



# Glenavy SCHOOL

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## Newsletter



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SCHOOL ACCOUNT NUMBER NZ 060941-0494989-00

Dear Parents,

This week seems to have gone very quickly with lots of fun and activities for the children. Today most of the school are at a Ripa Tournament in Oamaru, leaving just the Year 1 and 2 children. So as you can imagine Glenavy School is a very quiet place to be today. A huge congratulations to our swimmers who qualified for North Otago Swimming on Wednesday. Next week we have a short week with Friday being Easter Friday Holiday. We also have Parent Interviews on Tuesday afternoon and evening. School closes at 12pm and then interviews start at 1pm. Buses will run then, please either pick your children up at 12 or they will go home on the Bus.

### New Classrooms-

Well, good things take time. We are moving forward with the classrooms but still we are not expecting to be in them until Term 3 or 4 this year if all goes to plan. I am constantly communicating with the Ministry and making sure this can be moved along as quickly as possible. But we are excited about this process and can't wait for our new rooms.

### North Otago Swimming Results

Sonny Chellev came 4th in the 9yr old boys 25m backstroke and 13th in the 25m freestyle.  
 Delilah Moffat came 12th in the 10yr old girls 50m breaststroke and 17th in 50m freestyle.  
 Adaia Tohiariki came 19th in the 10yr old girls 50m freestyle.  
 Adahlia Tohiariki came 20th in the 10yr old girls 50 freestyle.  
 Sisilia Taueli came 6th in the 11yr old girls 50m backstroke and 11th in the 50m freestyle.  
 Olivia McEwan came 8th in the girls 12yr & over 50m freestyle and 9th in the 50m backstroke.  
 Amelia Malaefoo came 10th in the girls 12yr & over 50m freestyle.



### Parent Teacher interviews:

School closes at 12pm next Tuesday and buses will run then. Interviews start at 1pm.

All children Must go home on the bus or be picked up.

We will have no one looking after the children from 12-1. Staff need their own lunch and then time to prepare for the interviews.

### School Uniforms:

Uniforms are now bought and ordered from [NZ Uniforms](http://NZ Uniforms)

Have a great weekend

Kate



## Upcoming Events - Term 1

### Week 9 - Term 1

#### Tuesday 26th of March

- Parent Teacher Interviews - School closes at 12pm



#### Friday 29th of March

- No School - Good Friday.

### Week 10 - Term 1

#### Monday 1st of April

- NO SCHOOL - Easter Monday Holiday

#### Tuesday 2nd of April

- NO SCHOOL - Easter Tuesday Holiday

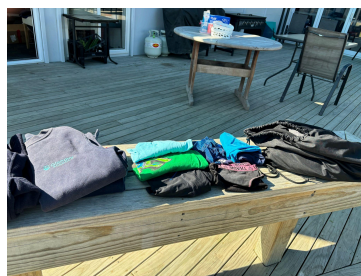
#### Wednesday 3rd of April

- PTA Meeting 2.15pm
- BOT Meeting 6.30pm



### **Lost Property**

We have a very large pile of clothing that has been left here at school mostly unnamed. We have a lot of school jerseys, hats and even a sleeping bag left from tent city. Please if your child is missing anything come and have a look. It must belong to someone.



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

**Principal's Award** - Isla Fraser-Wood- **Respect**- For respecting and helping others especially in the playground.

**Kororā** - Senula Perera - **Self Management** - Senula, you are doing really well learning your letter sounds. Well done!!!

**Piwakawaka** - Krizelle Nombalang - **Community Support** - You have been super supportive, helping with jobs around the classroom in the morning and supporting your classmates with their work.

**Ruru** - Merylle Lee - **Respect** - You are a polite, supportive classmate who shows respect to yourself and others. It is great to see you becoming more confident in the classroom. Well done Merylle!

**Tūi** - Millar McCulloch - **Self Management** - For being so positive in your learning . It is amazing to see you grow more confident in writing.

**Kea** - Mielle Lee - **Self Management** - For having an excellent reading diary and doing really well with understanding her reading.

**Kārearea** - Mya Rivett - **Community Support** - For being a great help to me and your classmates.

**Mr Dowling** - Ileesha Asweddume - **Self Management** - For asking great questions and listening on the mat and getting on with his work.

**Maths Award** - Jaxson Heselwood - For trying really really hard with his maths, writing his numbers and engaging with his learning when we had a visiting maths advisor.



**EASTER SUNDAY SERVICE Sunday 31st March**  
**GLENNAVY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

Starting at 11am  
 Cuppa 10:30am

All welcome to come along

### **Pool Keys**

The Pool has now closed for the season  
 could you please return your keys to the School Office.



# School adding classrooms to keep up with increasing roll

By Jules Chin



Regions > North Otago



Immigration driven by dairy farming is causing a small rural school to add classrooms to keep up with a growing multicultural roll.

