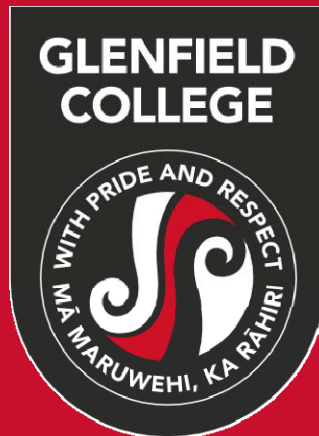


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Message From The Principal



This week, I had the pleasure of being shown around the Wairau Valley Special School and the Wilson School by Pam King and Jan Kennington respectively. To say it was a humbling experience would be an understatement.

The work that these two principals and their staff do really is exceptional. We often talk about teachers wanting to make a difference in the lives of students, but Pam, Jan, and their respective

Dates and Events

**Monday-Thursday
4-7 December**
APAC Robotics

**Monday
4 December**
Year 10 BEAMS

**Monday
4 December**
Services Academy
National Hui

Tuesday

teams not only make a difference in the lives of their students, but also in all of the families associated with their schools.

Glenfield College is richer for having some of its students in the satellite classes here. Two weeks ago, when the Junior Boys Softball Team were lining up in the gym for the Junior School assembly and their presentation, one of the Wilson School students arrived late. The way our softball boys welcomed and assisted him in joining the assembly was truly a heart-warming moment.

Mrs Jan Kennington, after 35 years at the Wilson School, will be retiring at the end of this year. Having only met Jan at the beginning of Term 4, it has become apparent she is an outstanding leader who has contributed a lot to education over the many years. The Wilson School building is, as she puts it, "her legacy." Jan has said this is the first time in 35 years that she doesn't have a plan. The success of the school and the individual students she has overseen is a testament to her leadership and compassion. On behalf of the Glenfield College community, we wish her all the very best.

In other news, I am impressed by the conduct and effort shown by the Junior School over the last two weeks. The weather has changed their working environment, but the students continue to remain focused in class, and they have shown a real commitment to their junior examinations. The key point for them moving forward is remembering what they have learnt in 2017 and identifying gaps to improve upon in 2018.

With Pride and Respect

Paul McKinley
Principal

5 December
Check-out Day for
Seniors

Tuesday
5 December
Year 13 Dinner

Wednesday
6 December
Outdoor Education --
Surfing

Tuesday
12 December
Junior Prizegiving 10am

Tuesday
12 December
Last Day of School
School closes at
12:00pm

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Glenfield College News



Junior End of Year Exams

Our students have completed their end of year exams, and have done themselves, parents, teachers, and our school proud. They have put 100% into studying for, preparing for and completing them. It was amazing to see the students studying for exams during break times in small study groups around the school and making use of the Learning Hub in the Library with staff after school. Great job, Juniors!

Project K

Project K is a special programme designed for year 10 students over the course of 14 months. This program is a way for selected students to develop skills that transcend the classroom. The goal is to see students build confidence to make better choices for themselves and their future. The projected results of this programme have the students making better choices for themselves, including quitting drugs/alcohol, being more involved in school, and feeling included in the community.

The programme is comprised of three modules. First, the students spend three weeks in the wilderness, letting nature act as their teacher. Second, the students will take part in an activity that gives back to the community, encouraging a sense of responsibility for themselves and those around them. Finally, the students will take part in an ongoing mentorship programme. Project K provides well-qualified and highly trained mentors to guide the students as they apply the skills learned in the previous modules to their day to day lives.



During Friday's assembly, Antonia from Project K spoke to our students about the life changing experience the programme provides. Next Tuesday, all Year 9 students will be surveyed as we begin the process of selecting the 12 students to undertake this incredible journey.

The Year 10 boys who were fortunate enough to begin their Project K journey at the start of 2017 were also recognised for their involvement in the programme and for the impressive progress they've made in all areas of their lives. Antonia was presented with a gift from the boys to thank her for all of her hard work and for the difference she's made to their futures.

Project K is free of charge for students thanks to the kind donations made to the Graeme Dingle Foundation.

MUNA at the Glenfield Rotary Club

On Monday, 27th November, Alicia Lie, Jacqueline Huang, and Mr Snookes attended a meeting of the Glenfield Rotary Club. The students were guest speakers at the club, reporting back on their experiences at the 2017 mock Model United Nations Assembly (MUNA). The Glenfield Rotary Club had provided the financial assistance that made the college's participation in MUNA possible.



Outdoor Education

Auckland's beautiful weather and coastline have provided perfect kayaking conditions for the students participating in the Aquatic Outdoor Education activities this term.



Enjoying the East Coast Bays, in the foreground, Guy Roberts and Liam Hibbard, behind them are Justus Neumann and Paul Gringel.



James Crooks and Izaak Hansen confidently time their beach run between waves.



Guy Roberts and Liam Hibbard show full commitment in demonstrating the emergency recovery techniques.

Staff First-Aid Course

20 staff have undertaken and completed a Certified First Aid Course today with HeartSaver. The First Aid Training course ensures staff are trained in the necessary skills to provide effective first aid assistance in the workplace, providing support for students and staff.



