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Message from the Principal

A Week of Celebration

As a fantastic week comes to an end, we reflect on the celebrations that highlighted how we have come through the year stronger, despite the adversity we have faced.

On Tuesday, Senior Academic Prizegiving was an outstanding success with our Theatre full of parents and students there to celebrate the academic successes of the 2020 school year. Congratulations to the following recipients of the main awards of the day:

Support Staff Excellence Award	David Keenleyside
Staff Excellence Award	Donovan Bickford
University of Auckland Waka Moana Scholarship	Hemi Ruka
University of Auckland Academic Potential Scholarship	Michael Oborn
Proxime Accessit	Bataa Ganbat
Dux	Michael Oborn

The enthusiasm and genuine pride of not only the recipients, but also the audience, highlighted to me how the school is currently in a very good place where academic success is a focus and priority in a holistic education.

Guest speakers, Mr Bruce Charles and Mr Graeme King ("Mr Glenfield") were excellent. They treated the audience to stories and anecdotes about the way Glenfield College used to be (40 years ago). It was like a trip down memory lane and the audience genuinely enjoyed hearing about blackboards and the history of the "Funky Chicken Room".

In the evening, Ms Sarah Gray (Year 13 Dean) and the Prefect team made the Leavers dinner an event to remember. As we had not been able to hold a school ball this year, after some excellent videos and messages, the dance playlist came on. Students were well-led on the dance floor by Josiah Tasi and others in a night enjoyed by all staff and students in attendance.

So, we are almost there, but the message for both senior and junior students is "we don't want to stop until we cross the finish line". Senior students are about to commence their external NCEA examinations as they strive for Merit and Excellence endorsements. Junior students are currently sitting their end-of-year examinations before embarking on Junior Camp next week.

In summary, as outlined in my Principal's speech this week at prizegiving, in many ways Covid-19 has brought the College closer together and made it a memorable/successful year. The key now is to approach the final weeks in the same manner and ensure we finish off on a high.





2021 Prefects Announced



On Thursday 5th November the Prefects for 2021 were announced. Ms Gray (the Year 12 Dean) had organised a thorough application process which the students embraced. The students outlined their contributions and aspirations over the last four years. Congratulations to the following students and we look forward to seeing your leadership skills develop over the next year. Manahil Abdullah, Jayden Bacon, Rianne Erika Framo, Nathan Freeman, Emily Freestone, Karl Jackson, Yuting Liu, David Lowe, Madisyn Macleod, Josch Magisa, Jordan Page, Zane Paki, Kaelyn Riddle and Eden Taula.

Farewell to Mr Barry Young



On Thursday November 5th we said goodbye to a teacher who has worked behind the scenes at Glenfield College for 40 years. Mr Barry Young was the itinerant teacher of drums and percussion who started at Glenfield College in 1981 and over the next 40 years worked with hundreds of local students and educated two generations of Kiwi musicians. Mr Young led percussion ensembles, assisted with concert shows and internal assessment of students' performances. He will be truly missed and will always remain a part of this school, its history and musical legacy. We wish him all the best for his retirement.

Senior Prize-Giving





On Tuesday 10th November we held our annual senior prize-giving ceremony. The school was joined by 150 parents and family members to celebrate the academic achievements of students in the 2020 year. Retiring teacher, Mr Bruce Charles and retiring Deputy Principal, Mr Graeme King shared their reflections on their time at Glenfield College. Congratulations to Proxime Accessit for 2020, Bataa Ganbat, and Dux Michael Oborn. Thank you to all involved and we wish our Year 11 to 13 students all the very best as they prepare for their NCEA external examinations. Please follow this link to see more photos:

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/129130977@N02/albums/72157716833368321>

Success For Ex-Prefect



Congratulations to ex-Prefect, Ashleigh Scanlan, who recently graduated from Auckland University with a Bachelor of Laws and a Bachelor of Arts double majoring in Gender Studies and Anthropology. She hopes to pursue a career in Family Law. We are very proud of her achievement.

