



Manaakitanga **S**how Respect
Rangatiratanga **T**ake Responsibility
Whāia Te Iti Kahurangi **A**im High
Kia Kaha Tonu **N**ever Give Up
Tikanga **D**o the Right Thing
E Tū Kahikatea

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PRINCIPAL

Kia ora te whānau, nga mihi o koutou,
Greetings to the Wakefield School family,

Election fever sweeps Wakefield School

Do you know there is more than one general election happening in Aotearoa this week? Yes, while most people's attention is on Jacinda, Judith and the rest, I can report that the BIG NEWS around here is the Wakefield School election. Which party will win? The E Tu Kahikatea party? The Make A Choice party? Perhaps the LP party? (our motto: *Legendary People Put the Cool in School*).

Stakes are high, with the winning party gaining power to run the school for a day. Every child in the school is eligible to vote, voter registration opens today and polling day is Friday, with children using the real booths set up in our library for Saturday's polling. Campaigning peaks this afternoon with a leaders' debate in front of the whole school, where each party's policies will be aired, scrutinised, tested and challenged.

Why do we focus on the election? Here's our reason, from our school curriculum document:

*Do we expect children to be **citizens-in-waiting** or can they already be **citizens-in-action**? By citizenship we mean being active members of a community; knowing that they belong and that they have rights and responsibilities. Enabling children to become active citizens meets our commitment to Wakefield School being a place where children become **confident lifelong learners** who can set their own goals, manage themselves well and know how to collaborate with others. We believe children learn best when **learning is connected to their lives and their world**; they are motivated to learn when they see a purpose and know their actions have an effect on the world.*

I encourage you to talk to your child about our school election. You may find they are interested in the general election too. Tell them about how you are a citizen-in-action, how by making an informed vote you help keep democracy alive and flourishing.

Our election results should be available by the end of Friday.

Have a good week

Peter Verstappen
Principal

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REMEMBER – TEACHER ONLY DAY

Just a friendly reminder that Friday the 23rd of October is a Teacher Only Day so school will be closed.



ROCK CAMP 2020

By Josh West

As I clapped my drumsticks together...1, 2, 3, 4 our band 'The Demented Seagulls' started to play. The curtains pulled and the lights glared at us on stage, I realised I didn't feel too nervous. We were the first act of Rock Camp 2020.

Rock Camp was held in the first week of the school holidays at the Playhouse Theatre Cafe. I joined 14 other kids aged between 9-16 years who play music from different schools. This year there were five drummers, including me which was a record. We were all divided into groups and worked on creating an original song as well as practicing existing songs.

After five days' worth of working together we finished the camp with a concert that our family and friends could watch. It was an awesome feeling playing on stage in a band and I will be going back for Rock Camp next year.

A special thanks to Wayne Densem who generously sponsored me to attend Rock Camp.



SPORTS NEWS

Summer Sports Registration

All summer sport registration needs to be made through the School Loop App. (See below for instructions.) To register your child go to "Permission" select and "Activity" and then click on "Summer Sport Registration Form". All the information on the various sporting codes is on this form. You can still register your child for the following sports:

Volleyball, Cricket, Touch Rugby. Unfortunately, registration for Mini Soccer is now closed.

Swimming Lessons

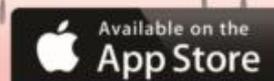
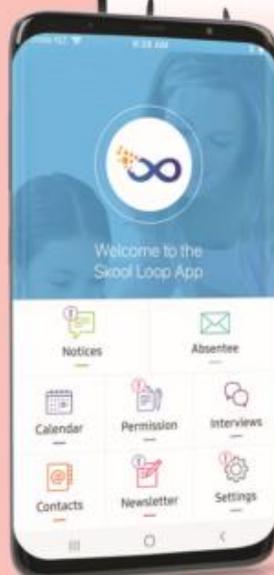
At this stage we are hoping to run whole school swimming lessons over a two-week period in November. We will be in touch with more information when it becomes available.

Hey there!

Just popping in to check you have downloaded our school app?

Stay in the loop with term three events with Skool Loop.

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Simple free download: In Google play & App Store search '**Skool Loop**' & choose our school once installed.

NEW COMMUNITY CENTRE – PUBLIC MEETING

New Community Centre – Invitation to Public Meeting

Thursday 22 October, 7.30pm at Wakefield School Hall.

In recent years we've watched communities around us rally to create vibrant, modern centres in Moutere, Murchison and Golden Bay, and at last month's Community Council meeting, local Councillor Christeen Mackenzie reminded us that the TDC's current long term plan mentions a future centre in the Brightwater-Wakefield area.

The Council's purchase last year of the land between the sports ground and Edward Baigent Reserve encourages us to consider our community's future needs. The TDC's intentions for a new centre may be years away but now is the time to get the ball rolling if we want a future community Centre serving Wakefield and Districts.

So let's get started. Join us at a meeting on **Thursday 22 October, 7.30pm at Wakefield School Hall**. Be prepared to talk about what you want to see in a future community centre and how we can make it happen. We need the voices of all local groups: sports, recreation, arts, health, social. Children welcome – let's hear their voices too!

For more information, contact Sonia Emerson (021 221 1009) or Peter Verstappen (021 047 1092).

WAIMEA DISTRICT SCHOOLING NETWORK REVIEW

The Ministry of Education is inviting all schools and communities to participate in a review of the schooling network in the Waimea District. This includes Wakefield School, Waimea Intermediate, Waimea College and other local schools - in other words, the schools your child attends or will attend. The board of trustees encourages you to think about the future school options you'd like for your children and complete this short online survey to make your opinions known. The board will shortly be holding our own consultation with our community, to consider some of the future options, including a discussion about adding year 7-8 classes to Wakefield School ('recapitating').

