



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 to our whānau and friends,

Exploding Tree Becomes Beautiful Carvings

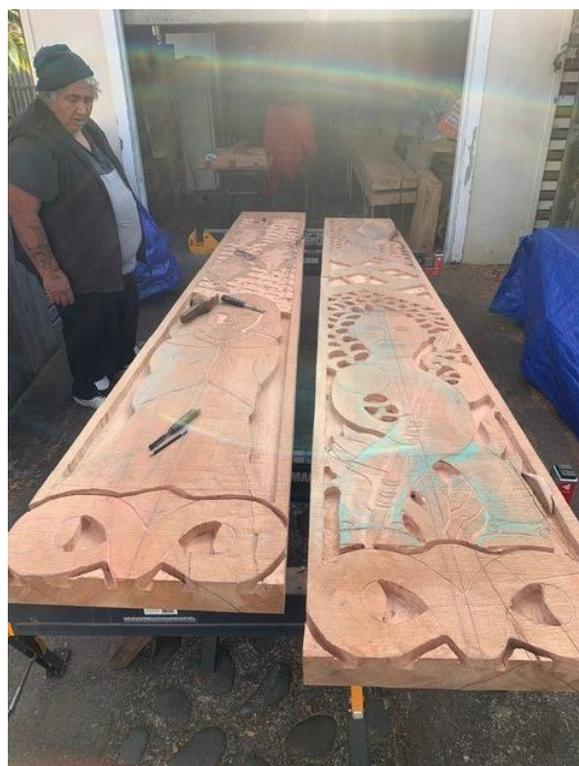
In a modest suburban garage in Stoke a massive totara tree that was literally blown out of the ground is being transformed into the carved panels that will grace our new waharoa gateway.

The tree, that grew precariously among the workings of the Wakefield quarry, proved too awkward to remove conventionally, so was brought to the ground with a well-placed explosive charge and generously donated to our waharoa project by the Dick family. Former Wakefield school students, Adam Shulz and Brad Pyers, milled the log onsite and delivered the slabs to master carver, Mark Davis. The four sections will form the two pou (uprights) on either side of the waharoa, and two amo (bargeboards) on the front fascia.



In this photo, taken early last week, Mark has blocked out the main designs on the two pou and is beginning the detailed carving. On each pou stands one of the tupuna (ancestors) our school recognises: Rakaihautu, the Māori ancestral carver of the South Island lakes, and Mary-Ann Baigent, the founder of Wakefield school. Other images on the pou capture the local rivers, forests and birds that shape our place. Mark has done an amazing job of interpreting the ideas from all our conversations with community members, artists and local iwi, and binding them into a set of carvings that are literally a storyboard of Wakefield.

We plan to have the carvings finished and erected in time for a special unveiling ceremony on Thursday 23 June, which will form part of our Matariki celebrations over two days on the 22nd & 23rd June. The formal unveiling will be a pre-dawn ceremony starting at 6am, led by kaumatua from the Ngati Kuia iwi. Later that same morning we will hold a second event to dedicate the waharoa, with all our children and visiting kapahaka groups.



YOU ARE INVITED

Please join us to celebrate the completion of our waharoa gateway

Thursday 23 June

6.00am Unveiling and dedication followed by breakfast and storytelling

9.30am School powhiri celebration and kapahaka performances

There's no need to RSVP - just turn up on the day. We hope to have your company for this important community event.

Toroa Trip to Whakatu Marae

Last week the children of Toroa team (years 3-4) spent a morning exploring Whakatu marae, beside Founder's Park in Nelson. Whakatu marae is the turangawaewae of many of our local iwi, and holds a prominent place among Māori in te Tau Ihu o te Waka - the Top of the South.

The highlight of the visit was the amazing storytelling by Tom Alesana, whose tales enriched the children's study of Kupe, the Māori explorer, and his epic battle with te wheke o Maturangi - the giant octopus that Kupe tracked from Hawaiki to Aotearoa and finally overcame in Cook Strait.

Read some of the children's reports of their trip in this newsletter.

Reading Together Programme is a Big Hit

Reading Together is a New Zealand programme teaching parents how they can best support their child's early reading progress. On Monday thirteen eager parents attended the first of four Reading Together sessions hosted by our Community Partnership teacher, Mary McHale. Mary demonstrated good reading support strategies and answered questions, with the highlight being a reading 'lesson' with Hunter from Rm 11, an excellent presenter and entertaining reader - thanks Hunter!

Below are a few of Mary's ideas for successful reading with your child:

- Choose a time when your child is not tired or hungry or keen to do something else so you can enjoy reading together. Keep it as a positive, relaxed time
- Wait! Give your child a chance to think about the word and the meaning of the story before you try to step in and correct them. Praise them when they correct their own mistakes.
- Talk about the story together. Make sure your focus is on what the story is about rather than an exercise in getting all the words right. Provide praise and encouragement.

