Upcoming Events

Week 8

Thurs 4 Sept School Photos

Life Ed Van arrives

Fri 5 Sept Community Assembly, 1:45pm

Week 9

Tues 9-Fri 12 Year 7 Stewart Island Camp Wed 10 Sept Board Elections Voting closes

Week 10

Wed 17 Sept Board Meeting
Fri 19 Sept Last Day of Term 3

Term 4

Week 1

Mon 6 Oct First Day of Term 4



Winton Primary & District High School 155th Jubilee Friday 7 & Saturday 8 November

Dear Parents / Caregivers,

Roll: 275

Two weeks ago our Kapa Haka rōpū performed at Polyfest and what a performance it was! The pride, discipline and energy our tamariki brought to the stage was inspiring. A huge thank you to the staff and whānau who supported and prepared the children for the big day! They certainly did themselves and our school proud!

Tomorrow, we welcome Teresa, Harold and the Life Education Van back to our school. We know the sessions will once again be engaging and meaningful and help children explore important topics around health, wellbeing and relationships. School photos are taking place tomorrow and next week our Year 7's will be enjoying four days on Stewart Island for their Year 7 Camp. Thank you in advance to the staff and parents who will be supporting our students on this camp.

Thank you to those who have already submitted their responses for our 2025 Community Survey. To help us gain an accurate understanding of how well we are meeting the needs of our students across all areas of school life, we would appreciate as many responses as possible. The survey link was sent out in a HERO post last Thursday.

Finally, I would like to acknowledge and thank three Board members, who after many years of serving our school community, are stepping down from the Board. Current Presiding Member, Nathan Lyall (2021-2025), Marius Adendorff (2021-2025) and Simon Ellis (2016-2025) have each generously shared their time, skills, and wisdom to guide our school. We have appreciated all the work they have done behind the scenes to ensure our school continues to thrive.

Steve Wadsworth, PRINCIPAL

School Photos

Reminder PhotoLife photographers will be here TOMORROW to take class and individual student photos. Clean and tidy school uniforms please. Sibling photos will be taken in the library between 8.00-9.00am. Surnames A-L from 8.00-8.30am and M-Z from 8.30-9.00am.

Board Elections

Reminder that voting papers for the Board election must be returned to the school office by 4pm next Wednesday 10th September. Postal votes can be accepted up until Monday 15th September, provided they were posted prior to 10th September.

Pet Day

This year's Pet Day is going to be held on Thursday
23 October (Week 3, Term 4). Information about this year's
Pet Day and a Count Form have been sent home. Count
Forms need to be returned to the office by next Friday 12 September. Pet
Diaries and Garden Diaries are available from the office. All information
and forms can be found on our school website (Kids Zone / Pet Day).

Voice of Tamariki Survey

Our school has been invited to take part in the Voice of Tamariki Survey run by Active Southland and Sport NZ. The survey will run Monday 8th – Friday 19th September and is for tamariki in Years 4–8. The survey takes 10–20 minutes and can be completed on a school or personal device. All responses are anonymous – no personal details will be collected. Results will help improve sport and physical activity opportunities for tamariki. Participation is voluntary. Tamariki can skip questions or withdraw at any time. If you would like more information, have any questions or would like to opt your child out, please contact the office

Relationships and Sexuality Education Programme

As part of the Health and Physical Education curriculum, our Year 5 to 8 students will be taking part in a Relationships and Sexuality Education programme during Week 10 this term. This area of learning is one of the seven key strands within the Health and PE curriculum. The programme is designed to equip students with the knowledge, understanding and skills needed to develop healthy attitudes towards sexuality and to strengthen their interpersonal relationships. Information about what is covered at the Year 5&6 and Year 7&8 levels was sent home in Week 6.

School Accounts - HERO

Reminder to please check your child's account on HERO (\$) and make sure they are paid up to date. There are still some outstanding payments from last term that need to be paid. Camp fees are now on your HERO accounts, could these please be paid before students attend camp.

