



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 e whānau,

*Tūtawa mai i runga
Tūtawa mai i raro
Tūtawa mai i roto
Tūtawa mai i waho
Kia tau ai te mauri tū
Te mauri ora ki te katoa
Haumi e, hui e, tāiki e*

*Come forth from above,
From below
From within
And from the environment
Bring vitality and wellbeing
Wellbeing for all
Strengthened in unity*

The whakatauki encourages us to bring our energy and our resources for the good of all - 'united we stand!'

The keyword in the whakatauki is 'wellbeing', and if you've been following our progress at school these past couple of years you'll know we've set ourselves the challenge of making wellbeing not just a fad, but the real driver of everything we do at Wakefield School.

How does schooling look when wellbeing is the measure of our curriculum? As it turns out, this term the dreaded Covid has provided us with an excellent test for our wellbeing focus, even if it's one we'd prefer to avoid. The disruptions caused by large numbers of students and staff absent at any time, and managing constant changes to Covid settings, has been wearying, and I know that's felt in our homes and community too.

Our wellbeing focus has helped us through the challenges we've faced this term, and through the Covid pandemic generally. Here's why:

- Creating a place of calm. A key to wellbeing is to make our school a place of calmness. When we are calm we feel safer, more secure and better able to focus on learning.
- Being resilient. Coping with the Covid challenge is huge just now, and we notice our children are generally responding well. An example is their ability to adapt to having multiple relieving teachers in classes where their regular teacher is absent for days, occasionally weeks.
- Having a wellbeing skillset. Calmness and resilience don't happen by magic, and our efforts to teach children skills that promote wellbeing are very evident just now; skills around managing emotions, negotiating friendships, maintaining a healthy diet and exercise, de-escalating conflict, and paying attention are all within our wellbeing curriculum.
- Being positive models. We've made wellbeing a focus for our staff as much as for the children, setting high standards for ourselves around things like calmness, resilience and respect. As I move around the school I notice our staff living up to our expectations; talking gently and positively to children, moving with quiet purpose, smiling, being dignified and respectful with each other. We understand that these things are not just good for our own wellbeing, they are part of the curriculum - the things we teach to children. Every interaction we have with a child or another adult is noticed by our children and in noticing it they learn something about how the world works. Children learn from our behaviour, so if we want them to become their best, we must be our best. You won't see this written in any

Ministry of Education curriculum document, it's the curriculum of life, and we can either use it wisely and well, or ignore it and risk sending children the wrong messages about how to prosper in life.

Are we there yet? Is Wakefield School a place of perfect calm and reason? Are our children flawless in their ability to manage themselves and their relationships with others? Are our staff? No, of course not - we're all human, after all. At any moment there are people here who are grumpy and stressed, who have fallen out with friends, who are lonely or sad or lost in their learning.

What matters is that: a) we notice when things are going wrong (and you, parents, help us to notice by telling us what's going on for your child), b) we do all we can to lead that angry, lonely or unhappy child towards a more positive experience, and c) we enable children to believe they will get better at managing difficulties and can control their lives.

It's been hard to keep the momentum of our wellbeing focus, and many other things, with the Covid restrictions. Our spirit of community has been eroded by not having daily contact with parents, cancelling staff meetings and splitting staff across two staffrooms. The absence of assemblies and other shared opportunities like buddy reading and student committees seriously restricts our ability to promote school values and key messages like 'is it safe, is it fair, is it kind'.

We have a plan for how we will get back to normal and we look forward to this in term two - fingers crossed that next term will be kinder than this one.

In the meantime, I wish you a happy Easter and a peaceful couple of weeks away from the school routine. Take care and stay well.



Peter Verstappen
Principal

peter.verstappen@wakefield.school.nz



PUMPKINS A WINNER!!

The Richmond Lions Club sponsored a pumpkin competition this summer, and club members came to school recently to judge our efforts. Check out the range of pumpkins!