Remember Friday the 3rd of June is a Teacher Only Day.

Have a great week



Peter Verstappen
Principal

peter.verstappen@wakefield.school.nz

NEW ENTRANT AFTERNOON TEA/FEEDBACK MEETING

New Entrant Afternoon Tea / Feedback Meeting

We would like to invite parents of New Entrant children, who have started school this year, to an afternoon tea. The afternoon tea will be on **Monday May 30** from 2.00 pm to 3.00 pm in the school staffroom.

This is an opportunity for you to give us feedback on how you feel transition to school has been for your child. It is also a chance to connect with other parents. There will be time for you to ask any questions you have or to share ideas on ways you feel we could improve.

Attendees are asked to wear a mask and social distance as per Ministry of Health guidelines. Your child will bring home a notice about this meeting this week.

We look forward to seeing you there. Please email mary.mchale@wakefield.school.nz if you intend to attend.

PART-TIME JOB OPPORTUNITY IN OUR LOCAL EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTRES



Waimea Kāhui Ako is the collaborative project bringing together all the schools and early childhood centres on the Waimea Plains. We have the following vacancy:

WAIMEA KAHUI AKO EARLY CHILDHOOD OUTREACH (ECO) WORKER

2022 FIXED TERM PART TIME

The Early Childhood Outreach (ECO) role is an exciting and dynamic new position created as part of a regional pilot project focusing on early intervention and support for learners and their families/whānau. The target learner is 3 years of age.

This is a Fixed term part time role with rate of pay and hours negotiable (approximately 15 hours per week). The successful applicant will be self-motivated to proactively build and sustain positive relationships and networks across home and early childhood centres. A training package will be available to work alongside families. In addition to excellent verbal and written communication skills a current driver's license and vehicle is a requirement.

For more information and job description visit the Waimea kāhui ako website: www.waimeacol.org

To apply, send a covering letter stating strengths related to the job description, a current CV with up to three referees to: principal@waimeint.school.nz by 5 pm Tuesday 31 May 2022.

FUNDERS AND FRIENDS

Big thanks to the following:

Rātā Foundation and Tasman District Council Creative Communities fund for supporting our waharoa project.



Julie Gibbs and Joe Bradley, Rural Couriers and school parents, for freely delivering home-learning packs to our families affected by Covid. You are awesome community heroes!



NEW STUDENTS

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

Bodhi Douglas
Pyper Street



TOROA TEAM MARAE VISIT

On Wednesday the 11th of May, the Tороа Team were lucky enough to be welcomed at the Whakatū Marae.

This was a great day and the learning on this trip really complimented and consolidated the work that we are doing in our team. The mana whenua at the marae were impressed with the knowledge and the behaviour of our team. The tamariki were all engaged, learnt new things about our topic and asked great questions. Tороа were all impressed with the marae and enjoyed a great day of learning.

Here are a selection of student comments, a recount of the day and some pictures.



- *I felt excited because I like Māori art and I felt warm and safe in the marae. **Oakley, Rm 1***
- *I liked the carving and the weaving, and when I looked at the carvings, it looked like it would take a long time, I thought how long it would have taken to make the whole marae? **Cruz, Rm 1***
- *I learned that whenever people sailed past the eyes they had to put kawakawa over their eyes. I also learned that Boulder bank was made by the karakia. I felt calm inside the marae. There's greenstone on either side of the wall as you walk into the wharenuī. **Brayden Rm 2***
- *After we finished eating we crowded together at the entrance of the marae. The grownups were at the front and the kids at the back. Then slowly and quietly we took our shoes off, walked in and sat in our seats. The people at the marae were super quiet. A man called Tom sang and then it was our turn to sing. The people at the marae were silent. After we finished singing, the people were so proud. **Millie, Rm 3***
- *We started lining up in a special way. This is how it went: ladies at the front, year 4 first, then year three girls, then men, then boys. The girls took off their shoes and took the back seats and the boys took the front. Tom gave a kōrero and then sang a Māori waiata. Kent then gave a kōrero and we sang E toru ngā mea. After that we went to the wharekai to have some baking that we brought in. After we finished lunch we played bob tag for a bit. We went back into the wharenuī. I loved the carvings inside. I learnt that each carving means a story and there were tukutuku pictures on the walls. One showed the wheke split in half. I would really like to go again. **Meg, Rm 2***

WAKEFIELD SCHOOL PTA PRESENTS

SCHOOL DISCO!

