

# WAKANUI NEWS

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Next term we are going to do a sausage sizzle every Friday! \$2 per sausage, so you don't need to worry about lunch on Fridays. You can drop your order form and money into the office. We start on Friday the 30<sup>th</sup> of July and end on Friday the 8<sup>th</sup> of October

For Epro8 this week at the Intermediate, we entered 6 different Wakanui teams. They all did so well! 2 teams qualified for the Timaru semi-finals. The Year 6 team that advanced was Wakanui Warriors and the 7/8 team that advanced was the Wakanui Wasps. We had 2 and a half hours to do four challenges that had 5 different stages. You could switch your challenge half way through if you liked, for example, if trying to use a fan to float a balloon through the netball hoop you made was tricky, you could change the frame to become a swinging gate.

This term Karaka and Kahikatea classes have been doing Clubs. At the start of the term we got to select one activity to do for 5 Wednesdays then we switched to a different one for the next 5 weeks. There were 5 activities to choose from. For Coding with Mr. Flanagan, we use Chrome Books and different platforms to code with. We do science experiments with Mr. Stoddart, craft/origami with Mrs Clement, art extension/painting with Mrs Livingstone, and lastly bake sale with the profits going to a charity of the student's choice. Previous charities have been SPCA, Pink Shirt Day, St Johns, Floods, RDA, Caninspire Beads. Tomorrow fudge is for sale with the profits going to the Mountain Bike Track as it was affected by the floods. Everyone has been enjoying and looking forward to these Wednesday afternoons.

Last week Finleigh, Kate, Callum and Jack S took part in the Canterbury Primary Schools Cross Country at the Halswell Quarry. We all felt very lucky to be having this experience and being able to represent Wakanui School. We got great results too with Jack S being 88<sup>th</sup> out of 124, Callum 93<sup>rd</sup> out of 184, Finleigh 84<sup>th</sup> out of 184 and Kate 41<sup>st</sup> out of 180 and beating their times by a good minute. They all hope to return next year!



## IMPORTANT DATES

7 July – Junior Assembly – 2:30pm  
8 July – Pōwhiri at Tinwald School  
8 July – Pizza Lunch Day  
9 July – Last day of Term 2  
26 July – Term 3 Begins  
26-30 July – Swim Week – Kahikatea, Karaka, Kanuka  
28 July – Y7/8 Technology  
29 July – Winter Tournament Y5-8

A reminder that at the 3pm pick up students that are not on the bus need to wait at the picnic tables outside Kawakawa until an adult comes in to collect them. Students have been asked not to wait at the gate or outside the office.

Tena Koutou,

Firstly, congratulations go to Trena Watt who has been appointed as an Across School Teacher within the Hakatere Kahui Ako. This means Trena will be released for part of the week to work across the 12 schools in our Kahui to support teaching and learning. This is a fantastic opportunity for Trena. Details of how this relates to Kahikatea will be communicated to the class today.

Thank you to our whanau for their understanding and flexibility during times of school closure. The decision for schools to close is never made lightly, and we understand that this has an impact on personal arrangements.

As we race towards the end of term and into Term 3, please keep an eye out for notifications on Flexischools to keep up to date with the many things happening at school. This helps things run smoothly and supports our students to be organised.

We are very much looking forward to visiting Tinwald School for our Pōwhiri next Thursday 8 July. It would be wonderful if whanau could join us for this as manuhiri, the visitors.

Have a relaxing holiday break when it arrives,  
Rebekah

**School Production - On August the 10<sup>th</sup> at the Ashburton College Auditorium, Wakanui School is performing a whole school production. It is about a family of 5 featuring Mum, Dad and three children, who were planning on going to London but because of COVID, the family travels around New Zealand instead. Every class will be performing a New Zealand themed song, and there are fun facts about every town they travel through.**