Winton School and District High School 155th Jubilee

The Winton Primary & District High School 155th Jubilee is to be held on the 7th & 8th of November. This will be a celebration for all those who have either a past or present association with the school, ie staff, student, parent, Committee, Board or PTA member.

The Jubilee will comprise of a Mix & Mingle at the Midlands Rugby Clubrooms on the Friday night; food trucks, entertainment, children's projects on display, school tours, cake cutting, decade photos on the Saturday and a dinner & dance in the evening at the Memorial Hall.

Registrations are open, forms are available at the school office or click the link on the home page of our school website to find out more information and to register online.

All registrations for the Saturday night dinner & dance, received before the end of September, will go in the draw to either win a \$100 bar tab for the Saturday night or your registration cost (single person cost) refunded. Check out the 'Winton Primary and District High School 155th Jubilee' Facebook page and feel free to share with all your classmates from yesteryear and friends of the school to help get the word out!

Jubilee Sponsorship

If you, or know of any business that, may be interested in sponsoring items for the 155th Jubilee goody bags then please contact the school office, 03 236 7238, or email admin@winton.school.nz

At this Friday's Assembly.....

Welcome to new students, RERE & MITEY certificates, Junior Poems and Informal Talks, Room 13 sharing, Principal Pin Ups, President and Vice President Winton Way certificates.

What's Happening in Room 13

Kia ora koutou katoa.

Room 13 has been very busy learning New Zealand Sign Language. We have learnt how to sign the alphabet, greetings, and even our National Anthem in preparation for this week's assembly.

Alongside this, we have been working hard on No Problem Maths, currently focusing on percentages and ratios.

We're also exploring the history of Winton School in our Inquiry, discovering what school life was like in the early 1900's. We are very excited to present our research to the class and finish the term by reenacting a day from that era.



SPORTS NEWS



For all sporting inquiries, please contact Brenda Mee at sport@winton.school.nz

Outstanding Sports Fees

Please check your HERO accounts as there are a number of outstanding sports fees that are now overdue for payment.

All Touch fees; Yr 7/8 Triathlon fees; Yr 7/8 Basketball fees NZBA Levy; Yr 7/8 Volleyball fees; Super Smash Cricket fees, Netty

Netball Festival fees and hockey fees must be paid to the school office by the end of the term please. School bank account details are,
Winton Board of Trustees, 031750 0195550 00 or EFTPOS is available at the school office.

Baskethall

Congratulations to the Winton Shooters (George, Harry, Kyle, Tate, Holly, Harlyn, Annabelle & Poppy) who won the Yr 7/8 Central Southland Schools Basketball Competition.

PTA NEWS

Friday BBQ - Sausages (\$2) are on sale this Friday. Please bring the correct change. Remember to get your stamps in the library between 8:30 - 9:00am. Please use the outside library door - not through the office, thank you.

BBQ Helpers - If you are able to help with cooking sausages on a Friday lunchtime and would like to be added to the BBQ roster, then please contact Christine Ferris on 027 464 6759, thank you.

PTA 2nd Hand Uniforms - For all 2nd hand uniform requirements please contact Melissa McKenzie 027 805 2871.

COMMUNITY NEWS







Winton Football Club Summer 5aside Football Leagues

This popular event will return this year in Term 4 so it is time to start rounding up your team members. Adult section is mixed teams, Year 9 upwards with some dispensations given for Year 8s and junior grades are Yr 6-8 and Yr 1-5. Cost per adult team is \$150 while juniors are \$10 per player. Format will be similar to 2024 with starting date 9th October and the last day 4 December. Any enquiries can be made to: 5aside.wintonfootball@qmail.com

Southland Football Girls-Only Come & Try Football Sessions

These sessions are designed to give girls the chance to experience football in a fun, supportive environment - no experience needed, just plenty of energy and enthusiasm. It's also a great opportunity for girls already active in other sports to give football a go and see what makes it such an exciting, team-based game.

When: Thursday 25th September & Thursday 2nd October

Where: Moores Reserve, Winton

Who For & Time: 7 to 12 years old from 4pm to 5pm

13 to 17 years old from 5:15pm to 6:15pm

The sessions are completely free, and all girls are welcome.