The Glenavy School roll grew from 100 to 155 by the end of last year due to an increase in dairy-farming families moving into the area.

The state co-educational primary school has a high percentage of dairy farmers in the area, mostly men, predominantly from the Philippines and Sri Lanka.

Due to the new immigration policies the farmers were able to bring their wives and families out to New Zealand to join them.

Glenavy School principal Kate Mansfield said the increase in the school roll was "massive" for a rural school.

"It's a great thing for our wee school, but it's just tight at the moment", she said.

The increase of pupils had required an expansion process at the school.

Three pre-fabricated buildings were expected to be delivered to the school, with the help of the Ministry of Education, before the end of the year.

"One is going to be split in half to have break-out rooms, so basically two new classrooms", Mrs Mansfield said.

Due to some pupils leaving this year the current roll was 136.

Over half of the school were English as a second language (ESOL) learners and the school had set programmes to provide for and support those pupils, she said.

The school held multicultural days to "celebrate our Filipinos, Samoans, Tongans, Chinese, Jamaicans, lots of different cultures".

"We are lucky we have a Filipino teacher aide and she is amazing at 'defuzzing' all of our New Zealand language.

"Like when you say 'bring a plate', you know, just that Kiwi slang."

Mrs Mansfield said they were the loveliest of children to teach and the multicultural school was a lovely place to work.

Throughout her eight years of leading the school the usual school roll increase each year was about 10 pupils, and with dairying being the main industry, the school used to be "very transient".

"We would have 100 students, every June ... and a quarter of our school would leave and go to other farms and areas, but now we're seeing farmers and people staying at the school and not moving from it."





We would like to send a big shout out to ECOLAB who donate our XY12 or chlorine to the Glenavy Swimming Pool.

We really appreciate your support to keep our swimming pool running. The children love their swimming lessons.

## Bus Trust AGM Tuesday 26th March 2024

7pm Glenavy School Library

We need new members- this is not a hard job, only one meeting per year. Come and see Kate if you would like to know more or come along on Tuesday 26th.



**PRIMARY SCHOOL KIDS**  
It's challenge time ... Big Easy style!

**Primary School Kids Challenge event**  
Entry is in Teams of TWO - One kid does the 5km walk/run and the other kid does the 7km bike ride ... awesome fun!

**CALLING ALL STUDENTS! BE PART OF THE ACTION AT THE BIG EASY!**

**Veterinary Centre Whitehorse BIG Easy**

**RUN IT - WALK IT - BIKE IT**

**Raising money for your school!**  
Each team will receive a give-a-little page, with a target of raising over \$100. 75% of all funds raised will go towards their local school - and the rest to an amazing local charity. This is a great way to get the kids active and having fun, while raising money for their school and local community.

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**HOW TO ENTER**

**Contact -**  
Ryan Luckman  
027 405 2772 | [whitehorsebigeasy@gmail.com](mailto:whitehorsebigeasy@gmail.com)

Registrations are now open for the Veterinary Centre Whitehorse Big Easy event and we would love your students to be part of the action by entering the Primary School Kids Challenge event. The Primary School Kids Challenge is open to all primary aged students. Students enter in teams of two - with one team member completing a 5km walk/run and the other a 7 km bike ride.

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Please find a PDF poster to print off and display at your school to encourage the students to enter. It would be amazing if you were also able to circulate this in your digital and print school correspondence to families and caregivers to raise awareness of the event and highlight how this could benefit your school. If you require a high res jpg or png file of the poster for digital distribution let me know and I will arrange this.

Ryan Luckman

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#### How To Register

Register via the link on our Facebook page

#### Categories

Year 7/8  
 Year 9/10  
 Year 11-13  
 Family  
 Open

# WESTON SCHOOL ROGAINE

**SATURDAY, APRIL 6, 2024**

POSTPONEMENT DATE: APRIL 7

A fundraising event for




\$10/student  
 \$15/adult  
 plus booking fee



Teams of 3-4

### WHAT'S A ROGAINE ?

A family friendly team event similar to orienteering but with a twist. You design your own course to suit your ambitions and abilities. Collect as many checkpoints as you can within the timeframe.

Location:  
 Parkside  
 Quarries  
 Please note:  
 not accessible  
 prior to event

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT TWYLA ON 027 251 4234.



## Waimate Netball



We are trying to see whether there is any interest in year 5 & 6 students wanting to take part in the Saturday netball competition for Waimate Netball Centre this year.

If you are interested, please contact me at [wtenetball@xtra.co.nz](mailto:wtenetball@xtra.co.nz) so that we can organise teams for this.

Thanks  
 Megan



**Don House Hostel and Waitaki Boys High**

**Don House Open Day**

**Sunday April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

**Starts at 12PM with Afternoon tea at 1.30PM in the Common room.**

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**YEARS 5-8**  
**7:00-8:30PM**

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