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## **Message From The Principal**



Glenfield College is symptomatic of all highperforming schools in that we are incredibly busy. We recently held our Honours Assembly where we acknowledged the 2018 Prefects, students who gained

Excellence endorsements, and Scholarship winners. This really was a celebration of the outstanding achievements

Dates and Events

Monday-Friday 26 February - 9 March Services Academy Induction Camp

Tuesday 6 March Project K Information Evening #1 of Year 11 to 13 students in 2017. It was so pleasing to see the Year 13 students from 2017 return to be recognised and the large number of parents who made the effort to be there.

I would also like to acknowledge the Prefect Executive Team of Nicola Moody-Turnwald (Head Girl), Filip Ograbek (Head Boy), Courtney Kapi (Deputy Head Girl), and Khushaal Singh (Deputy Head Boy). They have made an excellent start to the year and are passionate about leading the other Prefects, Peer Support Leaders, and most importantly, the rest of the student body. As discussed at the full school assembly on Monday morning and at the year level assemblies, leadership can take many forms. Most importantly, every student has the potential to lead, they just need to believe in themselves and recognise that they can make a difference.

While we constantly reinforce the four cornerstones of the Glenfield College experience: Academic, Sport, Art, and Service, it is important to acknowledge the strides being made in Service throughout the school. Ms Williams (the Dean of Year 10) and her team have led the fundraising for the Relay for Life cause. With last week's mufti day and today's bake sale, this event really is gaining momentum. We are looking forward to the inaugural Glenfield College Relay for Life where students participate on March 10 and 11 at the Millennium Stadium. If your son/daughter is interested in joining, there are still spaces available.

Thank you to those who have contacted the school acknowledging the first Fortnightly Report that was sent home to families. 97% of the reports were opened and viewed by our community which was a fantastic response. We hope that it helps you engage with your children and have discussions about their studies and what they can focus on.

With Pride and Respect,

6:00pm

## Saturday-Sunday 10 March-11 March Relay For Life

#### Monday

12 March

Year 9 Language Changeover

### Wednesday

**14 March** North Harbour Athletics Zone Day

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# **Glenfield College News**

## **Fortnightly Reports**

Last Friday, Glenfield College emailed out their first Fortnightly Report to all parents and students. This report is an indication of how students are progressing during a two week time frame, their commitment to their studies, and their effort and attitude.

## **Honours Assembly**

For the first time at Glenfield College, our honours assembly included the backbone of student success, our students' families. We had several returning students, escorted by their loved ones, and we also had the parents/caregivers of our current excellence endorsed students. The assembly was a chance to formally present our head boy and head girl to the student body. The 2018 head boy and head girl are Filip Ograbek and Nicola Moody-Turnwald, respectively.



To gain an endorsement with excellence, a student needs to get at least fifty excellence credits. We awarded our excellence endorsed students with a box of chocolates wrapped in the Glenfield College colours (red and black). Furthermore, in order to receive a scholarship, a student must be in the top 3% of candidates in a given subject. We are so proud that we have, not one, but two of these outstanding students. We celebrated these two scholarship students, Alicia Lie and Tudor Zagreanu, by awarding them with an official Glenfield College hoodie.



## Level 1 Art Trip

On Friday the 23rd, our Level 1 Visual Art class took a trip to Brick Bay to walk their sculpture trail. This is the first time that the Art department has taken a group of students to experience this amazing sculpture walk. Ms White was extremely impressed by the students behaviour and how they all demonstrated our school motto by showing pride and respect.



Isabora Ferneda Year 11 said that it was great to see all of these amazing sculptures in such beautiful landscape, and it was a fun walk in beautiful weather. This experience will allow these students to have great research for their work this year.

## Relay for Life Bake Sale

The second day of autumn may not have seen leaves falling from the trees but it did see an avalanche of sweet treats descend on Glenfield College. The Relay For Life team are incredibly grateful for all of the very generous support shown by the Glenfield Community members who donated a HUGE amount of baked goods. We were very happy to purchase plenty for consumption, and all of the proceeds go to the North Shore branch of the New Zealand Cancer Society.



## Athletics Day 2018

On Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> February, we held our Annual Athletics Day. This was an amazing example of school culture and a demonstration of our values -- Pride and Respect. The aim of the day was fun and participation alongside encouraging and nurturing the athletic talent in the school. All students were outstanding on the day and entered into the spirit of the event, dressing in their house colours and getting involved in as many events as they could. Events ranged from the traditional track and field events of Javelin, 100m, and Triple Jump to the obscure fun events of the Gumboot Throw and the 400m fast walk.



The event wouldn't be possible without all of the support and hard work of the staff of the school. A huge thanks to everyone involved on the day for their encouragement and hard work.

