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**School Newsletter Week 5, Term 2, 2023.**

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# Message from the Principal

**Tangata ako ana i te kāenga, te tūranga ki te marae, tau ana**  
*A person nurtured in the community contributes strongly to society*

Tēnā koutou e te whānau

This morning we had the privilege of sharing in the **105<sup>th</sup>** birthday celebration of local resident, Bruce Powell, at the Metlifecare Retirement Village. It was a unique experience and we were delighted to share in it. Head Girl, Jessica Bickford, opened the celebration with the school Karakia, a few words and presented a very special card for everyone to sign. The card, created by Mr Josh Montreal (Head of Technology), embodied stages of Bruce's incredible life. Year 13 student, Celia Carter-Mills, sang 'Hallelujah' by Leonard Cohen. Please click [here](#) to listen to it.

Bruce is so symbolic of the Glenfield College values and everything we are trying to instil in our students as they prepare to contribute to society. Some notable quotes from Bruce are as follows:

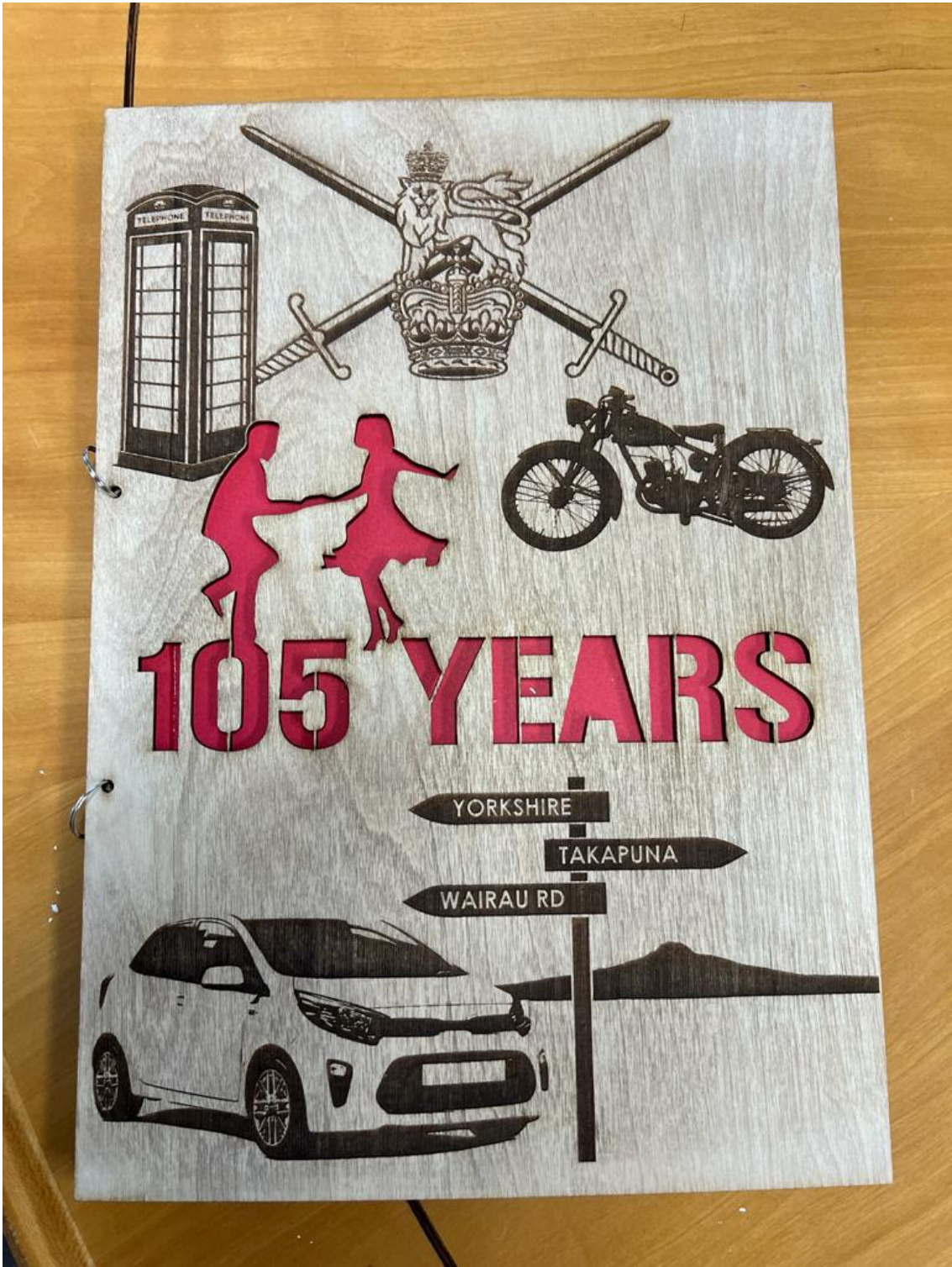
1. "You can either control your thoughts or your thoughts control you," he said. "If you like to be worried about every damn thing, you're not going to stay healthy but if you think bugger it and get on with it.
2. "I haven't been a worrying kind. I think you've got to be involved, you've got to dare to dream, then have the determination to put your dreams into action and stay with it until you finish it."
3. "I had the philosophy of saying, 'anything one idiot can do I can do as well'."

