



Glenorchy
School



TERM 3 2024

22 July to
27 Sept

BOT Meeting Dates

24 September

TERM 4 2024

14 October to
13 December

School News

Term 3 Issue 3

27 August 2024

Kia ora whānau,

As I write this I'm starting my 6th week at Glenorchy School!

I've now had the chance, during this time, to teach in both the junior and senior class and feel I'm getting to know each of the students a little better every week.

Well done to Bella, Henry and Chace who represented the school at the Wakatipu Zone Swimming Sports last week and thanks to their parents who also supported them at this event.

I also attended my first Board of Trustees meeting last week and got the opportunity to work with this team. Below is a brief summary of the highlights from this meeting.

Have a super week everyone.

Ngā mihi nui

Tracy

Board of Trustees Update.

The Board of Trustees meet twice a term and last Tuesday was our first meeting for term 3.

Here's a few of the highlights from that meeting:

- The BOT are currently working with the Playgroup, The Glenorchy Collective Trust and the Ministry of Education to agree on a lease arrangement for the area that currently houses the pool and playgroup buildings. This land is owned by the Ministry but is leased to allow it to be used by these groups. Because the Glenorchy Collective Trust have a plan to build a new Early Childhood facility in the future a new lease agreement needs to be negotiated.
- Each meeting the BOT is tasked with reviewing policies. This month we looked at the appointments policy which regulates how appointments are made and who will be involved.
- The BOT reviewed the budget against spending. We are 67% of the way through the financial year and most budget areas are on track for the year.
- Tracy reported to the BOT the outcomes from the parents recent feedback re Health programmes in the school. This work is still ongoing as the staff and I are now reviewing, and in some places rewriting, the curriculum delivery plan in light of parents feedback to ensure the areas for greatest focus are given priority. These areas in order of priority are:

- Relationships
- Responsible decision making
- Physical safety
- Physical activity
- Self worth
- Food and Nutrition

We are also reaching out to see if there are ways we can use the SWIS counselor, Vicky, to support teaching across classes around positive relationships, decision making and self worth. Thank you to everybody who took the time to complete the survey. Your feedback has been very useful.

- The BOT are continuing to talk to the Glenorchy Community Association about the car parking and safety issues outside the school gate. This is a piece of ongoing work that the BOT continues to follow-up and represent the school communities desires in this area.
- The BOT, after much discussion about the gaps we have in expertise on the BOT, have decided to co-opt Andrew Green to the BOT to replace Alice Wilkins who recently resigned. Andrew brings a wealth of practical experience and will fill this position until the mid-term election in May 2025.

2025 Class Arrangement

At the beginning of the term at parent interviews some junior parents asked about the class arrangements for 2025, in particular where the current year 3's would be next year.

Tracy has spoken to the BOT and we thought it might be helpful for families to be made aware now of the schools intentions for 2025 class arrangements.

Next year, the mostly likely arrangement, given no dramatic changes in roll or staffing levels, is that the senior class will start 2025 as a year 4-8 class with approximately 16 pupils (ie. current year 3's will move through at the beginning of next year).

The junior class will start the year with approximately 10 pupils with at least 6 new entrants expected during the year.

Attendance Matters

As many of you will have seen in the news this year, the government is concerned about attendance rates in New Zealand schools and has begun a weekly collection of attendance data from every school.

At last week's Board of Trustees meeting I reported on some of the attendance statistics for Glenorchy School. As a Principal and a BOT we want to achieve the very best learning and social outcomes for the students at this school. To do this children need to attend school regularly (by definition this is 90% or more of the time school is open).

What research shows us is children who are at school:

- *Have less learning gaps
- *Know what is happening
- *Often enjoy school more
- *Can achieve to their potential
- *Have increased self-esteem
- *Establish good relationships with their peers and their teacher

It would be great to see each school pupil achieving a 90%+ attendance rate this term as this is where the government suggests all students should sit.

Welcome!

Welcome to Maxi Murray who started his school visits last week. Maxi is due to start school on 12 September.

Touch Rugby

Thank you to those parents who responded with expressions of interest re touch rugby. A google form has been sent to you requesting some specific information. Please can you complete 1 per child by tomorrow. Thank you.

Pie Warmer

A huge thank you to Joe from Dart River who has donated a new pie warmer to the school. We really appreciate your kindness.

Student of the Week

Congratulations to these students who are Glenorchy Superstars!

	Junior	Senior
Week 3	Tomy - for showing kindness and respect in the classroom	Connie & Dylan -For the amazing descriptive writing she has been producing
Week 4	Felix -for his focus and attention on writing	Isabella - Showing responsibility and leadership helping others

Tracy, Kelly, Sophie, Michelle and Gorette



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STORYTIME & GRADUATION - THIS NOVEMBER



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The Wānaka Festival of Colour is excited to present **Nadia Reid** for a special one-night performance at the Lake Wānaka Centre on November 10th at 7.30pm. Doors open at 7pm.