To view more photos, please click HERE

## **VEX Robotics Nationals**

This past weekend, from the 23rd of February to the 25th of February, Glenfield College took part in competing at the VEX Robotics Nationals at Pinehurst School in Auckland. There were at total of 67 teams competing from Christchurch, Wellington, Tauranga, Palmerston north, and Auckland.



2918E finished up ranked 4<sup>th</sup> out of 67 in the preliminaries, winning 9 out of 10 matches.

We had 2918E, 2918F, and 2918G move from preliminaries to Quarter finals, which included 24 teams from original 67.

2918E and 2918F were the 3<sup>rd</sup> seeded alliance.

2918E and 2918F were eliminated in the semifinals while 2918G was eliminated in Quarterfinals.



We didn't qualify for the World Championships this year, but Mr Aston is considering a possible trip to Melbourne in August. Also, there is a possibility of a trip to Hawaii for the PanPacifics if they fall in the October holidays.

# Sports

### Letter From the Sports Department



## Archery

Archery started on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> Feb and although the competition round has not started, we have had the highest amount of participants to date. 50 students have registered and will be guided by Ms Kilroy throughout Term 1. As a reminder, Archery takes place in the Funky Chicken Room. Please be in your PE Uniform every Monday @ 3:15pm ready to go for a 3:30pm start.



### Softball

On the back of some impressive accolades from the 2017 season, the Senior A Softball Boys opened their season against Rutherford College at May Rd in Mt Roskill on Monday. However, it wasn't the start they wanted going down to a Rutherford outfit that boasted 2 players from the Junior Black Sox. Their next game was against a very tidy Wesley College outfit, and although leading twice through 2 grand slams from Devante Sione-Makapa, the boys fell 9-8 in a thriller. This is a good indication of the standard of competition in 2018, as the team embarks on its first ever trip to Hamilton for the 2018 National Softball Championship.



### Volleyball

The Senior A Volleyball Girls sit atop of the North Harbour Standings with straight set wins over Carmel College before putting away a very good Hobsonville Point Team. These victories all but seal their place in the semi-finals of the competition. The Girls B team, have continued their trend of win one, lose one as they fell to the table topping Mahurangi before posting an outstanding straight sets win over Carmel.

### Trials

Netball – Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February @ the Glenfield College Netball Courts Football – Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> March @ the Glenfield College Sports Field

Please bring the correct uniform, water bottle and appropriate attire.

'Go Griffs' Jamie Mason Sports Coordinator

## **Outstanding Sports Perfomance**

Devante Sione-Makapa is a year 11 student who has just started at Glenfield College. Throughout the first five weeks, he has already been noticed for his talents on the softball diamond and the athletic track. He has been selected for the U17 Harbour Softball Team and Waikato U17 province team and already making his mark for his new look, Glenfield Softball Team. Monday night, he hit two grand slams against Wesley College, who unfortunately fell 9-8 in a thriller at May Rd, Mt Roskill. His athletic prowess was a standout on Athletics Day where he participated in the 100m Finals and 2<sup>nd</sup> Place in the 'House Relay' for Mayfield. With such a great start to his time here, big things can be expected for the rest of the year, and we look forward to following his progress.



## **Coaches and Managers**

With many teams representing Glenfield College each year it is vital that we have parent and community involvement in coaching and managing teams. All assistance is encouraged and supported. If you believe you possess a skill set which would be of value to Glenfield College Sport, please don't hesitate in contacting us or making yourself known. It is vitally important that parents and caregivers support their sons and daughters involvement in all aspects of sport. If at any stage you have queries or concerns please take the time to contact our Sports Coordinator, Teacher in Charge, or the principal so the correct pathways can be followed.

Sports Department <u>j.mason@gc.ac.nz</u> 09 444 9066 ext 625

# **General Notices**

## **Glenfield College Car Park**

Safety is tantamount to our school running smoothly. Not only do we want to create an environment for academic success, we want to create an environment where are students are safe, both on campus and travelling to and from school.

Please consider our students and their families as you drive down Kaipatiki Road and into our car park. Mind your speed and be aware of your surroundings, specifically at the front gate. Please keep an eye out for our school zone sign with lights every morning before school and every afternoon after school.

We appreciate all of you doing your part to keep our students, our families, and our community safe.



### New Glenfield College Gear



### Scarves are \$45.00 and Caps are \$15.00

Available from NZ Uniforms, and Ms Julie Kilroy, in the Finance Office, will carry a small stock as well.

### Reminder:

The hoodies, supporters' T-shirts, and shorts are also available through NZ Uniforms or through our Finance Office located in the Student Centre.

Hoodies personalized with a name on the bottom will have to be special ordered through Ms Kilroy.

## 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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