

Upcoming Events**Term 1****Week 3**

Today Meet the Teacher & Information Evening
 Fri 16 Feb Assembly, 2pm
 Touch Rugby Starts

Week 4

Wed 21 Feb Board of Trustees Mtg
 Fri 23 Feb Yr 7/8 Triathlon, CSC

Week 5

Fri 2 Mar Assembly, 2pm
 Sun 4 Mar Winton Fun Run

Week 6

Tues 6 Mar Junior Athletics
 Fri 9 Mar Senior Athletics

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President's Piece

Dear Parents / Caregivers and students,

It has been a great start to 2018. Well done to everyone for settling back in to school life. We are both looking forward to a positive year with lots of celebrations, successes and achievements over the next 4 terms.

With our Athletics Days only 3 weeks away, everyone has been putting in a great effort with their running, jumping and throwing. We would like to thank the adult volunteers who are coordinating our Walking School Bus. The numbers are growing everyday!

The first night of Touch Rugby is this Friday. For those who are participating, have fun and remember to thank your coaches and managers.

Tonight is our Meet the Teacher and Information Evening. We hope you are able to come along and hear about how things work in your child's classroom.

Good luck for 2018 everyone!

Hunter McGregor - President

Talia Hall - Vice President

**Welcome to Winton School.....**

Mackenzie Lark who started in Room 1.

Meet the Teacher Evening - Tonight

Tonight we are having our Meet the Teacher and Information Evening. We encourage you to come along to meet your child's teacher and to hear all about the wonderful things happening in their room this year. Between the two meeting times (see below), there will be an Information session held in the hall. This will be an opportunity to hear about what, we as a school, have planned for 2018 and how we can work together to improve the outcomes for all our students.

Rooms 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 at **6:00pm**

Information Session in the hall (for everyone) **6:30pm**

Rooms 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13 at **7:00pm**

School Donations

School donations are unchanged again this year; \$80 per student or \$200 for a family of 3 or more. Remember you may be able to get a rebate of up to one third of the voluntary school donations you have paid.

Donations can be paid by direct credit / instalments into the school bank account 031750 0195550 00.

Technology Fees

Technology fees for Year 7/8 students are \$120 per year. These can be paid \$30 per term or in full by direct credit / instalments into the school bank account 031750 0195550 00.

School Fees

With many families having more than one child attend Technology classes this year and also have more than one school camp coming up, it may be advisable to drip feed payments into your school account. Instalment payments can be made at the office or by direct credit into the school bank account 031750 0195550 00.

Vision Screening

Vision screening for all Year 7's, unless under the care of a specialist and/or optometrist, will be carried out soon. Parents/caregivers will be notified if further assessment is required by an optometrist. If you do not wish your child to be screened, please notify the school office.

Religious Instruction

All parents of Year 3, and new parents of Year 4 and 5 students were sent an information sheet regarding Religious Instruction last week. If you would prefer to have your child opt out of this programme, please send the return tear off slip to the office ASAP.

Walking School Bus

This year we have started up a Walking School Bus along Great North Road for Winton and St Thomas Schools. This is a safe and fun way for our students to walk to and from school with other children, supervised by parents. It will help to ease congestion around the school gate making it safer for our students.

**The morning route with times:**

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| Start Corner of Welsh Rd and Great North Rd | 7:55am |
| Night 'N' Day | 8:05am |
| Subway | 8:10am |
| The Bakery | 8:20am |
| Arrive Winton School | 8:30am |

The Walking School Bus leaves at 3pm in the afternoon from beside Room 13.

Children with scooters are welcome to join the group. Parents wearing orange hi-viz vests will be at the front and rear of the group. Children will need to be wearing a hi-viz vest and meet the group at the right time using the above times. For those interested in joining the Walking School Bus, please contact Sera Hubber on 0220371379.

Scholastic Book Club Orders

Reminder that all Scholastic Book Club Orders must be returned to the school office by Friday 16th February, thanks.

What's Happening in Room 5

What a brilliant start to the year our thriving Room 5 students have had! They have all come back from the holidays like sponges ready to absorb a variety of new learning experiences and challenges. We are currently learning about ourselves and what it means to work as a team. With plenty of different personalities in our room, it is important that we learn to appreciate difference and what it means to be a good friend. We are concentrating on setting up efficient systems in Room 5 where we follow instructions quickly and use our RERE values to manage ourselves in and out of the classroom. A super start to the year team – keep up the hard work!