Bruce, you are an exceptional person who, as per the Māori proverb above, has contributed so much to society. We thank you for sharing your stories with us and reminding us of the importance of good old values, the importance of mindset, hard work and believing in ourselves.

Another recent community event was the highly successful Mother's Day Breakfast where Board of Trustees Presiding Member, Donna Kahaki, shared her story and imparted to us the importance of having a support "tribe" and ensuring whatever you do, is enjoyable and you have a passion for it. Many thanks also to those who attended the Whānau Hui this Wednesday where kai was shared and whānau had the opportunity to korero with staff.

It is also great to see so many families on the sidelines during the Winter Sports season. Getting involved with sports gives students clarity, a sense of focus and helps provide structure in their lives that crosses over into other areas of school life. These skills help as we approach the midway point of Term 2 with students managing their assessment workloads and ensuring they meet their deadlines.

Paul McKinley  
Principal



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**Pink Shirt Day**





Last week \$898 was raised for the Mental Health Foundation. This money will be used to help with programmes to prevent schools and workplaces from being places of bullying and exclusion and transform them into spaces of inclusivity, acceptance and kindness. Please click [here](#) for more pictures from the day.



## Glenfield Library Performance





On Saturday 20th May, some of our music students performed at the Glenfield Library. The students were absolutely fantastic in entertaining the local audience and Mr Kus was so proud of them for their attitude, participation and quality music they provided. A big thanks to the families and teachers who supported them.

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## North Western Zone Cross Country



On the 16th of May, Glenfield College students participated in the North Western Zone Cross Country Day. Overall the day was full of team spirit and many a smiling mud-covered face. The team put up a good fight with some fast paces like Jacob's 3:59min/km, Travis's 4:05min/km and many others in the races. Thank you Miss Williams and Mr Dove for a great day out in the sun; we had lots of fun and thoroughly enjoyed the run. Special shout out to Rebekah Freestone for placing third in the Senior Girls' race. Please click [here](#) to see pictures from the event. Written by Nate Carroll, Travis Atkinson and Jacob Freestone.

