

School Newsletter Week 9, Term 4, 2020.

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Farewell Message from Graeme King, Retiring Deputy Principal

It is with great pride and respect that I say my final farewells to Glenfield College having taught here for 34 years and having been a member of the Senior Leadership Team for nearly 20 years. I am now teaching the sons and daughters of students I taught when I first came to Glenfield in 1986 and some of them are now my colleagues. I need to leave before I am teaching their grandchildren. Glenfield College has always had a family feel, small enough so every student matters and is known to staff but large enough to offer the full range of subjects, cultural and sporting activities. I am proud of the quality of our teaching and support staff. They are capable professionals who have gone the extra distance during this Covid-19 year and have shown great resilience in getting so many



senior students over the line to achieve academic success while still caring for the wellbeing of the students.

I would like to thank the Glenfield College Board for their support over the years and I have great respect for the governance and commitment to make improvements shown by the current Board. I would also like to thank Mr Paul McKinley and the other members of the Senior Leadership Team for all their support. I look forward to seeing the implementation of the new strategic plan with its three elements: namely Hauora, Creating a Dynamic Learner and Student Success.



I would like to remind the Glenfield Community what Glenfield College stands for. The Glenfield Way is part of our everyday life and language. The eight values of Resilience, Pride, Respect, Self-managing, Aspirational, Integrity, Service and Adventurous are a pathway that students can follow to find success and be well prepared to contribute to society in the future.

I would encourage all students to take advantage of the

wonderful opportunities Glenfield College offers like the recent junior camp and Duke of Edinburgh trips, as well as other extra-curricular activities such as the choir and kapa haka.

Some highlights for me this year have been the Year 13 Leavers Dinner and working with their Dean, Miss Gray, the



revamped House competition led by Ms Smith, the moving performance of the Kapa Haka group on Mt Victoria in the dark, looking across at the lights of Auckland City, and finally my send-off in Senior Prize-giving. Having completed 45 years in the teaching service, I am looking forward to having more time for sailing, hopefully, some overseas travel and in the future grandchildren. I am sure it will also include working with young people in some capacity. I would like to take this opportunity to wish the staff, students and whānau the compliments of the season and to make sure they stay safe and return to school in 2021 ready to face the challenges and celebrate the successes in the new year.

With Pride and Respect Mā Maruwehi, Ka Rāhiri

Mr Graeme King

Deputy Principal





Bruce and Evorie Charles are retiring after a combined 48 years of service. Bruce was always a strong advocate for his students and taught them many skills. Evorie will be remembered for her kind and caring nature as she assisted in the Student Centre which would later be called the Student Wellbeing Centre. Both couples were presented with a special painting during their farewell party on Monday evening which held fond memories for them all.

Junior Prize-giving

On Wednesday morning the Junior school celebrated an excellent 2020 year where a lot has been achieved. 2020 Head Girl, Selena Timmins and Head Boy, Karl Amponin shared reflections on their years at Glenfield College. The school really appreciated the strong turnout of parents and whanau as they celebrated the successes of their children as they came across the stage.

Special congratulations to:

Tom Chapman: First place in Year 9

Sue Park: Principal's Award for All Round Excellence in Year 9

Luke Oborn: Junior Dux

Rebekah Freestone: Principal's Award for All Round Excellence in Year 10









TERM DATES 2021 TERM 1 Wednesday, 3 February (Day 1) to Friday, 16 April TERM 2 Monday, 3 May to Friday, 9 July TERM 3 Monday, 26 July to Friday, 1 October TERM 4 Monday, 18 October to Tuesday, 14 December

Auckland Council Draft Glenfield Plan





On Tuesday 1st December, the Auckland Council sent a team to the College to provide feedback to Year 9 and 10 students on how their ideas have been included in, and guided, the Council's draft Glenfield Plan. Students were then asked to provide further thoughts on what was included and add specific details before the draft is signed off on and finalised. It was great to see how passionate many of our students are about the Glenfield area, and to hear how they would like to see it develop over the next 30 years.

Duke of Edinburgh Bronze and Silver Awards



Last Friday, 35 students headed out to complete their Duke of Edinburgh Bronze and Silver Awards at The Pinnacles in the Coromandel. For one night they worked on achieving Bronze and spent two nights achieving Silver. Duke of Edinburgh teaches students to take part in community service, to participate in sports, learn a skill and complete an adventurous journey teaching them life lessons. It is internationally recognised by employers and it stands out on an individual's CV as it demonstrates a well-rounded student. Besides being an educational event, students also interact with a variety of other students from different backgrounds, building trustful bonds with peers. This award will be available to all students in Years 10 to 13 in 2021. Please follow this link to see a video from the camp: https://youtu.be/HvF9Vfab-0Y

Gateway Successes





CAREERS DEPARTMENT

- The Gateway programme is an option available to Year 12 and 13 students.
- It is designed to strengthen the pathway from school to work, whilst supporting the students as they
 undertake learning in the workplace.
- Gateway is a programme initiated and funded by the Tertiary Education Commission (TEC).
- It offers students the opportunity to experience workplace learning in an industry of their choice, gaining new skills and knowledge and pursuing individual learning plans to gain unit standards that contribute to the National Certificate of Educational Achievement (NCEA).

