Thanks.

Senior Swimming

Senior children begin their swimming block next week. This runs for 2 weeks and there is no cost for Seniors.

GARDEN GROUP NEWS

The school garden groups continue to work hard as autumn gets under way. The children continue to enjoy tasting the produce from the garden with the kids really getting into cleaning and preparing the vegetables. We are getting feedback on how yummy the beetroot is!

We are also thrilled that the school garden is now part of junior discovery time. It was really lovely to see the current group members bringing their friends up to experience the fun of learning up at the garden beds!

We are still keen for extra adults to get involved with our project so please get in touch by phoning us on 467 5323, email gardens@wakari.school.nz or drop in and see us and the kids during a Tuesday lunchtime

workshop. Please also get in touch if you have questions or concerns such as your child handling soil or eating food produced with the garden veggies.

HOME & SCHOOL NEWS

Montana Bakery Fundraiser

Montana Bakery are offering a selection of pizzas, pies, sausage rolls, breads, cheesecakes, lamingtons, buns and kisses. An order form has gone home today.

Orders in by: Thursday 27 March
Delivery date: Wednesday 10 April

For more information on Montana Bakery and their products, go to their website:

www.montanabakery.co.nz

Thank you for supporting the Home & School.

The AGM was held on Monday. Officers elected for the next year are...

President – Ayline Carey
Vice-President – Nikki Shea
Secretary – Carmel Wilson
Treasurer – Julie Glover

Events coming up are:

Disco: Friday 4 April.

Form to pre-order 2014 Entertainment Book going out this week.

Meeting has been held with supplier regarding the Junior playground upgrade.

Need helpers for Friday Sausage Sizzle lunches – either taking orders or cooking sausages.

Approved the purchase of three items off the Teacher's Wishlist – new tents for camps, Athletics programme and a swinging seat for ORRS.

Working bee coming up on Sunday 6 April.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Thank You

We would like to thank the Moana Tennis Club for donating a number of tennis balls to the school. These are a welcome addition to our sports cupboard.



Mobile dental clinic phone: 0800 67 25 43

(free call from mobile phones)



Healtheries Opportunity

In March, all shoppers who purchase any two Healtheries Supplements, Teas or Kidscare snack products from Countdown supermarkets and swipe their Onecard will go in the draw to win \$10,000 in sports gear for their nominated school + \$1,000 prize pack for themselves.

A real highlight is that Dan Carter will deliver the prize to the winning school! (and teachers!) at the same time. (See the [Healtheries website](#) for more details).

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