Below are the results from the day:

Junior Girls (3km)

38th place: Hannah Freestone (16:14)

39th place: Teyla Cheeseman (16:27)

40th place: Tiana Davis (18:27)

Junior Boys (4km)

33rd place: Dylan Nixon (16:59)

34th place: Shuo Zhang (17:00)

Intermediate Boys (5km)

36th place: Jacob Freestone (19:59)

41st place: Travis Atkinson (20:28)

42nd place: Nate Carroll (20:37)

53rd place: Marius Nuttney (22:37)

54th place: Hayden Legg (22:42)

DNF: Stephan Swanepoel (injury)

Senior Girls (4km)

3rd place: Rebekah Freestone (19:24)

4th place: Serena Gazzard (20:12)

Senior Boys (6km)

20th place: James Newland (25:01)

23rd place: Albie Fisher (27:27)

## Duke of Edinburgh Awards







From left to right: Nate Carroll (Bronze Award), Jacob Freestone (Bronze Award), Lucas Palmer (Silver Award), Savanna Du Plessis (Silver Award) and Rebekah Freestone (Silver Award).

Congratulations to our Duke of Edinburgh students who received their Bronze and Silver Awards in assembly this month. These five students represent everything we stand for as a school and we are all so proud of them. If you are interested in participating in the Duke of Edinburgh this year then please email Mr Hill: [m.hill@gc.ac.nz](mailto:m.hill@gc.ac.nz). He will send you an information pack which includes costings, a parental consent form and a list of suitable clothing and footwear.

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## Cross Country



On 2nd May, Glenfield College held its annual Cross Country run. A large number of students competed in the event. As usual, the running/ racing was of a high standard and the results were outstanding. A big thank you goes to Ms Colquhoun and the PE Department for their involvement and help during the set-up and conclusion of the event.

The results from Cross Country are as follows:



	Year 9 Cross Country Female	Year 9 Cross Country Males	Year 10 Cross Country Female	Year 10 Cross Country Males	Senior Cross Country Female	Senior Cross Country Males
1st	<b>Teyla Cheesman</b>	<b>Shuo Zhang</b>	<b>Tiana Davis</b>	<b>Stephan Swanepoel</b>	<b>Rebekah Freestone</b>	<b>Jacob Freestone</b>
2nd	<b>Hannah Freestone</b>	<b>Len Watanabe</b>	<b>Charity Elejan</b>	<b>Dylan Nixon</b>	<b>Serena Gazzard</b>	<b>Nate Carroll</b>
3rd	<b>Lily Mata</b>	<b>Hemi Boisen</b>	<b>Anchelle Toolica</b>	<b>Cole Parr</b>	<b>Harika Konakanchi</b>	<b>Travis Atkinson</b>



## Year 10 Business Trip



On 4th May, the Year 10 Business Studies students took part in a trip to the Tip Top Factory. They learnt about how the factory runs and the processes involved to create ice cream. They asked thoughtful questions and gained valuable knowledge regarding the production and operation of a business that they can use to enhance their business acumen.



## Hillary Challenge



On 6th & 7th of May, after being hit with the unpleasant smell of Rotorua that seems to go wherever you go, we took a short gondola ride up to the Skyline Rotorua Luge where we sped back down the hill. The evening that followed involved a very average game of Ten Pin Bowling due to Mr Anderson laughing at all of our gutter balls while he was chilling with his strikes. The next day we had the Hillary Challenge which is a six-hour adventure race with components of orienteering and mountain biking. This tested not only our physical capabilities with little breaks but also our navigational skills (which will definitely need some work). By the fifth hour, our team spirit was starting to run low but the thought of crossing the finish line kept us all going. Overall the Hillary Challenge was a great experience that we will forever remember and we hope it will become a new yearly tradition at Glenfield College.

Written by Nate Carroll

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## Mother's Day Breakfast



On 12th May, we 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. Special thanks must go to everyone who worked so hard behind the scenes to make this event possible – Rusty Anderson & his team of Prefects, John Bonneywell (photos) as well as Rena Foolchand (table flower arrangements). Photos from the morning can be found [here](#).

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## Pat Buckley Presentation



On 17th May, we welcomed Pat Buckley as Guest Speaker to talk with our Year 12 & Year 13 students. He is the Founder and Managing Director of Amped4Life Trust which is a non-profit organisation that was formed to help bring insight and understanding to teenagers about the dangers of substance abuse and the importance of making good choices. He spoke about his own struggles and heartbreak. Please [click here](#) to see photos from the presentation:

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## Level 1 Geography Camp





On the 18th & 19th of May, our Year 11 Geography students took a trip to the Waitomo Caves to learn about the impacts that tourism has had on the three caves in the area, - the Ruakuri, Aranui and Glowworm caves which have been open for 130ish years for touring.

