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Dear Parents,
Waitaki Hui Ako

On Thursday we had our Kapa Haka group perform in Oamaru as part of the Waitaki Hui Ako. The children made us proud. They only had a small amount of time to practise, since the start of this term but they gave it their all. A big thanks to Adahlia and Adaia's Grandmother Remona and Mrs McLellan for all the time given to the group.



Olympic Dress Up and Activity Day:

Today we are holding our olympic Day dress up and activity day. What amazing costumes we have seen this morning. Starting at 11:30 we will have the children competing in a variety of activities from obstacle course, hobby horse, tug or war, laundry basketball, synchronised swimming on land, relays, hockey and rhythmic gymnastics. The children are having a wonderful day to celebrate the end of the Paris Olympic Games this weekend.



Maths Changes

Over the weekend the government announced some pretty drastic changes to the teaching of maths, with a very short implementation timeframe for the beginning of 2025. This is unprecedented. The data shared was grim but is questionable, so I just want to clarify this for you all.

The data quoted was taken in 2022 from a group of only 853 Year 8 students from 42 schools. The assessment that was undertaken was measured against the soon to be introduced Maths Curriculum - a curriculum that wasn't even out or being taught at the time of the assessments, meaning that some students were being assessed against things that they hadn't even been taught

At Glenavy we are continually working to raise our achievement levels of Maths (and other learning areas), and with our implementation of Structured Literacy to support our akonga/learners with Reading, Spelling and Writing, we are also looking at a clear focus on raising the teaching of Mathematical knowledge as a way to increase student achievement in this area. HOWEVER - we all know that not all children learn in the same way. This move seems like a one size fits all approach to teaching and to learning. This would be like the government telling doctors they must x-ray all patients in the same way and then treat them all in the same way. Just as each doctor's assessment of what a patient requires is individualised, so too does a teacher with a child's assessment information and teaching programme. We are very concerned about this roll out and I certainly hope we will still be able to tailor a maths programme that works best for each and every child, rather than expecting all children to do things the same way.

We already know who our children who struggle with Maths are, and further resources (such as additional teacher time) should be the priority and this is what needs to be considered, in order to support these children and increase achievement. Giving everyone a workbook isn't going to enact the changes required long term.

At this stage we have no idea of what will be expected of us in order to prepare for this new way of teaching maths from the beginning of 2025, however I expect that it may require teacher only days in Term 4, when the process has been worked out. When we know more about what is happening we will let you know. I expect that we will also share information about what the implementation of this programme will look like in your child's classroom from 2025

Bus Ski Trip:

Our second ski trip is booked for Friday 6th September. It is a big day, as we leave the school at 6:15am in the morning. Please be at school by 6am. This bus trip is full so if you have not brought back your form, you will be on the waitlist. We have plenty of ski clothes for your children to borrow. Come and see Rebecca in the office and she will sort you out. Please contact Rebecca if you can not make the ski trip now as places on the bus are very, very tight. We will be confirming attendance in the next few weeks.



School Production

Lock it in we will be having our school production of **Alex and the Wonderland** on the 12th of September. This year we have changed it up and because our school has grown we will be performing at the Regent Theatre in Waimate. We will be selling tickets to ensure we have enough space at a cost of **\$2 per person**. Tickets will go on sale from the school office from week 5. This will help cover the cost of the Regent Theatre hire.

Cross Country-

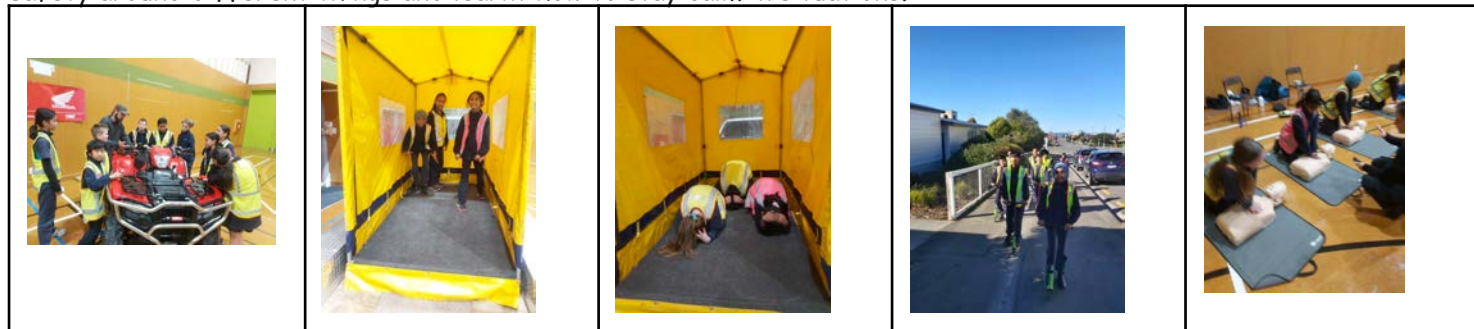
This is being held on Monday 12th August at Hurst Holdings (Opposite Papakaio School). We will be leaving school at 11.45am on the 3 buses and cars. Back at school by 2:35/2:45.

