

School Newsletter Week 5, Term 2, 2022.

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Message from the Principal

O lupe sa vao ese'ese, ae ua fuifui faatasi – We are from different parts of the forest but connected in one cause.

Talofa lava

As we come to the end of Samoan Language Week, I encourage you all to reflect on the proverb above. This morning we farewelled four university teaching graduates and I asked them to share what they had learned from their nine weeks at Glenfield College. All of their responses centred on how unique and special the staff and students are. It is important to recognise and celebrate the diversity of our community as we all strive for the same goal – for our students to fulfil their potential and contribute to society.

Over the last week, I was fortunate to attend the annual Secondary Principals of NZ (SPANZ) conference where we discussed key topics and issues facing the youth of today. While there are many, I was heartened by being able to share how well our school is progressing in all areas of school life. Attendance is continuing to return to previous norms, student engagement in the classroom is strong, the House Competition is ramping up, Performing Arts is being seen in the community and winter sport is thriving. All of these areas help with everyone's Hauora and sense of wellbeing.

It is important we continue to build on these small steps and build some momentum as we approach the second half of the year.

Have a great long weekend.





Glenfield College Whakatauki



Please click here to see the Glenfield College Whakatauki site.

Cultural Week Celebrated



Tālofa lava! O lenei vaiaso na faamanatuina ai le vaiaso o le gagana samoa i totonu o le tatou kolisi faakatasi ma le kolisi o BC. Na faataunuuina faafiafiaaga faasamoa e faamanatu ai le 60 tausaga talu ona tu toatasi Samoa.

This week is Samoan Language week and, together with Birkenhead College, Samoan students have been doing cultural performances to acknowledge our culture and to celebrate 60 years since Samoa became independent.

Fa'afetai!

Written by Jean Faatui - Year 13 student.

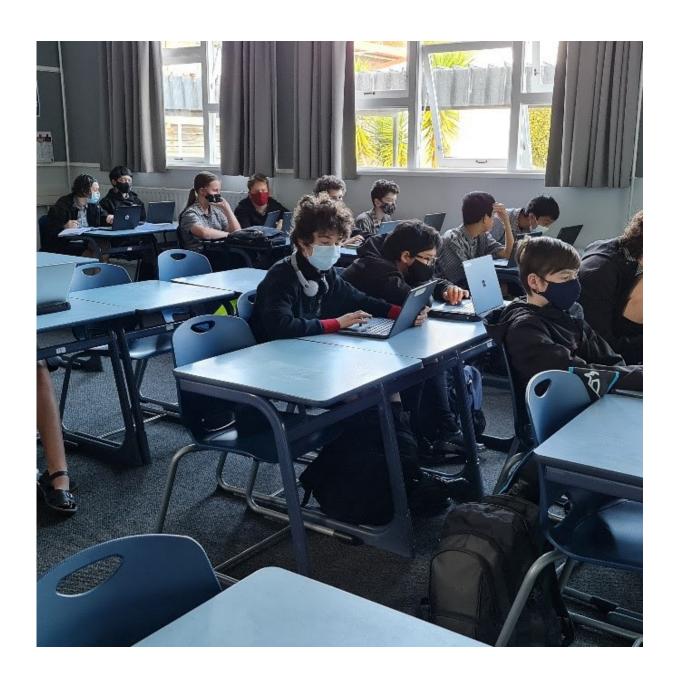
YES Pitch Success



On Friday 27 May, Year 13 Business Studies students presented their business pitch for their company Mochilicious at the Young Enterprise event at Shore Junction. They had a fabulous time and worked



Mentoring Day



On Wednesday 25 May, senior students and their whānau were engaged in conversations with their mentors in order to set goals and help raise academic achievement for the current year. Whilst this took place, junior students undertook a varied programme of workshops. Year 9 and 10 students took part in various learning challenges. They competed in a MathEx challenge that involved mathematics problem-solving in a race environment, learned about P.E.E.L. paragraphs for literacy and were upskilled in digital technology by an outside agency who came into school to give specialised training. The Year 10 students also learned how to play handball. The students were engaged in the various tasks and their collaborative problem-solving skills were highlighted throughout the day.

