

## Glenorchy School



**DATES** 

23rd November

**Boys** 

Cricket Festival Yr 5-8

Queenstown

23rd November

**B.O.T Meeting** 

25th November

Girls

Cricket Festival Yr 5-8

Queenstown

29th November

Parent Helper Camp Meeting

7th,8th,9th December

School Camp



14th December

**B.O.T Meeting** 

15th December

Prizegiving

Students Sleepover-\$5.per student.

16th December

Last Day Term 4

**School Finishes** 

12:30 p.m

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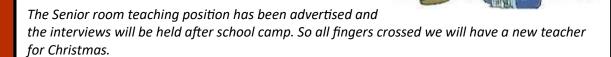
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The Senior Students are fine tuning their skills in making animated documentaries about the kiwi.

The Junior students, after writing collaborative Kiwi stories are soon to be exploring the wonderful world of the weka.

Cricket coaching has been successful with the witty and capable Emma who comes from Sports Otago to coach our students for four weeks a year. She organises the Year 5 – 8 Cricket Tournament with the boys tournament tomorrow, 23<sup>rd</sup> November and the Girls tournament on Friday 25th November. Good luck to all our participants.

Planning for School Camp continues and it is fabulous to see all the forms coming in early. This makes planning so much easier. Specific camp notices will follow.



## AN APOLOGY AND A BIG THANK YOU

I have been remiss in thanking Pete Davies who has set up the soccer nets.

Pete Davies is responsible for the fabulous soccer nets that have graced our field since the last school holidays – the students have been spending hundreds of hours using them and they would be the most used piece of sporting equipment at the school. Thank you Pete.

Thank you to our wonderful weeders who have tidied up the fence-line beautifully.

On that note – Glenorchy School is looking for a Grounds person – 52 hours annually - Please contact Allie for a job description if you are keen. principal@glenorchy.school.nz.

## **Working Group**

Outdoor Classroom needs a working group with skills and or enthusiasm. Please contact Allie if you are interested.

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

How many days can I take my children out of school for?

The Education Act 1989 states:

Parents are responsible for their child's regular attendance at school:

Every parent of a person who while enroled at a registered school, does not attend... commits an offence, and is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding an amount calculated at the rate of \$30 for every school day for which the offense has occurred... A fine imposed against that subsection shall not exceed \$300 for a first offence... or \$3000 for a second or subsequent offence.(Section 29).



The Mysterious Case of the Slimy Algae: what we know - and don't - about the 'Lake Snot' invading Queenstown Lakes, by Dr Marc Schallenberg, the Rees Hotel Queenstown conference room, this Wednesday, November 23, 5.30 to 7 p.m., \$5 donation at the door, please register at connect@catalystnz.ord

...Lake-snot-has-now-spread-to-Lake-Wakatipu-and-Lake-Hawea, -having-first-been-seen-in-Lake-Wanaka-in-2004. •The-slime-it-produces-is-already-affecting-swimmers, -fishers-and-Wanaka's-water-supply---and-it-hasrecently-been-found-clogging-some-Queenstown-property-water-filters. •What-is-it,-what-will-it-mean-for-ourlakes-and-what-can-we-do-about-it?-Find-out-this-coming-Wednesday...¶

University of Otago zoologist Dr Marc Schallenberg has studied over 80 New Zealand lakes from Northland to Campbell Island, including Lakes Wakatipu, Hayes, Moke, Alta, Johnson, Wanaka and Dunstan. He is part of a team of scientists that's proven the recent appearance of Lake Snot is linked to an algae related to didymo. Funding has been sought from local councils to study the algae and its slime production, but little has materialised. Marc says understanding the potential relationships between recent environmental changes and this new nuisance algae requires careful study.



Rectangular Snip

Antarctica---Halfa-Century-of-Studying-Climate-Change, Dr. Peter-Barrett, -Wednesday, -December-7, -5.30:---7-p.m., -The Rees-Hotel-Queenstown-conference room, \$5-donation-at-door, please register at-connect@catalystnz.org-¶

The Peter-has-worked-regularly-in-Antarctica-since-the-early-1960s-when-he-was-a-PhD-student-under-Kiwis-scientist-Peter-Webb, who was head-of-the-Polar-Programme-at-Ohio-State-University.

Peter-discovered the first-dinosaur-fossil in Antarctica in the early 1960s, which provided some of the first-evidence that Antarctica had not always been frozen. "His mission since that time was to discover the geological history of the continent, particularly in regard to the advances and retreats of the ice sheet. "To this end, he was Principal Investigator or joint Scientific Leader in 3 multi-national geological drilling projects (promoted and operated by NZ) in the Ross Sea from 1972-2000, as well as being involved in the Andrill project from 2003-2006.

Peter-has-been-head-of-the-Antarctic-Research-Centre-at-Victoria-University-for-several-decades-and-is-now-factively'-retired. "He-takes-a-very-keen-and-concerned-interest-in-climate-change-and-has-been-a-regular-contributor-to-the-international-effort-to-try-to-understand-and-slow-this-process. "He-has-recently-been-involved-in-the-making-of-an-award-winning-film-on-climate-change, 'Thin-Ice'."

