

Upcoming Events**Week 5**

Wed 14 Nov	WGT Year 7/8 Heats Board of Trustees Meeting
Thurs 15 Nov	Strike Action: School closed
Fri 16 Nov	Community Assembly, 2pm WGT Year 5/6 Heats CSC Year 8 Orientation Day
Sun 18 Nov	Winton Open Day

Week 6

Mon 19 Nov	Sexuality Education Info Evening, 6:30pm
Wed 21 Nov	WGT Finals Evening, 6:30pm
Fri 23 Nov	Disco

Week 7

Mon 26 Nov	Junior Swimming starts Book Fair starts
Thurs 29 Nov	Media Mash Awards Evening

Dear Parents / Caregivers,

Roll: 306

Failed negotiations between the Ministry of Education and the Principal's and Teacher's NZEI Union over pay and work conditions has resulted in a roll out of national strikes this week. The majority of Southland Schools will be affected tomorrow, **Thursday 15 November**. Like last time, the Board of Trustees have decided to close the school for the day. I realise that this action is disruptive, but we appreciate your support as we continue to fight for better conditions and resourcing for our young people.

This Sunday is the Winton Open Day. Once again, we will have a float in the Santa Parade. If you would like your child to be a part of this, please read the Santa Parade flier that has come home with today's newsletter.

This Monday night we are holding a Sexuality Education Information Evening in the Library. Our facilitator will be discussing the topic of sexuality education in Primary Schools and then working with Year 7 & 8 students and their parents. More information below.

It has been another great season of Winton's Got Talent! Large crowds have appreciated all the talent that we are seeing on our school stage. Next Wednesday's WGT Finals Evening is promising to be a very entertaining night. It will be a gold coin donation with the PTA selling refreshments before the show and during the break.

Finally, congratulations to all the students who entered the Media Mash Awards. This year Winton School has a record 13 entries that have made it through to the Media Mash Finals Evening on Thursday 29 November.

**Steve Wadsworth,
PRINCIPAL**



'He aha tēnā?'
What is that?

Sexuality Education Information Evening

This Monday 19 November Evelyn Mann from Southern Health DHB will be facilitating an Information Evening on Sexuality Education. This is one of the seven key areas of learning in Health and Physical Education and part of our school curriculum. It aims to provide students with the necessary knowledge, understanding and skills to develop positive attitudes towards sexuality and to enhance their interpersonal relationships.

From 6:30-7:00pm Evelyn will facilitate discussion around what sexuality education is and what we might expect from it. All parents/caregivers are invited to this session.

From 7-8pm, she will begin working with Year 7/8 students and their parents/caregivers on the sexuality programme that will continue to be delivered the following week. Year 7/8's have been given a notice about this programme.

NZEI Strike Action

A second day of strike action has been planned for tomorrow, **Thursday 15 November**. Once again, the Board of Trustees have decided to close the school for the day. We realise that this action will be disruptive for you, but we appreciate your support as we continue to fight for better conditions and resourcing for our young people, now and into the future.

Winton's Got Talent

Well done to all the children who have entered WGT 2018. Our Finals Evening is being held in our hall next Wednesday. This will be a gold coin donation with the PTA selling refreshments. All finalists have or will be given a notice about the evening.

**Sending Money to School**

Reminder that when you are sending or handing in money to the school office for sports fees, swimming, sun hats, tops, etc could all payments please be in a named and sealed envelope and stating what the payment is for.

At this week's Assembly.....

Welcome to new students, RERE Awards, Room 1/2 sharing, Principal Pin Ups.



Junior and Senior

DISCO



Friday 23 November in our School Hall

Theme:
'The First Letter of Your Name'

Year 0-3, 5:30-7:00pm
Year 4-8, 7:30-9:00pm

Gold coin donation.
Chips, chocs, drinks and glow sticks available.

