
School Newsletter Week 6, Term 1, 2023.

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Message from the Principal

Nā koutou i tangi, nā tātau katoa

When you cry, your tears are shed by us all

During this most challenging of weeks, the school and community aroha and prayers go out to the Tasi family who have been associated with Glenfield College for a number of years.

The College has settled down well after a difficult start to the year with floods and a cyclone. It is hard to believe that on Monday we only have four weeks left of the Term.

Since our last newsletter, there have been significant events that have highlighted the school culture of growth mindset and building on the successes of the last few years. The combined Honours/Leadership Ceremony saw almost 700 people in attendance with our greatest number of whānau wanting to be there to see their children receive badges and certificates.


School trips are coming to the fore and we wish Ms Buddle and Mr Dove all the very best as they reintroduce the well-trodden Tongariro Crossing that has been tackled by many previous Glenfield College Geography students.

Sports teams are continuing to represent the school with real pride and I would encourage you all to visit Glenfield College on Instagram ([glenfieldcollegeofficial](#) and [glenfieldcollegesport](#)) to see all the videos and highlights.

Athletics Day was a real success this year. Special thanks goes to the PE Department for their organisation of this day and staff as a whole for making it enjoyable for all those that participated. We wish our athletes who are competing at the North Harbour Zone Athletics Day next week all the very best.

All students will now well and truly be in assessment mode and completing assignments as they will have deadlines to meet. Please remind your students about the “Learning Hub” service we provide in the Library every Tuesday and Thursday after school where students and staff provide tutoring as required.

Paul McKinley
Principal



Upcoming Date to Note
16 March - PPTA Strike Day
School Closed



New Staff Welcomed



Kirstin Turner - Teacher Aide

I'm Kirstin Turner and I've been part of the Glenfield community for about 15 years. I'm a primary-trained teacher with 20+ years of experience in various roles. Most recently I've had a variety of roles at Manuka Primary. Glenfield College is an exciting opportunity for me to extend myself and learn new skills.

I am looking forward to working with past and new students to give them the very best opportunities at Glenfield College.

Belinda Taufua - Teacher Aide

I was brought up in Rotorua, I worked in Samoa for two years, but have spent 40+ years living in Glenfield. Up until I retired, I was the Workforce Manager for the Regional School Dental Service in Auckland, a job I really enjoyed. Auckland is such a diverse place and we are blessed with so many different cultures. Glenfield is no exception and when I came to speak at the Mother's Day Breakfast last year and saw the great interaction the staff have with the pupils and the positivity, I felt I would really like to be part of it. Given I have had a lot of experience with and appreciation of different cultures and also enjoy working with young people, I grabbed the opportunity to be part of the culture that Glenfield College has. I hope that my counselling skills and my enjoyment of young people will be of some help to teachers and students alike.

Blair Simpson - Teacher Aide

I'm very glad to join the team at Glenfield. I have been working in various education roles over the past five years, including with NCEA Business Students as Makerspace Creative Support at Manurewa High School focusing on laser cut product design. I've also previously taught Art, Technology and Maths up to Year 10 on an LAT. When not at Glenfield I teach clay sculpture and work closely with neurodivergent students, including one on one and in small groups. This work is immensely rewarding. If you'd like a laugh, I do a wide range of impressions - including characters from the Simpsons and an entire monologue from Henry V.



Athletics Day Champions



The results from Athletics Day are:

Junior Girls

1st Tiana Davis

2nd Hannah Freestone

3rd Pearl Stewart

Intermediate Girls

1st Lexus Stanley

2nd Karly Lind

3rd Equal Sonya Fruean

Mikayla Manukau-Mailata

Zoe Croft

Ané Smit

Senior Girls

1st Serena Gazzard

2nd Rebekah Freestone

3rd Chanel Catchpole

Junior Boys

1st Shuo Zhang

2nd Trey Church

3rd Tangaroa Ramea

Intermediate Boys

1st Stephan Swanepoel

2nd Nyle Gill

3rd Hayden Legg

Senior Boys

1st Albie Fisher

2nd Tamati Davis

3rd Wasif Shaikh

Please click [here](#) for more photos.



