School Newsletter No 21 4 August 2023

Reminders



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

Term 3 2023

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

Fri 18 Aug Tues 22 Aug Assembly, 2.15pm at school Year 5/6 Netball Tournament Year 7/8 Netball Tournament

Wed 23 Aug Wed 23 Aug

Transition to School

Wed 30 Aug

PCT Challenge

Thurs 31 Aug

Wed 6 Sept

Tech

Transition to School

Thurs 7 Sept

Top Team

Fri 8 Sept

Assembly, 2.15pm at school

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 Kowhai Farm Trip

Fri 22 Sept

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Last day of Term 3

From the Principal's Desk

"The only time you may look down on another person is when you're picking them up".

Kia ora koutou e te whānau

An update from the Rugby League tournament in Lawrence last Friday. The team that participated in the event came out as winners; happy, muddy and tired! Well done to the team. A special thank you to Hamish Wilson for transporting and coaching the team. Also thank you to Carmen Begg and Sophie Dempster for transporting the students.

This week the Board of Trustees sadly received a resignation from Paige Holden, effective from the beginning of next term. Paige is moving away from teaching to take up a Human Resources role at the Clutha District Council. Paige has been with us for nearly four years. As well as providing a caring and settled learning environment for the students to learn in, it has been lovely to watch Paige grow as a leader within the school. Paige has been a great addition to the team and her lovely, caring, and warm nature will be greatly missed. All the best Paige as you move on to new challenges. The position vacated by Paige is in the process of being advertised. I will keep you informed of staffing for Term 4 when appointments have been made.

The Life Education Van has been at school this week. The students were particularly excited to welcome Harold the Giraffe and Pip, the Educator. The programme helps the children:

- develop life skills.
- make healthy choices.
- gain knowledge about their health and body.
- develop a sense of self esteem and a positive understanding of



themselves.

develop strategies for relating to others.

On Wednesday morning we hosted Beginning Teachers from across South Otago. The teachers were truly inspired and came away with lots of ideas. They were particularly impressed with how engaged the students were in their learning.

A friendly reminder about the cross country on Monday afternoon. We look forward to seeing lots of parents, relatives and community members at this event. A lot of training has gone into this event and I know the students will appreciate your support. This is an official school day and there is an expectation that all students will take part, unless there is a very good reason for not participating such as a broken bone!



Have a good weekend and go the All Blacks and the Silver Ferns.

Ngā mihi nui Val Ward Principal

BOT MEETING

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

CLUTHA VALLEY CROSS COUNTRY 2023

The Clutha Valley School cross country event will be held on **Monday 7th August**, starting at **1.30pm**. The cross country will once again be held at the Allan Grange Golf Club.

The students will walk down to the golf course after lunch, with the juniors arriving slightly later than the seniors. We will aim to begin at 1.30pm sharp. We will begin with Year 7-8, followed by Year 5-6, Year 3-4 and finishing with Y1-2. In each age group, boys will race first then girls. We aim to have all races completed by 2.30pm. The afternoon will conclude with the announcement of the results.



Please ensure students have appropriate footwear (running shoes) and clothing (sports top, shorts) to run in and warm clothes for before and after the race. A water bottle for after the race is also a good idea.

It would be great to see as many parents and family members there to support the children who have been training hard for the event. Pre-schoolers are welcome at our event but <u>MUST</u> be monitored by parents please. It is vital that nobody walks on the greens at the golf course. The students may leave from the cross country with parents once <u>all</u> of the races are finished and the winners have been announced. Please ensure names are crossed off the bus lists which will be in front of the clubhouse if you are taking your children home.

We ask that, when picking up students, that you are aware of road safety issues.

Looking forward to seeing you all there and fingers crossed for suitable weather.

Michaela Brouwer (Sports co-ordinator)

TRANSITION TO SCHOOL





Learning with Harold

We hope your children enjoyed their visit to the Life Education Trust Classroom

If you would like to learn more about our programme please visit our website https://www.lifeeducation.org.nz/what-we-teach

We even have a special page just for kids (how cool is that!)

https://healthyharold.org.nz/kids

Please ask your kids what they have been learning about during their visits, I'm sure they will have lots to share with you. They will also have received a 'Take Home Pack' filled with activities you can do together at home.



Did You know...

It was the need to support children's health and wellbeing that saw Life Education begin its work in New Zealand over 30 years ago. Today we are New Zealand's largest health education provider in primary, intermediate and secondary schools.

Each Mobile Classroom is community owned and operated and raises its own funds to keep the Life Education Trust Mobile Classroom on the road visiting all of our amazing schools. **SCHOOL TERMS 2023**

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 0223250690

Popotunoa Bus Rongahere Bus Kevin Jenkinson Brigit Wills

0273019817 (temporary bus driver)

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

South Otago High School Open Night Invitation for Year 7 Parents/Caregivers

$\begin{array}{c} OPEN\ NIGHT \\ Thursday\ 10^{th}\ August-6.00pm-8.00pm \end{array}$

Open Night is an opportunity for you and your family to visit our school, meet some of the students and staff and hear about what we offer here at South Otago High School.

Selecting the next school for your child is important and we know that making the right decision is vital. I strongly believe in young people attending school in their local community. At South Otago High School we do offer great academic and vocational courses as well as excellent sporting, cultural and personal interest opportunities. The opportunities and success of our students is a reflection of the work of all staff at the school and we encourage students to get involved and try new experiences.

During the evening we will provide a tour of the school and the opportunity to try various activities. Should you successfully complete all the sample activities you will receive a stamp in your South Otago High School 'Passport'. At the end of the evening, all completed passports can be exchanged for a chocolate fish.

We will be hosting parents in the school hall at 6.00pm and I hope you will join us to hear from a number of students and myself.

On the night we will also have a free sausage sizzle. Tea and coffee will also be available at the end of the evening.

This year we are offering parents and students the opportunity to present questions prior to the Open Night so we can provide the information you really want. If you have a question please enter it on the form found at https://forms.gle/1K57JHV7pnCb8wUS8

I look forward to seeing you and your family. If you have any questions about this event, please do not hesitate to contact the school office or speak to me on the night. Mike Wright, Principal.



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

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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 <u>tickets@sots.org.nz</u>

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

12th August 2023 12pm till 3pm



Taking People of all ages with Special Needs

Or Life long Medical Conditions

For a ride in a Big Rig, Classic Car or Hot Rod

Starting and Finishing at Southern Field Days Site, Waimumu

Coffee and Food Provided FREE on the day, Thanks to Bravebeans Coffee, Bogan Bakehouse & Rapid Relief Team NZ



Raffles available to purchase on the day



Anyone wanting to Volunteer their Time, Truck or Car to help out on the day please contact Dianne 027 7732700 or Ian on 0204 335500 Check out our Facebook Page : Southland Hug a Rig Day





We are currently recruiting people to work at voting places in your area for the 2023 Election. There are a variety of roles available on Election Day (October 14) and the preceding two weeks. These are paid roles. If you are interested in applying, please go to work.elections.nz and apply online for the Taieri Electorate.