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## Newsletter



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Dear Parents,

Welcome back to 2024. I hope you have had a great holiday and were able to spend time with your families. I saw a lot of relieved parents on Wednesday as they handed their children back over to the school. It is so exciting to have all the children back this year, some seem to have grown over the holiday. I am looking forward to working with our student leaders this year as we grow the roles and responsibilities. I am going to go over a few important notes for the start of the year below:

**New Staff:**

I would like to welcome **Mr Ryan Dowling** to our school. Ryan comes with a lot of experience in athletics, swimming, physical education and classroom teaching. He will be working in Mr Ross's class one day a week, Miss MacLeod's class one day a week and Miss Coker's class one day a week. The other 2 days will be releasing teachers for their planning and assessment time.



I would also like to welcome into the classroom teaching role **Mrs Twane Dirker (Mrs T)**. Twane has been working at Glenavy School for the past year as a reliever teacher, she has been working with small groups of English Second Language children and also supporting the class teachers. Twane has come from South Africa with 20 years experience as a classroom teacher. Twane is a NZ registered Teacher and I feel so privileged to have Twane at school as she is an excellent teacher.



**Tent City:**

These notices went out yesterday, please rip off the back page and return to the school ASAP. This is an opportunity for the whole school community to come together and share food and meet one another. This is a highlight for the children and staff. If your child does not want to stay the night at school this is ok, but please come for the afternoon, dinner and games and then take your child home. **All children who are in Kororā class need to have a parent with them. We need lots of parents staying the night as we are a growing school and need a certain number to be able to run this fun night. So please think about this.**



**School Uniforms:**

We now have one of each size of polo shirt and sweatshirt at school to try on if you need to know what size to order. They are in the office. Come in at some stage and have a try on before you order online. Uniforms are now bought and ordered from [NZ Uniforms](http://www.nzuniforms.co.nz). I have attached the link address to this newsletter. All children **MUST** be wearing the correct school uniform. Please do not let your children wear hooded sweatshirts from other places. I will be looking at uniforms over the next few days and asking children to make sure they come to school in the correct clothes. When your child goes to High School they will be very strict with uniforms and we endeavour to do the same in order that the children are proud of what they look like.



**Swimming:**

Swimming started on Wednesday with only a few children with their swimwear. Mr Dowling will be teaching swimming every Wednesday so all children need to have their togs at school every day. The teachers will be teaching swimming on the other days. NZ is surrounded by water and there is no excuse for children not to be able to swim. Lessons are given at the child's level, so they will be supported in the process. If we see children not bring their swimwear to school I will be ringing home to talk about this.



**Teacher Only Day**

A reminder we have a Teacher Only Day on Monday and then Waitangi Day Holiday on Tuesday so we won't see you back at school until Wednesday 7th February.

**School Photos-**

School Photos are on Wednesday 7th February. All children need to be in full school uniform please. That is the polo shirts NOT the sports t-shirts. If you would like a photo with your preschooler, please come along at 9am and family photos will be taken first.


**Year 6 Camp:**

Camp for the year 6 children is during week 6, Monday 4th March to Friday 8th March. Camp is at Wainui, which is situated very close to Akaroa. The actual cost of this camp would have been \$550. However the PTA and school have subsidised this and the cost for the parents will be \$300. I know this is still a lot of money, but it includes all food, accommodation and activities for the whole week. We are happy for you to set up an automatic payment to the school and pay a certain amount each week. If the cost of this camp is going to be a stretch, we do have grants and funds we can access to help you, so please come and see me to discuss this.

We will be holding a camp meeting the night of tent city and we would like every family who has year 6 children to attend. Mrs Gardner will be sending out forms and notices next week with more information.

I hope you all have a great LONG weekend and see you all on Wednesday.