Competition winners were:



Biggest Pumpkin – Kasie Waldron



Smallest Pumpkin – Hayley Ellery



*Most Perculiar Pumpkin
Kadie Robinson*



*Best Looking Pumpkin
George Dixon*

The pumpkins inspired some of our senior children to write pumpkin poems. Here are three:

The Pumpkin

*It looks like Squidward's nose
It feels like it's got Pimples on it
It sounds like it's Hollow
It's as cold as an ice block
It reminds me of a bit fat slug*

Scarlett

The Pumpkin

*It looks like a yellow leaf falling from the bright blue sky
It feels as smooth as a polished knife
It sounds like as hollow as a bouncy ball
It's as yellow as a dandelion
It reminds me of an autumn breeze*

Logan



The Pumpkin

*It looks like a big soccer ball
It feels like a polished soccer ball
It sounds like a bulgy soccer ball
It's as big as a car tire
It reminds me of a soccer ball*

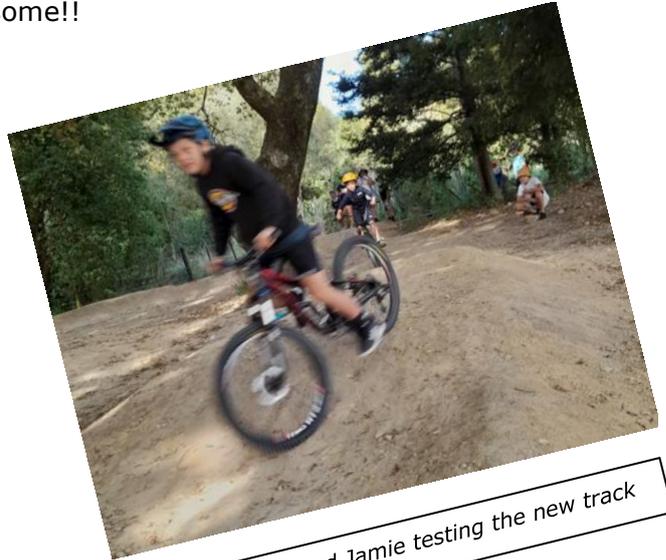
Carson

PUMP TRACK GETS A MAKEOVER

Last week Dan Shallcrass and helpers rebuilt our school pump track, to the amazement and delight of our children. Thank you Dan for your brilliant organisation and speedy work. Thanks also to the Pitfire Road development for donating truckloads of dirt, to Donald McConachie the super digger man, and to Ben Maxted Contracting for running the project. Check out what these guys are doing down at McGazzaland at the moment. Awesome!!



Kobi gets some air



Nixon and Jamie testing the new track

Thank you and stay well

PTA

Thank you for supporting the 3Bee Lozenge Fundraiser, this proved to be a great way to fundraise while in red level. We raised \$1620 which was a wonderful effort. Thanks to all our young sales people and parents! Last week was also the PTA sausage sizzle, thank you also for supporting this, \$200 was raised. We hope to try and make this happen towards the end of each term.

We are looking for someone with building experience to install air-vents into the PTA storage container. If you could help out with this please get in contact with us we'd really appreciate it.

We are always looking for new PTA members, so please contact us if you'd be keen to join the team. We are a friendly team of parents who organise fundraisers throughout the year, and we're always keen to get fresh ideas!

Contact: ptawakefield@gmail.com

Have a Happy Easter
Wakefield School PTA



NEW STUDENTS

Welcome to new students and families, we hope you are settling in and will enjoy your time at Wakefield School.

Forté Conner



SPORTS

Unfortunately, the Nelson Have-a-go Ripa Rugby tournament had to be cancelled because of illness within many of the primary schools.

Wakefield School netball teams are being sorted and you will shortly receive information and contact details for the upcoming season.

We have only just received Miniball/Basketball information. I will email an online form out to all families; however, this league is for years 3 – 6 only. Please fill in the form and submit it before the end of the holidays.

LIBRARY

Holiday Reading Challenge

The library is running a reading challenge over the holidays. Children taking part will bring home a holiday reading log. Please help your child to fill this in with anything they read, or have read to them, over the holidays.

Make sure their full name and class room number is on the top. The forms need to be returned to the library at the beginning of term 2 and students will go in the draw to win one of the fabulous book prizes (see pic) or a \$20 Paper Plus voucher.

