



# Glenorchy School



TERM 2 ISSUE 4

13TH JUNE

## DATES

Seniors Winter Sports every Friday afternoon.

May 31st-July 5th

-Juniors Ice Skating Lessons

-PTFA Quiz Nights

14th June

Tuesday 20th June



Open evening WHS

21st June

CyperSafety- John Parsons

Wednesday 28th June

BOT meetings

June 27th

Students Led Conferences

7th July

Last day of Term 2

## WEEK 7

**Ko te mutunga orange, he timatatanga kaha!  
Winning starts with beginning**

### Support Staff Day is Wednesday, 14 June

Thank you Jenny and Gorette who support the teaching staff at Glenorchy School -you are much appreciated.

### We are counting down to the shortest day and Matariki.

Happy New Year!

The pre-dawn rise of [Matariki](#), also known as the Pleiades, traditionally signals the Māori New Year under the [maramataka](#), or lunar calendar. In general, celebration of Matariki starts when the first new moon can be seen following the pre-dawn rise of Matariki. Traditionally, Matariki was both a time to commemorate those who had passed on, and celebrate a time of plenty when stores were abundant from horticulture, hunting and fishing.

Here's an easy guide to try to find the stars.

#### How to find Matariki

Matariki is found low on the horizon in the north east of the sky. Try looking here between 5.30 a.m. and 6.30 a.m.

#### The pot

1. First find the pot (the bottom three stars of the pot are also called Tautoru, or Orion's Belt). To find **Puanga** (Rigel) look above the pot until you see the bright star. To find **Matariki**, keep going.

2. To the left of the pot, find the bright orange star, Taumata-kuku (Alderbaran).

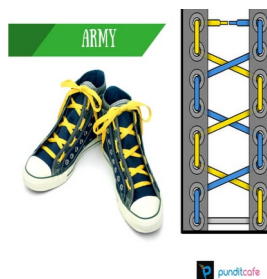
3. Follow an imaginary line from Tautoru (the bottom three stars of the pot), across to Taumata-kuku and keep going until you hit a cluster of stars.

4. That cluster is Matariki. If you have good eyes you should be able to pick out individual stars. If it looks fuzzy, look just above or just below and the stars will be clearer.



Matariki this year is around the 21<sup>st</sup> June.

Nits – back in town again, please check and treat your child, we don't want them doing the rounds.



The Juniors have all learnt to tie their shoe laces, all they need is practise, please encourage them to show you their skills. There were a few who could already tie their laces, well done you guys. It is an excellent form of brain gym and a fine motor skill. Also it frees up the adults around and encourages students to be more independent.

Gymnastic skills are being taught and practised when the weather allows. Students have been balancing, rolling and vaulting. Some of the Senior students have really taken to vaulting and are now getting some air when flying over the box.

Forward rolls are tricky for some and backward rolls tricky for others. Balancing along the beam is made to look very easy by some of the juniors. These are great physical skills and the students are working hard to gain control over their bodies.

Year 7 and 8s had a great time in Dunedin and included in the newsletter is a reflection of their time.

## **Dunedin Trip**

**On the 28th to 31st May, the Year Seven and Eights travelled to Dunedin to attend to the N.Y.L.D (National Young Leaders Day) conference. We also stayed a couple of extra days since Dunedin is a long way from Glenorchy.**

**We did plenty of activities such as hot chocolate drinking, taco eating, bolognaise munching and lots of other activities besides eating. We stayed at Leith Valley Motor Camp. Yes Leith Valley Motor Camp, family friendly and the best place you will ever stay at. \*cough\* Sorry five dollars for the advertisement. Anyway it was a nice place.**

**At the N.Y.L.D we saw lots of 'motivational' speakers. There was Daniel Flynn founder of thankyou water, actor Arron Jackson (evil guy in Shortland Street) Matt Brown (world famous hair artist) and other inspirational speakers all with amazing motivational stories to share.**

**We went to Moana Pool, Baldwin Street, Edgar Sports Centre, Butterfly Museum, Early Settlers Museum, Dunedin Botanical Gardens and of course the Town Hall for NYLD. On our return journey we passed through Naseby to have a go at curling. It certainly was an actioned-packed trip.**

**At the end of the day we would all do it again. In my(Theo) personal opinion the Edgar sports centre was by far my favourite as I am a sporty person and enjoyed the atmosphere. My(Sam) favourite activity was the curling as I was quite good at it and it was unique to normal sports.**

**By Sam and Theo**

Year 8s were visited by Sonia Panapa from Wakatipu High School – answering questions and getting them ready for their next great adventure in learning. Oliver, Lucy school representatives and Lucy Glover came to give a valuable student perspective.