Combined Geography/History Trip North



From 22-24th May, the combined Geography and History trip to the Bay of Islands took place. 33 students and four staff had a fantastic time learning about the history of this significant location in Aotearoa's history. Students visited the Treaty grounds at Waitangi and learned about Te Tiriti o Waitangi and its implications in modern-day NZ. They also visited other sites such as Pompallier House and Christ's Church in Russell. In addition to this, the students went on the Hole in the Rock tour and learned about the marine environment around the Bay of Islands. A big thank you goes to Mrs Cleaver and Dr Daniel Hikuroa for helping out and adding to the amazing experience the students had. Please click here to see more photos.



Pink Shirt Day



Friday, 21 May, was Pink Shirt Day with proceeds going to the Mental Health Foundation. We raised a total of \$120.40. Well done to everyone who got involved for this worthy cause.



Music Performance at Glenfield Library



On Saturday, 21 May, six of our musicians performed at the Glenfield Library to celebrate NZ Music Month. They were great ambassadors of the school values and their efforts were highly appreciated by the library-goers. Well done to the following students for their fantastic performances: Cris Escandor, Uma Lee, Karlos Angyang, Jave Lafuente, Tom Chapman & Rose Oborn.





On Thursday 19 May, 10 students from Year 10 went on the Spirit of Adventure to compete in a trophy voyage for five days. While away, all students took part in a variety of challenges and experiences which included tying knots, sailing the ship, raft races, waking up at 6:30am to jump into the cold water & watching dolphins. All students had a fantastic time and learned some very valuable skills that will stay with them for life. Please click here to see more photos from the trip.



College Sport Cross Country North Western Zone



On Tuesday 17 May, the grey and gloomy skies lingering over Massey's Moire Park certainly did not reflect the buoyant mood of the Glenfield College distance running squad. It was the team's first appearance at the North Western Zone Cross Country event and it will definitely not be their last.

All of the students showed tremendous resilience, especially after being a bit overwhelmed on arrival at the event where one boy stated, "Miss, Westlake has brought like our whole school here!" He was quickly reassured that the best things come in small packages. During our team talk we established that while we may not be the fastest team on the day, we could surely be the loudest, most supportive and most encouraging team – and that we were.

The shouting and cheering was at its loudest during Marius Nuttney's sensational sprint at the finish line. He mowed down a Northcote rival in the last 200m, eventually beating him by 0.2 of a second. The exuberance continued when our very own James Newland and Sam Legg battled it out in another sprint at the end, with James triumphing by just 0.9 of a second.

Leading by example was Deputy Head Boy, Xavier Wetere, who without a doubt displayed the loudest voice of the day. He helped a new friend to the finish line and was humbled by students from other schools thanking him for his support.

At the prize giving our Intermediate Boys received a well-deserved second place for the six-man-team category, which just topped off an already rewarding and fulfilling day.

We'll certainly be back next year, hopefully with blue skies and sunshine beating down and even more of the Glenfield College whānau taking to the track.

Junior Girls (3km)

- Tiana Davis 54th place
- Ané Smit 55th place

Junior Boys (4km)

• Jacob Freestone 26th place (3:48 min/km!)

Intermediate Boys (5km) - second place 6-man-team for Intermediate Boys

- Travis Atkinson 43rd place
- Marius Nuttney 45th place
- James Newland 47th place
- Samuel Legg 48th place
- Hayden Legg 50th place
- Joryll Luna 51st place

Senior Girls (4km)

• Harika Konakanchi 9th place

Senior Boys (6km)

- Henry Croft 12th place
- Xavier Wetere 19th place

Please click here to see more pictures.

Athletics Day & Cross Country Winners

Congratulations to the winners of the recent Athletics Day & Cross Country competitions.



Back row: Psalm Kerehoma, Dylan Ravji, Braeden Fisher, Ty Davis-Hovell, Deaven Pugh, Henry Croft
Second row: Jacob Freestone, Rebekah Freestone, Savanna Du Plessis, Serena Gazzard, Eli Palmer
Front row: Ellen Kirkland, Karly Lind, Bella Battye, Tiana Davis, Stephan Swanepoel.



