

Welcome Back to Term 2!

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## Remarkables Primary School Newsletter

**1 May 2017**

# TERM 2

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A warm welcome to students, parents and new families joining us this term. We look forward to a very full and rich learning curriculum over the next 10 weeks.

With the winter weather hitting us on Sunday, we are now approaching the time of year when adverse weather including ice and snow can affect roads and buses, and the operation of the school. Below are 2 main adverse weather scenarios, and the methods of communication that we will use re adverse weather.



### 1) Adverse Weather Overnight and early Morning:

The Wakatipu School key liaison person will liaise with QLDC's roading contractor, schools and the bus coordinator. Collectively the schools will make a decision in regards to any changes to the school day. If changes are made the likely changes are:

- School is open as normal, however some buses may be delayed or cancelled
- School has a delayed start (usually 10am), with a compacted timetable.  
Buses may be delayed or cancelled.
- School is closed.

### 2) Adverse Weather During the School Day:

Please note that closing the school early is problematic for a number of reasons (notably including trying to run all buses early), and we will try and run school until the normal end of day if possible. Accordingly we do not want parents coming to school to collect their children unless specifically notified to do so.

The likely scenarios for adverse weather events during the school day are:

- School runs until normal time, and buses run as normal
- School runs until normal time, but some bus runs are altered
- School closes early, in some cases bus routes may be altered
- In an extreme adverse weather event, students may be kept at school until travel is safe or may even stay overnight

### Communication:

We will use the following channels for communicating with parents and students about adverse weather impacts:

- **Website** - we will aim to have the website homepage updated with information by 7am on the day of any adverse weather changes to the school timetable/opening

Website: [www.remarkablesprimary.school.nz](http://www.remarkablesprimary.school.nz)

- **Facebook and School Twitter**- we will also post information on our Twitter and Facebook pages

Facebook: [www.facebook.com/RemarkablesPrimarySchool](https://www.facebook.com/RemarkablesPrimarySchool)

Twitter: [@RemarksPrim](https://twitter.com/RemarksPrim)

- **Radio** - announcements will also be made on local radio stations (More FM and Classic Hits)
- **Text** - please make sure that if you have changed your mobile number that the school office is informed

Wishing you all a great term ahead.

*Debbie Dickson*

Principal

## Calendar Dates to Note

### Week 1

#### Monday 1 May

- Term 2 starts 8:50am
- Welcome Assembly 12 noon
- Visiting Author - Thank you for your activity contribution

#### Tuesday 2 May

#### Wednesday 3 May

- Red Cross Training Ir 2 - Thank you for your activity contribution

#### Thursday 4 May

- Red Cross Training Ir 1 - Thank you for your activity contribution
- Yr 1-3 Parent interviews for students who have received a report via email on Friday 28 April.

**To book a learning partnership meeting please go to**

[www.schoolinterviews.co.nz](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz).

**Our school code is **svetf**.**

- Orienteering Public Fun Run 5-7pm @ RPS

#### Friday 5 May

- 4 Peaks Afternoon
- Red Cross Training Ir 3 - Thank you for your activity contribution

#### Saturday 6 May

- Saturday Netball commences

### Week 2

#### Monday 8 May

- Wai 4, Pohatu 1 and Pohatu 2 will be swimming all of this week
- Values Assembly @ 2:15pm for Year 4 and 5
- RPA Meeting - 7.30pm in the Staff Lounge

#### Tuesday 9 May

#### Wednesday 10 May

#### Thursday 11 May

- Red Cross Training Ir 1 - Thank you for your activity contribution

#### Friday 12 May

- Red Cross Training Wh 4 - Thank you for your activity contribution
- COPSSA Orienteering Postponement TBC

#### Saturday 13 May

- Netball Competition



### Upcoming Term 2 Events in May

- RPA Meeting 8 May 7pm in the staff lounge
- Wakatipu Playcentre Opening 15 May 9:30am
- Year 4 Camp 16, 17 and 18 May
- Year 8 Self Defence for Girls
- RPS Book Festival 15-19 May
- RPS/ RPA Book Fair 22-26 May
- Book Character Day 26 May this will include a Book Character Parade
- RPS BoT Meeting 25 May
- Proposed Rippa Rugby Tournament 31 May (Date TBC)

# RPA and Board News

## LUNCH OPTIONS FOR TERM 2

- Tuesday - Pita Pit via Lunch Online ([lunchonline.co.nz](http://lunchonline.co.nz))
- Wednesday - Hell Pizza via Lunch Online ([lunchonline.co.nz](http://lunchonline.co.nz))
- Friday - Sausage Sizzle \$2.50. Students to place their order in the class lunch box. Please ensure money is in a envelope with student name, class and number of sausages to order

**WOW**

**Pita Pit & Hell Pizza deliver to Remarkables Primary**

Pita Pit every Tuesday  
Hell Pizza every Wednesday

It's simple; all you need to do is register at [www.lunchonline.co.nz](http://www.lunchonline.co.nz) and follow 4 easy steps to get started

- 1 Register an account
- 2 Add member/s including your child's name, school and classroom
- 3 Make a payment so you have funds in your account before you order
- 4 Select your lunch and place an order