Year 9 Trip to Mahurangi West

Thursday, 30th November, the Glenfield College Social Sciences Department took all Year 9 students to Mahurangi West for the day. The outing to Mahurangi West was part of a migration / heritage studies programme of learning taught at the college. Students learned about how the Maori used the land at Mahurangi before the arrival of the Europeans, how the land changed when the Europeans arrived, and how the two cultures came together through an exploration of the on-site Urupa.

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Sports

Letter From the Sports Department

On a day when the competition was as hot as the weather, the Junior Boys Softball Team rose to the occasion to be crowned Auckland Junior Softball Champions for 2017.

After a shaky start by the boys in the first innings against Rangitoto, the tone was set for the rest of the day by an almighty down-field smash by Shiva Swammy (with all three bases occupied).

The boys recorded a historic win over Rangitoto and continued this onslaught against Aorere College and Wesley College to finish top in their pool.

The semi-final game against Sancta Maria College required the boys to rely on the experience of the club-playing boys on the team, and they did a great job sticking to the game plan and supporting the less experienced team members. In the end, Glenfield proved too strong for their opponents and managed a well-deserved win to take them through to the finals.

The final against Northcote College was a nail-biting one, with both teams equally determined to snatch the title. In the end, it was the experienced advice from Coach Josie and the mentorship from James (Johne) Johnson that calmed the team down during a crucial period in the game, sealing the game with a 3 to 2 win.



The team was tactically brilliant in the final game and great composure was shown by the entire team. The win was the cherry on the cake for a team who conducted themselves as true representatives of Glenfield College, ticking all the boxes associated with Pride and Respect.

This was the trend exhibited by all of our sports teams this term, gracious in defeat as well as in victory. A huge thank you to the Junior Touch Girls and the Junior Boys and Girls Volleyball teams who represented Glenfield College on the sports front. It was great to experience the dedication shown by the students, coaches, parents and volunteers.

Without a combination of all of you, these fantastic experiences are not possible. With parent participation, an interest from the students can be cultivated into a championship title. We urge all parents and community members to get involved. The sports department is looking forward to building on these positive outcomes in Term 1 next year.

Important Reminders

SENIOR CHECK-OUT DAY
TUESDAY 5 DECEMBER 2017, STUDENT CAFETERIA

Students should arrive to collect their check-out pack at allocated times for their year level, as scheduled below:

Year 13 - 9:00am
Year 12 - 10:00am
Year 11 - 11:00am

The check-out pack will include the school report and reporting dates and times for 2018. There may be other useful information from teachers as well.

The school yearbook is available free of charge to families who have paid their school donation. If you would like to purchase a copy, the cost is \$15. School uniform is not required on this day.

Please make sure that you have settled any outstanding amounts on your school account and ensure library books and sports uniforms have been returned prior to check-out day.

IMPORTANT DATES for the Junior School

Friday 8th December

Junior Activities - school finishes at 2:30pm

Monday 11th December

Junior Activities - school finishes at 2:30pm

Tuesday 12th December

Junior Prizegiving (please check emails for prize winners)
Last day - school finishes 12pm

The Cafeteria will be closed

Friday, 8th December

Monday, 11th December

Tuesday, 12th December

Students should bring their own food and
drink on these days.

General Notices

Wanted: homestay families

Glenfield College is currently looking for new homestay families for 2018 for our International students. These will be short term and long term stays. We are looking for families who speak English as their first language, as well as some New Zealand/Chinese families. Priority will be given to families that have students attending Glenfield College.



Glenfield College will be paying \$280 per week per student on a fortnightly payment schedule. Payments continue through the April, July and September school holidays and if the student is returning to your home after the Christmas holidays then a bond of \$560 is given.

If you are interested please contact

Mrs Linda Airey (Manager of International Students)

l.airey@gc.ac.nz

Supporters Gear

Glenfield College has introduced a hoodie for Glenfield College students and their supporters. While this is **NOT** part of the school uniform, we strongly encourage all students to promote a positive image for our School and enforce our Pride and Respect values.

These hoodies are available to order from the Payment Centre. Payment **must be made in full** before an order can be placed. This means Students cannot put these on their AP's.

These cost \$55.00 each and an extra \$7.00 for those that may wish their name to be printed on them. Students are to advise of the name to be printed at time of payment.



We have also have two new items available for purchase. These items are **NOT** part of the school uniform, but they are a great way to show pride in our school when out in the community. The new items include a Men's Staple Tee in Asphalt Marle (\$25 incl. GST) and a Track Short in Steel Marle (\$35 incl. GST)



Different sizes are available at the payment office for students of all year levels and for staff to try on.

We Want to Share Your News!

At Glenfield College we are extremely proud of student achievement. We are keen to acknowledge student success by sharing their achievements with the wider community and through our newsletter, local media, social media channels and college website.

With recognition that a good number of achievements happen outside school hours, we need your support. You can assist us greatly by keeping in touch and letting us know your news.

Please email your success story and photo (if you have one available) to us at news@gc.ac.nz.

Examples of news can vary and can include making a national or local rep team, selection for an overseas exchange, winning a community award or being selected to represent your community in an area of interest. Nothing is considered too small so please don't feel shy about sending it in! We look forward to hearing from you!



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