

**GLENFIELD
COLLEGE**



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A photograph of two students, a young man and a young woman, sitting on a red and patterned ottoman in a library. They are both wearing Glenfield College uniforms, which include a black blazer with red vertical stripes, a white shirt, and a striped tie. The young man is on the left, and the young woman is on the right. They are both smiling at the camera. The background is filled with bookshelves. A red curved line is at the bottom of the image.

welcome

about us

Glenfield College has successfully served the community since 1969. As a school, we have high expectations of our students in the areas of academics, sport, cultural activities and service. Our co-educational college of 500 students offers the warmth, encouragement and intimacy of a small school.

Glenfield College has a focus on preparing our students for future opportunities in the tertiary education sector and in all vocational areas, including commerce, service industries and professions. The school's results in University Entrance sit well above the decile and national norms, thus endorsing our academic approach.

Parents and caregivers are welcome at our school. Please do not hesitate to call us on any matter concerning your child's education. We also appreciate and welcome offers of help in coaching and managing sport, as well as participation in other areas of school life.

I am proud to be the seventh principal of this fine school. It is a positive, caring place where students can maximise their potential and achieve anything.

Paul McKinley
Principal



Glenfield College is a secondary school situated in Glenfield on the North Shore of Auckland, New Zealand's largest city. Since our foundation in 1969, we have established a strong academic tradition which we proudly maintain today, while catering for the wider needs of students from a variety of backgrounds. Our students primarily come from the immediate community, although some students come from the wider metropolitan Auckland.

Students enjoy superb grounds, set in a valley surrounded by bush, fine buildings, including a modern library, specialist areas for technology, art and music and the Kaipatiki Theatre, a facility which is also widely used by community groups. There are all-weather tennis/netball courts, generous playing fields, a fitness centre and a large gymnasium.

Students at our school have the advantage of studying with a student body that reflects a true cross-section of the ethnic mix of Auckland.

International students are welcome at our school and the current international student body includes fee-paying students from all over the world. Accommodation may be with an approved relative or close family friend, or an approved local homestay organised by our school.

Our school offers all students the opportunity to become contributing citizens who will thrive in the 21st century. We enable all students to recognise the importance of such values as pride, respect, self-management, aspiration, integrity, service and adventure. We call this The Glenfield Way.

We give priority to academic success, with an expectation that students achieve to their potential. We recognise the importance of a balanced education and we provide opportunities for involvement in a wide range of activities.



**belong
strive
succeed**

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It is always a personal choice selecting a college most suited to your teenager and as a parent, sometimes making this decision can be difficult. Our Principal, Mr McKinley, is totally invested in Glenfield College and all of the students. He has genuinely made a positive impact over the last four years and the school's results are outstanding.

My advice to you is to go along and visit Glenfield College and have a look for yourself. You definitely won't be disappointed!!

Donna Kahaki, Parent and BOT Chairperson

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GLENFIELD



KAIPATIKI THEATRE



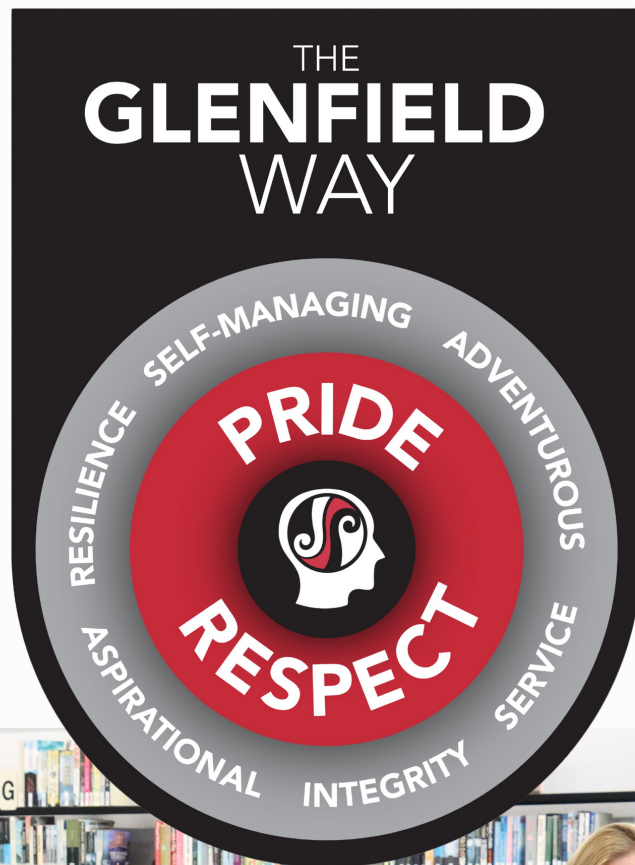


The Glenfield Way

Our promise:

To provide excellent teaching and a positive, inspiring and inclusive school experience which empowers our students to be passionate about learning, to believe in themselves and to grow into mature adults who have embedded the Glenfield Way into their life.