**Kate Mansfield**

**Upcoming Events - Term 1**
**Week 2 - Term 1**
**Monday 5th of February**

- **TEACHER ONLY DAY - NO SCHOOL**

**Tuesday 6th of February**

- **Waitangi Day Holiday**

**Wednesday 7th of February**

- **School Photos**

**Week 3 - Term 1**
**Monday 12th of February**

- **Dental Van visit this week**

**Thursday 15th of February**

- **Tent City**

**Friday 16th of February**

- **Tent City - School closes at 11am buses will run then.**

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

**Principal's Award - Casey Gibbins - Community Support** - Helping others, being kind and caring.

**Kororā - Lilly Lewis - Community Support** - For a great start of the year in Rūma Kororā and being confident in the pool. Well done, Lilly.

**Pīwakawaka - Viliami Malaefoou - Community Support** - For being an amazing role model in and out of the classroom. Ka pai, keep it up!

**Ruru - Sienna Turpin - Community Support** - For always lending a helping hand and being a superstar around the classroom, you are a great role model. Keep it up!

**Tui - Bailey Harper - Community Support** - For showing amazing support to others this week.

**Kea - Emily Hamilton - Community Support** - For ensuring all students feel happy in class. Being the first to follow instructions. Great start to Year 6 Emily

**Kārearea - Norlen Jabagat - Integrity** - For having the courage to give new things a go this term so far such as swimming and always doing the right thing.

# Waitangi Day

## WHĀNAU FUN DAY

6 FEBRUARY 2024  
10AM TO 4PM

**Arowhenua Marae**  
39 Huirapa St, Temuka

Powhiri 10am sharp for those who  
have not been to the marae before.



Register here click on the link: <https://forms.gle/iH4ZvucjCNXRNsVs7>

Carving with Master carver Jonathan Reihana

Traditional Māori games with Sophia and whānau

Share in Lavinia's kōrero on Rokoa

Weaving and more with Sally, Rynee and whānau

Learn our values and priorities around Mahinga ki  
and a snap shot of Te Taiao ki Arowhenua

Competition activities includes '**Arowhenua's  
Got Talent** – prizes to win! Please register.  
<https://forms.gle/e16xJu6XUWHyu8Fd6>

Wearable Arts Exhibition – 2 sections. Please  
register for themes and information.

Please register your interest on the registration  
link (above). Great prizes for each section - be in  
quick!!!

A bit of fun and games to  
celebrate the diversity of  
Waitangi Day

Join us in celebrating a day of  
cultural reflection, community  
engagement and resilience

Bring a blanket and picnic to  
enjoy the festivities or try some of  
our diverse offering from  
our kai stalls

Hangi \$8 – text 0274370343 for  
hangi and all other queries

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Gwen.Anglem-  
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One of our Community Dental Service vans will be making a visit to your school soon.

- **Only the children who currently require a check-up will be seen at this visit.**  
Please do not be concerned if your child is not called for a check-up this time.
- The dental therapist will provide a regular check-up and preventative care which may include:
  - Cleaning/Scaling (to remove plaque from teeth)
  - Dental x-rays (to check for decay in teeth, or presence and position of teeth)
  - Fluoride Varnish (painted on teeth to help prevent decay)
  - Fissure Sealants (coating put on teeth to prevent decay) if required.
- If your child requires any other dental care, they will bring home a 'Care Plan' which will explain what dental care and appointment times are required.
- When you receive the 'Care Plan' please contact our **Call Centre as soon as possible** as you will need to arrange a time to bring your child to one of our Community Clinics for this dental care.
- Please contact our Call Centre if you want further information on the Community Dental Service, to enrol your child or if you have any specific questions about your child's dental care (a dental therapist will call you back)
- **Year 8 students:** all year 8 students enrolled with the Community Dental Service are transferred from the Community Dental Service to a FREE private dentist from year 9 until their 18<sup>th</sup> birthday. To help with this transition please ensure you have informed your child of their family dentist (not orthodontist). This will enable us to transfer your child onto the correct dentist for year 9 onwards. More information will be sent home after their year 8 check-up.

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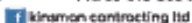
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