

#### **TERM 3 2024**

22 July to 27 Sept

### BOT Meeting Date

24 September

#### **TERM 4 2024**

14 October to 13 December

#### **School News**

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Kia ora whānau, Nga mihi mahana ki a koutou katoa.

Warm greetings to you all.

Last week, staying in Glenorchy, I experienced the most impressive/frightening thunder storm of my life!

It was scary on a number of levels- the intensity of the noise, the length of the rumbles and the ferocity with which it shook the walls of the house.

One thing about such experiences is that it is a great launching pad for writing.

I thought it was a lovely opportunity to share some of the writing that the junior class produced around their thunder storm experience.

I saw the line across the valley. I thought it would surround our house.

I was scared of the line surrounding our house.

By Tom Green

The thunder last night shook our house. I thought our house was going to collapse, but I didn't see the lightning. The thunder was really loud. The thunder might have also shook-up the valley. By Cooper Huckstep

The thunder was like a giant horse galloping around. Some thunder shook the house. The lightning was like a giant torch.

The thunder the night before was like giant ponds of ice cracking. By Kate Veint

Last night I saw the thunder storm. I was excited. I watched the lightning and heard the thunder. I thought there was an earthquake. I saw a big white flash on the floor.

By Kai Bruin-Opie

Last night there was a thunderstorm. It was shaking my house. I saw a lightning flash and it looked like a whip with dots on the sides. By Ned Rikard-Bell

#### Helpers with flax weaving

Kia ora whānau and wider community.

Māori Language week is coming up and we are keen to give the students the opportunity to participate in a morning of activities. We are hoping there may be someone in the Glenorchy community who has some flax weaving skill and would be available to teach our students to make some simple pieces.

We are hoping to do this on Wednesday 18 September.

If you have skills that you would be willing to share please call into the school office or email <a href="mailto:principal@glenorchy.school.nz">principal@glenorchy.school.nz</a> and let us know.

#### Senior Class - Technology

Two weeks ago I was lucky enough to accompany Henry and McKenzie for their technology session with Chris Thomson. They were learning to twist metal, grind and weld which was a little bit challenging.

Here's some shots of Henry and Chris in action!





#### **Junior Class- Mad About Hats!**

Over the last couple of weeks the junior class have had Helen relieving while Miss Brunet was away.

The class have had fun getting their creative ideas flowing creating three different hat styles;





The pirates hat The fireman's hat



And finally... BFGs ears

#### Soccer and Cricket Coaching

We are hosting Emma Campbell on Friday 13 September and Friday 20 September.

She will be running three sessions for each visit:

- -girls soccer
- -junior class cricket
- -senior class cricket

Please can children wear gym shoes on these days as it makes participation in these activities a lot easier.

#### **Board of Trustees Meeting**

The Board of trustees have their next meeting on Tuesday 24 September at 5.30pm in the Tech room at school. Everyone is welcome to attend.

#### Student of the Week

#### Congratulations to these students who are Glenorchy Superstars!

	Junior	Senior
Week 6	Sage -for showing kindness and responsibility in the classroom	Bella - for all the effort she has put into her writing
Week 7	Kai - for being a kind and respectful member of the Junior Room	Alex - showing kindness and leadership playing games at lunch with Junior students

Tracy, Kelly, Sophie, Michelle and Gorettie.



Great spot prizes!

Pre-school to Year 8
Individual & Teams

Enter online at eventfinda.co.nz

Sign up online

to be in with the **chance to win** 1 of 2 \$200 sports vouchers!

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Money raised from this event will go towards funding the Shotover Country playground at Merton Park for the Queenstown Lakes community & visitors. Questions? Email: spsduathlon@gmail.com

## Building confidence for a brighter future



Growing Stars is a hands on craft-based workshop for children aged 6 - 12 years to help them understand and manage the emotional impact of living with a learning difference.







Register online now! www.dyslexiasupportsouth.org.nz/Growingstars



October 8th & 9th 2024 Parent Info Session 8th Oct 8.45am - 12.30pm 7.00pm- 8.30pm



Southland Loss and Grief Centre, Invercargill. \$50 per child. Subsidised thanks to the generous support of the ILT Foundation.

## 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







Recent survey results show a staggering 71% of our local schools reported children being distracted by devices as a pressing issue, and 61% agree that online bullying is also an issue.

This is backed up by research recently conducted by the University of Otago, which also shows concerning trends in our tamariki's amount of screen time. Concerned experts are sounding alarms for the mental and physical wellbeing of our children after this new research revealed tamariki are spending about a third of after-school time on screens - considerably more than the current guidelines, which recommend less than two hours of screen time per day (outside school time) for school-aged children and adolescents.

This high rate of screen time is exposing tamariki to cyberbullying, harmful sexualised content, and inappropriate advertising for sectors such as alcohol and gambling.

The significant amount of time spent in front of screens raises significant health and wellbeing concerns - prolonged screen time is associated with obesity, poor mental wellbeing, poor sleep and mental functioning, and lack of physical activity. It can also affect children's ability to concentrate and regulate their behaviour and emotions.

To address this issue and support the health and wellbeing of our children, we are launching the Digital Detox Challenge. This 'detox' challenges you and your whanau, to disconnect from electronic devices for a full 40 hours (18th October - 20th October).

www.lifeed.raiselysite.com

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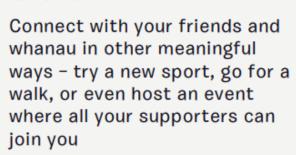


# DIGITAL DETCX

18 - 20 October 2024

#### **DISCONNECT TO MAKE A DIFEFRENCE**

Disconnect from electronic devices for 40 hours and help raise vital funds for Life Education Trust Heartland Otago Southland.



TO REGISTER:



https://lifeed.raiselysite.com/



## STORYTIME & GRADUATION - THIS NOVEMBER

Parents of a 0-5 year old? Sign up to Queenstown Lakes Libraries' free early literacy programme

> Has your family completed 1000 Books Before School? Register your completion by scanning below



Scan the code or pop into your local library to sign up!

















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



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 aroha@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".

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