The Glenfield Way is based on respect for others and the dignity of the individual, ensuring that all members of the school community have both rights and responsibilities as part of the Glenfield community.



a culture of caring

We pride ourselves on providing an emotionally safe learning environment for students. Form teachers, mentors, deans and senior leaders take an active role in the students' pastoral care. ERO recently commended the college on having:

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a positive learning environment built on restorative practices, inclusion, respect and appreciation of diversity.

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Many senior students have taken the opportunity to become involved in peer support, mediation roles and other leadership opportunities.

Our commitment to pastoral care and the wellbeing of our staff and students is strong. In our newly established Student Wellbeing Centre, students have access to deans, a guidance counsellor, careers advisor, physiotherapist and our medical officer.



school spirit



house competition

Glenfield College's House Competition plays an important role within the school. It helps to develop house spirit, provides opportunities for leadership for senior students and presents all students with an opportunity to contribute to the success of their house.

There are four Houses - Kaipatiki, Mayfield, Oruamo and Tauhinu. Students are placed in a house in Year 9 and stay in this house for the five years they are at school. Throughout each year there are a variety of activities, from sport to music to academics, that students can be involved in.



**The House Competition
is an important part of life
at Glenfield College.
It is fun, competitive
and creates a
sense of community.**

Yuting, Year 13







We offer a top quality education to all our students covering the essential learning areas. Students are encouraged to achieve personal excellence by studying subjects in-depth to expand their knowledge, understanding and skills in a wide range of subjects. Our timetable is structured in a way that allows senior students to study subjects at varying levels in the same year.

junior school

In years 9 & 10, our junior programme offers students a balanced range of subjects across the New Zealand Curriculum. Core junior subjects are English, Mathematics, Science, Social Science, Health & Physical Education.

Students in Year 9 also study Digital Citizenship and complete a taster course in Te Reo Maori, which they can choose to continue. Year 9 students choose to study two technology subjects (Food, Hard Materials or Textiles) and two art subjects (Visual Art, Dance, Drama or Music).

Students in Year 10 can choose four elective subjects, in addition to their core subjects.

senior school

Our school guides students' entry into courses according to their achievement and learning needs. Our timetable allows students to choose six options from a wide range of subjects, at multiple levels if required. Students in the senior school study towards the National Certificate of Achievement (NCEA) at three levels. Students gain credits towards their goals by achieving the required standards within each subject.

Students in Level 1 must study English and Mathematics, in addition to their option subjects. It is also recommended they study Science.

In Level 2, students study six subjects. It is strongly recommended that English is one of these subjects.

Students in Level 3 study five subjects. Capable students are actively encouraged to sit the NZQA Scholarship examinations.





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At Glenfield, our teachers go
above and beyond
to meet the needs
of all students,
ensuring their teaching is
top notch and
providing a learning
environment
for students
to excel and succeed.

Zane, Year 13

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curriculum

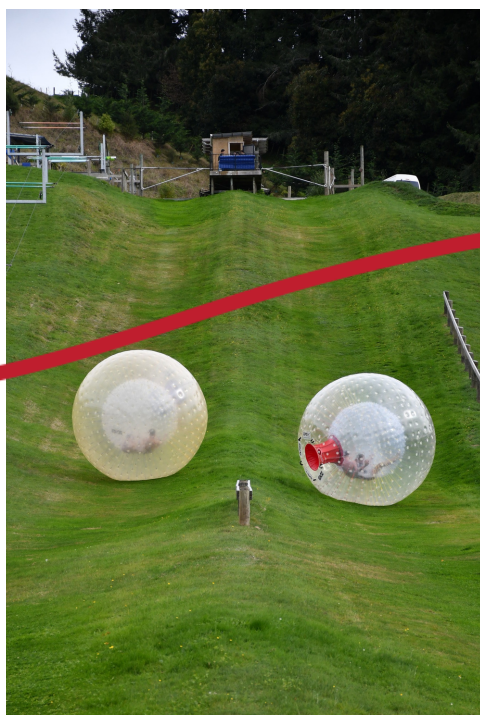


education outside the classroom

Outdoor education is also a co-curricular activity that is instrumental in providing a holistic education for our students. The Duke of Edinburgh programme is provided for students to help with their overall development and understanding of the importance of service. Further outdoor education experiences include mountain biking, windsurfing and kayaking.

