



Glenorchy
School

TERM 1 2023

Term 1

30 Jan—6 April

BOT Meeting Date

28 March

Senior School Camp

15 to 17 March

Teachers & Principals Strike

16 March
(No School)

Otago Anniversary Day

20 March
(No School)

TERM 2 DATES

24 April—30 June

Teacher Only Day

24 April
(No School)

ANZAC Day

25 April
(No School)

School News

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It has been a busy fortnight at school, almost a return to pre-covid days.

Thank you for attending the goal setting interviews last week and for your input at these. We appreciate the opportunity to sit down with you and your child to discuss their learning.

The Small Schools Athletics Sports Day was held for the first time at the new school at Hanley's Farm - Te Kura Whakatipu o Kawarau, on Thursday 9 March. Our Year 4 - Year 8 students participated in this event. Congratulations to the following students who have qualified to compete in the Wakatipu Zone Athletics on Tuesday 21 March.

Year 8 Boys - River (Long Jump, Sprints)

Year 7 Girls - Sienna (High Jump, Hurdles, Sprints)

Year 7 Girls - Pippa (Sprints)

Year 5 Boys - Lucas (Long Jump, Shot Put, Discus, Sprints)

Year 5 Boys - Hunter (Shot Put, Discus, High Jump, Hurdles, Sprints)

Year 5 Boys - Max (Shot Put, Hurdles)

There is a lot of excitement in the Senior Room this week as students look forward to their Paradise Camp being held from Wednesday 15 - Friday 17 March. Students will come to school as normal on Wednesday and are to put their gear in the Tech Room. We will depart for camp after the morning tea break. On Friday, we are planning to return to school around 12:30pm - 1:30pm. We will let you know when we are back and the children can be picked up at any time from then until 3:00pm.

Students in the Senior Room have been preparing for the Kids Lit Quiz which is going to be held on Tuesday 21 March at Remarkables School. We have entered two Year 6 - Year 8 teams into this competition and will be requesting parent help via email to help with transport once the teams are finalized. As this is on the same day as the Wakatipu Zone Athletic Sports, we are likely to have several students in Queenstown.

Glenorchy School will be closed on Thursday 16 March due to Strike action being taken by teachers and principals. Please **note** that the senior school camp will continue as planned. We appreciate and thank you for the support we have received from the community as we strive to secure better conditions to improve public education for tamariki. One way you as parents are able to demonstrate your support is by signing this [open letter](#) to Minister of Education Jan Tinetti. You are also invited to join us at the Event Centre, Frankton at 10:00am on the day of the strike to be part of the call for change. See the attached poster for further details.

Glenorchy School will also be closed on Monday 20 March for Otago Anniversary Day. Enjoy the long weekend with your children.

Student of the Week:

	Junior Room	Senior Room
Week 5	Tim - For his awesome attitude towards his learning, especially in Reading and Writing.	Max - being kind and responsible with the Junior children at the pool.
Week 6	Hunter O - For demonstrating kindness by helping his injured classmate with classroom life.	Connie - for the consistent effort she has been putting into her written work.

Paula, Kelly, Roshell and Gorette

NZEI
TE RIU ROA

whakamana
tamariki
whakamana
kaiako

16
MARCH

Teachers believe that every student should receive the attention, time and support they need for their education.

This isn't always the case, and we are calling on the government to improve the working conditions for teachers, which affect children's learning conditions.

This means:

- **Better support**
- **More staff**
- **Recognition for the work we do**

On **Thursday 16 March**, we are taking strike action to press the government to improve conditions for schools. We invite you to join us, and be a part of the call for change. Your voice is powerful.

Teachers from:

Glenorchy School

Will be gathering at:

On the roadside outside the Event Centre, Frankton at 10:00am

Poipoia te kākano kia puawai

Nurture the seed and it will blossom