  
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## RPA MAY MEETING

**WHEN:** Monday, 8 May    **WHERE:** RPS STAFF LOUNGE    **TIME:** 7.30pm

This month we are looking at finalising focus events for the year. We welcome anyone to join us to share your ideas and thinking. If you would like to attend, please email Julia (RPA Chair) [rpa@remarkables.school.nz](mailto:rpa@remarkables.school.nz)

Currently we have a secretary position open on the RPA - if you think you could assist please email Julia (RPA Chair) [rpa@remarkables.school.nz](mailto:rpa@remarkables.school.nz)

## COOKBOOK SALES - \$15.

**Help us replace tatty student reading and chapter books with new ones.**

Remember to purchase copies of our

For every cookbook sold, we can purchase 3x reading books for our students. As our school has grown rapidly our reading resources have had a hard life and are needing a lot of repair. We would love your help! Every purchase goes in the draw to win a fabulous prize.



## School News and Information

### NZSki School Ski Programme

This term we kick off the NZSki Local Schools Ski Programme with Y6-8 students skiing at Coronet Peak for 6 sessions from Wednesday 21 June. Years 1-5 will start their programme in Term 3.

An outline of the school programme, dates and costs can be found here - [click here for info sheet](#)

Very shortly, we will be calling for details on student ski levels and parent helpers for each year level so watch your inbox for more details. With ski fields right on our door step, and the school ski packages at such a great rate, we encourage all students to take up this opportunity.

Should you have any questions regarding participation, please don't hesitate to contact your child's teacher or Sarah Graham, RPS Ski Programme Coordinator on [sarahg@remarkables.school.nz](mailto:sarahg@remarkables.school.nz)

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Congratulations to our Yr 7 students and the planning team of the RPS Pink Ribbon Breakfast held yesterday, Sunday 30 April. Around \$3500 has been raised for the Breast Cancer Foundation.

A BIG thank you to all our sponsors and amazing supporters!



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### Remember it's 20k either way

New signs are being installed on Queenstown school buses reminding drivers to slow down to 20km/h when a

between Queenstown Rotary, Go Bus, QLDC and NZ Police to raise awareness about the 20km/h law around stopped school buses, applying to BOTH sides of the road. With winter months ahead of us the signs are a timely reminder and police will be closely monitoring and enforcing this law. Parents please also remind your children to wear hi viz vests getting to and from the bus stop so they can be more visible on the darker mornings and afternoons.



#### OUR ARTS SPECIALIST TEACHER IS CALLING FOR PAINT:

Any unwanted white base/primer paint and any house paint that might be lying around people's homes. If you have some we would love for you to drop it off at school to support students in their painting of some murals for our school. Any questions please email [frejay@remarkables.school.nz](mailto:frejay@remarkables.school.nz)

#### School Absences

If your child will be away from school please inform the school office and class teacher prior to 8:50am, either via phone 03 441 4044 or email [office@remarkables.school.nz](mailto:office@remarkables.school.nz).

## Sport News

**Congratulations** to Brooklyn C and Giselle C in their horse riding competitions.



#### NETBALL

##### **Netball Uniform and Equipment at Saturday Competition:**

Netballers must wear our school sports top and school shorts or skort. On cold days the students can wear long sleeved navy or black top under their sports top. They are also able to wear navy or black tights.

Please note netball rules state:

- hair should be tied back
- nails need to be short

### Saturday Netball Draw

Each week the Saturday netball draw will be published on the Wakatipu netball site. Please click on the following link to access the site <http://www.wakatipunetball.co.nz/>

If games are postponed or cancelled coaches/ managers will be informed by text and then they will inform their players via text and or email. Our first netball game is Saturday 6 May.

### School Netball Coordinator Contacts

If you have any queries we ask that you please make contact with our school netball coordinators. Their contact details are below:

- Mr Alex Moore [alex.moore@remarkables.school.nz](mailto:alex.moore@remarkables.school.nz)
- Shona MacGibbon [shona.macgibbon@remarkables.school.nz](mailto:shona.macgibbon@remarkables.school.nz)

### COPSSA Orienteering

We have just been advised that the COPSSA Orienteering event has been postponed to warmer weather in Term 3 or 4. We will let you have more information when it is available.

## Community Notices

Click onto the following link to find out about:



- Alpine Aqualand Closed this week
- Understanding Boys Workshop
- Queenstown Hub Workshop for students
- QAST Info
- -5 School lunchbox ideas
- ASG Teacher Awards
- Kelly Sports
- Queenstown Lakes Family Centre Fundraiser



# IT & family deals

**Remarkables Primary School**

Offer is available Monday 8 May  
- Sunday 14 May 2017

Offer only available at Noel Leeming Queenstown

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## Supporting success in your school.

If you are a parent, staff member or member of the school community and you draw down a new ASB home loan of \$250,000 or more, ASB will donate to your chosen participating school:

# \$500

ASB lending criteria and terms apply. Fees may apply. To be eligible for this donation your new home loan application must be received, approved and then documented in a facility agreement, along with the completion of a school donation voucher, between 1 January 2017 and 30 June 2017. A minimum of 20% equity is required in the security property provided to ASB. This home loan offer is only available on loans secured by an owner-occupied residential property. Only one donation will be given per customer. Donations will be made by ASB on behalf of the customer to the chosen school upon full draw down of the new home loan. This offer excludes loans for business purposes and bridging.

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