Our Junior School Programme includes an annual Year 9 & 10 camp. While in Senior School, an opportunity is given to students to attend the Sir Edmund Hillary Outdoor Pursuits Centre where they are able to explore and grow their adventurous spirits.

eotc



Our school has a proud tradition of performance and achievement in the Arts and is fortunate to have the superb facilities of the Kaipatiki Theatre.

Students are encouraged to develop to their potential. All performing arts subjects are recognised University Entrance subjects with the ability to study to scholarship level in Dance, Drama and Music. There are an impressive number of former students who have experienced success in the Arts at Glenfield College, including Craig Parker, Jodi Rimmer, Dale Corlett, Damon Andrews, Paul Glover, Dave Gibson (ElemenoP) and Michael Hallows.

Dance and drama productions, as well as music and cultural performances are a highlight of the Glenfield College year and students at all year levels are encouraged to be involved.

Students also participate in a number of co-curricular performing arts projects and regularly attend workshops to further develop their potential.

performing arts



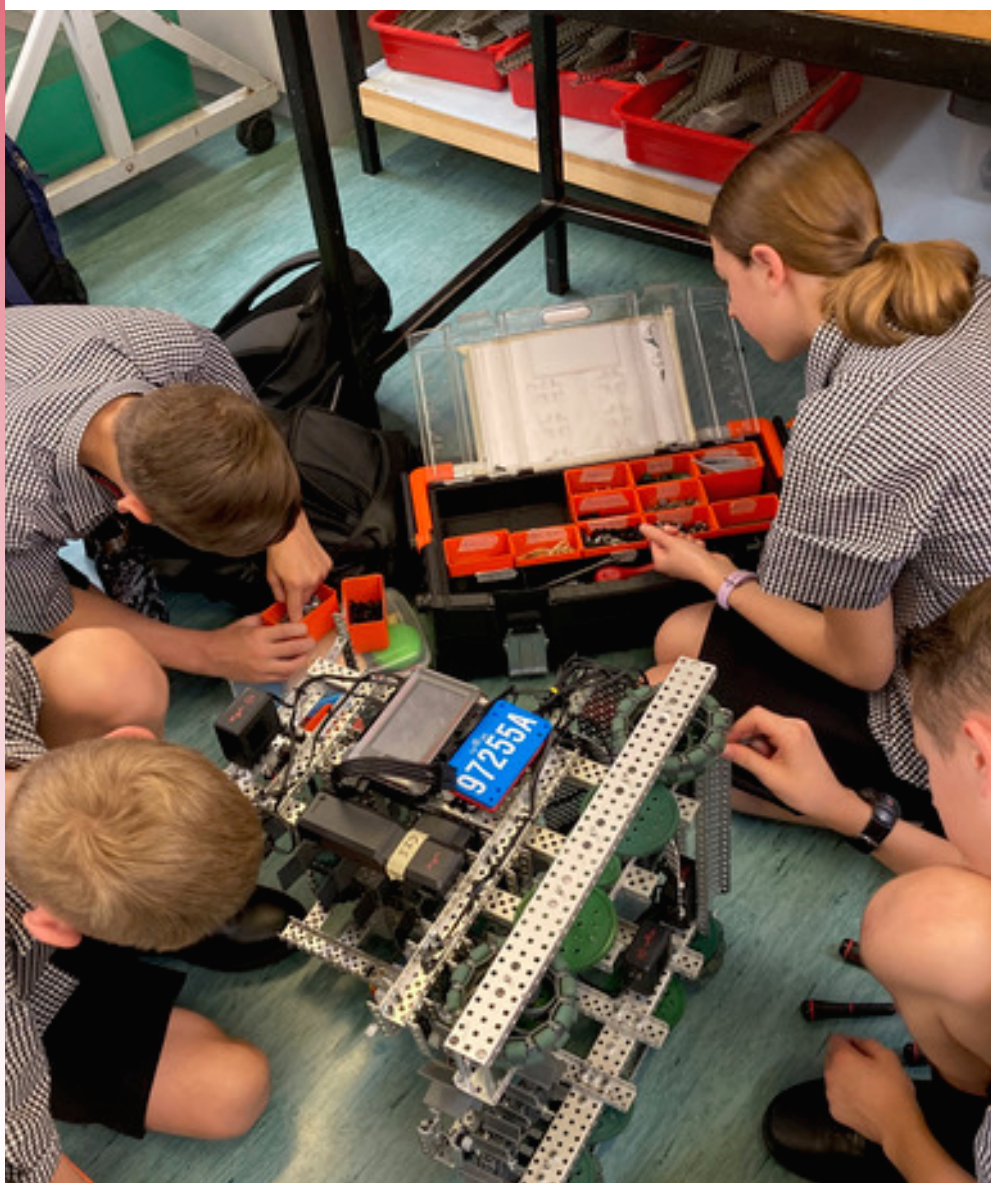


special programmes

robotics

This programme is another initiative to meet the needs of creative lateral thinkers who use computer programming, along with their design and build skills, to make robots. Students create teams to compete against other schools, both in New Zealand and overseas. In 2013 and 2015 Glenfield College were New Zealand champions and in 2015, world champions. At this time, Mr David Aston (Head of Science) was presented with the VEX Teacher of the Year Award at the Vex Robotics World Championships in Louisville, Kentucky, USA.

This was the ultimate award for teachers and gave him immediate entry into the VEX STEM Hall of Fame. This was the first time the award was presented to a teacher outside of the United States and Canada.





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**The Services Academy
has helped me
to gain skills such as
commitment, comradeship,
integrity and courage.
I can use these valuable skills
in the classroom, on the sports
field and in everyday life.**

Shayna Yr 13

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mentoring

Every student at Glenfield College has an academic mentor. This will typically be the student's form teacher. The mentor oversees the academic progress of the student by collating all relevant achievement information and liaising with key adults (teachers and parents/caregivers). The mentor provides support to ensure the student makes the best possible progress. The mentor is there to provide advice and guidance throughout the year. Our results have shown that the mentor/student relationship is a key factor in student success and we will continually look at refining the relationship.

services academy

This programme in our senior school is aimed at significantly improving the cadets' self-discipline, physical fitness, literacy and numeracy skills, as well as life-skills. It is hoped that many graduates of this programme will be recruited into the Defence Force. The programme is part of our school's curriculum and the cadets will be working independently of other courses in the school. The Academy spends about half its time on physical fitness and half on a tailored programme for each individual student to work towards achieving an appropriate NCEA qualification.