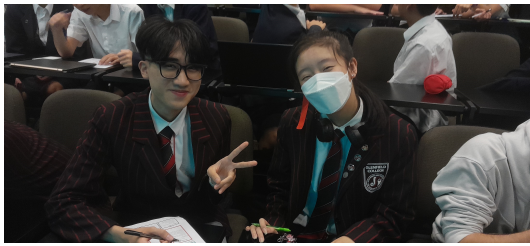
Honours & Leadership Ceremony



Congratulations to all school leaders of 2023 and recipients of NCEA Excellence & Merit Endorsements and Scholarship recipients, Cris Escandor, Uma Lee and Antonio Yelcich. Please click [here](#) for more photos.

YES Business Studies Day





On Friday, 17 February, the Year 13 Business Studies class had a fantastic day at the Kick Start event at AUT campus. They met and heard about business sustainability and innovation from fantastic guest speakers and entrepreneurs. They demonstrated Glenfield College values of pride and respect throughout the event by being proactive learners and future entrepreneurs.

SERVICE & SUSTAINABILITY PREFECTS 2023



SAM LEGG

GOALS

- Increase student projects
- Be proactive in teaching students how to be sustainable



SOPHIA ASO

INITIATIVES

- Implement recycling bins & worm farm
- Improve school grounds by planting trees/gardens
- Be advocates for fundraising events

ACADEMIC PREFECTS 2023



REBEKAH FREESTONE

GOAL

To promote academic success around the school



LUKE OBORN

INITIATIVES

- Have senior students tutor junior students during Learning Hub
- Be involved in outside of school activities e.g. mathex, epro8
- Have competitions & challenges during form times, such as making origami or quizzes

THE ARTS

PREFECTS 2023

KARLO BERNARDO

VIENNA LIND

GOALS	INITIATIVES
Increase awareness of the Arts at Glenfield College	Create house competitions that include areas of the arts
Increase student involvement in the Arts	Increase Arts visibility in assemblies
	Design and Implement a Visual Arts project

SPORTS

PREFECTS 2023

ARMAH CHURCHER-GILL

SAVANNA DU PLESSIS

GOALS	INITIATIVES
Increase involvement in sports & sports teams	Step Count Competition
Increase support at games outside of school	House Competitions
Get people to try new sports	Run more Prefect vs Staff games
We want students to have fun and feel connected to Glenfield College	Design and Implement a Carnival Day

CULTURAL

PREFECTS 2023

ALI MATROOD

JESS BICKFORD

GOALS	INITIATIVES
Increase cultural inclusivity	Connect with Kahui Ako for a cultural showcase evening
Increase cultural awareness of all cultures within our school	International Food Day
Create a safe environment where everyone can embrace their culture	Form a student led cultural committee to help run activities for events such as cultural week, cultural language week and Matariki

WELL-BEING

PREFECTS 2023

CALLUM NEIL

SURIA VITALE

GOALS	INITIATIVES
Remind students that 'Its okay to not be okay'	Mental Health awareness week
Create a resilient and comfortable environment	Check in well-being survey
Encourage students to step outside their comfort zones	Collaborate with the Arts prefects to include well-being in theme of Visual Arts project
	Connect with the diverse groups in our school
	Pink Shirt Day & Gumboot Friday

Giving Goods for Glenfield



Over the past few weeks, our Glenfield College whānau has displayed their true colours by donating an abundance of food and linen for those affected by flooding in our community. The Salvation Army was incredibly grateful for the kind donations to help those in need. Students are encouraged to keep their eyes and ears open for more opportunities to be contributing members of society. Ka mau te wehi, Glenfield!