Service to Sport Awards



At last Thursday's final full school assembly, these Year 13 students were acknowledged for their dedication to sport at Glenfield College over the past five years.

Year 13 Students Farewelled



At lunchtime on Friday 6th November students and staff wrote farewell chalk messages for our Year 13 students on the Parade Ground. It was great to see so many students getting involved with messages being written in different languages. On Tuesday 10th November they celebrated the end of their secondary schooling at the annual Leavers' dinner at McHughs in Devonport. During the evening students had the opportunity to say thank you to their teachers and classmates for their journey with Glenfield College. The students also viewed a video of their journey through the years as captured on camera at various school events. It was rewarding to share the evening with the young men and women who are going to be our future movers and shakers.



Art Portfolios 2020



MYAH COATES



DAVID LOWE

David Lowe - Year 12

SCHOOL TV SPECIAL REPORT: Having the Alcohol Discussion

With the impending festive season and end of school celebrations, some teenagers may be feeling ready to party, wanting to put the disruptions, frustrations and disappointments of this past year, behind them. To ensure our young people stay safe during this time, parents and carers are encouraged to have the alcohol discussion - no matter how difficult or overwhelming it may be. It is important to outline the rules and boundaries around age-appropriate alcohol consumption and what the legal implications may be. Young people are at greater risk of alcohol-related harm than adults because their brains continue to develop until their mid-twenties. The safest level of alcohol consumption for teenagers, is no alcohol at all, but this may be difficult to enforce and may not prevent them from experimenting. However, parents and carers can influence sensible drinking habits and help minimise the risks. In this Special Report, a series of discussion points are offered to help make the conversation about alcohol consumption a little easier. We hope you take time to reflect on the information offered in this Special Report, and as always, we welcome your feedback. If you do have any concerns about the wellbeing of your child, please contact the school for further information or seek medical or professional help. Here is the link to your special report https://saintkentigern.schooltv.me/wellbeing_news/special-report-having-alcohol-discussion-nz

Wednesday 18th – Friday 20th November

YEAR 9 & 10 SCHOOL CAMP

Camp Adair

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further info please email:

r.anderson@gc.ac.nz or
r.colquhoun@gc.ac.nz



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UPCOMING EVENTS



Water Polo

The Junior Mixed Waterpolo team fought bravely against Northcote on Tuesday afternoon, going down 13-7. The stand out performances were Micha Hall & Emily Brien.

Girls Sevens

The Under 15 Girls have represented the school at the North Harbour Women's Development Tournament on Monday evenings. The girls have represented the school well and have shown grit and determination in the four-week tournament so far. The girls have developed their skills and understanding of the sport and continue to improve each week. They have scored a number of tries over their four games and continue to push their opponents in each and every game. We look forward to their next set of games this coming Monday.

Volleyball

The Year 10 boys played their final matches of the season on Wednesday night. They played brilliantly in their first game beating Kaipara 2 sets to 0. In their final match, the boys pushed Kristin to a deciding third set, eventually going down in a very exciting game! The Year 9 boys closed out their first season together with losses against Kaipara (in the third set) and Hobsonville Point Secondary School in two close sets. Well done to both teams who have greatly improved over the last five weeks.



2020 Glenfield College House Comp - Final Results

4th Place - Oruamo -12476 Points

3rd Place - Mayfield -13075 Points

2nd Place - Kaipatiki -13845 Points

2020 House Shield Winners

Tauhinu - 16129 Points

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TERM DATES

TERM 3 MONDAY, 20 JULY TO
FRIDAY, 25 SEPTEMBER

TERM 4 MONDAY, 12 OCTOBER TO
WEDNESDAY, 9 DECEMBER

Kaipatiki Local Youth Board



WANT TO SUPPORT
THE KAIPATIKI
STUDENTS OF 2021?



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16 November - 9 December 2020

Kaipatiki Local Youth Board



Stationary Drive

What is this initiative?

