



Thursday 3 February 2011

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Dear parents and caregivers,

Welcome back to the 2011 school year. It was lovely to have everyone back yesterday, fresh and excited about another year. A special welcome to new pupils and their families. We hope that your association with Arrowtown School will be a very positive one. We start the year with a roll of 415, about 20 more than last year.

Welcome to

- Mrs Melissa Liddy, our new teacher in Room 12. Melissa has been teaching at Lumsden School for the last two years.
- Miss Erin Moar who is teaching in Room 7. Erin has moved from Dunedin to join the Arrowtown staff.
- Mrs Julie Little who will be teaching Science to Year 7-8 students on Fridays.
- Mrs Sue Parnell, the new road crossing warden on Centennial Ave in the mornings.
(A full staff list is included in this newsletter for your information).

What's New?

We are all very excited about the 60 new computers installed over the holidays. ICT can enhance children's learning significantly and we will be trying very hard to make the best use of this great new equipment. We will also be receiving three more interactive whiteboards funded by the PTA in the first term.

Sun Hats

All children are required to wear sunhats with a wide brim in Terms 1 and 4. School sunhats are on sale from the office for \$13.

Newsletters

Newsletters will come out fortnightly on a Thursday and on other special occasions. Newsletters are sent out by email and paper copies are available from at the office.

Meet the Teacher Evening

Meet the Teacher Evening will be held next Tuesday 8 February at these times:

- 6.00 pm Year 1-2 classes (Rooms 1, 2, 3, 4, 15)
- 6.30 pm Year 2-3-4 classes (Rooms 5, 6, 12, 13, 14)
- 7.00 pm Year 7-8 classes (Rooms 7, 17, 18)
- 7.30 pm Year 5-6 classes (Rooms 8, 9, 10, 11)

Each session will start in the hall followed by time in the classroom (about 45 mins in total).

A camp meeting for Year 6 parents will follow after the Year 5-6 class meetings at 8:15 in the hall, finishing about 9pm.

Last year we had a number of children riding around the school on their bikes while the meetings were happening and it became rather unsafe. Please get your children to leave their bikes at home or park them on arrival. We will have some sports gear out to keep them busy.

Looking forward to another great year. Best wishes.

Robin Harris - Principal

Arrowtown School Vision

'GO FOR GOLD'

Give it a go - be confident, be positive, have a go and make the most of life's opportunities

Others are important - be respectful, compassionate, supportive and fair, communicate effectively and work well with others

Lead by example - be responsible, honest, take pride in what you do, be self disciplined

Do your best - be ready for learning, work hard, give it your best



Both young children and old people have a lot of time on their hands. That's probably why they get along so well.



Catching up with friends



Sunsafe kids (shade seekers and hats) at lunchtime - Yay!

Upcoming Events

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| Term 1 | - Weds 2 Feb to Fri 15 Apr |
| Term 2 | - Mon 2 May to Fri 15 July |
| Term 3 | - Mon 1 August to Fri 7 Oct |
| Term 4 | - Tues 25 Oct to Fri 16 Dec |
| Tuesday 8 Feb | - Meet the Teachers Evening |
| Thursday 10 Feb | - Yr8 Teambuilding / overnight stay at school |
| Monday 14 Feb | - Yr6 camp week (Macetown) |
| Monday 14 Feb | - Touch season begins |
| Friday 25 Feb | - Swimming trials for CO team (Aqualand) |
| Monday 28 Feb | - Yr7 camp week (Pukerau) |

Dates in Calendar are Closer Than They Appear!

PTA

AGM

Monday 21 February
School staffroom
7.30pm

The PTA plays an important role in the school. We organize events such as school fairs, new parents evenings, sausage sizzles, end of year raffles, cookbook sales and raise money for those extra items that the school is not funded for, such as, interactive whiteboards, digital cameras, sports uniforms and Year 8 leavers gifts.



Many of our members have been involved for a long time and are taking a well earned break. So we would love lots of new faces. Many hands definitely make light work. Meetings are not long, have a social aspect and it is a great chance to meet new people. Please come along to the AGM and help our kids.

