

Glenorehy School



TERM <u>2 ISSUE I</u>

DATES 2019

2nd May

Wakatipu Zone Swimming Sports

22nd May

BOT Meeting

31st May— 5th July

Juniors Ice Skating Lessons

QTWN Ice Arena

31st May

Yr 7 & 8

Young

Leaders

Conference

Dunedin

5th June

Central Otago

Swim Sports

Term 2 Ends

5th July

School

News

We hope you all enjoyed the autumn break and are ready for another busy term ahead.

We would like to acknowledge Matthias, Ruby and Sadie for the outstanding job they did representing Glenorchy School at the Glenorchy ANZAC Day Service last Thursday. These three students read out poems during the service. We are very proud of you. The ANZAC artwork that the students completed at the end of the term was displayed in the Hall and looked great. We received lots of positive feedback about our involvement in this community event.

This week, we welcome two new five year olds and their families to Glenorchy School. Alex started school yesterday and MacKenzie has her first day tomorrow. This takes our school roll to 32.

As part of our wellbeing programme, Lisa Reid will be taking Yoga this term with each of the classes on a Tuesday morning. Seniors will walk down to the Hall at 11:00am for a half hour session, followed by the Junior Room.

We have a number of students attending the Wakatipu Zone Swimming Sports on Thursday. Good luck to Ruby, Matthias, Sadie, Caitlyn, Nate, Hazel and Finlay. These swimmers are competing for places in the Central Otago Swimming Sports which are being held in early June.

At the end of last term I met with Jude Gunn who is the Central Otago Attendance Officer. Jude's job is to monitor the attendance of students in the Central Otago area. Her message was that children who are at school know what is happening, have no learning gaps, have increased self esteem, are able to establish good relationships, can achieve to their potential, and they also enjoy school more. At home, parents can support school attendance by:

- Having regular bedtimes on school nights
- Removing electronic equipment from the bedroom
- Using an alarm clock
- Ensuring homework is done, lunch ready and bag packed at night
- Regularly discuss school goals and praise efforts
- Don't wait for small concerns to grow act sooner rather than later
- Arriving at school on time

Preparation for the Year 7 and Year 8 trip to Dunedin to attend the National Young Leaders Day is underway. We will be leaving Glenorchy on the morning of Thursday 30 May and returning from Dunedin after the event on Friday 31 May. We anticipate arriving back in Glenorchy early evening. There will be more information sent out to Year 7 and Year 8 families soon.

Paula, Nicole, Courtney and Gorettie