

**Upcoming Events****Week 4**

Today Senior Athletics  
Fri 21 Feb Year 7&8 Triathlon, CSC

**Week 5**

Mon 24 Feb **Staff Only Day**  
Tue 25 Feb Junior Athletics  
Fri 28 Feb Community Assembly, 1:45pm

**Week 6**

Tues 4 Mar PTA Meeting  
Fri 7 Mar Central Athletics, CSC

**Week 8**

Fri 21 Mar Community Assembly, 1:45pm

**Week 9**

Wed 26 Mar Board Meeting

**Week 9**

Wed 2 Apr John Parsons Cyber Safety visit

**Te kupu o te wiki**

nō hea koe  
Where are you from?

**President's Piece**

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Wow, week 4 already! What a great start to the year it has been. We are both very excited about our roles this year and we know that 2025 is going to be a fantastic year! We would like to welcome all the new students and families to Winton School. We hope you have settled in well.

Our theme for the year is 'Putting our best foot forward'. We have been talking about what this looks like in the classroom and in the playground. We hope everyone puts in their best effort with this this year.

Well done to everyone who took part in today's Senior Athletics with St Thomas School. Congratulations to those who will be representing our schools at the Central Athletics on Friday 7 March at CSC. Good luck to all of the Juniors who will be having their Athletics day next Tuesday.

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

As you may already know, we will be celebrating our 155th Jubilee in November this year. We thought it would be a good idea to include in each of our newsletters a fact about our school's history.

Did you know that the big oak trees in the middle of the school are 154 years old!

Have a great year everyone!

Ashar Sinclair - President

Felix McConachie - Vice President

**Staff Only Day - this Monday 24 February (Week 5)**

As you may be aware, the Ministry of Education have released a refreshed Mathematics Curriculum. As part of the release, schools have been given four half days to engage in PLD around the implementation of the new curriculum. We have chosen this **Monday 24 February** (all day) for our first day. On this day school will be closed. Thank you in advance for your support and making alternative arrangements for your child/ren on this day.

**Sports Code of Conduct**

Two weeks ago your child brought home a Sports Code of Conduct. The purpose of this form is to set expectations and outline responsibilities when representing our school. Further information was sent home on HERO. Please ensure your child's form is signed and returned to school.

**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.

**Lunch Orders**

Lunch order options are available from Subway on Tuesday, Top End Sushi Takeaways on Wednesday and The Bakery on Thursday. Subway orders can be made on the Subway app or at the shop, Sushi orders need to be handed into the school office or the shop on Tuesday, Bakery orders can be made at the shop up until 10.30am or handed into the school office before 9am on Thursday morning.

Please use the new Bakery price list which was previously posted on HERO.

**School Accounts - HERO**

A 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 payments from last year that need to be paid.

For students who have technology fees and 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.

**Week 2, Term 1 RERE Awards**

Room 1 - - -  
Room 3 Beau Murdoch  
Room 4 Belle McConachie & Lucca Arnitage  
Room 5 Holly Ferris & Jack Jones  
Room 6 Bodhi Boys & Charlotte Daly  
Room 7 Bede McFarlane & Ryder Allan  
Room 8 Millie Hutton & James Davidson-Hollis  
Room 9 Harry Ainsley & Anastasia Morris  
Room 10 Leo Bell-Chalmers & Kymani Mulligan  
Room 11 Holly White & Bailey White  
Room 12 Blake Malcolm & Lucas Rempersaud  
Room 13 Lily Hamilton & Felix McConachie

**Week 2, Term 1 MITEY Awards**

Room 1 - - -  
Room 4 Benson Mackenzie  
Room 6 Alexia Odendaal  
Room 8 Annabelle Mills  
Room 10 Carter Anderson  
Room 12 Eva Coveney  
Room 3 Charlie Fenn  
Room 5 Neihana De Thierry  
Room 7 Miela Smith  
Room 9 Lillian Payne  
Room 11 Jesse Leslie-Hinga  
Room 13 Kahn McMullien

**What's Happening in Room 13.....**

Kia ora koutou katoa from Room 13. The students in Room 13 have had a fantastic start to Year 8 and are 'putting their best foot forward'. We have spent the last 3 weeks getting to know one another; working through some information gathering; and setting up routines and programmes. The students are very excited about their leadership roles and meeting their new buddy from Rooms 1, 3 and 4 this week. They are all hoping to be an outstanding support person and role model for them. Athletics has been a huge focus so far this term and we are looking forward to putting our practice and skill development into action at our Athletics day. We are also looking forward to our first Technology visit next week. Room 13 have been learning sign language in class. We have learnt the alphabet and how to meet and greet one another.

# SPORTS NEWS

For all sporting inquiries, please contact Brenda Mee at [sport@winton.school.nz](mailto:sport@winton.school.nz)

**Touch**  
Touch has now started on Monday afternoons, please check Touch Southland website for weekly draws. There are still some outstanding Touch fees that now need to be paid to the school office, could these please be paid before the end of the week. School bank account number is 031750 0195550 00.