Welcome to Arrowtown School - Term 1, 2011

Zoe Hart, Toby Hart, Alisha Duthie, Ashleigh Duthie, Ruby Noton, Logan Noton, Nicholas Kampman, Joshua Whittington, Oliver Whittington, Finn Cartman, Sean Cartman, Lily Roach, Gabriella Gill, Georgie ffiske, Johnny ffiske, Logan Waller, Elise Edmomds, Tom Cereke, Lochlan Galbraith, Joshua Hall, Harrison Miller, Luna Wilson.

Library - Parent help

We would love to hear from you if you could spare an hour a week from 11am - 12pm to hear children read in our Student Support Programme. This was a huge success last year and our children benefitted from the extra support. You may know of people in the community or grandparents who would love to help. Please leave a message at the office or contact Shirley Forrest. Thank you.

Sports News

We are looking forward to another great year of sport. Last year our children performed extremely well in many different sports and this year we hope to do even better.

Camps and touch rugby will be the first activities to get going along with swimming trials for the Central Otago champs.

This year we are trying to give all parents as much notice as possible of event dates, locations and times by using a google calendar on our sports blog. Already there are many

dates for the year entered so please check it out at;

<http://arrowsports.blogspot.com>

Sometimes dates do change, this is usually outside our control and we will advise parents as soon as we are made aware of these.

If you have any questions or suggestions about sport and outdoor activities please don't hesitate to get in touch with me.

Paul Winders
Sports Coordinator

*The price of success
is hard work,
dedication to the job
at hand, and the
determination that
whether we win or
lose, we have applied
the best of ourselves
to the task at hand*

A BIG thank you!

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At the end of last year our Year 7 and 8 senior students were able to cash in their hard earned "school currency" for a reward activity. Senior Rewards Day was held on Wednesday, in the last week of the school year. It was a great day and everyone had lots of fun, even those who stayed for the water fight here at school!

We are so grateful for the generous support from the many local businesses who donated activities for the kids. It is only through their generosity that we can hold such an event.

THANK YOU TO the following businesses who donated to the 2010 Senior School Rewards Day;

AJ Hackett Bungy Jump
Reading Cinema
Dart River Safari Jet
Shotover Jet
Skyline Gondola and Luge
Jacks Point Golf
Millbrook Golf
Alpine Aqualand

Websites of the week

Shift Happens: You Tube

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SBwT_09boxE&feature=fvsr

A fantastic short video that will really make you think about the future for our kids

SepiaTown lets you view and share thousands of mapped historical images from around the globe. Search the map to view the fascinating images. Featured locations include Paris, London, New York and Moscow. You can even upload your own images.

<http://sepiatown.com/>



2011 FOOTBALL Registrations
Sunday 13th February
Queenstown Events Centre
10am till 1pm

All Junior Footballers Welcome



www.QueenstownFootball.com

Arrowtown School Staffing 2011

Senior Management

Principal	Robin Harris
Deputy Principal	Tim Young
Assistant Principal	Rosemary Sutherland

Homeroom Teachers

Rm 1	Y1-2	Penny Russell/Rachel Ross
Rm 2	Y1	Ruth Longman
Rm 3	Y1	Jeanette Horn (Y1-2 Syndicate Leader)
Rm 4	Y1	Nicole Griffiths
Rm 5	Y3	Rosemary Sutherland (Assistant Principal)
Rm 6	Y3	Kathleen Brentwood (Y3-4 Syndicate Leader)
Rm 7	Y7	Erin Moar
Rm 8	Y5-6	Sandra Smith
Rm 9	Y6	Kate Clark/Joelle Healey
Rm 10	Y6	Kate Kilbride (Y5-6 Syndicate Leader)
Rm 11	Y5	Alan Forsyth
Rm 12	Y4	Melissa Liddy
Rm 13	Y4	Sally Hoskin
Rm 14	Y2-3	Nadia Caldwell
Rm 15	Y2	Kirsty Johnston
Rm 16	Y1	This class will start in Term 3
Rm 17	Y7-8	Sue Buckenham (Y7-8 Syndicate Leader)
Rm 18	Y7-8	Rhys Chamberlain

