



Queenstown Primary School New Enrolment Scheme

Overview - what is changing?

The Ministry of Education regularly monitors enrolment patterns, population growth and anticipated school roll changes across the Wakatipu Basin. The wider area is part of the Ministry's National Education Growth Plan and identified as an area where we need to strategically plan for future growth. As part of this monitoring and regular review, we now consider an enrolment scheme is necessary for Queenstown Primary School. This is due to growth of the school roll and because we need to ensure the Board has a fair and transparent mechanism to manage the roll. It also means we can ensure we are making best use of educational facilities across the wider Queenstown area.

We are also developing an enrolment scheme for Queenstown's newest school, Te Kura Whakatipu o Kawarau (open in 2022) and amending the enrolment scheme for Remarkables Primary School.

The new enrolment scheme will have a home zone, like other schools with enrolment schemes in the area. Children that live within this area will have entitlement to enrol at Queenstown Primary School. The home zone area is shown on the map below and here and includes:

- All of the Queenstown township area and Frankton Road east to the Z service station
- Arthurs Point and along Arthurs Point Road up to the intersection with Malaghans Road and Coronet Peak Road.
- Fernhill and the area around Bob's Cove, about halfway towards Glenorchy (up to but not including 2600 Glenorchy-Queenstown Road)

The Ministry is also considering including a transitional arrangement to minimise the impact for current families. This is a new process included in the Education and Training Act 2020 and will allow siblings of current students to retain the right to enrol at Queenstown Primary School in the future, provided certain criteria are met.



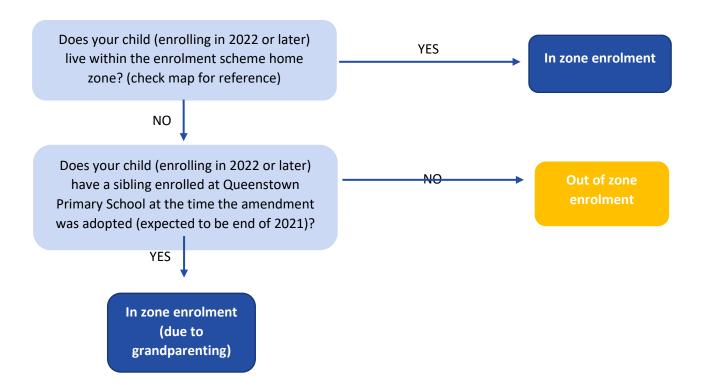


What does this mean for my family?

Any student currently enrolled at Queenstown Primary School will not be impacted by the new enrolment scheme. All students enrolled (and attending school) will be entitled to continue attending Queenstown Primary School, irrespective of where they currently live.

The change to the home zone will affect all enrolments starting in 2022. This includes current families who have a younger sibling looking to enrol at Queenstown Primary School, and starting in 2022 or later. The flowchart below will help you assess your indicative eligibility to enrol from 2022.

An in zone enrolment is automatically entitled to enrol at the school. An out of zone enrolment is not guaranteed a place at the school and you will need to apply through the school's out of zone processes **if** there are spaces available.



Consultation process and timeline

The Ministry of Education is currently undertaking consultation about the proposed changes and new enrolment schemes. You can have your say by:

- Completing the survey at https://consultation.education.govt.nz/education/enrolment-schemes-wakatipu-basin
- Meeting Ministry staff to discuss the proposed changes and how these may impact you at one of the parent information sessions on 9-11 March 2021. Check <u>here</u> for further details on how to book a time.
- Emailing <u>WakatipuBasin.EnrolmentSchemes@education.govt.nz</u> if you have further questions or comments.

Consultation will run until the end of Term 1 – Friday 16 April. The Ministry will consider all feedback and liaise with the Queenstown Primary School Board before making a final decision. We expect the School community to be updated about progress made about mid-Term 2. The new schemes and changes will come into effect for the beginning of 2022.