

TERM 1
ISSUE 1
9TH FEBRUARY
2021

Term 1

**Dates** 

2nd Feb-16th April

\*Goal Setting Interviews

11th February

\*BOT Meetings

18th February & 18th March

\*2nd March

Yr 5-Yr 8

**Athletics Day** 

(St Jo & Kingsview

Schools)

\*22nd March

**Otago Anniversary** 

\*23rd March

Cyber Safety-

John Parsons

\*2 April

**Good Friday** 

\*5th & 6th April

Easter Monday & Tuesday

16th April

End of Term 1

## **School News**

Welcome back to the 2021 school year! The term has got off to a busy start and we have been impressed with how well the children have quickly settled back into routine after the summer break.

We would like to welcome Miss Roshell Edlin to our teaching team this year. Many of you will have met Roshell already during the first week, but if you haven't, please call in and introduce yourself to her.

Our overarching theme this year is "Learning is for Everyone". The idea behind this is that everyone has the ability to learn new things if they are aware of how to be ready for learning and are given the opportunity to do so in ways that best suit their learning styles. We believe that this mantra sums up the work we are going to be doing with our curriculum development, growth mindset, multiple intelligences and zones of regulation work, our Health and Wellbeing focus, teaching strategies, our focus on leading activities and with the use of the modernised learning spaces.

On the first day back, the Senior Room spent time out in the garden with Anita and Miss Kellett. They did a great job weeding and tidying up the garden area. The Juniors also went out and harvested some of the vegetables with Anita. It is great to see how beautiful and well kept this area is looking at the moment. Thank you to Anita and everyone who tended the school gardens over the holidays.

# On Wednesday 3 February, Pip and Harold the Giraffe visited Glenorchy School as part of the Health Programme.

Everyone loves visiting Harold in the mobile classroom! We hope your children came home and talked about what they had been learning. Thank you for attending the shared afternoon tea to hear about the health programme content from Pip, and to meet Miss Edlin. It was a lovely afternoon held in the Outdoor Classroom area. We hope there will be plenty more opportunities to make use of this great learning space.

**The swimming programme got off to a successful start on Thursday 4 February.** The swimming coach, Lynette McLellan, was particularly impressed with the swimming skills of our Senior Room students. The Senior Room swimming lessons will be between 11:30am - 12:30pm each day, and the Junior Room lessons will be held in the afternoon. Thank you to Camp Glenorchy who is hosting Lynette for the duration of the swimming programme. Please send swimming togs, a towel and goggles to school with your children everyday until further notice.

#### Goal setting interviews are taking place on Thursday 11 February.

A booking sheet is in the foyer for you to fill in. Alternatively, contact Gorettie with approximate times that suit and she will book them in for you. This is a great opportunity to help your child learn to set and work towards some achievable goals.

Student of the Week

	Junior Room	Senior Room
Week 1	<b>Dylan</b> - being a great role model in the first week back at school.	Ilana - For showing responsibility and leadership by helping others when they are in need.

Paula, Nicole, Roshell & Gorettie







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