### **CYBERSAFETY-21st June**

As part of our Health Curriculum, John Parsons, sponsored by Queenstown rotary, is coming to the school to teach cyber safety. These lessons are for Juniors 9.30–10.30am – Seniors 11–12.30pm and if there are parents who are keen 1.30–3pm in the library.

Please let us know if you intend to come for catering purposes.

**Health Curriculum Consultation is out this week please fill in and return to school – a box will be in the foyer.**

**Dates to put in your diary – more information will be sent out closer to each event.**

#### **Term 3**

Ski Camp - (Senior Class) 26<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> July

#### **Term 4**

School Camp - (whole school) October 31<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> November

**Ski Camp** – notices went home on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June. These included the invoices, parents permission slips and medical forms. If you can get these back to school asap it would be much appreciated.

**Allie, Helen, Andrew, Jenny and Gorette**

# Queenstown Winter Festival

22 - 25 JUNE 2017

## A guide to the kid friendly events during Queenstown's four most fun days of winter!

The Queenstown Winter Festival is full of exciting events and activities that celebrate the start of the winter season and what a great place Queenstown is to live in and visit. Whether it be gazing at the fizzing fireworks Friday night or whizzing around the Queenstown Village Ice Rink, there's something for everybody! To give you a head start on planning your Winter Festival family experience, here are some events that will cater to anyone wild and young at heart!



**SUNDAY 25 JUNE**

### Auckland Airport Carnival

**Where** Earnslaw Park, Beach Street and the streets of Queenstown  
**Time** 12 noon - 9pm

The Auckland Airport Carnival is a family must do on the festival programme. From midday catch performances from Rainbow Rosalind, Anna van Riel, Sport Suzie and Mr Lam Sam's Musical Mayhem Show. Also on offer will be a downtown snow sculpting display, face painting, henna tattoos, lantern making and more!

The Carnival Community Walking Parade will bring kids and community groups together to walk costumed and sparkled up from Marine Parade through the streets of Queenstown to Earnslaw Park. Cultural groups will then take to the main stage for a series of colourful performances. Food vendors will be offering yummy options and Mum and Dad can enjoy a beverage from the bar as well!

(See Workshop details for how to take part).



### Carnival Community Walking Parade - Art Workshops

**Where** Queenstown Arts Centre, Corner Ballarat & Stanley St  
**When** Sat 17, Sun 18 and Sun 25, 1pm - 4pm

The parade theme is "The Colour and Culture of Queenstown" and is a celebration of the diverse Queenstown community. We want as many members of our community involved as possible. Cultural or community groups, clubs and schools can all enter (no commercial businesses) by either joining an already established group or submitting their own ideas. Both can be done by registering online.

To get the kiddies involved, we are running a series of art workshops before and during the festival so children can create their own masterpieces and show them off during the parade. More information about the workshops can be found under the Get Involved section of [www.winterfestival.co.nz](http://www.winterfestival.co.nz)



**DAILY**

### Queenstown Village Rink

**Where** Village Green  
**Time** 10am - 10pm daily

The Queenstown Village Rink is an activity the whole family can enjoy! Spend a wintery day skating around the rink in a fun filled environment fit for all ages!

**Ice Rink Prices**  
Children (up to 12 years) \$10  
Student \$15  
Adult \$20  
Family Pass (2 adults, 2 children) \$50

All prices include skate hire. American Express Card Members can skate for half price! There's no pre-booking required, just purchase your tickets on the day.

## Other great options for the kids include...

### Macpac Treasure Trauverse

**DAILY**

**Where** Starting point at the Info Tent  
**Time** 12pm - 9pm daily

Pick up your treasure map and locate all the treasures around downtown Queenstown. Drop your map into the entry box at the Info Tent in the Festival Hub and you'll be in the draw to win Macpac goodies and other great prizes!

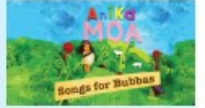


### Anika Moo's Songs for Bubbas

**THURSDAY 22 JUNE**

**Where** Queenstown Memorial Centre  
**Time** 10am

The amazing Anika Moo will be playing all your faves from her Songs for Bubbas CD's. Bring a cushion - but it won't take long for parents and children to be up and dancing along!



### Monteith's Dog Barking

**THURSDAY 22 JUNE**

**Where** Earnslaw Park  
**Time** 3pm

The rules are simple: if a dog doesn't bark on cue, their owner has to get down on all fours and bark on the dog's behalf. Kids can't help but love viewing all the pooches on show!



### Queenstown Winter Festival Welcome

**THURSDAY 22 JUNE**

**Where** Earnslaw Park  
**Time** 5pm

This year the festival begins on Thursday and this event will be the official opening ceremony with a Maori performance, speeches and talented songstress Anika Moo entertaining the crowds. Rug up warm and come down to kick start a fun four days.



