



Glenorchy School

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DATES

1st June

Queens Birthday—School closed

2nd June

We have a new student starting at school—please welcome George!

5th June

Top Bike Competition in Alex, for Timo & James

First Snow for 2015!! But it doesn't put our hardy students off school!!



The more it snows (Tiddely Pom)

The more it goes (Tiddely Pom)

The more it goes (Tiddely Pom)

On Snowing

And Nobody knows (Tiddely Pom)

How cold my toes (Tiddely Pom)

How cold my toes (Tiddely Pom)

Are growing.

A.A. Milne





What a great way to start the week. Lots of fun was had with the snow fall. Playtime and lunch time saw a massive snow fight with bases built, snowballs thrown and swiftly changing alliances. Wet clothes, stinging hands and feet were the order of the

afternoon.



So back to school work—mid year assessments are well underway and the students are demonstrating how much progress they have made over the year. They all should be truly proud of themselves. Parents will get to discuss their learning with them on the 24th June at the Student Led Conferences. More will come out about these later.

The Seniors have finished their cushions and these should be winging their way home this week. The Juniors are really enjoying Bill Peet books and are soon to move on to 'The Twits'.

A final note—I would like to acknowledge the effort and energy that Rod has put into the school, often behind the scenes over the years. All our love to Jenny and her family. We will all miss Rod but his passing will be felt most sharply by them.



Well done to all our budding Ice Skaters from the Junior Class. They completed their last session on Friday, and all have now mastered the ice!



Congratulations to Timo who qualified for the Central Otago Under 38kg Rugby Team recently.



THE BOYZ ARE BACK IN TOWN

Andrew and Richie Cesan from World Renown Identity Dance Crew for **HIP HOP** and **BODY PERCUSSION** Classes

Koffie Fugah for **AFRICAN DRUMMING** and **Dance** classes

Kate Lahood for **CONTEMPORARY JAZZ** classes

and Jody from Flame Entertainment from Queenstown for **CIRCUS SKILLS**

FOCUS IS ON FUN. Classes for all abilities

All age groups from primary to secondary school aged

Adult Classes will also be available

Keep these dates free JULY 12,13,14 at Dunstan High School

For more information email centralotagdance@gmail.com,

visit our facebook page 'Central Otago Dance Development'

or phone Anna 0226522779 , Teresa 4488662, Tania 03 4488782

What's up DOC? The latest Update from the Dept. of Conservation, Glenorchy

Hi all,

No doubt Monday's power outage caused a bit of inconvenience for businesses and individuals around Glenorchy. It certainly did for us. There's always a silver lining to the cloud though, and this week it came in an opportunity to make Glenorchy a bit safer for some of our feathered friends. In recent years several falcon carcasses have been handed in to the DOC office, having been found under pole mounted power line transformers. Electrocutation on structures such as these can be a major source of mortality for NZ falcon populations, so we've been talking with Aurora Energy and Delta Utilities to see how these falcon electrocutions could be avoided. A few months back some of Delta's lead technicians came up for a visit. We had a look at the offending structures and had a yarn about ways to reduce the risk of this happening again. While modifying the pole mounted structures through fitting insulators is a relatively simple task, shutting down the power adds a huge level of complexity. With a little bit of fore planning though, Aurora and Delta fitted in these modifications during a scheduled outage for line maintenance down the road, for which we are very grateful. There are lots of falcon around at the moment as the juveniles leave home and disperse, and I've seen a couple of young ones around the village. Hopefully it'll be just a bit more hospitable for them now. If you encounter any injured or dead falcon please do let us know so we can follow it up. In other news, the bridge at Snowy Creek (between Dart Hut and Rees saddle) has been removed for the winter. This is necessary as it's simply impossible to maintain a bridge over winter there due to flood and avalanche conditions. If you, or anybody you know, is heading up that way please take care, and give extra consideration to the weather and river conditions.

For further info. Contact Ed on 03 442 6517

The 2015 Annual General Meeting for the Glenorchy Community Association will be held on 4th June at 7pm in the Glenorchy Hall. To view the agenda please follow the link below:

<http://www.glenorchycommunity.nz/events/show/13/the-gca-agm/>

Are you keen for your daughter to be involved in Guiding, but don't live near a group?

GirlGuiding New Zealand's focus is to provide the most opportunities possible for girls, even when they are isolated by distance or other factors.

If for some reason you are unable to attend a local unit, you can still be involved in Guiding by joining the Aotearoa Region.

The Aotearoa Region provides the GirlGuiding programme and activities in a different way, using a variety of methods i.e. post, email, internet, texting and other social media.

And should circumstances change, it's easy to transfer from the Aotearoa Region unit to a regular unit.

For more information about GirlGuiding NZ's Aotearoa Region contact 0800 449 663 or email southernzone@girlguidingnz.org.nz

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