We will need some parents to help take children to the course as we can not all fit in the buses. If you can help please let the school know.



Clued Up Kids

On Tuesday the year 6 children attended a Clued Up Kids at the Rec centre in Oamaru. There they learnt about safety around different things and learnt how to stay calm in situations.



Regards
Kate Mansfield

Upcoming Events - Term 3

Week 4 - Term 3

Monday 12th August

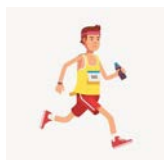
- Maths Week
- Cross Country @ Papakaio
- Subway Orders In

Tuesday 13th August

- Technology Yr 7 & 8 at OIS for week

Friday 16th August

- Sausage Sizzle \$2:50
- Assembly 2.30



Week 5 - Term 3

Monday 19th August

- North Otago Cross Country 4pm @ the racecourse
- Tongan Language Week

Thursday 22nd August

- Tongan Fiefa Night 5-9pm

Friday 23rd August

- Sausage Sizzle \$2:50
- Assembly 2.30



★★★★ **Glenavy School Value Awards** ★★★★★

Principal's Award - **Adahlia Tohiariki** - **Respect** - Showing respect to others during our Waitaki Hui Ako

Kororā - **Harper Byrne** - **Self Management** - For great reading. Your confidence in your reading has been awesome this week Harper. Well done!!!

Piwakawaka - **Hunter Smith-Brown** - **Self Management** - Amazing work choosing who you are going to work with and completing all your work to a high standard. Well Done!

Ruru - **Sean Batarlo** - **Integrity** - Amazing effort while practising our production dance. You are a true leader! Well done

Tūi - **Matt Inhumang** - **Self Management** - Amazing to see your confidence and positive attitude towards your learning after your long holiday!

Kea - **Alex Fraser-Wood** - **Self Management** - For being an awesome production chef.

Karearea - **Tessa Ferguson** - **Self Management** - For having an outstanding week and really pushing yourself academically, particularly in maths.

Mr D Award - **John Dela Cruz** - **Integrity** - John has won this week's award for two reasons firstly his fantastic questioning during science writing but then he was vigilant staying on guard all morning ensuring nobody touched Mr D's Olympic obstacle course.

School Uniforms

Uniforms are now bought and ordered from [NZ Uniforms](#)

Go online and order these directly from the shop. They will be delivered to your house.

If you want to try one on for size we have one of each size at school in the office.



Hockey Results

This week the Glenavy Boomerangs played OIS Red and it was a draw 2-2.
 Our player of the day went to **Mya Rivett**.

Glenavy Green Sticks played Pembroke Panthers and won 5-1.
 Our player of the day went to **Carter Byrne**.





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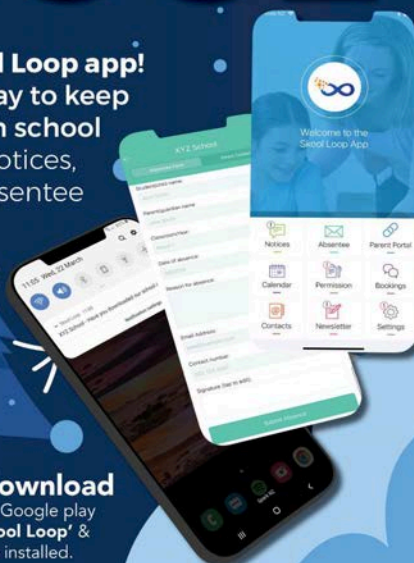
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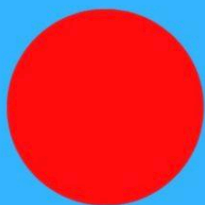
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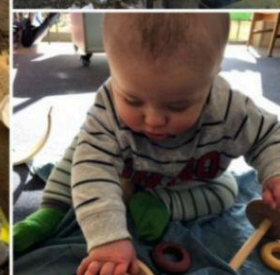




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4. Sale date to be confirm (late November/early December 2024)
5. Calves to be delivered to the Waimate pavilion or pick up by arrangement
6. BBQ/bouncy castle and prize getters will be announced on the day

Please complete the below information if you would like to donate a calf/calves this season and return form into the school office or by emailing it to Glenavyschoolpta@gmail.com

Name: _____

Contact Number: _____

Email Address: _____

(So, we are able to update you with details for the weigh in/BBQ evening)

Number of tags needed/calves to donate: _____

(Please note you will need to Nait tag your calf prior to weigh in with your own Nait tag)

Please indicate type of calf or calves you are donating:

Friesian Bull ☐ Beef Cross ☐ Other: _____

I am able to deliver my calf/calves into the weigh in (Waimate):

Yes ☐ No ☐ Maybe ☐

I am needing our calf/calves picked up:

Yes ☐ No ☐ Maybe ☐

(If yes, a PTA member will be in contact to make arrangements)

If you would like another copy of this form for friends or family members or require more information, please either let the school office know or email us Glenavyschoolpta@gmail.com

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