Other Teachers

Sports Coordinator	Paul Winders
Student Support	Shirley Forrest, Yvonne Culling
Performing Arts/Maori	Karen Neill
Extension Writing	Wendy Clarke
Management release	Annie Stuart
Yr 7-8 Technology	Dave Dubnick
Yr 7-8 Science	Julie Little

SUPPORT STAFF

Administration

Receptionist	Margaret Young
Executive Officer	Donna Fordyce

Learning and Teaching

Librarian	Judy Gillan
Teacher Aides	Sian Sanford, Julie Schiller, Vicky Morrison

Property

Caretaker	Steve Brundell
Cleaners	Lia Vasconcelos, Lek Petcharoensuk
Road Crossing	Stephanie Machray, Sue Parnell

Community Notices & Information

Art 2 Wear 2011 – Call for entries

After the success of this year's show, Art 2 Wear is making a return to the *Arrowtown Autumn Festival* next year. We are now inviting entries for wearable art to be shown at the Wallace & Gibbs 'Art 2 Wear' Show on Friday 6 May 2011.

Entry categories are:

Whimsical World of Story books and Another Culture, Another World Organic all dressed up! Avant Garde

\$2250 worth of cash prizes up for grabs - \$500 cash for the winner of each category and \$250 cash for the People's Choice award. Single and group entries accepted.

We can't wait to see what wonderful and creative entries people come up with in 2011

For an entry form and information contact Deb on 027 2101570 or email: info@arrowtownautumnfestival.org.nz

Arrowtown Karate

NEW "Little Ninjas" for 4-7 year olds will start on Monday 7. February from 4.30pm- 4.45pm.

Juniors 8- 13 years: Mondays 5.30pm-6.30pm

Seniors: 6.30pm- 7.30pm

New members always welcome!

For enquiries call Glenn Hardinge at 027 455 5993 or Johanna Martensson at 027 22 333 82 or e-mail arrowtown@shukokai.co.nz

Queenstown Gymnastics Club classes starting for 2011!

Enrolment night Tues 15 Feb 2011 3.30 - 4.30pm at the WHS Gym

You may register interest by email also:

qtgymnastics@hotmail.com or contact Nyssa on 0273142674

Recreation classes -

Beginner: Tuesday 3.45 - 4.45 pm

Intermediate/older children: Wed or Thurs 3.45 - 4.45 pm

Boys competition & rec classes: Thurs & Tues 5 -7 pm

Girls competition classes: Mon & Wed 5-7 pm

\$95 for Term 1 for Rec gymnasts

\$150 for Term 1 for Comp gymnasts

Term commences:

Recreational: Tues 15 Feb

Competition: Mon 7 February

Junior Hockey - do you want to give field hockey a try this year? Registration, pre-season skills days and training starts late March with competition starting 2nd term. Please email queenstownhockeyclub@gmail.com for further information.

Guitar, Drums and Bass Tuition

With The Golden Pick & Sticks website:

an exclusive online resource which rewards your practise.

Phil Hartshorn BA (HONS) PGDip Tchng

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Web: [The Golden Pick and Sticks](http://TheGoldenPickandSticks.com)

Queenstown School of Dance - BOYS ONLY HIP HOP

- Saturdays with Sam Hillman, starting Feb 26th. We are also still taking new enrolments in jazz, ballet, hip hop and contemporary dance, starting Feb 7th. More info @ www.queenstownschoolofdance.co.nz or call Anna Stuart on 441 4129

The **Wakatipu Swim School** are taking enrolments for Term 1 swimming at QPS pool after school during the week and at Alpine Aqualand on Sunday's. Spaces available for all levels, new classes for Saturday's at QPS an option too. Contact Jane on 027 4511161 or email jane@wakatipuswimschool.co.nz

Danceworks - Queenstown & Arrowtown. Modern Jazz (AJDA), Hip Hop (BBDS), Ballet (BBO), Tap (AJDA) & Pre-school Dance Classes. All welcome.

Call 03 441 4202 or 021 210 6124 for more information.

Book now for Term 1, 2011 as places are limited!!

lisamichelledavies@talk21.com

www.danceworksqueenstown.co.nz

Two cardigans - Found in school hall after last years end of year assembly. They are at the school office.