Kathy Ameen

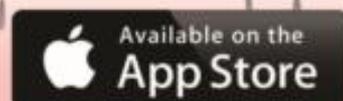


Hey there!

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

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

- ✓ Events
- ✓ Notices
- ✓ Instant school messages
- ✓ Book interviews
- ✓ Absentee
- ✓ Newsletters
- ✓ Permission Slips



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

Kindo – School Payments Online

School payments online

Our Kindo School shop is our preferred method of payment for your child's school expenses, and we encourage you to set up your family account today. It's easy, convenient, open 24/7 and available on our school website.

New users

New users can set up an account easily!

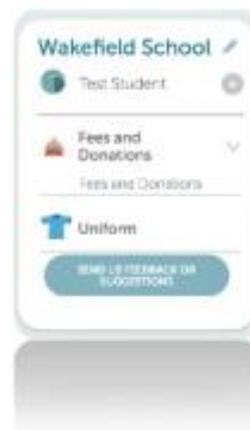
Click [here](#) and enter the email address the school has on file for you, then click 'continue'. A confirmation email with a link will be sent to you.

Click on the link and enter a password to complete your registration.

Existing users

Already have an Ezlunch or Kindo account?

Simply login with your email and password and click on the 'Fees and Donations' service to link your students to our school records and view your family account. [Click here](#) to log in.



Payment

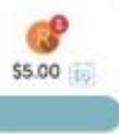
There are a number of ways you can choose to top-up your account, and this can be done at the checkout, or by selecting the 'top up account' option.



Bank Transfer	No fees. Allow 2 days for processing.
Account 2 account POLI	No fees. Instant transfer. **RECOMMENDED** No fees. Instant transfer. **RECOMMENDED**
Credit/Debit Card	50 cent charge + 2.5% fee. Instant transfer. Visa / MasterCard / American Express / China UnionPay available.

Shopping

From your family account, you can choose to pay the full amount by clicking '+' next to the item or make a part payment, by

changing the amount before clicking the '+'.


For an optional item, click on your child's initial next to the item to add it to your cart.

Once you have finished adding items to your cart you can select

Then simply click at  the checkout and you're done!

Your order will automatically go through to the school, and you will receive an email receipt confirming your payment or top-up!



Need assistance? Call the Kindo helpdesk on free phone 0508 4 KINDO (0508 454 636).

We are open Monday to Friday 9am - 4pm.

SINGING AND PIANO LESSONS

Margy has a few spots for piano tuition and singing for Term 2.

Wakefield School Music Programme Enrolment Form 2022

Name/s:.....

Year:..... Room:

Caregiver/Parent:

Email:.....

Contact Phone Number (for leaving a message):.....

Tick the box for the lessons you would like to enrol for

Prices based on lessons per week.

Individual singing lessons 20 minutes \$15/lesson - \$150 for Term 2

Piano Keyboard 20 minutes \$20.00/lesson - \$200.00 per term.

IMPORTANT DATES

13th April	Last Day of Term 1
14th April	Teacher Only Day
15th April	Good Friday
02nd May	Term 2 Begins

JOIN OUR COMMUNITY FAMILY FUN DAY

FREE



Enjoy a great day out with the whole family
at the Easter Family Day to be held at
Bunnings Warehouse Nelson

Easter Saturday 16th April
11am - 1pm

Giant Bubble Show
Hot Crossed Buns
Popcorn
Easter Egg Hunt
Kids DIY's

For more information contact us on 03-5381200
or visit www.bunnings.com.au/storenamenelson



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BASEBALLS LEAGUE



TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS
Action Indoor Sport Centre
4-6pm; 10th May to 30th June
2 x 15 min games each week

Enter a team by emailing
coachcooper@tetauihubbaseball.nz

Teams must have 6-8 players
At least 3 players must be female
Leagues: Primary-Intermediate-College
\$40 per player for the 8 weeks
*(Evening adult league will be established if
numbers warrant it)*



2022 Nelson Hockey Junior Program II

Starts Thursday May 19th at Saxton Hockey Turfs

Register online at www.nelsonhockey.org.nz

Nelson Hockey Programmes

Kindy Sticks:

3 & 4 years old: Fun fundamental skill games. Thursdays 3.45 pm - 4.30pm. Cost is \$ 35 for the 6 week programme.

