

School Newsletter No 19

21 July 2023

Reminders

Term 3 2023

Wed 26 July	Clued up Kids (Year 6)
Wed 26 July	Transition to School
Mon 31 July -2 Aug	Life Education Trust visit
Mon 31 July	PTA Meeting, 7.30pm, staffroom. All welcome
Thurs 3 Aug	Tech
Mon 7 Aug	School Cross Country
Wed 9 Aug	Transition to School
Thurs 10 Aug	BOT Meeting, 4.30pm at school. All welcome
Wed 16 Aug	SOPSA Cross Country
Thurs 17 Aug	Tech
Tues 22 Aug	Year 5/6 Netball Tournament
Wed 23 Aug	Year 7/8 Netball Tournament
Wed 23 Aug	Transition to School
Wed 30 Aug	PCT Challenge
Thurs 31 Aug	Tech
Wed 6 Sept	Transition to School
Thurs 7 Sept	Top Team
Mon 11 - Fri 22 Sept	Keeping ourselves safe
Thurs 14 Sept	Tech
Mon 18 Sept	Tony Tourell Golf Tournament
Wed 20 Sept	Transition to School
Fri 22 Sept	Kowhai Farm Trip
Fri 22 Sept	Last day of Term 3

From the Principal's Desk

"A smile is a facelift in everyone's price range".

Kia ora koutou e te whānau

I hope you have all had a restful holiday and managed some time with family. It was fantastic to see the photos which came in from the Ski Trip. By all accounts the two days of skiing were great.

Term 3 looks like it is going to be another busy term with Cross Country, Speeches, Polyfest, preparation for our production and many other events.

Since the last newsletter we have welcomed Bianca to the Kowhai team and Caiden and Valentina to the Kanuka Team.

The Year 5 and Year 6 students participated in the Hockey Tournament in Balclutha in the last week of term. The students had a great time and really enjoyed the day. It was fantastic to hear that the students were showing some great skills and sportsmanship. Well done.

The Cultural Day was a great day to end last term. A very special thank you to Donald, Jade and the team of people who helped make the hangi so successful. The event was a wonderful opportunity to celebrate not only Matariki but also the many



cultures represented in our school community. The dancing, music, song, taekwondo, traditional dress and the variety of food all helped to contribute to what was a very successful day.

Next week our Year 6's are off to a Clued Up Kids Day where they will be introduced to a variety of safety procedures.

Ngā mihi nui

Val Ward

Principal

BOARD REPORT

We welcomed a lot of new students and families to Clutha Valley School in Term 2 and I hope they are all settling well and enjoying being part of our community.

Some of you may have received an email with an invitation to join us at the Board meetings. This is an invite that is sent to a few different families each month to come along and join us at our monthly meeting to see what goes on. Every family should receive an email at some stage throughout the year. Whilst it is entirely optional to attend, there is an open invitation to every meeting and you are all most welcome to join us anytime, so please do come along if you are interested.

In June the board reviewed the Health and Physical Education Curriculum. The Ministry of Education is preparing a new curriculum for Health and Physical Education which will come into place in 2025. We also completed our review of the EOTC (Education Outside of the Classroom) policies.

Preparations are underway for our community consultation on our future strategic planning. Our Annual Report is available on the website and we are really pleased to see a positive result.

There was an incident recently regarding an injury to a student whilst playing in the hedge. Both the staff and the board have reviewed this and consulted with NZSTA. The children have been spoken to about the expected behaviour to keep this area a safe and fun environment for them to play in. Whilst there is always going to be an element of risk we feel the benefits such as upper body strength, coordination, collaboration, risk assessment etc far outweigh the risks involved, and the students really do enjoy playing and building in the hedge.

If you have driven past the school recently you will see the new school build is really starting to take shape now. The roof is well on its way to being completed. There was a Community Meeting held earlier in the month with Rick Jordan from the Ministry and the contractors, Alaska. Whilst there were initial delays with the foundations we are all very excited that they confirmed we are still on track to start 2024 in our new school!

On behalf of the board I also really want to share a heartfelt thank you to all those volunteers that make our school run so smoothly. What an incredible community we live in with so many amazing people in our school families and our wider community who give so much of their time to volunteer to help out in so many different ways. This includes transporting children to events, organising celebrations/events, fundraising, taking children for activities outside of the classroom, sharing skills and expertise, coming into the school to volunteer their time to assist and teach children, and even making food when needed. We are so very fortunate to have you all in our community and really appreciate the time you give. Our children are definitely very lucky and benefit greatly from this.