The Geography students participated in two cave tours of the Ruakuri Cave and the Glowworm Cave, each vastly different. The Ruakuri started with a walk down the artificial spiral entry, before entering the actual cave itself. The Glowworm Cave tour ended with a short boat ride under the glowworms and their shimmering lights. We learnt about speleothems (cave formations), the history of each cave, and the life cycle of a glowworm. A highlight was the two-hour black water rafting Black 'Labyrinth course'. This involved tubing down the river inside of the cave in the cold, cave water. The gourmet dinner provided by Mr Feast was much appreciated after the numbing of fingers.

Thanks to Miss Buddle, Mrs Spencer-Bates and Mr Feast for the hard work you put into this trip before and during it. We appreciate the time you gave up to spend with us on this trip. Please click [here](#) to see more pictures from the trip.

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## Artwork of the Week







Sue Park - Year 12 student



Una Lee - Year 12 student



## Important Dates to Note

- 29 May - 2 June - Samoan Language Week
- 29 May - Waikato University Visit
- 1 June - National Dance Challenge
- 5 June - King's Birthday - School Closed
- 6 June - Day 2
- 8 June - Year 13 Geography Trip
- 11 & 12 June - Year 13 PE Camp
- 20 June - Year 11 Geography Trip
- 21 & 22 - Senior Drama Play
- 29 June - End of Term 2 - 3.10pm Finish






## UPCOMING EVENTS

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



### **Opportunity to host and be a buddy for a Japanese student in July**

On July 24 we have 19 Japanese students arrive to be a part of the Glenfield College whanau until 2 August. This is a very short stay intended to give them a taste of NZ schools and family life. It would be wonderful to have as many of these students hosted with our Glenfield students. If you think you may be interested in opening your home to a Japanese student please contact Julie Kilroy as soon as possible at [j.kilroy@gc.ac.nz](mailto:j.kilroy@gc.ac.nz). Students are aged 13 -15 and are able to be placed either single or as a pair. Host families will receive \$320 per week for hosting a student.



# GC - Mixed Hockey Tournament Team Fundraiser

Coming very soon ...

Samosa Fundraiser for Glenfield College Hockey Winter Tournament. Support our Mixed Team as they travel to Taupō to compete.

Choose between 3 flavours - Butter Chicken, Lamb or Vegetable (suitable for vegans). All samosas are halal. A bag of 6 Samosas is \$15. Each samosa is 110g - just shy of the size of a pie. They make for a delicious snack or a tasty meal.

Please e-mail [murray.rachel.freestone@gmail.com](mailto:murray.rachel.freestone@gmail.com) for a link to an order form. Payment is required at the time of ordering.



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## Important Information: Road Works Affecting the School -

Major roadworks began on Monday, 22 May and will continue for the duration of the 2023 year.

Of note is the stretch of Kaipatiki Road between the Stanley Road roundabout and the Easton Park Parade roundabout where one lane only will be in use. Cars will only be able to travel

TOWARDS Glenfield.