Fun Sticks:

Year 1 & 2 : Fun skill games, learn the basics of hockey. some competition games.

Thursdays 3.45 pm - 4.30 pm.

Cost is \$35 for the 6 week programme.

Mini Sticks:

Year 2 to 4 : 6 Aside competition, 2 skills practised each week & 30 minute game. Thursdays 4.30 pm - 5.30 pm.

Cost is \$40 for the 6 week programme.

Kiwi Sticks:

Year 4 to 8 : 8 Aside competition, half field game. 2 Skills Practised each week & 30 minute game.

Thursdays 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm.

Cost is \$45 for the 6 week programme.

For further information - Please contact Nelson hockey

Direct debit

03-1354-0452914-16

Registrations Close MAY 15th



Regional Development Manager-Daniel Hobbs
rdm@nelsonhockey.org.nz or phone - 03-5479988

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NEED
IS A BEAT



THURSDAY 12TH MAY

3.30 to 4.20pm. 8 weeks - \$70
Richmond New Life Church, Wensley Rd

More info/enquiries

 The Dance Club

 027 778 5888

 dancers.at.the.dance.club@gmail.com
(to register simply email us your childs name & age)

Laura & Asami



FREE t-shirt
for new members

NETBALL HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES



**Time to have some FUN while playing
NETBALL these school holidays!**

**Year 5 & 6
Year 7 & 8**

Wednesday 27th & Thursday 28th April 2022

\$35 for 1 day or \$60 for both

**Programmes are strictly limited to 30 kids -
first registered first in!**

**To sign up, check out the registration form on
our Instagram or Facebook page.
sharpenupsport@gmail.com**

**Country Players
Production of**

Freaky Friday

Book by Bridget Carpenter
Music by Tom Kitt
Lyrics by Brian Yorkie

**Based on the novel Freaky Friday by
Mary Rodgers
and the Disney films**

**BYO Picnic Wakefield Village Hall
7:30pm 13, 14, 18, 20 & 21 May
Matinee 2pm 15 May**

Tickets \$20 Adult, \$10 Child

**PHONE 541 8869 OR EMAIL
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Country Players Present



The musical

'Freaky Friday'

When an overworked mother and her teenage daughter magically swap bodies, they have just one day to put things right again.

Freaky Friday is a heartfelt, comedic, and unexpectedly emotional musical experience. By spending a day in each other's shoes, Katherine and Ellie come to appreciate one another's struggles, learn self-acceptance, and realize the immeasurable love and mutual respect that bond a mother and daughter.

**Friday 13 May, Saturday 14 May, Wednesday 18 May, Friday 20
May & Saturday 21 May : **BYO PICNIC THEATRE****

Bring your own cutlery, crockery, wine glasses and food. We provide coffee and tea.

Show starts at: 7.30pm. Doors open at 6.30pm

Sunday 15 May : 2pm MATINEE

No BYO Picnic Theatre. We provide coffee and tea.

Show starts at: 2pm. Doors open at 1:30pm

Tickets: \$20 Adult & \$10 for 18years and under

HOW TO BOOK

Phone **541 8869** or Email **bookcountryplayers@gmail.com**

Please note: We do not issue tickets. Your name will be on a seating plan revealed at the door.

HOW TO PAY

Our internet banking number is: 03-0751-0274256-00.

Please put your first initial and surname as reference.



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P: 03 541 8452 E: redstonegolf.nelson@gmail.com
M: 027 448 9367 W: redstonegolfpark.co.nz

Looking for a fun outdoor activity these holidays? Come and take part in our first ever Easter Holiday Treasure Hunt and Codebreaker!

It's free, suitable for primary aged students, however parental supervision will be required. It's not an Easter Egg Hunt but of course, chocolate will be involved!

Bring a picnic or have a pizza/toastie from our cafe.

We're open every day of the school holidays including Easter weekend from 8.30am at Redstone Golf Park, 334 Wai-iti Valley Road.



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