Regards,

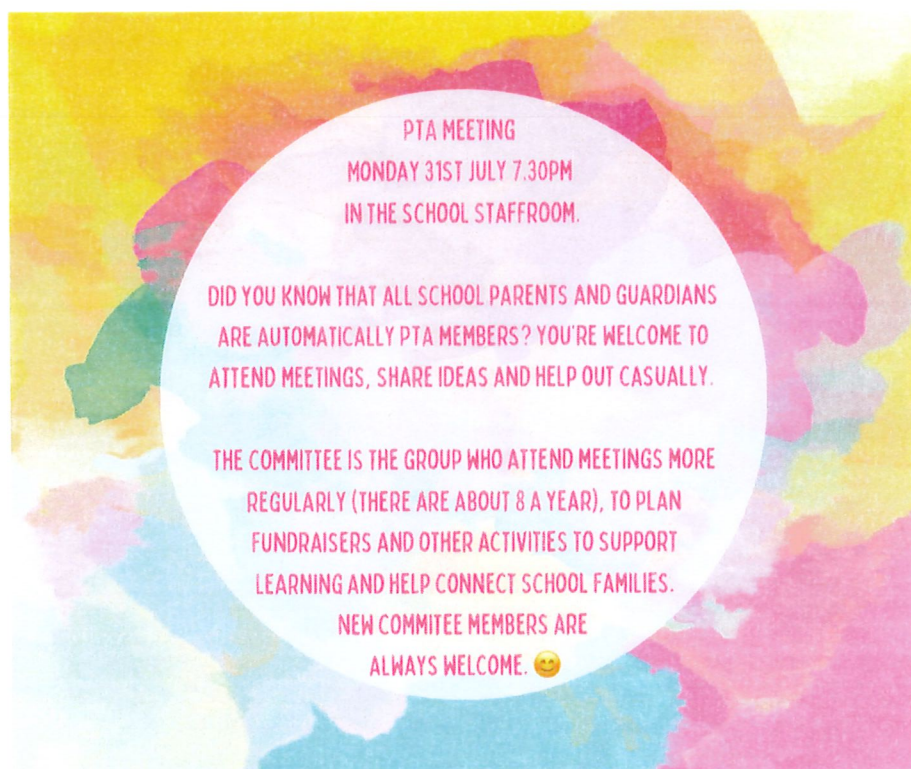
Paula Steel

(On behalf of CVPS BOT)

BOT MEETING

The next BOT Meeting will be held on Thursday 10 August at 4.30pm. All welcome.

PTA MEETING



WASTE FREE LUNCHES - EVERY WEDNESDAYS

A reminder that every Wednesday will be a, Waste Free Wednesday lunch day. We have noted that on Waste Free lunch days there is less paper and plastic in lunchboxes and the quality of lunches is much improved.



TRANSITION TO SCHOOL

Clutha Valley Primary School
Transition to School Visits
Term 3

Kowhai school visits are every second week on
a Wednesday morning from 9 am - 12.30 pm.

26th July
9th August
23rd August
6th September
20th September



COMMUNITY PANTRY



The EnviroSchools project this year is a Community Pantry which is going to be built by Lions member Lindsay Thompson and CVPS students. Lions Club member, Steve Semmens will also be helping to co-ordinate this project. The pantry will be placed to the left of the gate into the swimming pool entrance. The school has purchased seed potatoes and is hoping to fill the pantry with new potatoes before Christmas. When operating it is hoped that it is a drop off point for the whole community to share produce and seeds. A huge thank you to the Lions for supporting this project.

SCHOOL TERMS 2023

Term 3: Monday 17 July - Friday 22 September

Term 4: Monday 9 October - Friday 15 December

BUS DRIVER CONTACTS



Please find below the contact information for the bus drivers:

Awamangu Bus	Neville Waters	0274183958 (relief driver Andrew Begg 021349148)
Wharetoa Bus	Adele Byers	4159150 / 0274716516
Popotunoa Bus	Kevin Jenkinson	0223250690
Rongahere Bus	Deb Stratford	0273594315
Puketi Bus	Warner Reid	4159150 / 0274374669

PLEASE CONTACT THE BUS DRIVER IN THE MORNING IF YOU ARE NOT GOING TO BE ON THE BUS. PLEASE ALSO BE ON TIME.

Each teacher is responsible for a bus run. If you have any concerns regarding the buses please contact the appropriate teacher:

Awamangu	Tiffany McRae
Puketi	Sophie Dempster/Grace Tilbury
Popotunoa	Michaela Brouwer
Rongahere	Fiona Wilson
Wharetoa	Jody Louw
Walkers	Paige Holden/Reegan Tourell

Please contact the school if your child is not travelling on the bus in the afternoon or is on another bus. If we have not been informed of alternative travel arrangements your child will be sent home on their usual bus. Some buses are close to full so you need to check with the DRIVER to make sure there is room for your child to travel.

School Blogs



OUR WEBSITE LINK IS: <http://www.cluthavalley.school.nz/>

OUR FACEBOOK LINK IS: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Clutha-Valley-Primary-School/1679447322276417>

Community Notices

The school takes no responsibility for the accuracy and/or validity of the following notices. Donation to accompany newsletter advertisement.



Clutha Valley Community Church

We warmly invite you to join in our weekly family friendly services at Clydevale.

Service Time: Sunday 10am

Where: On the hill directly ahead as you go over the Clydevale bridge

All services are followed by a supplied morning tea.

Please note: There is no service on the 5th Sunday of the month.
Everyone most welcome.