**Yr 7/8 Triathlon**  
Reminder that \$5 entry fees for all Yr 7/8 students entered in the triathlon must be paid to the school **TOMORROW**.

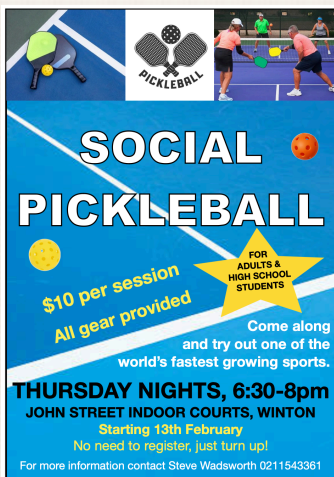
**Yr 7/8 Basketball**  
All Yr 7/8 Basketball fees, \$45 per student, need to be paid to the school office before the competition starts. Please note that there is also an additional \$5 NZBA registration levy that needs to be paid too.

# PTA NEWS

**Friday BBQ** - Sausages and Juices are on sale this Friday, \$2 each. Please bring the correct change. Remember to get your stamps in the library between 8:30 - 9:00am.

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

# COMMUNITY NEWS



**SOCIAL PICKLEBALL**  
FOR ADULTS & HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS  
\$10 per session  
All gear provided  
Come along and try out one of the world's fastest growing sports.  
**THURSDAY NIGHTS, 6:30-8pm**  
JOHN STREET INDOOR COURTS, WINTON  
Starting 13th February  
No need to register, just turn up!  
For more information contact Steve Wadsworth 0211543361



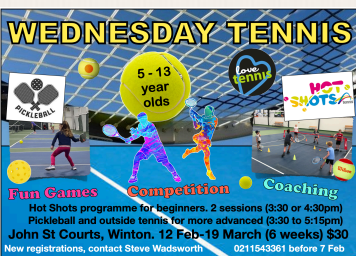
Proudly hosted by St Thomas Aquinas School PTA  
**6 March 2025** Thursday  
6.30pm for 7pm start  
650 Hall WINTON  
tickets \$50  
Calling ALL Winton PEOPLE over the age of 12 years old!!!  
PERFECT for employees, employers, businesses, parents, couples, families, sports teams, students committees, not for profits, friends, individuals... absolutely EVERYONE!  
**WHAT YOU'LL GET**  
• An Exceptional Night Out with a yummy supper!  
• Communication Expertise  
• An Ability to Connect with Anybody  
• Discover your Natural Strengths  
• Fun Experience with NO group hugs or role plays!  
• Professional Development usually worth \$800 - \$450 per person - grab it for a fraction of the price!  
Tickets available to purchase from this link <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/10982641568322> or scan this QR code  
For paper tickets and more information please contact Rebecca Excell 0277585272  
[www.amyscott.co.nz](http://www.amyscott.co.nz)



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**The Chosen YOUTH**  
A youth group which explores the life and ministry of Jesus and what it means to be a follower of Him.  
Find faith and belonging.  
For youth in years 7-13.  
Monday nights during school term  
6pm-8pm  
7 DeJoux Road, Winton  
For more info, contact Anita  
022-011-7084  
[anita.nicholson@salvationarmy.org.nz](mailto:anita.nicholson@salvationarmy.org.nz)



**WEDNESDAY TENNIS**  
5-13 year olds  
Fun Games Competition Coaching  
Hot Shots programme for beginners. 2 sessions (3:30 or 4:30pm)  
Pickleball and outside tennis for more advanced (3:30 to 5:15pm)  
John St Courts, Winton. 12 Feb - 19 March (6 weeks) \$30  
New registrations, contact Steve Wadsworth 0211543361 before 7 Feb



**CENTRAL SOUTHLAND TOY LIBRARY OPEN DAY**  
Come in and check us out!  
Wednesday 5th March 2025  
10am-2pm  
206 Park Street Winton  
Nana Rails will be here at 11am  
Save 5% on membership if you sign up between the 2-8th of March\* \*T&Cs apply  
**Toy Library Awareness Week**  
PLAY FOR ALL  
CENTRAL SOUTHLAND TOY LIBRARY INC



**JUNIOR Have A Go Day**  
Midlands Rugby Grounds  
Saturday 22nd February  
10.30am-12pm  
BBQ 11.30am  
Year 0 - Year 8  
Boys & Girls

**Do You Want to Learn Piano?**  
Piano Lessons for all ages, beginner to Grade 5.  
Contact Gill Hendry  
03 236 7413.



President & Vice President



**THE WINTON WAY WITH RERE**  
RESPECT WHAKAUTE  
RESPONSIBILITY TAKOHANGA  
EFFORT MANAHAKUTANGA  
EMPATHY PUAROHIA  
TO GROW, TO THRIVE, TO PROSPER  
KIA TIPU, KIA HUA, KIA PUAWAI



Perceptual Motor Programme