

#### School Newsletter Week 8, Term 2

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# **Message from the Principal**

Tēnā koutou

Congratulations to all students and the community for embracing the return to Glenfield College the way they have. In my last newsletter, the focus was "it's good to be back!" The reality is that students have gotten over the initial novelty of returning to school and are now very much in study mode, with commitment being given to achieving to their potential.

The announcement from NZQA on June 3<sup>rd</sup> was a welcome relief and a pragmatic approach to what has been a challenging year. In summary, this has incentivised and reminded students of what they require to achieve NCEA Levels 1, 2 and 3. Students studying for their Level 1 qualification can receive a maximum of 10 LR (Learning Recognition) credits and students studying at NCEA Levels 2 and 3, a maximum of 8

LR credits. Students can also be awarded a certificate endorsement if they achieve 46 credits at Merit and Excellence, rather than the usual 50. Finally, for Year 13 students, UE requirements have been reduced to 12 credits in three UE approved subjects, from the 14 credits previously required.

All of these changes referred to above are exceptionally positive and in keeping with the messages given at Year Level Assemblies this week.

The message was clear and concise:

- 2020 has been an exceptionally challenging year for us all.
- Out of a crisis comes opportunities that we can choose to embrace.
- This is not a time for excuses and to say we can't achieve, or it is too hard.
- It is not too late and a significant amount of success can be achieved between now and the end of the year.
- Our number 1 focus for our students is to fulfill their potential and keep doors/ options open moving forward.

A lot of our students have completed assessments recently or are currently doing so. The Learning Hub is thriving on Tuesdays and Thursdays after school. Staff are conferencing and mentoring students to help them as we move forward.

As parents, please support us by engaging with your children and finding out how we can all work together to ensure they experience success.



### **Changes to NCEA and UE 2020**



# NEW ZEALAND QUALIFICATIONS AUTHORITY MANA TOHU MĀTAURANGA O AOTEAROA

- Students working towards an NCEA qualification can gain additional credits, based on the number of credits they achieve during the 2020 school year. These additional credits will be known as Learning Recognition credits. For every 5 credits a student achieves towards their NCEA qualification, either through internal or external assessment, they are entitled to an additional 1 credit. Students at NCEA Level 1 are eligible for up to a maximum of 10 additional credits while those at Levels 2 and 3 are eligible for up to a maximum of 8 additional credits.
- Students will be awarded a certificate endorsement if they achieve 46 credits at Merit or Excellence level, rather than the usual 50. Students achieving 12 credits at Merit or Excellence level in a course – rather than 14 – will be awarded a course endorsement.
- Current UE requirements have been reduced from 14 to 12 credits in three UE-approved subjects.
   Students still need to attain NCEA Level 3 and meet literacy and numeracy requirements to be awarded University Entrance.
- External NCEA examinations and NZ Scholarship examinations will now take place from 16
   November 2020 to 9 December 2020. This will provide extra time for teaching, learning and assessment in Term 4.
- The submission date for subjects which require students to submit a portfolio (for example, Design
  and Visual Communications) has been extended to 12 November 2020, to give students more
  time to complete their portfolios.

These changes have been designed to encourage students to continue working towards their NCEA qualification and to ensure that the NCEA credits attained by them during this school year are just as valid as those earned in previous years.

Students were provided with current details of their results this morning during Form Class. I encourage you to review these results and if you have any queries about the changes, please contact our Principal's Nominee, Graeme King - g.king@gc.ac.nz.

### **Top Remote Learners Awarded**



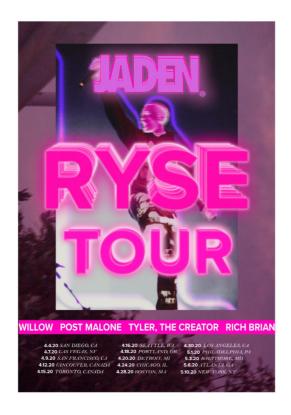
These top 6 students received a voucher for all the hard work they did during lockdown via remote learning. Above from left to right: Keira, Emma, Mikaela, Robert, Jade, Aidan.

### **Cultural Week Celebrated**

Last week Glenfield College celebrated Samoan Language Week, with members of our Samoan community brightening up the school in their traditional clothing on Friday.



