

President's Piece

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Welcome back everyone. It has been a great start to the year at Winton School. We are both very excited about our roles this year and we know that 2024 is going to be a fantastic year! We would like to welcome all the new students and families to Winton School. We know you will enjoy your time here.

Congratulations to all the teams that participated in the 2024 Otago / Southland Regional Agrikids Final in Mosgiel on Saturday. A huge well done to the Winton Cowboys (Zephrin Latchford, Spencer White and Maddox Whitaker) who placed second out of 35 teams! What an amazing effort. Later this year they will be heading off to the Nationals in Hamilton. Thank you to Mrs Flack for all the training and coordinating and parents for supporting all the teams.

Well done everyone with your Athletics training. We hope you will be ready to go on the day. Seniors are Friday 1 March and Juniors will be Tuesday 5 March.

Some of us will be involved in next Friday's Year 7&8 Triathlon up at CSC. Good luck to all the participants. Go Winton!

Please note that we are having our Community Assembly tomorrow, not Friday.

Can you find a tiny RERE somewhere in this newsletter? Do you notice anything different about him?

Anahera Schouten - President

Jonty Cubitt - Vice President



Upcoming Events

Week 3

Thurs 15 Feb Community Assembly, 1:45pm

Week 4

Wed 21 Feb Board Meeting
Fri 23 Feb Yr 7&8 Triathlon, CSC

Week 5

Wed 28 Feb Three Way Learner Conferences, 1-7pm
Fri 1 Mar Senior Athletics

Week 6

Tues 5 Mar Junior Athletics
Fri 8 Mar Central Athletics, CSC

Week 7

Fri 15 Mar Community Assembly, 1:45pm

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mountain



Welcome to Winton School.....

Benji Maguire who started in Room 1 and Imahni de Thierry Room 8.

Three Way Learner Conferences

Three Way Learner Conferences are taking place in 2 weeks time -

Wednesday 28 February, 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 that day, 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 Wednesday afternoon please.

3 Way Conferences involve the student, their parent/s and the teacher. Each brings something to the conversation which is around the student's growth as a learner. In line with our 'Learner Muscles' that are developed and nurtured within our teaching and learning programme, we are always encouraging students to take ownership of their learning. Further information about the benefits of 3 Way Learner Conferences will be shared on HERO.

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 or enter the absence on HERO.

All un-notified absences are followed up with a phone call home.

Scholastic Book Club

Could all Scholastic Book Club orders please be returned to school, or placed directly online, by next Monday, 19th February.

School Uniform

Please note that, after transitioning in new navy crew socks last year, all students need to be wearing these from the start of this year. These replace girls white socks and boys grey socks. Wearing the correct uniform is a source of pride for our school. If your child is not wearing correct uniform, you will be contacted. A reminder that the PTA have a number of secondhand uniforms for sale. Please contact Melissa McKenzie on 027 8052871. Details about our school uniform are on our school website.

Hats, Hats, Hats!

Because we are a sun safe school, red bucket style hats are to be worn when playing outside this term. School sun hats can be purchased from the office, for **\$10** or from The Warehouse. The plain red bucket style hat is part of our uniform. Children are not to wear caps or other styles / colours of hats. Children who have written all over their hats with vivid will need to purchase a new one.



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.

School Lunch Orders

Reminder Subway lunch orders can be made on Tuesdays and Bakery orders on Thursdays. The Bakery has revised it's Lunch Order Price List. Please see and use the new list, which was posted on HERO.

School Accounts - HERO

Reminder to parents to please check your child's account on HERO (\$) and make sure they are paid up to date. There are still some outstanding payment from last year to be paid.

Year 7 & 8 students have Technology Fees and will also have school camps coming up this year. A good practise would be to set up a direct credit and pay a small amount each week/fortnight/month into the school bank account for crediting against your child's account.

SPORTS NEWS

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

Touch

Please note that ALL touch fees must be paid to the school office before the the competition commences on Monday 19th February .

PTA NEWS

PTA BBQ Sausages/Juicees - Sausages and juicees (both \$2) will be available this Friday. Remember to get your stamp between 8.30 - 9.00am in the Library. Please use the playground library door, not through the office, thanks. Please try and bring the correct change.

Friday BBQ Helpers - With a number of families having left the school last year, the PTA are looking for some more volunteers to help with cooking the sausages on a Friday lunchtime. It only takes about an hour of your time from around 11.50am - 12.50pm. If you are able to help with cooking the sausages on a Friday lunchtime and would like to be added to the BBQ roster then please contact Hayley McIlwrick on 027 276 1644.

Second Hand Uniforms - The PTA have a range of 2nd hand uniform items available to purchase. Please check out the Winton School PTA FaceBook page to see what is available. If you are interested in purchasing something please message via the FB page or contact Mel McKenzie 027 805 2871.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Hot Shots Tennis

Tennis for beginners! A fun 6 week, small group programme, using lighter racquets, low compression balls and lower nets on smaller courts. All ages and abilities welcome. Limited numbers.

When: Wednesdays 14 February - 27 March

Where: John Street Indoor Courts, Winton

Time: 3:30-4:15 or 4:30-5:15pm (2 sessions)

Cost: \$30

Contact Linda Caldwell on 021 350 091

Music Lessons

Individual lessons in piano and theory of music, beginner to Grade 5.

Time slots available for 2024.

Contact Gill Hendry 03 236 7413.

Piano Lessons

Piano lessons for children aged 6/7+

Email teresa.adendorff@gmail.com for booking lesson times and further information.



SOUTHLAND FOOTBALL
FOOTBALL FESTIVAL
Free for all
WINTON

When: 20th February 2024 (Thursday)
Where: Central Southland College
Time: 4 pm to 6pm
For: All age group

ENQUIRIES TO 8994@SOUTHLANDFOOTBALL.ORG.NZ FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO REGISTER VISIT WWW.SOUTHLANDFOOTBALL.ORG.NZ



CENTRAL SOUTHLAND OUT OF SCHOOL MUSIC CLASSES 2024

- Guitar
- Keyboard/Piano
- Ukulele
- Sing appreciation
- Drum/percussion TBA

LEARN TO PLAY AN INSTRUMENT

Lessons Each Tuesday (school term) for primary School Students between 4pm & 5pm

Registration Day Feb 20th CSC hall 4pm

CONTACT TANIA 0272 101 811
Email: taniabeck.oosm@gmail.com



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