Relay for Life



Relay for Life will take place this year on 1 April. Ms Williams is doing a great job with organising it and if you would like to donate to this worthy cause, please click on this link: <https://relayforlife.org.nz/t/glenfieldcollegerelayforlife2023team>

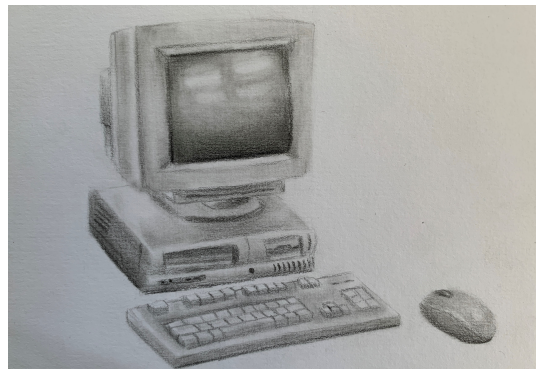


Please click [here](#) to view Glenfield College Hauora.

Technology Block Superstar



Artwork by Betty Li - Year 12 student



Artwork by Jly Obsioma - Year 11 student

Important Dates to Note

- 12-14 March - Level 2 Geography Trip
- 14 March - North Harbour Zone Athletics
- 15 March - Catch up ID Photos
- 16 March - PPTA Strike Day - School Closed
- 24 March - Year 12 Coaching GIS Students
- 29 March - Mentoring Day
- 31 March - Year 13 Coaching (CoL Students)
- 1 April - Relay for Life

6 April - 11.30am - ANZAC Assembly - Kaipatiki Theatre
6 April - End of Term 1



GLENFIELD COLLEGE



BAKE SALE

FUNDRAISER

All proceeds go to the Cancer Society

Thursday 30th March

Lunchtime

Outside of the Theatre



Please note: For a successful bake sale, we need contributions!

Any and all baked goods would be greatly appreciated.

Please email Miss Williams (a.williams@gc.ac.nz) to confirm what you will be bringing!



Baking can be dropped off to the Student Centre on
Wednesday 29th March or before school on
Thursday 30th March

School Cafeteria

Please be aware that the school cafeteria is closed so please make sure your child brings their lunch to school. The Wharekai is open at lunchtime if required.

do you need help with...



understanding
on your own



homework
with others



assessments
with teachers

Learning Hub

School Library | Tues & Thur | 3.15pm - 4.30pm

This is an opportunity for our learners to use the expertise of specialists and peer academic mentors with homework learning they didn't fully understand in a lesson or need support with assessments. It's also for learners who want to expand upon an idea, an issue or have a question about the learning and didn't get a chance to address it during class time. It allows them to access computers and the web while providing a place for learning outside of the classroom that might not always be available at home.

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 EVENTS

Click [here](#) to view
the school calendar

Sport Report



Summer sport at Glenfield College is in full swing with volleyball, archery, table tennis, fencing, athletics, lawn bowls and the Running Club on offer this term. If you would like to get involved in any of these, please see Mr Dove in the Sports Office for more information.

Please keep an eye on your school email as more information will be sent out regarding Term 2 start dates for our winter sports. Senior badminton, basketball, football, hockey & netball will all begin around week 8 (TBC) of Term 1.

Watch this space:

- The sport of diving will soon be an option for Glenfield College students. This will be held at Glenfield Pools Leisure Centre (day and time TBC).

- Cheerleading is back on offer at Glenfield College, Mrs Ogden will be taking the team starting in Week 6 of term 1. Please speak to Mr Dove or Mrs Ogden if you wish to give it a try.
- One hundred and eighty!!! Darts will soon be starting up soon, hopefully for the start of Term 2.

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Child & adolescent mental wellbeing through creativity.

I can help with:

- Grief & loss
- Anxiety & Depression
- Changes in living situations
- Challenging family dynamics
- Separation, divorce & break-ups
- Loneliness
- Lack of confidence or low self-esteem
- Stress.

Do you have concerns about your child?

It can be difficult to see our young ones struggle when life throws challenges their way. As parents and caregivers we want our young ones to thrive and become resilient individuals. Counselling and arts therapy can assist your child to thrive again.



Jo Harris

MA (ATH Clin), A THR, Professional Member ANZACATA

Jo can support your young one to process difficult emotions and learn skills to manage the tough stuff with mindfulness and creativity

Contact Jo:
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- Clinic in Birkenhead
- School visits
- 2x fully funded sessions through Gumboot Friday charity



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