learning support

The purpose of the Learning Support Programme is to provide secondary education for students who have particular needs which cannot be fully met in a mainstream class. The programme provides for individual and small-group teaching. The emphasis is on personal development and successful transition to employment and independent living. The student's time in the Learning Support programme includes classroom, specialist and life skills programmes.







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**The vision of sport at
Glenfield College is to
ensure the love of the
game is never-ending.
Sport is the glue that
holds the school
together.**

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Glenfield College plays a significant role in both North Harbour and the Auckland sporting scene, participating in local and regional competitions.

The involvement of teachers and parents ensures that all teams and activities are well-organised, supervised and successfully run.

Students are encouraged to participate in at least one sport each year. Glenfield College values sport as a means of developing one's character and having a life-long interest in health.

Sports we offer include: archery, badminton, basketball, football, hockey, netball, rugby, softball, table tennis, tennis, volleyball and waterpolo.

sport





At Glenfield College we encourage our students to look outside of themselves and see how they can be of service to others.

Each year our students take part in Relay For Life, a charity event that raises funds for the Cancer Society.

As part of this event, students hold fundraisers including quiz nights, bake sales, mufti-days etc.

To serve others before yourself is arguably one of the greatest things an individual can do.

Glenfield College has developed this focus as a school-wide initiative that is constantly reinforced throughout the year.

service



Junior and senior students are given many opportunities to move outside of their comfort zones and participate in events such as the annual Glenfield Community ANZAC Day Ceremony, musical performances at the local rest home and shopping centre, volunteering with our on-site satellite schools, Envirogroup, Peer Support Leaders, volunteer work with the local Lions Foundation, and more.

A school's purpose is to serve its community and through service and serving others, we are building young people who can contribute to society now and when they leave school.



uniform



Our uniform is available for purchase at New Zealand Uniforms, either online or in-store. Each student requires full junior or senior uniform, a House t-shirt, PE uniform and there are optional extras such as supporters hoodies (although these are not to be worn in school).

enrolment

Students who live in areas surrounding the college are entitled to attend here. As we do not have an official zone, we are also able to accept students who live further afield, provided they can arrive at school on time each day.

Our open evening is run annually prior to enrolments opening for the following year. See our website for details of this.

Enrolment applications at any year level should be submitted online.

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If you have further questions about the school you are able to book a time to meet our Principal by calling the school office on 09 444 9066.





