

School Newsletter No 31
27 October 2023

Reminders



'A Journey of Growth - To Be the Best We Can'

Term 4 2023

Mon 30 Oct	Board Meeting, 5.00pm at school.
Wed 1 Nov	PTA Meeting, 7.30pm, school staffroom
Thurs 2 Nov	Tech
Tues 7-10 Nov	Year 5/6 Tawhai Team Camp Bannockburn
Mon 13 Nov	Teacher Only Day - School Closed to Students
Wed 15 Nov	Top Team
Thurs 16 Nov	Technology
Mon 20 Nov	Sports Activator
Tues 21 Nov	Quadrathon
Fri 24 November	Assembly
Thurs 30 Nov	Tech
Mon 11 Dec	Sports Activator
Mon 11 Dec	Year 8 Sleepover
Thurs 14 Dec	School Prizegiving, 1pm at the Hall
	Last day of term for students

From the Principal's Desk

"I am always willing to learn although I do not always like being taught".

Winston Churchill

Kia ora koutou e te whānau

Welcome to this week's newsletter. I strongly urge everyone to take the time to read the weekly newsletter so that you don't miss anything. Check out the calendar at the start of each newsletter and mark the important dates on your calendar. Read right through the newsletter to keep up to date with what has happened and events which are upcoming. We do endeavour to provide information in a timely manner, in multiple newsletters and in several forms if necessary (email, HERO, hard copy).

How proud I was on Wednesday night! The Cultural Festival was a spectacular evening which showcased our cultures in what was an amazing venue. As a school, we value the diverse cultures which make up our school. It was also wonderful to see some of our ex-students participating in the South Otago High School Kapa Haka.





The Kiribati students performed a traditional boys and girls dance called 'E Buti Te Wa' meaning a moving canoe. The students were dressed in full traditional dance costumes made from pandan and coconut tree leaves. They shone out with their bright colours and rhythmic movements. Thank you to Akoia Schutz and the Kiribati community for this performance.

The Filipino students performed a traditional Philippine Folk dance called itik-itik which mimics the movement of ducks. The students were really excited and showed how much they enjoyed it. Thank you to Maria Hill for preparing the students for this event and Mira Chacapna for the costumes.

This year we started on a new journey to reinvigorate our kapa haka group. The tamariki performed at the recent Otago Polyfest and again on Wednesday evening at the Cultural Festival. Thank you to our tutor Ezra Blair, kaiako and whānau for their ongoing support. The students performed with mana and aroha. Super impressive!



Congratulations to our Year 7 and Year 8 Cricket teams who took part in the Cricket tournament in Milton on Wednesday. Both teams came out winners. Many of the students were buzzing about the day.

On Tuesday next week there will be a survey made available for families to fill out. This is the beginning of the Board's process of consulting with the community to help with the development of our strategic plan for the next two years. The survey can be completed electronically with a Google Form sent via email or on a paper copy which will be given to the youngest child in each family. Please complete just ONE of these surveys. As we value the ideas and opinions of all who are associated with our school we welcome your input.



My final message for the week is, "Go the All Blacks".

Ngā mihi nui

Val Ward
Principal



GUMBOOT FRIDAY, 3 November 2023

Circle Friday 3 November on your calendar.

Students are to put on their gumboots to support the free counselling in schools' programme.

BOT MEETING

The next BOT Meeting will be held on Monday 30 October at 5.00pm. All welcome.

PTA MEETING

Wednesday 1st November, 7.30pm in the school staff room. All welcome!

SUN SAFETY

Sunhats are compulsory in Term 4 and Term 1. Please ensure your child has a sunhat to wear. Navy widebrim hats are available to purchase from the Warehouse. We also have spare sunhats available in our second hand clothing. Please send your child to the office to get one.



JR Mckenzie High School Uniform Assistance for Transition to High School

The JR McKenzie Youth Education Fund has a proud tradition of supporting families in need of financial assistance, with the purchasing of school uniform. If you require financial support to purchase uniform for your Year 8 student transitioning to High School please contact the school for an application form. The school has to verify the need through nomination as a sponsor for the application. The closing date for applications is Friday 8 December 2023. Grants must be for the purchase of basic school clothing and footwear only [excluding roadshoes/ runners/ stationery/ school bags]. Please note if the application is for a uniform for the 2024 school year, applications will not be considered until after 8 December and purchase orders will be sent to successful applicants before Christmas 2023.

**TEACHER ONLY DAY
MONDAY 13 NOVEMBER
NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS**

Clutha Valley Primary School
Transition to School Visits
Term 4

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

18th October
1st November
15th November
29th November



**CLUTHA VALLEY
COMMUNITY
PANTRY**

*Take whatever kai you need!
Bring what you can!*

**LOCATED AT THE ENTRANCE TO THE
SWIMMING POOL.**

CV ENVIRO SCHOOLS GROUP AND CV LIONS GROUP

SCHOOL TERMS 2023:

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	Daryl Forrest	0273252028
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	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

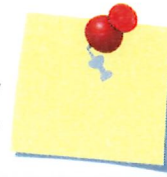


OUR WEBSITE LINK IS: <http://www.cluthavalley.school.nz/>

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

(NB the later start time of 10.30am In August, September and October)

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

DRIVER SAFETY COURSE

Clutha Valley Lions would like to advertise a Driver Safety Course that is being held in Clinton for 15 year olds and older on Sunday 28 January. Derek Ayson, Paul and Scott Gouman are the tutors. For more information, contact Robin McCall 0274159478.

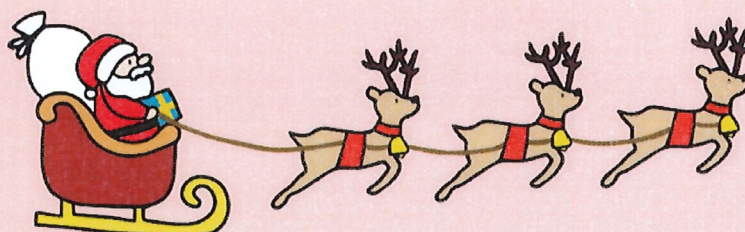


Clutha Country Christmas Parade

SATURDAY 2 DECEMBER 2023
1 - 1.30PM BALCLUTHA MAIN STREET



1st, 2nd and 3rd prize winners will be announced
approx 1.45pm (Elizabeth Street Plaza)



To register or for further information contact Lilly Paterson
022 014 9519 or email lilly.paterson@cluthadc.govt.nz

**THE CLUTHA COUNTRY XMAS
MARKET IS ALSO BACK!**
10AM - 2PM BALCLUTHA MAIN STREET



Clutha District Council





ATHLETICS
NEW ZEALAND

**GIVE IT A GO
THIS SUMMER!**

Find your local club at athletics.org.nz

Thanks to our partners **douglas** **GO Media**

Men's Health Month!!
Tuesday 7th November
5 – 8pm
here (Greenfield Tavern)

**our local nurses are
volunteering their time
conducting FREE health
checks for all our local
men**

**Awesome spot prizes
and giveaways on the
night!!**

53 Clyde street, Balclutha
(Old BNZ Building)



Clutha District Council
Libraries

BOOK SALE

Thursday 9 November | 10am-6pm
Friday 10 November | 10am-6pm
Saturday 11 November | 10am-4pm

Fill your own bag \$5
Children's books are free
Eftpos available

