<u>School Newsletter No 15</u> <u>2 June 2023</u>

Reminders



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

Term 2 2023

Mon 5 June King's Birthday - Public Holiday, no school

Thurs 8 June Tech

Fri 9 June Assembly, 1.30pm Mon 12 June Sports Activator Wed 14 June Transition to school

Tues 20 June Hockey Tournament Year 7/8

Thurs 22 June Tech

Fri 23 June Assembly, 2.15pm

Tues 27 June Hockey Tournament Year 5/6

Wed 28 June Transition to school Fri 30 June Last day of Term 2

Sat/Sun 15/16 July School Ski Trip

From the Principal's Desk

"Your mind is like a parachute. If it isn't open, it doesn't work".

Kia ora koutou e te whānau

This week we welcomed Nehansa and Rozaya to our school.

Since Wednesday I have been at a Rural Principals' Conference in Queenstown alongside other principals from South Otago and across the country. With the conference theme of Refresh Rethink Reconnect, it has been a great opportunity to connect with colleagues, be inspired, learn and take time to reflect on our school and its direction.

On Tuesday four young leaders from Clutha Valley (Henry, Sienna, Dot & Awhina) had the opportunity to attend the National Young Leaders conference in Dunedin. This conference included motivational talks from great New Zealand leaders, videos, music and interactive activities. The speaking team consisted of leaders in business, sport, politics, community service, science and the arts. The message of the day developed, as students were challenged not only to reach their own personal goals but the goals of those they are leading. The students loved their time at the NYLD and felt empowered to be leaders and to lead themselves, these are important life skills that will benefit our tamariki.

Some of our teachers attended a very worthwhile mathematics workshop on Wednesday this week. This was hosted at Warepa school, and it was run by Dr Jo Knox (The Learner First) with a focus on academically rich maths games. The teachers explored how games can be used to:

- assess students' knowledge
- introduce a new concept
- promote learner's understanding of number knowledge and number strategies
- make mathematical links between domains and strands





Another focus of the day was how to differentiate the games so all learning levels can enjoy and engage. Dr Knox demonstrated how to use these games in real class settings, and over all age levels. This was incredibly beneficial to see. Teachers received a range of ideas and resources to use with their own students.

Just a reminder that Ball tickets are available from school. A great night out guaranteed.

A reminder that there is no school on Monday because of Kings' Birthday Weekend. Keep warm and enjoy the weekend.

Ngā mihi nui Val Ward and Reegan Tourell

BOT MEETING

The next BOT Meeting will be held on Monday 26 June at 4.30pm. All welcome.

BOT VACANCY



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Clutha Valley Primary School Board Casual vacancy for a parent representative

A casual vacancy has occurred on the school board for an elected parent representative.

The board has decided to fill the vacancy by selection.

If 10% or more of eligible voters on the school roll ask the board, within 28 days of this notice being published, to hold a by-election to fill the vacancy, then a by-election will be held.

Request for a by-election should be sent to:

Laura Hunter
Clutha Valley Primary School
Board Chair
152 Awamangu
RD 2
Balclutha

by 23 June 2023

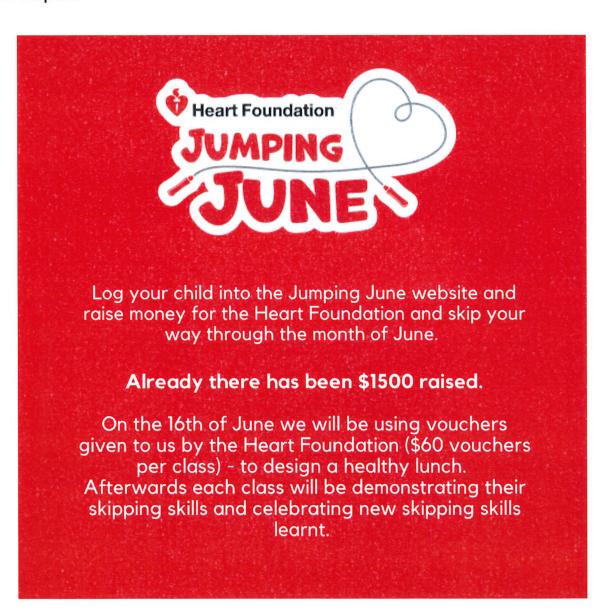
REBUILD COMMUNITY MEETING

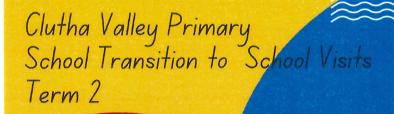
Please keep Wednesday 14 June free for a meeting at school at 7.30 p.m with the Ministry and other representatives to update you on the building project. Anyone interested in the rebuild are most welcome to attend.