11 Manse St
Clydevale
Contact: G Hunter (03) 4859-567



Clutha Valley mainly music

You are invited to join us each **Wednesday, 10.15am** during the school term at the Clutha Valley Community Church

This is a fun interactive and educational 30-minute music programme for preschool children accompanied by a parent or caregiver. This music session is followed by a supplied morning tea for children and adults followed by a play time for the children.

It is a wonderful opportunity to meet with others in our community.

This mainly music programme is run by volunteers from the Clutha Valley Community Church.

A small cost of \$3 per session/family is required.

Further enquires to Pam Hunter - 034859567 Mob. 0274859020
or Sue Harrex 4183975 Mob. 0221698536



South Otago Theatrical Society Inc. Presents

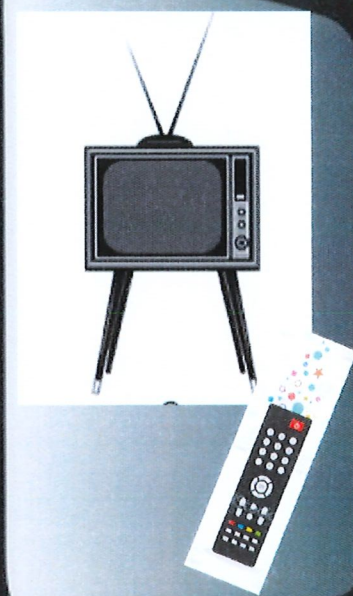
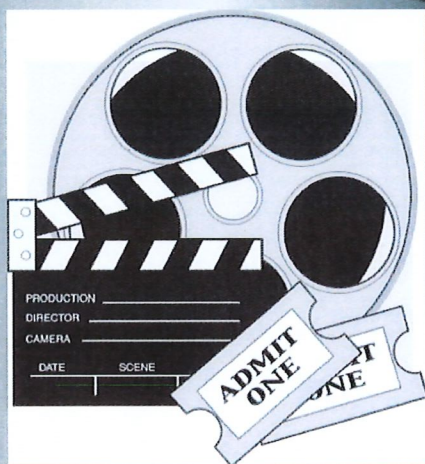
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COMMUNITIES

Screen Scenes

Directed by: Robyn Gardner

*A collaboration of popular
musical scenes from past and
present musicals.*



SHOW DATES:

4th, 5th, 10th, 11th & 12th August @ 7.30pm

Matinée 6th August @ 2pm

Performed at The George Street Theatre, Clubrooms.

TICKETS: Adults \$25, Seniors & Students \$20

For tickets, email tickets@sots.org.nz

Or purchase in person via the Booking Office on Monday 26th June

Interclub 2023 Competition



Cross Recreation Centre

Sat 22nd July
GFA Competition levels 4-6
Doors open 2:30pm

Sun 23rd July
WAG Step 1-3 Competition
8:20am to 5.45pm

Adults \$2 door entry, Children Free
Canteen (cash only) and Raffles
Nine clubs competing over 2 days

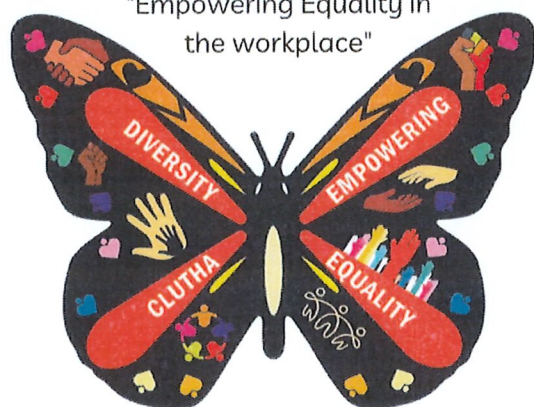
Come along to see what competition gymnastics is
all about and support our local gymnasts.



SAVE THE DATE DIVERSITY DELIVERS

24 AUGUST 2023 | 1-5PM
SOUTH OTAGO TOWN & COUNTRY CLUB

"Empowering Equality in
the workplace"



diversityclutha





SOUTH OTAGO MUSEUM WINTER PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION FROZEN IN TIME

**Take a photo of a person, place
or event within the South Otago
Community representing an aspect
of the history of the area we live in.**

Categories:

- **General/Open • Youth under 16**
- **Computer manipulated/enhanced**
- **Members Only**

Subjects:

Place • Photostory* • Person

Prizes for:

**Category Winners, Public Choice,
Young Photographer, Open
and Overall winning photo.**

*Photostory is a set of 4 or 6 photos telling a story (Max size A3).

Deliver printed 8x10 (20x25.5cm) photos and complete the entry form at the South Otago Museum,
1 Renfrew St, Balclutha, Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays & Fridays 11 – 3pm.

Photos must be taken after January 1st, 2023. Entry Fee \$5 per photo.

Competition closes on Friday 28th July at 1pm for judging.

An exhibition for public choice voting opens Sunday 30th July at 11am, closing Wed 2nd August 3pm.

Prize-giving evening and supper will be on Thursday 3rd August 2023 at the museum at 7pm.

The decision of organisers and judges on all matters relating to the competition is final and no
correspondence will be entered into. Images containing objectionable material will not be accepted.