SPORTS NEWS

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

Touch - Starts this Friday 16th February. Draw can be viewed on Touch Southland website and also on school noticeboards. Reminder that all \$14 touch fees to be paid to the office as soon as possible please.

Football Festival - For students in Years 0-4. To be held on Wednesday 21st February from 12.00pm -2.30pm. Permission forms with further information are available at the school office. If you wish to take part then forms must be handed into the office by tomorrow, Thursday 15th February.

Superstar/Girls Smash Cricket - Starts Wednesday 21st February from 4.00-5.00pm and runs for 6 weeks at Moores Reserve, Winton.

Year 7/8 Triathlon - Reminder that all students taking part in triathlon must pay their \$5 entry fee to the office before Friday 16th February.

PTA NEWS

PTA BBQ Sausages - Sausages are available every 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.

PTA 2nd Hand Uniforms - For all 2nd hand uniform requirements please contact Denise Smith 03 236 1259 or 027 283 6203.

Helpers Required at Waimumu Please - We need some more parents to help cook in the Ravensdown tent on 15 or 16 February from approx 10am-2pm. Great fundraiser for the PTA which we have been doing a long time. Text Louise 021 058 7835 if you can help please.

PTA Meeting - To be held on Tuesday 20th February at 7.30pm in the school staffroom. All parents welcome to attend.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Central Western Junior Cricket

Starts today, 4pm at Moore's Reserve (touch grounds) Winton. This year four teams will be entered in the Southland Yr3-6, Yr7-8 competition so any new players are more than welcome. All gear supplied, top coaches, great facilities, cheap subs, new playing format. Come and join some of Southland's top players from Riverton, Takitimu, Mossburn and our famous Central Schools. Need further information, contact Malcolm Walker 03 236 1089 or 027 819 6903 or Nathan Lyall on 027 558 7835.

Winton Wide Garage Sales

To be held on Sunday 25th February from 9.00am - 3.00pm. Maps available, for a gold coin donation, on the day from 9.00am on Great North Road, Winton (outside Winton School). Also on the day is a Car Boot Sale at Anzac Oval (register on the day for \$10). If you want to have a garage sale or table site at the Drill Hall please get a registration form from either Hair Razor or Crimson or phone 0274 622 123 or email wintonareapromotions@gmail.com Registrations to be received by close of business on 21st February.

Out of School Music Classes

When: Every Tuesday, commencing 27th February

Where: Central Southland College, Winton

Time: 4.00 - 5.00pm

Who For: All primary school students

What: Fun environment to foster a love for music. Instruments offered include ukulele, guitar (3 levels), recorder, flute, clarinet, saxophone, violin, piano/keyboard, drums and singing. Some instruments can be hired for the year if not owned by students. Contact Tania Beck 027 210 1811 or email taniabeck.oosm@gmail.com for further information or enrolment.

Midlands Rugby Club

Registration for all junior players will be held on Friday 16th February from 4.30 - 6.00pm in the club rooms.

Central Zone Sports Coordinator Position

We are looking to appoint a Central Zone Sports Coordinator to increase physical activity and sport participation rates in Central Southland Primary School aged children (11 schools) through the coordination of sporting opportunities across the Central Zone. This will be achieved through establishing key networks and relationships within the schools and the wider community and the identification, development and delivery of school based programmes and inter school events and competitions. This is a fixed term appointment from 26 February to 14 December, 2018. This role will be 12 hours per week.

Applications close 4pm, Tuesday 20 February. Please send a covering letter and CV including names of two referees to the Principal, PO Box 4, 16 Eglinton St, Winton: ph (03)236 7238.

Email principal@winton.school.nz for a job description or for more information.

Winton Fun Run

When: Sunday 4th March

Where: Central Southland College, Winton

Time: 10am

What: Walk, Run or Bike... 2.5, 6 or 12km

Cost: \$10 single or \$20 for a family

Food & refreshments available (cash only), entertainment, spot prizes. Entry forms available from Winton New World, The Local, Winton Night 'n' Day and Sport Southland.

Fundraiser for Central Southland Community Swimming Pool.

The pool will be open after the Fun Run for everyone to enjoy a free swim.

Wanted - Old Shirts

Do you have any old, mens shirts lying around that you would like to get rid of? If so, Ms Munro in the technology department would be most grateful for any you may have. Please hand in to the school office, thank you.



Junior Athletics Practice



Year 7 Road Patrol



Walking School Bus