



School News

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The 2022 school year started last week on Tuesday 1st February under the Covid-19 Red Traffic Light setting. Thank you to everyone for supporting your children with becoming familiar with the new rules. Staff are continuing to monitor the systems in place and make adaptations as we need to.

The first day of the school year also saw four New Entrant children join the Junior Room. We would like to welcome Matilda, Isla, Kate, Kai and their families to Glenorchy School. The school roll is currently at 33.

We would also like to sincerely thank everyone who took a turn at looking after the school garden throughout the summer break. Your help with this is very much appreciated. Thank you to Jenny for organising the roster.

Also over the holidays we had outdoor carpet installed on the uncovered part of the deck. The deck was particularly icy in the winter and so we are hoping that this will now eliminate the potential slip hazard. The other contractor we had on site over the holidays was the line marker who refreshed the line marking on the tennis courts and added a few more games, such as hop scotch and mirror me, to some of the other concrete areas. It is great to see the students using these. Hopscotch is becoming quite a popular lunchtime game.

We were able to get our swimming programme underway at the beginning of the term with coach Lynette McLellan. Already after four days you can see the great progress students are making under her instruction. Students need to bring their togs to school everyday for the next two weeks as lessons are taking place daily. We would like to thank Camp Glenorchy for supporting the swimming programme by hosting Lynette during the time she is here. This gesture is greatly appreciated by everyone at Glenorchy School.

Today we are sending home to all families the Parent Information booklet that we have recently revised and updated. We hope that the information provided in the booklet provides a detailed outline of how things run at school. Going forward, this booklet will be distributed to new enrolments, so please let us know if you think of anything else that needs to be included in it.

Student of the Week

	Junior Room	Senior Room
Week 1	Tim - Being responsible by taking pride and care with all his work and being a role model for amazing classroom behaviour.	Dylan S - For stepping out of her comfort zone during swimming.

Paula, Nicole, Roshell and Gorette

Term Dates 2022

Term 1

1 February
to
14 April

Term 2

2 May
to
8 July

Term 3

25 July
to
30 September

Term 4

17 October
to
16 December

BOT Meeting Dates

14 February
28 March

Glenorchy School's Red Traffic Light setting protocols

No non-essential visitors on-site. Any visitor, including parents and caregivers, that do access the school buildings must wear a mask, scan in and sign the visitor register. Please observe physical distancing requirements.

All visitors, including parents and caregivers, that do come on-site must wear a mask when on school grounds. Please observe physical distancing requirements.

Staff and Students in the Senior Room need to wear a mask inside the school buildings.

Staff and students will continue to use and encourage good hygiene practices including:

- regular hand washing/sanitising
- cough and sneeze etiquette
- regular cleaning of high touch surfaces
- open doors and windows.

At the end of the day, students must exit the school at their designated point (main entrance, swimming pool, garden).

It is now a legal requirement that all students aged eight years and over must wear a mask on the school bus.

If there is a positive case of COVID-19 identified at an early learning service, school or kura, the early learning service or school will work with the Ministry of Education and public health authorities to seek advice. We will be making every effort to keep the school open for onsite learning, but if students need to isolate or staffing the school becomes an issue at any time, we may have to ask that some or all students learn from home for a few days until the issues are resolved.

Stay home if sick and get tested

Ensure tamariki, students or staff members with [COVID-19 symptoms](#) get a COVID-19 test and remain at home until a negative result is received and they are symptom free for 24 hours.



Hello Glenorchy parents from your local radio station Glenorchy Country Radio 89.2 FM 2022 is here (!) and the radio team are focused on enjoying this fabulous community. One of the best days of anyone's year would have to be their birthday, (eat cake and pork crackling on mine), and the local radio station would love to celebrate birthdays of the entire community with a shout out on the breakfast show. If you would like your child to be in our birthday book please email their name, age and message of celebration to glenorchycountry@gmail.com And don't hesitate to add your own names as no one is ever too old for a birthday shout out!
Thanks and kindest radio regards,

Emma.

Whakatipu Youth TRUST

Happy New Year - hari tau hou! We hope you have had an absolutely wonderful holiday season with your family and friends.

At WYT we have all made the most of the holiday break with our youth workers taking time out with their whanau and friends, sightseeing around our beautiful country and soaking up the sun.

Already this year the team have run a very successful summer holiday programme. This consisted of two weeks of activities around the district and we would like to extend a very big thanks to the businesses who supported us in making it happen. See below for more detail and some photos of what we got up to.

There is plenty to get excited about for 2022 with more of the same but also some new stuff happening, as well as some wonderful new services on offer to support our rangitahi. As always keep an eye on social media, check out the website or let us know if you have any questions or ideas of stuff you would like to see happening.

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN FEBRUARY

- Year 7 & 8 Nights
- Youth Workers in Schools
- Drop in
- Mad Lads

Check out our [website](#) and [Facebook page](#) to find out all the up to date information on what is happening and what we have been up to.