

Upcoming Events**Week 2**

Today Board Meeting  
 Thurs 27 July Three Way Learner Conferences, 1-7pm  
 Fri 28 July **School Finishing 12:30 Red**, Black and White Day Assembly, 2pm

**Week 6**

Fri 25 Aug Assembly, 2pm  
 Rere's Birthday  
 Sat 26 Aug PTA Ski Trip

**Week 7**

Fri 1 Sept Staff Only Day

**Week 8**

Wed 6 Sept Board Meeting  
 Thurs 7 Sept Life Education Van here  
 Fri 8 Sept School Photos

President's Piece

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Wow, we are more than half way through the year. It sure is going fast! Welcome to the new families who have joined our school this term. We would also like to welcome Miss Gentle and Mrs Anderson who have joined the staff recently. We hope you all enjoy your time at Winton School.

We would like to remind everyone about the 3 Way Learner Conferences tomorrow from 1-7pm. We hope you have booked a time to talk to your child's teacher. A reminder also, that school will be finishing at 12:30.

This Friday we will be supporting the Southland Charity Hospital by holding a gold coin **Red**, Black & White Mufti Day. It would be great if everyone comes to school dressed in the Blair Vining Sports Foundation colours - **red**, black and white for this fundraiser.

At the end of last term, we Year 8's were lucky enough to spend time in Deep Cove, Fiordland for our camp. We would like to thank the teachers and parents who came along for making this camp a fantastic experience.

Good luck to the Football Ferns this Sunday! Can you find a soccer ball hidden somewhere in this newsletter?

Maddy Dodds - President  
 Brodie Mellwrick - Vice President

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Welcome to Winton School.....

Eliza Flynn & Bhodi Boys who started in Room 3, Emme Boys Room 7 and Lucia Boys Room 12.

3 Way Learner Conferences

Three Way Learner Conferences are taking place **TOMORROW Thursday 27 July, 1-7pm (school finishing at 12:30pm)**  
 Bookings are available on HERO - just click on the school bookings button and select a time slot.  
 Although school is finishing at 12.30pm this Thursday, buses will be running as normal at 2.45pm. For supervision and safety reasons, you must inform the school office if your child will be staying at school on the Thursday afternoon please.

Staff Only Day - Friday 1 September

On Friday 1 September (Week 7), all staff will be involved in a Teacher Only Day. This Professional Development will once again relate to our key focus area in Literacy and is a fantastic opportunity for staff to strengthen our programmes and further support your children. Thank you in advance for making alternative arrangements for your children on this day.

Arriving at School in the Morning

A reminder that students should be arriving at school between 8:30am and 8:55am. It is important that all students are in class by 9am to hear what is in store for the day. Missing this is a source of anxiousness and uncertainty. We appreciate your support in having your child/ren at school at the right time for a great start to the school day.  
 If students arrive late or are picked up early for any reason, they must be signed in or out on the VisTab in the school office.  
 If your child is going to be absent, **please message the office** to let us know, phone 03 236 7238, email [admin@winton.school.nz](mailto:admin@winton.school.nz) or enter the absence details directly into HERO.  
 All un-notified absences are followed up with a phone call home.

Contact Information

If your contact details have changed, ie new address, cell phone number, work number, emergency contacts etc could you please contact the school office to update your child's school records. It is important that we have up to date information in case of emergencies.

Uniform

Our school uniform is a source of pride for our school. We continue to notice a number of children coming to school in non-regulation clothing as well as jewellery, nail polish and hair not tied back off the face. Please refer to our Uniform Guidelines on the school website and if there is an issue, please discuss this with your child's teacher or the principal.

Bakery Orders

A reminder that there will be no bakery orders tomorrow, as school finishes at 12:30pm.

Winton School Movie facebook Page

Have you checked out the Winton School Movie Facebook Page? Like our page to follow the adventures of the cast and crew as they work on this year long project!

What's Happening in Room 9 .....

Welcome back, we hope you all had a great break and had fun throwing snowballs and enjoyed the celebrations that Matariki brings with your family. We are set for a busy and exciting term, with the last of filming for the school movie, what a great experience we've had to be involved in the movie production. We are writing our speeches and preparing to deliver them with confidence over the next few weeks. Later in the term we will be enjoying a visit from Harold from the Life Education Bus. As part of our Science Inquiry on 'Changes' we have investigated, observed and explained our science thinking about changes to solids, liquids and gases and air pressure. We have shown great graphing of our data and mastered reading temperature on thermometers. As part of Health and Well Being, the whole school will be involved in delivering 'Mitey' where we talk about our thoughts, feelings and emotions, so we will be looking forward to that as well. I look forward to seeing you all at the 3 Way Learner Conferences tomorrow.

Meet the Team **Janelle Gentle - New Entrant Teacher**

Kia Ora, I'm Janelle Gentle and I am delighted to be teaching within Room 3 this term. In my "spare time" you'll either find me in the gym, out for a run, prying my teenage daughter out of her room to spend time with me or in the kitchen baking and creating all of the delicious treats for my friends and family. I look forward to getting to know you all better as the year progresses.

