

School Newsletter Week 5, Term 1

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Term 1 Week 1, 1st March 2019

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A busy school is a sign of things happening. Another fortnight has gone by and unbelievably, we are approaching the middle of Term 1. Glenfield is now fully involved in a range of activities that show a school on the move.

After two Whanau Huis, approximately 20 students have committed to being



Important Dates & Events

25th February to 8th March
Service Academy Induction Course

13th March
Zone Athletics Day

15th and 16th March
Duke of Edinburgh Camp at

part of the Kapa Haka group for Polyfest 2019. Like all sporting teams or co-curricular activities, this involves a huge commitment from both students and whanau. A significant part of their weekend (and weekends ahead) was spent rehearsing and they are also rehearsing three days a week after school. Congratulations to all of them and special thanks to Millie Richardson, Donna Kahaki and Sarah Bickford for all their time and effort. A school such as Glenfield would be lost without parental support such as this.

The school Athletics Day was a fantastic event and arguably the highlight was how many students and staff got involved with competing and participating. It was a marked difference to previous years and was commented upon by both staff and students alike. This really is a step in the direction we want to head, with the students becoming more adventurous and resilient.

On Tuesday, at the assembly, the Relay For Life was officially launched by Ms. Williams and her team. The school was privileged to have Mrs. Halpin share her story and experiences of how cancer has impacted on her family. The Relay For Life is a fantastic event and experience for our students that not only brings a school together but epitomises the school value of service. Please be encouraged to take this opportunity to get involved.

As a school, we are doing our very best to provide your children with experiences and opportunities. While we would like all our school operational funding to cover these experiences, quite simply that is not the case. Today your children have all brought home a book of raffle tickets to sell on behalf of the school. The Glenfield College raffle is to assist us as we upgrade the Kaipatiki Theatre. We would appreciate all families supporting us as we try to sell the tickets. You will also receive letters about trips and school camps later on in the year. These are all part of Glenfield College providing a memorable and rich education for your children that will prepare them for life after school.

Your support with all of these activities and new initiatives is most appreciated.

With Pride and Respect
Mā Maruwehi, Ka Rāhiri
Mr Paul McKinley
Principal

Piha Campsite

25th to 29th March
Summer Sports Week

2nd April to 12th April
Project K Wilderness Adventure

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SCHOOL NEWS

Honours Ceremony



On Tuesday 19th February, Glenfield College recognised students that achieved Merit or Excellence endorsements in NCEA Levels 1-3 in 2018. A large number of parents were in attendance to celebrate their children's success. Special thanks go to Dr. Daniel Hikuroa (Deputy Head Boy, 1992) for his speech that focused on mindset and the importance of believing in oneself.

The following students received an award for their outstanding work.

NCEA Merit Endorsements

Level 1

Lisa Alias, Karl Andrei Amponin, Marli Atu, Savaanah Baker-Breeze, Zaidyn Corbett, James Crooks, Rossmay Dela Cruz, Isadora Ferneda, Oceaniya Fesili, Clay-Henry Fisher, Blaize Foley, Matthew Franklin, Caleb Glover, Peter Han, Anson Huang, Grace McPherson, Anais Neculman, Jordyn Savage, Yanni Shepherd, Holly Sievert, Selena Timmins, Jimmy Vitale.

Level 2

Sharif Abdullah, Minjin Batbold, Victor Cui, Kevin Hardy, John Horn, Gordei Kuznetsov, Celine Li, Haoran Liu, Mark Melvin Manuel, Mark Laurence Nemenzo, Chun Wai Poon, Cate Stewart.

Level 3

Afnan Dabdawb, Teamar Dabdawb, Shan Deveza, James Li, Danielle Paul, Tamilla Todd, LiaLai Tra, Ken Wang.

NCEA Excellence Endorsements

Level 1

Jason Fuller, Bataa Ganbat, Alvin Huang, Luis Lucindo, Jhoemeela Magisa, Jazzmyn Rustenhoven, Ryley Tomkinson, Jack Vince, Benjamin Carey.

Level 2

Kevin Gaveriel Colita, Lex Hostler, Michael Oborn.

Level 3

Ara Mae Adriatico, Emma Gorst, Olive Huang, Nicola Moody-Turnwald, Filip Ograbek, Theresa Mae Veloso.

Scholarship

Yingxing (Olive) Huang.

Space Camp Presentation Tuesday 19 February

The preparations for Space Camp are now in full swing. We had a meeting on Tuesday 19th February with 70 students and parents in the library to outline the exciting opportunity our students are being offered. The school is taking a group of students in July 2020 to Huntsville, Alabama to attend Space Camp. They will be completing a six-day live in programme with 800 other students from around the world. Activities include using the context of living in space and getting to space will stretch students academically, physically and emotionally. With rocketry, gravity machines and simulated spacecraft launches, it can't be anything but exciting and challenging. Our students will now work at getting the funds together to make their trip possible.

If you would like to read more about it, please follow the link below.