This is an exciting opportunity for students to get a taste of an industry or sector they are interested in and to express what they would like to pursue as their chosen career in the future.

Students interested in the Gateway work experience programme must email Mrs Foolchand (Gateway Co-ordinator) or Mr Tod (Careers Advisor)

r.foolchand@gc.ac.nz or a.tod@gc.ac.nz

2020 Yearbook



For a preview of the yearbook, please follow this link: https://www.flipbookpdf.net/web/site/
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Expression of Interest - Whānau Class 2021

If you are wanting to be a member of the Whānau Class for 2021, please collect an application form from Staff Bickford. There is criteria to join the Whānau Class; students are expected to know their pepeha and have a desire to connect to Te Ao Māori. An interview process will take place to choose successful candidates, due to limited spaces available.

Relay for Life 2021



We are very excited to announce the date for Relay for Life in 2021. The event is happening on 13th March 2021 at AUT Millennium. Relay For Life is an overnight walking event that brings teams of friends, work colleagues and families together in a fun, carnival-like atmosphere to fundraise for the Cancer Society. It is a time to celebrate and remember loved ones affected by cancer - and to fight back by raising awareness and funds. If you would like to be part of the team from Glenfield College taking part in the event and helping fundraise for the Cancer Society you can sign up on the website using this link: https://aucklandnorthshore.relayforlife.org.nz/ Create a profile using your school email. Join the Glenfield College team page. There is no fee to join, use the promo code GCNORTH. If you have any questions, please email Miss O'Hara (s.ohara@gc.ac.nz)



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Waterpolo

The Junior Mixed Waterpolo Team played in their semi-finals They played Northcote and narrowly lost 8-6, it was a very close game and the team fought all the way to the end with some outstanding performances from Micha Hall and Samuel Legg. All the staff have been so proud of the teams' commitment and resilience throughout a turbulent sporting year and we look forward to seeing the team grow in 2021. We wish Northcote all the best in the final next week.



On Tuesday afternoon our Year 9 and 10 students enjoyed an afternoon of sports activities on the fields. These included the Spinning Gumboot Throw, Crab Soccer and an Obstacle Course. Thanks to the staff involved in making this such an enjoyable afternoon.





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Kaipatiki Local Youth Board



Stationary Drive

What is this innitative?

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 stationaryis 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 innitiative 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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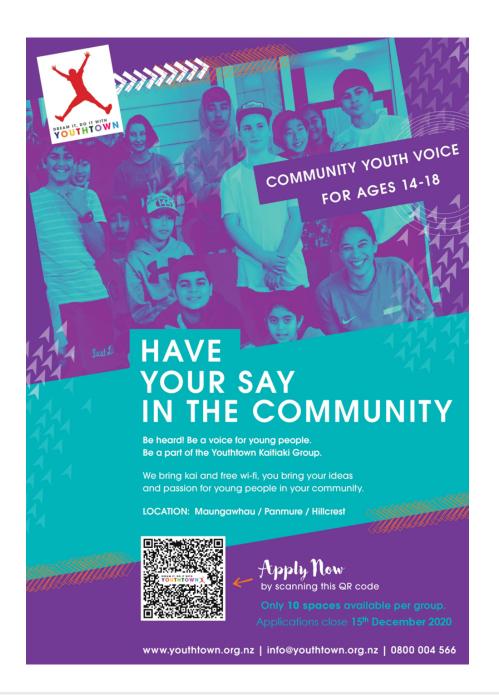
During the upcoming NCEA examinations, the Kaipatiki Local Youth Board will be running a stationery drive. The donation boxes will be in the SWC for the remainder of the school year. They will be accepting new or partially used stationery donations from any student via a donation box. The stationery drive will run across the three Kaipatiki highschools of Glenfield, Northcote, and Birkenhead College. This initiative was proposed as a way of supporting many students in our community of Kaipatiki in the upcoming 2021 school year in response to the need seen from the Covid-19 epidemic. They hope to encourage students who might have completed their last NCEA examinations for the year or who might not have any need for certain items to ensure another student can benefit. Once donations are received, the youth board will sort them into packets and redistribute them to students in need.













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