Back row: Sienna Hunter, James Newland, Micha Hall, Henry Croft, Mitchell Atkinson, Eric Choi Third row: Joryll Luna, Marius Nuttney, Rebekah Freestone, Ashton Nizetich, Hani Mohammed Second row: Travis Atkinson, Jacob Freestone, Hayden Legg, Mikayla Manukau-Mailata Front row: Dylan Nixon, Callum Seth, Tiana Davis, Jesiline Sinoj, Ashiline Sinoj.

Cross Country Result Correction

Please note the correct results for the Year 10 Girls:

1st Mikayla Manukau-Mailata 12.20

2nd Zoe Croft 13.47

3rd Nakansha Nehal 14.43

Mother's Day Breakfast



On Friday 9 May, Glenfield College celebrated the role that mothers and significant female role models play in the lives of our youth at our annual Mother's Day Breakfast. It was fantastic to host so many grandmothers, mothers and students. Guest speaker, Belinda Tafua, spoke about her life experiences, the importance of female role models and personal memories of her own mother.

Special thanks must go to everyone who worked so hard behind the scenes to make this event possible – Mr Luke Gardner & the Prefect team, as well as Ann McLachlan, Julie Kilroy (photos) and Rena Foolchand (table flower arrangements). Please click here to see more photos from the breakfast.

New Staff Member Welcomed



Justine Keating joins Glenfield College as a Teacher Aide in the Learning Support Centre. She is looking forward to working with the students and staff at Glenfield College.

Gateway Success at Mitre 10



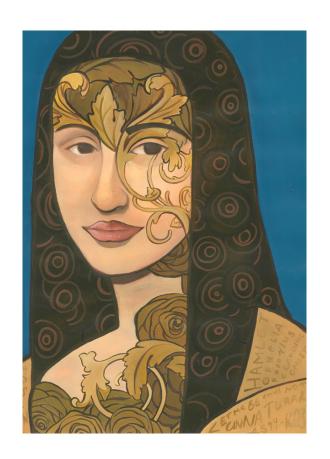






During Term 2, 10 of our students took part in a Gateway placement at Mitre 10 in Albany. During their time at Mitre 10 they learnt multiple skills and represented Glenfield College very well. The students involved in this placement were Armah Churcher-Gill, Scar Kennedy, Christopher Smit, Tamati Davis, Mason Hillis, Lionel Moen, Joshua Freeman, Simoné Erasmus, Ashton Murray & Psalm Kerehoma.

Artwork of the Week





Sue Park - Year 11 student

Yasmine Atkinson - Year 11 student





Covid Information

The well-being of our students and staff is very important to us. We are aware that along with Covid, the winter bugs are also doing the rounds. If your child has returned to school post-illness but still has a leftover symptom, could we ask that they wear a mask to protect the health of those around them. Please note that although masks are no longer mandated in schools we are still highly recommending, encouraging and supporting students to do so.

Please follow these links to access the online forms for reporting of covid-related absences.

Positive Covid Case - please click here

Household Contact - please click here



Return of International Students Homestay Families Required

With the upcoming change to New Zealand border restrictions, we are excited to welcome International Students back to Glenfield College from Term 3, 2022.

We are looking to expand our pool of homestay families for both long-term and short-term placements. Homestay families play a vital role in our International Student programme, helping our students to feel at home during their stay and to make the most of their time in New Zealand. Hosting an international student can be a very rewarding experience and is a great way to learn about another culture.

We are excited to be welcoming a male student from Italy and two male students from Japan who will be attending Glenfield College for one term only. If you are interested in hosting one of these students, please complete this form: https://lpsh.secure.force.com/HostFamilyApplicationForm and a staff member will be in contact with you.

School Communications

Please ensure we have up-to-date contact details. You can do this by updating them on the Parent Portal, or by sending us an email admin@gc.ac.nz.

Please keep up to date with College events via our online calendar below. This will be updated as information comes to hand.

If you have any questions about our College communication, please feel free to contact me at admin@gc.ac.nz.

Upcoming Dates to Note

6 June - Queens Birthday - School Closed 8 June - Year 9 & 10 Parent/Teacher Evening 24 June - Matariki Public Holiday - School Closed 27 June - CoL Conference - School Closed 8 July - End of Term 2 - 12.30pm finish 25 July - Start of Term 3 - Day 6 27 July - Wairau Intermediate Visit

28 July - Glenfield Intermediate Visit 2 August - Whanau Hui - 6.30pm - Wharekai 3 August - Open Evening



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