<https://www.gc.ac.nz/glenfield-college-usa-space-camp-tour-2020/>



Kapa Haka Polyfest 2019

For the first time in three years, Glenfield College has entered a Kapa Haka team into Polyfest. The Whanau Co-ordinators are Donovan Bickford and Donna Kahaki, with our own students, Toni Paulo-Fox, Lyric Wii and TK Davis stepping up to tutor the students. Whanau support has been good and their first practice was on the 20th February. The students will perform on stage on Wednesday 13th March 2019 at the Manukau Sports Bowl. You can find out more by following this link <https://www.iticket.co.nz/events/2019/mar/asb-polyfest-2019>



Athletics Day

Last Thursday we had our Athletics day and what a day it was! Our students showed excellent skills, competing in track and field events. Our junior students enjoyed getting in amongst the action, some competing for the first time. They participated very well. There were lots of laughs between students and teachers. Congratulations to all students who participated.



Athletics Day Results:

Junior Boys - First Photo: First Place – Albie Fisher, Second Place – Henry Croft, Third Place – Psalms Kerehoma/ Cory Sonntag.

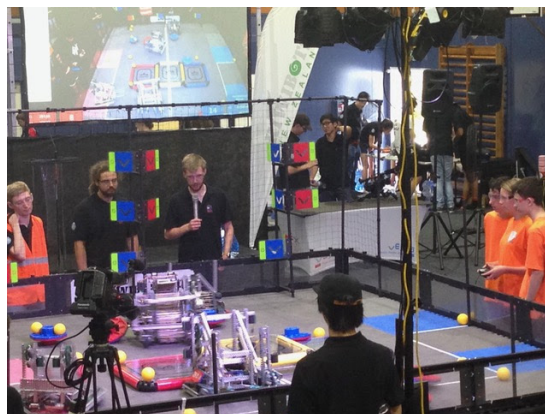
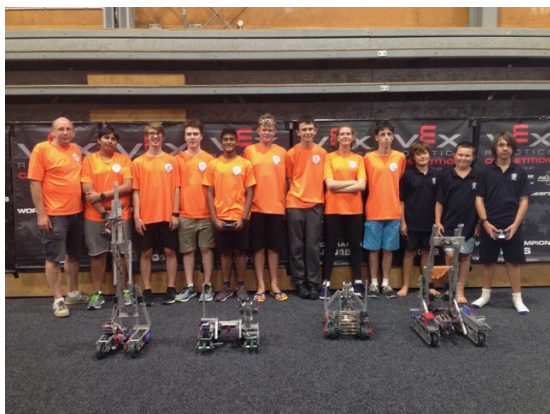
Intermediate Boys – Second Photo: Intermediate Boys First Place – Braeden Fisher, Second Place – River Kerehoma, Third Place – Brooklyn Ferguson.

Senior Boys – Third Photo: Senior Boys First Place – Kai Stroebel, Second Place – Sharif Abdullah, Third Place – James Crooks (absent).



VEX Robotics Nationals 22 -24 February

Sixty teams from around New Zealand descended on Lynfield College's gymnasium for the VEX National Robotics Championships. Glenfield had four teams, one of whom was representing Glenfield Intermediate as they needed to finish their season with the school they started it in. Saturday morning we all turned up at 8 am for a full day's competition. Lots of tinkering with robots during the day saw each being very competitive in their matches. After six games, our 3 GCEC teams finished ranked in the top sixteen. Our three year 9s representing Glenfield intermediate didn't fare as well but worked hard at mastering all the skills they needed to compete in the competition. Sunday dawned and we were back again at 8 am. The remaining four games for each team were finished by 1 pm. Not such a good day result-wise, but skills had improved all the same. Our GCEC teams after their 10 games finished in the top 31. Our year 9s had a good day but didn't fare as well. The selection to go into the playoff rounds saw 2918H and 2918G selected. Each game from now on was sudden death and both teams were unfortunately knocked out in the first round. 2918G had played a superb game but their alliance partner broke a key rule which saw them disqualified. They were very disappointed but handled it really well. So, while we didn't walk away with any awards, our teams had learned a lot and carried themselves well throughout the competition. They certainly exhibited the Glenfield Way throughout the two and a half days of the championship.



Sports Report

A message from the Sports Coordinator

Volleyball

Week 5

Glenfield Boys A won their first game by default against Kristin and were made to work hard for a nail-biting 2 sets to 0 win over Birkenhead (with the second set 29-27), some great individual performances by Karl Amponin and Josch Magisa



Glenfield Boys B continue to make a lot of progress and improvement however can't seem to find a win, going down against Westlake and Kingsway.



You can also follow our Sports page here: <https://www.facebook.com/Glenfield-College-Sports-and-Recreation-272844592853647/>

New Netball Courts Near Completion

Netball is coming to Glenfield College. These are the new netball courts and they will be available for use from early May. The renovation started in early January and we are very pleased with how they are coming along. These will be a real asset to our students for years to come.