Some End of Year Dates

Fri 7 Dec	Inter-House Teams Challenge
Tues 11 Dec	Reports home / Prizegiving Assembly, CSC
Wed 12 Dec	Water Fight
Thurs 13 Dec	Year 8 BBQ
Fri 14 Dec	Last Half Day

The first day back in 2019 will be **Wednesday 30 January**.

What's Happening in Room 5

Kia Ora from Room 5!

Did you know we have a giant beanstalk in our classroom? Watch out! It looks like the giant is making his way down! This term we are really enjoying learning about how plants grow. So far we have grown grass and beans 2 different ways. We are excited to see how much our beans have grown overnight when we come into school each morning. Did you know that we are amazing writers in Room 5? We are all retelling the story of Jack and the Beanstalk and we are writing 10 giant paragraphs! We can't wait to share our stories with our Room 5 family.



SPORTS NEWS

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

Swimming - Junior swimming commences 26 November. Please note that swimming costs \$10 per child. Could swimming fees for ALL students please be paid to the school office in a named, sealed envelope as soon as possible.

Touch - Friday afternoons at Moores Estate, Winton. Draw has been posted on school noticeboards and can also be found on the Touch Southland website page under Central Primary tab. Please note NO BARE FEET - TRAINING SHOES MUST BE WORN.

PTA NEWS

Winton Open Day Santa Parade - Please see the attached note with details about this event.

PTA v Staff v BOT Golf Challenge

Where: Winton Golf Course

When: Friday 30 November

Time: Tee off 6.30pm sharp

Cost: \$15 per person (includes food)

Format: 6 holes with alternate shots

Fun evening open to all Winton School parents & staff. Entry forms and further information available from the school office. All entries with payment must be returned by Friday 23 November (numbers required for catering purposes).

COMMUNITY NEWS

CSC Year 8 Orientation Day

Will be held on Friday 16 November from 9:00am to 3:00pm. Students will need to bring their pencil case and either their own lunch or money for the canteen. Please wear comfortable clothing suitable for PE. Swimming togs and towel may also be brought, as the pool will be open at lunchtime, for those who wish to have a swim.

Year 9 Student Uniform Assistance

The JR McKenzie Youth Education Fund has a proud tradition of supporting families in need of financial assistance when purchasing school uniforms. 2018/19 applications are now open from suitable applicants. Criteria is the same as previous years, specifically Year 9 students where the school only accepts entrants at Year 9 or Year 7 students provided the school only accepts entrants at the Year 7 level. Contact Louise Faithful at Winton Community Support for an application form. Phone 03 236 9934.

Winton Open Day

To be held on Sunday 18 November from 10am to 3pm. Family friendly community day where all shops are open, loads of activities on the main street, grand parade and a market. So much fun to be had!

The Great NZ Santa Run

When: Wednesday 5 December

Where: Queens Park, Invercargill (Gala Street entrance)

Time: 6.30pm

If you love dressing up and supporting a good cause, gather some friends and sign up for some festive fun. Register now for special early-bird rates. Fun-run is a 2-3 km easy walk or run, designed for any level and any age. Families, corporate groups or individuals are all welcome, even bring your pets along!

Register at <http://lacticturkey.netinsites.co.nz/greatnzsantarun/enter/>

CSC Secondhand Uniform Sale

Year 8 Students and Parents/Caregivers please note that CSC Home and School Secondhand Uniform Sale will be held on Monday 10 December from 3:30pm to 5:30pm in the music room. Please go to the school office and it will be signposted from there. Cash only please. Enquires to Deborah 0276304343 or 2369770

Southland District Council Holiday Programme

Registrations are now open for 2019 holiday programme. When in Winton: Monday 7, Tuesday 8 & Wednesday 9 January Who For: Children aged 5-12 years of age Time: 10am - 3pm Cost: \$8 per day per child Limited spaces so bookings are essential. For more information and bookings visit www.sdcholidayprogramme.co.nz



WGT Year 0-2



Year 7 Technology



WGT Year 3-4