



DATES

2019

BOT Meeting

Wednesday

20th March

Otago Anniversary Day

25th March

(No School)

PTFA

Autumn Fair

1030-3pm

Central Otago Triathlon

4th April

Students Led

Conference

9th April

Term 1 Ends

12th April

School News

We know that people around the country have been impacted by Friday's events in Christchurch. Our thoughts are with everyone dealing with and coming to terms with this tragedy. The Ministry of Education has advised schools of the support services that are available to anyone who requires them. Please talk to us if you have any concerns.

Yesterday was the last day of our swimming programme. I would like to thank Kay for being the swimming coach this year. We are really lucky to have her expertise in our school community. The extended swimming season has given the children the opportunity to further develop their skill level.

We had 12 students attend and compete in the Wakatipu Zone Triathlon on Tuesday 12 March. Congratulations to Nate, Finlay and Hazel (1st equal in the Year 6 Mixed Team), Dylan G., Jazmine and Caitlyn (3rd in the Year 6 Mixed Team,) Toby, Ben and Sadie (2nd in the Year 7 Mixed Team), and Ruby, Tane and Matthias (5th in the Year 8 Mixed Team).

The monthly Board of Trustees Meeting is on Wednesday 20 March. At the meeting, the Board will be considering reducing the number of parent trustees from six to four. If you want further information about this, contact Jenny.

The School Fair is on this Monday (Otago Anniversary Day). If you haven't returned your form to school indicating your availability to help, please do so immediately or contact Kirsty directly.

Please read the information below from Public Health Southland regarding the Measles Outbreak.

Information Regarding Measles Outbreak March 2019

Two cases of measles have now been confirmed in Dunedin since 22nd February, both of which are linked to the current outbreak in Christchurch. One case was in contact with a local early childhood service whilst infectious.

Public Health South is working with staff and parents at the affected service to ensure that any unimmunised or vulnerable contacts are safe. This is a timely reminder to ensure that your records and children's vaccinations are up to date.

Measles is a highly infectious disease and is more serious than many people realise. Symptoms include fever, cough, red eyes and a runny nose, and then a rash which develops after about 4 days. About one in ten people with measles needs to be hospitalised and 30% will develop complications.

Get Up To Date With Your Immunisations

It's never too late to get up to date with your immunisations. By being immunised, you will not only be protecting yourself and your family – you'll also stop the disease spreading in your community.

- 2 doses are necessary to give the best protection
- Immunisation (with 2 measles vaccinations) is very important for older children and adults

More information

For further health information on measles, please go to the Ministry of Health website:

<http://www.moh.govt.nz> or the Immunisation Advisory Centre website:

<http://www.immune.org.nz>

You can also call the Immunisation Advisory Centre toll-free line 0800 IMMUNE (0800 466 863) for advice.

Paula, Nicole, Courtney and Gorette

New wheelie bins will be delivered to Glenorchy soon

From 1 July, our district is switching to a three wheelie bin system for recycling and rubbish so that:

- we can say good-bye to single-use plastic bags
- glass bottles and jars can be picked up in a separate bin and recycled across the district.

Gibbston will be one of the first areas to receive the bins.

Bins

will be delivered to all properties who get kerbside collections in the week starting 26th March.

The new kerbside collections won't start until 1 July, so don't forget to keep using your old bins and blue bags until then.

When your bins arrive:

- check that the street number on the bins matches your house.
- Each bin is tagged to a specific property
- help out any absentee neighbours by taking their bins off the street
- find somewhere to keep your new wheelie bins until the collection starts on 1 July.

Job Advertisement Glenorchy Motels

Glenorchy Motels are looking for a part time or permanent cleaner 1-2 hours each morning.

Call Kath 0274 368 531.