Community Education at Glenfield College



Adult and Community Education

Enhance your Mind
Enable your Future

Many of us can remember a time when the Community College was a thriving hub of multiple courses happening each night around the College. Did continuing education go out of vogue? That I can't answer, but I do know that it is also time to start listening to the community and hearing what they want. Currently, we have a limited range of courses available:- ESOL (English for speakers of other Languages), Sewing, Xero Courses, Accountancy & Tax, and a new Mindfulness & Wellness course about to start. We have people looking at Excel, Word, Spanish, French & Te Reo but we are in need of Tutors for these subjects. If you or people you know have talents or skills and would like to earn extra money, please get in contact with us. You may be a Master of Renovations, awesome at crafts, a keen writer, a florist or flax weaver. Are you an amateur Historian with knowledge of the area, do you speak Mandarin, draw or paint? We want to hear from you! We want feedback and input and are ready to listen. Contact: Julie Kilroy via email info@gcc.co.nz or j.kilroy@gc.ac.nz or by phone 09 444 1353. If you would like more information on the courses provided, please follow this link: <https://www.gcc.co.nz/>

Learning Hub

LEARNING HUB



Need help with...

UNDERSTANDING



ON YOUR OWN

HOMEWORK



WITH OTHERS

ASSESSMENTS



WITH TEACHERS

Glenfield College Library
Every Tuesday and Thursday
Help with Technology available on Thursday in the Tech Block

Outward Bound Course Programmes

OUTWARD BOUND

COURSE PROGRAMMES – APRIL SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Outward Bound is one of New Zealand's leading organisations for showing people their full potential through outdoor challenge and adventure.

All courses are delivered from our school in Anakiwa based in the beautiful Queen Charlotte Sound.



SCHOOL LEADERS

16-18 year olds

8-28 April - 21 days

For students transitioning to or in a leadership role in year 12 or 13.

Understand what it means to become a leader and work as part of a team. Learn how to inspire others and be a great role model, form life-long friendships and networks with other young leaders from schools across New Zealand.

Key Outcomes:

- Explore and build on your leadership strengths
- Learn how to be part of a high performing team
- Communication skills including inspiring, coaching and understanding others perspectives
- Develop new networks and relationships with other young leaders across NZ
- Gain an understanding of how your personal values influence you as a leader

LEAPS & BOUNDS

13-15 year olds & parent/caregiver

11-18 April - 8 days

Leaps & Bounds is the ultimate parent/teen bonding experience.

Leave devices at home and reconnect with your teen over 8 days of outdoor challenge and adventure. Together you will problem solve, overcome challenges and celebrate each other's strengths.

Key Outcomes:

- Gain trust, respect and a more meaningful connection with each other
- Experience working in a partnership and as part of a wider team
- Push your own self-imposed boundaries and support your teen as they push theirs
- Develop an understanding of each other's strengths and capabilities
- Gain a better understanding and appreciation for the outdoors

To find out more go to outwardbound.co.nz or talk with our friendly team on 0800 688 927

Coming to School Late and Leaving Early

A reminder to students who arrive after the bell at 8.45am in the morning, or who need to leave school at any time during the day: please sign in/out at the Student Centre with a signed note from your parent/caregiver. The note should include the reason that you are late/leaving. A pass will then be issued to the student. At a high school, it is not acceptable for students to leave school during the day for personal reasons such as birthday lunches, driving lessons, haircuts, etc. Permission for such things will not be granted.

Student payments made at School

Any payments that are made at the School will now be processed in the Student Centre. If you have any student account queries, you will still need to contact Julie Kilroy. If you have a query about an account it is still best to email j.kilroy@gc.ac.nz as the hours when the Finance Office is open has changed this year. We appreciate your patience while the staff learn these changes.

Do you have a suggestion or some feedback?

Glenfield College welcomes your feedback and suggestions,
please feel free to email us with your ideas. We'd love to hear from you!



Please email us at suggestions@gc.ac.nz

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Glenfield College Phone Cases



Available for purchase this year - iPhone and Samsung cases. Please tell us which design you prefer by going to https://www.facebook.com/GlenfieldCollegeOfficial/?ref=br_rs



Year 10 Students Tayla Mower and Phoenix Koligi with their new Glenfield College phone cases for the Summer.

Glenfield College School App



If you haven't already, please download the Glenfield College School App for notices, events, and other important school messages.

You can use the App to notify us of your child's absence, contact a teacher, access the parental portal, and find links to maps and key websites.

Receive alert messages and notices instantly from your chosen groups, such as your child's sports team.

To download the app for free on your Apple or Android Device please click on the image.

GENERAL NOTICES

School Fitness Centre

During 2019, the school's fitness centre will be open for the students to use. The fitness centre is located in the Art Block and will be available for use during the following times:

From Thursday 7th February, it will be open every day after School and every lunchtime.

During these times, Donovan Bickford, our Services Academy director, will be in the gym supervising all student activity.

Glenfield College School Traffic



All parents and students, at peak traffic hours, before school and after school, please **DO NOT** turn right out of the school carpark. **TURN LEFT** and use the roundabout if you are travelling up Kaipatiki Rd.

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