An Information Sheet is attached to this letter, along with the link to the survey below.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CZZKL72>

Note the survey closes on the 16th October 2020.

For anyone wishing to send in a submission rather than complete the survey, then the closing date for submissions will be the 30th October 2020.

Submissions need to be sent to Janet Kelly, the community consultation co-ordinator appointed by the Ministry of Education: janet.kelly@xtra.co.nz

If you have any questions or concerns please don't hesitate to contact Janet Kelly either by email: janet.kelly@xtra.co.nz or phone: 0272296260.

WAIMEA QUILT SHOW

The Wakefield School and Community Pool are doing a fundraiser by operating a cafe at school on Saturday and Sunday for the Waimea Area Quilt Show. We will desperately need donations of baking on Friday for this cafe if you are able to help with this please drop off any baking to the school office on Friday. Please see more information further down the newsletter.

IMPORTANT DATES

	Please Note: Some school and sports events may change due to Covid-19.
20 th October	Yr 6 Students Orientation at WIS – 1:30 – 2:30pm
21 st October	Rockfest – Rock Band Members – Broadgreen Intermediate
23rd October	Teacher Only Day – School Closed
26th October	Labour Day – School Closed
28 th October	Rippa Rugby Tournament – Jubilee Park
28 th October	BOT Meeting – 5:30pm – 6:30pm
30 th October	Kids Lit Quiz – 9 – 1pm
01 st November	Swimming Pool Opening Day – 10:00am – 1pm
05 th November	Music Showcase
12 th November	Yr 5&6 Athletics Sports – Saxton Athletics Track
13 th November	Yr 5&6 Athletics Sports – Postponement Date - Saxton Athletics Track
19 th November	Yr 3&4 Athletics Sports - Brightwater
25 th November	BOT Meeting – 5:30pm – 6:30pm

ART CLASSES

6-10 year olds @ Brightwater School
Mondays 3.15-4.15pm and 4.25pm-5.25pm

Art classes that allow children to discover their artistic talent, develop a passion for art and explore their creativity and self-expression through a variety of art materials and techniques.

Cost is \$135 for a 9 week term which includes all art materials.
(10% discount for siblings applies). Contact Aurelie on 021 833002

artreachnz@gmail.com

Aurelie Chambers

Predator Free 2050

Hello, I am Juan and I work at NMIT.

We are currently conducting a research project that explores the extent to which the public in New Zealand is engaged with Predator Free 2050. Our research has been approved by the Human Ethics Committee (2020-B02) at Nelson Marlborough Institute of Technology, New Zealand.

The survey can be finished within 6 minutes. It is anonymous. It asks about your opinion of and/or experience with Predator Free 2050. Your response will provide valuable insights into the practice of Predator Free 2050 in New Zealand.

You can opt in to win a \$50 Countdown voucher at the end of the survey. Thank you very much for your participation. The survey is available via the link below:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LGKRT7J>

Love Tennis Weekend event is open to all ages and abilities and is 100% free to attend. This is a family, community event – join us for fun, activity & socialising!

“Tennis is a game for everyone, whether you’re a current or returning player, or have never picked up a racquet before, Love Tennis is perfect for you. All equipment is provided, friendly club members will be on hand to welcome you and the BBQ will be cranking – it’s an event you don’t want to miss!” The following Nelson Clubs are part of this open weekend, Wakefield Club, Hope & Vets Club, Richmond Club, Tahuna Club & Nelson Club. Free Hells snack pizzas to every attendee.



The poster features a blue background with a large, light blue heart shape on the left. Inside the heart, the words "love tennis" are written in white, with a yellow heart icon replacing the letter 'o' in "love". To the right of the heart, the text "All welcome come play" is written in white, with "Now on next weekend" in red and "17th & 18th Oct" in red below it. Further down, "it's free!" is written in yellow. At the bottom, "Sat 10 & Sun 11 Oct 1-4pm" is written in white. The bottom right corner features logos for "HELL" and "REBEL SPORT". In the top right corner, the "tennis NZ" logo is visible, with the Māori text "Te Tāhahi o Aotearoa" below it.

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Te Tāhahi o Aotearoa

love tennis

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Proudly supported by HELL REBEL SPORT



WAIMEA AREA QUILT SHOW

**SATURDAY 17th &
SUNDAY 18TH OCTOBER
2020**

WAKEFIELD SCHOOL HALL
Edward Street, Wakefield

10.00AM – 4.00PM Saturday

10.00AM – 4.00PM Sunday

\$3.00pp – ALL WELCOME

Also able to be purchased on site



**Refreshments, in support of ongoing pool development,
by Wakefield School & Community Pool Committee**

PRETTYSMART

Pre-loved clothing

SALE

A great opportunity to buy and sell quality adults, children's and babies pre-loved clothing, shoes, toys and baby gear at bargain prices.

Saturday 17 October

9:00am - 2:00pm

Hope Recreation Hall

\$2 Entry per family

CASH Sales only NO EFTPOS

For **Sellers' Bookings and Enquiries** email:
prettysmartsale@gmail.com

Txt 027 3077 410 or 021 0246 5396

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10 DAY BOUNTIFUL BOOK BONANZA

Sat 17 - Mon 26 October
10am - 4.30pm daily

All funds raised contribute directly
to projects at Nelson City Council's
Founders Heritage Park.

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