The Kaipatiki Student Stationery Drive is an initiative whereby the students in our community of Kaipatiki donate unused or partially used stationary to be placed into packets made up by the Kaipatiki Local Youth Board. These packets will then be redistributed into the three highschools of Glenfield, Northcote, and Bikenhead College to support 2021 students who are unable to afford these items for the coming year.

Why are we doing it?

Many students are currently facing hardships across the country, especially in the wake of the Covid-19 epidemic. And this is no different in our community of Kaipatiki. And while stationery is a small aspect of a youths' day to day, it does have a big impact on their potential to succeed. Because the longer students go without, the easier making decisions like dropping out become. So we wanted to foster an initiative where Kaipatiki students are supporting Kaipatiki students.

How can you help?

The best thing you can do to help is by donating. You might be completing your last exam of the year or your last NCEA exam ever. So, consider donating what you don't need, and leave your mark!



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Exam Jitters

"Balance is key when it comes to getting the most out of the brain. Students need to take responsibility for when to study and when to socialise."

Dr Michael Carr-Gregg



It is that time of year that all students feel the pressure from examinations. Whether it is the build up to external NCEA exams for Years 11 – 13, or the pressure of end of year exams for Year 9 and 10. A recent parenting survey found that many parents believe their child experiences some form of stress at every stage of schooling (<https://www.nib.co.nz/free-resources/article/dealing-with-your-childs-anxiety-around-exam-time>).

There are many ways to help relieve this pressure and they are covered in the many articles and videos on schooltv (<https://gc.nz.schooltv.me/channel-newsletter/9342>).

Topics covered include:

- How can students de-stress before exams?
- What can parents do to help their kids?
- What can students do the night before an exam?



Other areas that you can get help (not limited to) are:

The Parenting Place (<https://www.theparentingplace.com/school-learning/exam-pressure/>)

Generation Next (<https://www.generationnext.com.au/2016/10/practical-tips-parents-support-child-exams/>)

Study Time (<https://studytime.co.nz/studyadvice/dealing-with-exam-anxiety/>)

Young Minds (<https://youngminds.org.uk/find-help/for-parents/parents-guide-to-support-a-z/parents-guide-to-support-exam-time/>)

NHS (<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/stress-anxiety-depression/coping-with-exam-stress/>)

As well as all these practical tips, Glenfield College students need to take advantage of the help and assistance the staff can give. This can be in the form of their subject teacher or attending Learning Hub in the library.

A quick video about study tips:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=p6OrN9JEapg>

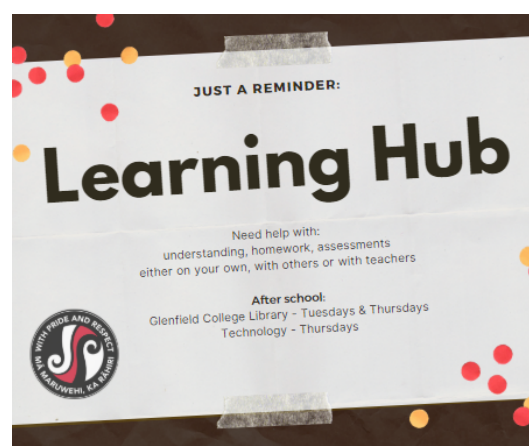


It is a tough time of the year for all and with help the students will get through.

Northern Jobs and Skills Hub



Northern Jobs and Skills Hub works with education providers, schools and businesses to help local people get into these jobs. For jobseekers, the Hub offers free services like CV writing, job interview training, advice on training, certifications and career guidance. For employers, the Hub helps businesses find the right people at the right time from the local community, and upskill workers through training. Pictured above is Laura from Northern Job and Skills Hub working with some of our senior students on improving their knowledge of employability skills before moving into the part-time or full-time workforce. The Hub is located on the corner of Glenfield Road and Kaipatiki Road.





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