Nadia, known for her evocative lyrics and folk-inspired sound, has been lauded by **The Guardian** as “**an understated, wise guide through uncertain territory**” and “**one of New Zealand’s best-kept secrets**”. She’ll be joined by guitarist, **Sam Taylor**, for an evening of bare-bones beauty and soul-stirring music.

We’ll have a cash and card bar serving Quartz Reef wines, with all proceeds supporting the Wānaka Festival of Colour.

Click on this link to buy tickets <https://festivalofcolour.us6.list-manage.com/track/click?u=f0b962837389842dabb244b81&id=a8da43040a&e=e964a1e095>

Mark your calendars and secure your tickets today. We look forward to seeing you at this special event!

Hei konā mai ,

The Wānaka Festival of Colour Team

BATTLE OF THE BASIN, Dual Slalom
12 September 2023
EASY RIDER, Coronet Peak, Queenstown



PROGRAM

CATEGORY **Wakatipu Basin:** (enrolled in fulltime school in Wakatipu Basin to be eligible)
SKI: Year 3-4 M/F, Year 5-6 M/F, Year 7-8 M/F Competitive, and Non-Competitive
SNOWBOARD: Year 3-4, Year 5-6, Year 7-8
Top school based on results of all categories.
Overall: All entered participants (year 8 and below) eligible for overall Ski (M/F) and Snowboard (M/F)

BIBS	Bibs collected in front of Guest Services from 08:00 to 09:30
RACE HILL	Easy Rider
DISCIPLINE	Dual Slalom
RACE	2 runs
LIFT OPENING	08:00 for racers access to Rocky Gully via Coronet Express or Meadows
INSPECTION	09:15 – 09:30 Course inspection
FIRST RUN	09:45 Run 1 start
SECOND RUN	To start immediately after first run
PRIZE GIVING	One hour after race on Base Building deck, approximately at 14:00

RACE INFORMATION

RESULTS	2 runs, best time counts
SSNZ REGISTRATION	Open to SSNZ registered members.
RACE REGISTRATION	Please register SSNZ website. Registration closes on 7 September at 18:00. https://www.snowsports.co.nz/calendar-and-results/2023-events-calendar-and-registration/
ENTRY FEES	Entry \$35 per racer
LIFT TICKETS	50% discount for racers and coaches. 1 complimentary ticket available for coaches for every 6 athletes, additional coaches to pay half price. race@coronetpeak.co.nz
FURTHER INFORMATION	Competitive: defined as those registered in a ski club for 2024, not including the QAST Development Programme. If a child falls, they are to ski out of the course. Other racers will be coming down the hill.
WHAT'S APP	Use QR Code to register. Please leave chat clear for logistics and updates from race officials.

RACE ORGANISING COMMITTEE

TECHNICAL DELEGATE	TBD
CHIEF OF RACE	Brenner Yamada
CHIEF OF TIMING	Jessica Schalburg
REFEREE	TBD
ROC CONTACT INFO	Brenner Yamada, Coronet Peak Race and Events race@coronetpeak.co.nz 027 252 0653

Polyfest

CENTRAL LAKES

23 - 24 OCTOBER

QUEENSTOWN EVENTS CENTRE

Community Showcase Evening

6PM WEDNESDAY 23RD OCTOBER

Are you a solo performer, a duo, whānau or part of a Community group?
Do you love celebrating song, dance, music and tradition? There's a
space for you! Get in Touch! Email aroaha@miharo.org to register

T-Shirt Design Competition

ENTRIES CLOSE FRIDAY 30TH AUGUST

Create a dynamic celebratory T-shirt for the team and volunteers to
wear during our 5th Central Lakes Polyfest! The theme for this years
design is "Legends of our lands - our people, our places, our stories".

Polyfest Art Exhibition

ENTRIES CLOSE FRIDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER

Your Art will be on exhibition at Te Atamira Gallery between Thursday
26th September and Thursday 24th October 2024. Our theme this year
is "Legends of our lands - our people, our places, our stories".

FOR MORE INFO EMAIL AROHA@MIHARO.ORG
OR VISIT OUR WEBSITE WWW.MIHARO.CO.NZ





Pivotal Point

Te Hau Toka

SOUTHERN LAKES WELLBEING GROUP

www.pivotalpoint.org.nz

Parent Support Group

A safe space to share and connect, helping those with neurodivergent tamariki

First Tuesday of every month
9:15am - 10:45am at Te Atamira
Remarkables Park

TE ATAMIRA