**FRIDAY 23 JUNE**

### Real Journeys Party & Fireworks

**Where** Earnslaw Park  
**Time** 5.30pm (Fireworks 7pm)

Keep up the Festival Friday night tradition and bring the whole family into town for the Real Journeys Friday Night Party & Fireworks. Earnslaw Park and Lake Wakatipu will sparkle with entertainment and fireworks.



**SATURDAY 24 JUNE**

### iHeartRadio Day on the Bay

**Where** Earnslaw Park and Queenstown Bay  
**Time** 12pm

What a day on the bay! Where hilarity ensues with the Mitre 10 Mega Raft Race, then it switches to the adrenalin of the Vincent Holdings Jet Sprints, carrying on into the fast paced, competitive JUCY Undy 500, before the craziness of The Hits 90.4 Birdman.



**SATURDAY 24 JUNE**

### Mitre 10 MEGA DIY Workshop

**Where** Earnslaw Park  
**Time** From 12pm

Give your kids a head start on their DIY careers at the Mitre 10 MEGA Marquee. Join in with an Easy As Kids workshop where kids will create their very own Toolbox to take home. The free workshops are suitable for kids aged 5-12, but come early as spaces are limited. To register your kids visit the Mitre 10 MEGA Marquee on the day.

All events and further information can be found online at [winterfestival.co.nz](http://winterfestival.co.nz)

# Queenstown Winter Festival

22 - 25 JUNE 2017

## Auckland Airport Carnival Community Night Walking Parade

Brand new for the 2017 Queenstown Winter Festival is a vibrant and fun community walking parade!

### Auckland Airport Carnival Community Night Walking Parade

**When:** 5pm, Sunday 25 June 2017  
**Where:** Starting from Memorial Arch, finishing St Omer Park  
**Open to:** Local community groups, clubs, schools & individuals (no commercial businesses)  
**Cost:** FREE to enter

The newly formatted four day festival in 2017 sees the traditional festival street parade replaced with a new community focussed night walking parade.

A vibrant addition to the Auckland Airport Carnival, the Community Night Walking Parade will weave its way along Marine Parade, through the streets of Queenstown, through Earnslaw Park and finish at St Omer Park. The theme is "The Colour and Culture of Queenstown" and the aim is to celebrate the diverse Queenstown community, so we want as many members of our community involved as possible.

As it will be at night, participants not only need to theme your costumes and props to relate to the culture/theme you represent, but also be bright and sparkly - think lights, torches, glow paint, LED strings, and lanterns. Noise is also encouraged - the Walking Parade is a celebration - we want it to be fun for everyone and have some great spot prizes up for grabs for participants!

You are welcome to submit your cultural or community groups own ideas, plus we have also got some established groups ready to go that you can simply join with by registering online - so there are several ways to get involved.



## MAKE YOUR OWN MASTERPIECE WORKSHOPS



Together with the talented team at the Queenstown Arts Centre, we've got some fun workshops especially for kids where they can make their own masterpiece and participate in the parade. The experienced tutors from the Arts Centre will provide all the materials and guide kids through how to make either a Native New Zealand bird mask or a Motariki star. The masterpieces then need to go home for safe keeping and then be brought back on parade day ready to show it off to Queenstown!

### WORKSHOPS

**When:** Saturday, 17th June / Sunday, 18th June / Sunday, 25th June 2017  
**Time:** Anytime between 1-4pm  
**Where:** Queenstown Arts Centre, Corner Ballarat & Stanley Street  
**Open to:** Children of all ages (note children under 14 require adult supervision to walk in the parade)  
**Cost:** \$5 per child towards materials (paid in cash at Arts Centre)  
**Note:** Pre-registration for the workshops is not compulsory, but encouraged.

## CARNIVAL ENTERTAINMENT

### BEACH ST STAGE

#### Kids Entertainers

**Sofia Taquet**  
12pm  
**Rainbow Rosalind**  
12.15pm  
**Anna van Riel**  
1pm  
**Mr Lam Sam's Musical Mayhem Show**  
1.45pm  
**Sport Suzie**  
2.30pm

#### Rock Formation

3.15pm  
**Devine**  
6pm  
**Brentwood**  
7.30pm



As well as the Community Night Walking Parade, the carnival has so much more that kids are sure to love! Make sure you don't miss Mr Sam Lam Sam's Musical Mayhem Show & Anna van Riel on the Beach St Stage. There will also be face painting, snow sculpting, food vendors and more all happening at Carnival!

To register online head to [winterfestival.co.nz](http://winterfestival.co.nz), then click the 'Get Involved' tab, where you'll see the Auckland Airport Carnival - Community Night Walking Parade!