**SUPERHERO
DRESS UP
OPTIONAL**

**GLOW
STICKS ETC
WILL BE
FOR SALE**

27 MAY 6-7:30PM

\$3 PER CHILD OR \$5 PER FAMILY

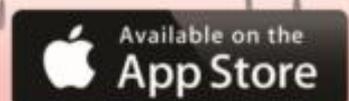
CAREGIVER MUST SIGN CHILD IN & OUT

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!

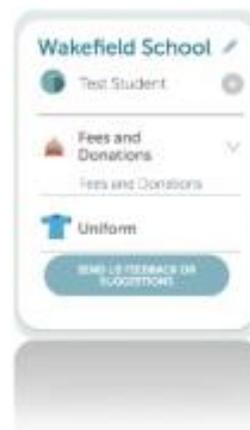
Click [here](#) and enter the email address the school has on file for you, then click 'continue'. A confirmation email with a link will be sent to you.

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

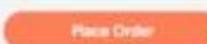
changing the amount before clicking the '+'.


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

\$5.00 

CHECK OUT

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.



IMPORTANT DATES

26 th May	BOT Meeting – 5:30pm
03rd June	Teacher Only Day
06th June	Queen’s Birthday Holiday
08 th June	Wakefield School Cross Country
13 th June	PTA Meeting – 7pm
22 nd June	Matariki Celebration 5pm – 8pm
23 rd June	Waharoa Opening
23 rd June	BOT Meeting – 5:30pm
24th June	Matariki Holiday
04 July	PTA Meeting – 7pm
08th July	End of Term 2
25th July	Start of Term 3

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

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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.

The next Pretty Smart Sale

Pre-loved clothing for adults, children and babies

Sat+Sun 21+22 May

9.00am - 2.00pm

Hope Recreation Hall



MILKANDHONEY ARTS ACADEMY

I am thrilled to offer Preschool Ballet, Junior Hip Hop, Senior Hip Hop and Theatre to the community based at Wakefield Primary School!

My name is Kayleigh and I am a dancer, performer, and performing arts teacher. Over the last 20 years I have taught and performed on stage in South Africa, Australia, and New Zealand. I have also created and led community events, creative arts workshops, and stage shows as well as choreographed for many more.

As a teacher and parent, I believe that dance class should be a fun and safe place to express creativity, ensuring that all music and choreography is age appropriate.



Milk&Honey Arts Academy
Contact Kayleigh 0279440113

Come and have fun with us! First session is free!



CHILDRENS ART CLASSES

027 539 0055
William Street
Richmond

MONDAYS

Age 6-8 | 3.30pm – 4.45pm

Age 12 & 13 | 5.15 – 6.30pm

9th May – 27th June, 7 weeks, \$140 per term
(no class on Queens Birthday)

TUESDAYS

Age 6-8 | 3.30pm – 4.45pm

Age 9-11 | 5.15 – 6.30pm

10th May – 28th June, 8 weeks, \$160 per term

Small, fun & creative guided art classes with a maximum of 6 children in each class. We use a variety of mediums throughout the term.

For further information please visit face book
@theartshedrichmond

DM/call or text Helen on
027 539 0055 to book your spot

2022 HOCKEY CLUB OPEN DAY

SATURDAY 14th MAY at Saxton Field Hockey
10:30 am—12:30 pm



2022 HOCKEY CLUB OPEN DAY

Saturday May 14th
10:30 am—12:30 pm

We welcome everyone for a fun day!

Free for anyone to attend, come along to meet our clubs, learn some skills and play some games.
Nelson Hockey will have the bbq running

Sticks/Balls/Bibs will be provided

FREE HOCKEY CLUB OPEN DAY
Free Sausages & Drinks

Fun Games/Basics Skills

For Information -
Please contact
NHA RDM-Daniel Hobbs- rdm@nelsonhockey.org.nz
Nelson Hockey

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YEAR 3-6: 3.45PM - 4.30PM

YEAR 7-8: 4.45PM - 5.30PM



REGISTER ONLINE:

<http://www.volleyballtasman.nz/development-2/development/saxton-kids-club-volleyball>

MEET THE CLUB

Come along and meet a local club



Are you interested in becoming a member, volunteer or just want to have a look at the karts on display?

Kartsport Nelson will be at Richmond Library to answer all your questions.

Saturday 21 May

9:30am - 1pm

Richmond Library





**Mid Winter
Christmas
18th
June**



***You're invited to an evening of family fun...
full of laughter, good food, great company and Christmas
surprises!***

Time: 5pm

Where: St John's Community Centre, 120 Edward Str, Wakefield

Bring: - plate for shared potluck meal

- your own drinks

- something you no longer need from your home,
wrapped for some fun present sharing

We dare you to come dressed as a Christmas character!

Everyone is welcome - bring your friends and family

For more information and to RSVP please contact

Val 541 8539 or 022 314 0393

Event hosted by the Wakefield Anglican Church