CHILDREN IN CARPARK

Firstly, thank you to everyone who is following the direction of backing into the car park. We really appreciate this, as it helps with the safety of students.

However, when picking up your children we would ask that you support the school by insisting that they walk behind the cars to your car. We do not want children in the middle of the carpark.





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

3rd May 17th May 31st May 14th June 28th June

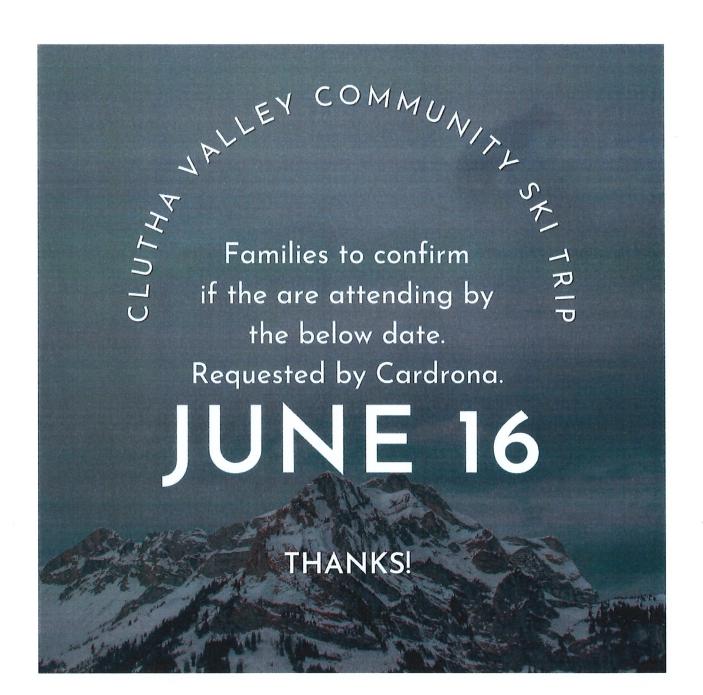




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MID WINTER BALL SATURDAY 24 JUNE CLUTHA VALLEY COMMUNITY CENTRE

Courtesy Coach available
Alcohol served 8pm until 1am
Crash Course band playing & supper provided
ROAR (Right of Admission Reserved)
\$40 early bird ticket (before 4th June)
\$50 regular price
Tickets can be purchased from
Clutha Valley Primary School,
the Greenfield Tavern or
via email cluthavalleyball@gmail.com
Designated quiet spaces for conversations



KOWAHI PHOTOGRAPHY

The Kowhai team worked with Phillipa Dick on Wednesday taking photos on the iPad. They focused on lines and close up shots.





THE INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS AND ASSESSMENTS FOR SCHOOLS COMPETITIONS (ICAS) 2023

Students are invited to participate in the International Competitions and Assessments (ICAS) programme. The competitions completed online are available for Year 3 to 8 students in all subjects except for writing which is for Year 4 - Year 8 students. They provide an opportunity for students to gain a measure of their own achievement in an external assessment situation. It provides teachers, parents and students with comprehensive reporting of results in English, Mathematics, Science, Spelling, Writing and Digital Technologies Skills. All students receive a certificate, an individual student report indicating which questions they answered correctly and their score compared with the rest of the students tested. The student report is also useful for highlighting student strengths and weaknesses in skills and processes in the ICAS they participate in.

Certificates are awarded for each year level in New Zealand as follows:

High Distinction to the top 1% of entrants
Distinction to the next 10% of entrants
Credit to the next 25% of entrants
Merit to the next 10% of entrants

Participation to all other participating students

The Competition Dates are:

ICAS SUBJECT	ICAS SITTING DATE	COST
Digital Technologies	7 Aug – 11 Aug 2023	\$20.70
Science	21 Aug – 25 Aug 2023	\$20.70
Writing	7 Aug – 11 Aug 2023	\$27.03
Spelling	21 Aug – 25 Aug 2023	\$20.70
English	14 Aug – 18 Aug 2023	\$20.70
Mathematics	28 Aug – 1 Sept 2023	\$20.70

Please make payment before 30 June 2023.

SCHOOL TERMS 2023

Term 2: Wednesday 26 April - Friday 30 June Term 3: Monday 17 July - Friday 22 September Term 4: Monday 9 October - Friday 15 December



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.



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

COME ALONG AND SUPPORT CLUTHA VALLEY RUGBY

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11.30 AM UNDER 7 & UNDER 9S 12.30 PM UNDER 11S 1.30 PM UNDER 13S **SENIORS 3PM**







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JUNE 17, 2023 3 PM