# **Student Artwork Of The Week**

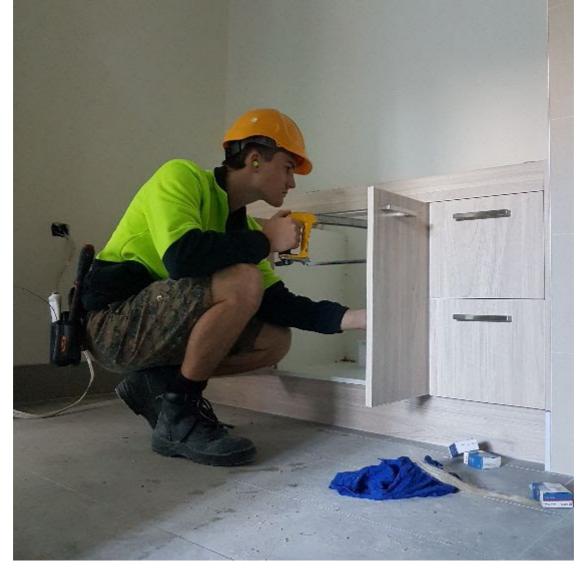




David Lowe: Year 12 student

Isabelle Pillay: Year 13 student

# **Gateway Student Success**



Plumbuilt Plumbing Services are proud to support Glenfield College with its Gateway Programme and encourage students that have an interest in the Plumbing, Drainlaying and Gasfitting industries to get in touch with us via the school. As such, we have taken on James through this programme and his site manager has only great things to say about him. "During his time with us, James has shown huge initiative by being reliable, punctual, and demonstrates that he listens, asks the right questions, and applies himself to the job at hand". Great job James!

Maria Hurst from Plumbuilt.





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## **Sport Report**

ISO Challenge

Congratulations Jessa Deperalta Pajaron, the winner of our ISO Challenge Competition during lockdown. She received a brand new set of headphones.

#### **Badminton**

Seniors – In-house Competition (Starting 10<sup>th</sup> June)

Juniors – Monday, 27<sup>th</sup> July (Term 3)

#### **Basketball**

U17 Boys/ U19 Boys/Girls – Friday, June 12<sup>th</sup>
Junior Boys – Wednesday, June 10<sup>th</sup>

#### **Football**

Junior/Senior Boys – Friday/Saturday 19th and 20th June
Junior/Senior Girls – Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> June

#### **Hockey**

1<sup>st</sup> XI Boys – Wednesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> July (Term 3) 1<sup>st</sup> XI Girls - Thursday, 23<sup>rd</sup> July (Term 3)

#### <u>Netball</u>

Seniors – Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> June Juniors – Monday 29<sup>th</sup> July

#### **Squash**

Seniors/ Juniors – In-house Competition (held at the Glenfield Leisure Centre), waiting for restrictions off-court hireage.

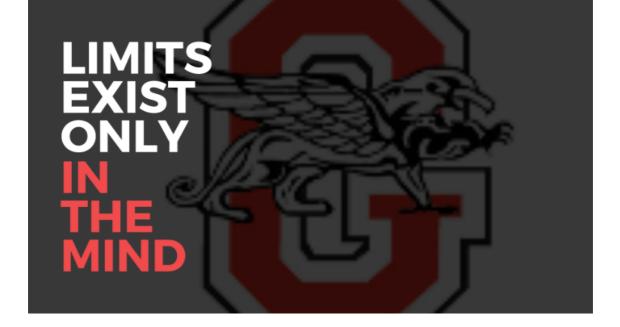
#### **Sport is Back**

Our sports teams are back on the fields and into full training sessions. The 1<sup>st</sup> XI Football were put through their paces and the 1<sup>st</sup> XI Girls and Boys Hockey teams returned to the turf. We are looking forward to the start of our competitions in the next couple of weeks.









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# **LEARNING HUB**



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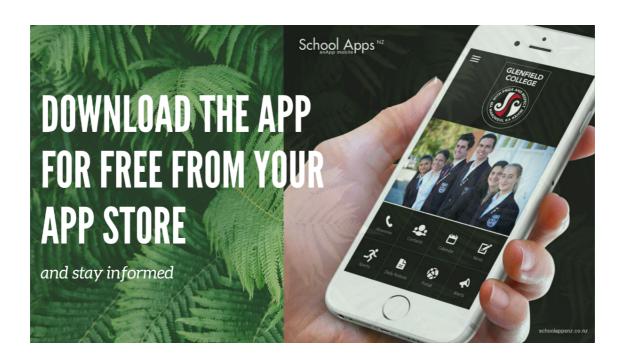




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Every Tuesday and Thursday
Help with Technology available on Thursday in the Tech Block



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