

WAKANUI NEWS

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News from Wakanui School

Farewell Wakanui,

10 years and 3 terms ago I became the principal of Wakanui School, my second principal position in Mid Canterbury. The school had a roll of 40 something students and 3 classrooms, not much of a staffroom and certainly no coffee machine! Fast forward to today and we have 130 students with 6 classrooms and a host of other spectacular resources for our students to learn with. We have a heated swimming pool, a specialist art room, an amazing play area and even still some huts and trees for climbing. One thing has not changed throughout that time though – the passion and commitment the Wakanui community has for the school and its students. The people are what makes this place great.

I want to thank all the people who have passed through our school during my tenure and who have helped to make a difference. I have enjoyed every moment of it and will miss all of you enormously – however, I am only down the road a bit so hopefully we can all keep in touch. I will always be interested in what is happening here and will follow the achievements of the students with a keen sense of connection and pride. I do feel very blessed to have been a part of the Wakanui community for the last 10 and a half years –

*Hurihia to aroaro ki te ra tukuna to atarangi kia taka ki muri i a koe.
Turn your face to the sun and the shadows fall behind you.*

Hilary.

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IMPORTANT DATES

27 September – Whole School Assembly – 1.30pm
28 September – Effort Cards Home – Last Day of Term 3
15 October – Technology Y7/8 – 1st Day of Term 4
15-16 & 23 Oct – Goal Setting Interviews - Whole School
18 October – Athletics Day
19 October – Pp Athletics Day
29 October – Technology Y7/8
30 October – BOT Meeting
5 November – Technology Y7/8
8 November – Whole School Assembly
12 November – Technology Y7/8
13-15 November – Y5/6 Camp - Spencer Park
16 November – Canterbury Show Day – School Closed.

Farewell Assembly

*All school families, past students and parents are invited to Hilary's farewell assembly this Thursday 27 September 1.15pm at Wakanui School.
All current school families are asked to bring a plate for a shared afternoon tea.*

Biodiversity Presentation



Daniel, Lucy, Macy and Mrs Watson went to the District Council meeting on Tuesday to present our involvement in the "Landscape concept and management plan at Wakanui Beach". We explained the process from collecting the seeds last year, to propagation of the seeds, to planting the seedlings by the Wakanui Beach hut area. Eventually our plants will grow and help restore this area to a native environment for birds, insects and people to appreciate. Students are very proud of the part they have had in this project and we see our school being involved for many years to come.

Goal Setting Interviews - Held Monday, Tuesday week 1 and Tuesday of week 2 of term 4.

These will be available to book later this week. It is expected that all students attend these interviews please.

Save the date!
Athletics Day
Thursday 18 Oct,
postponement day
19 Oct. A detailed
program will be sent
home early next
term.



Summer Uniform

From the beginning of next term summer uniforms are to be worn by all students.

Students must wear a sunhat at all break times and when outside for lessons. School sunhats are available from the office at \$16 each. Providing your child with easily applied sunblock is a good idea.

Girls: skorts, short sleeved polo's, white ankle socks and black or brown shoe or sandals. Please use either the school hair ties or plain brown or black ties, clips or head bands.

Boys: grey shorts, short sleeved polo's, grey socks and black or brown shoes or sandals.

On Fridays our sports uniform is a school sports top, plain black shorts, ankle socks and comfortable sneakers.



The Wakanui Premiership League Team.

This team played their hearts out in their final soccer game beating (3-0) the top team that has been unbeaten for two seasons!

The team ended the season 2nd overall based on season points. Well done!

Wakanui Hall Rostered Cleaning

Anyone who is interested in going on a rostered cleaning list for the hall please contact Julia Paton 027 688 4334 or 302 3990 Many thanks.



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