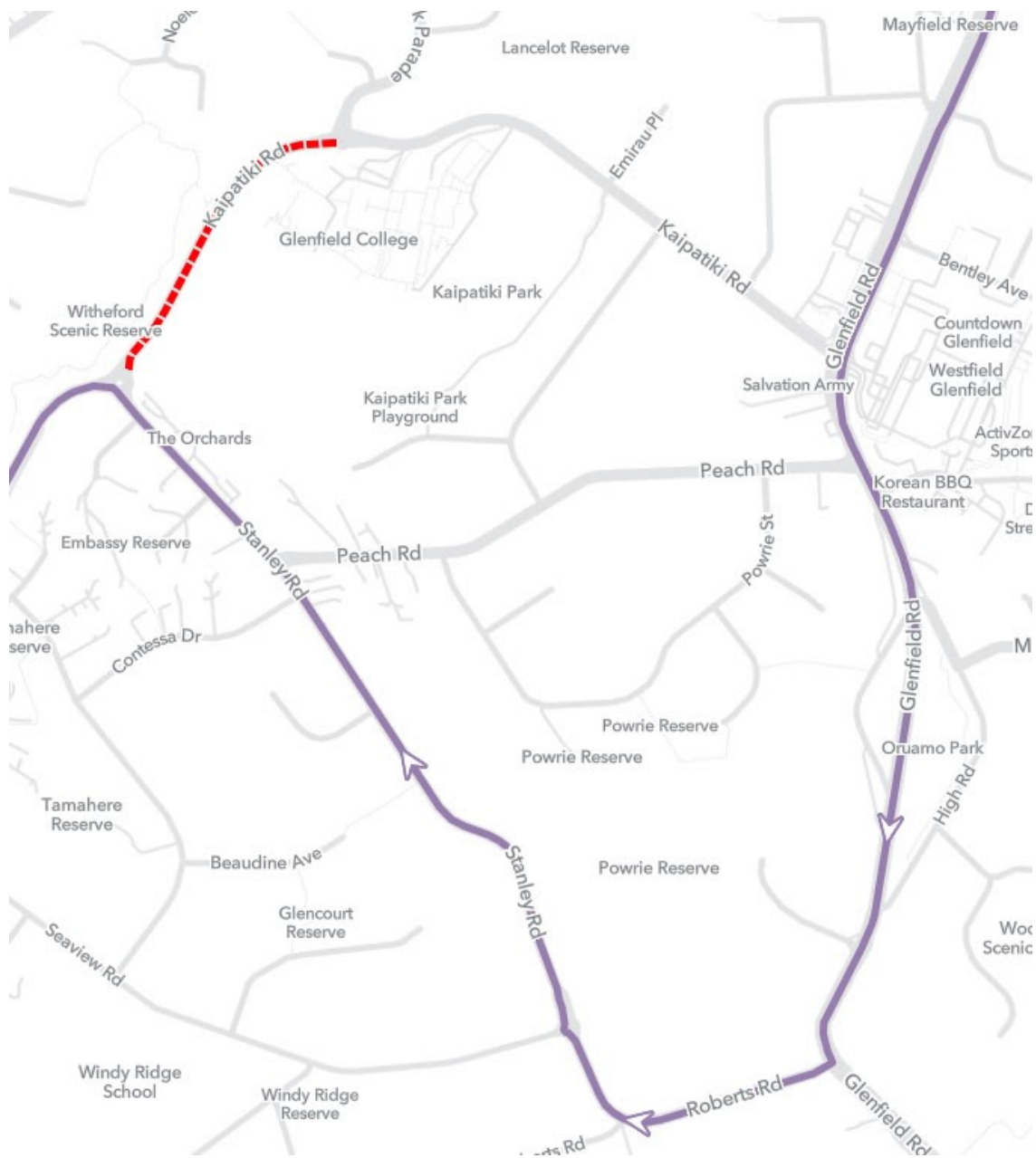
Please consider this information and discuss with your children alternate drop-off and pick-up points and locations for bus travel.

Scenarios to consider are:

1. Kaipatiki Road, heading down the hill from the Glenfield Mall end, may become a bottleneck of traffic with cars only being able to turn right into Easton Park Parade or go around the roundabout and head back up Kaipatiki Road. You might like to consider choosing an alternative and safer place to drop off and collect your children from school.
2. The bus stop outside the tennis courts in the afternoons will not be operational. Students will need to walk to the bus stop opposite The Orchards Retirement Home on Stanley Road where the buses have been re-routed to.
3. For the safety of your children, please remind them to follow marked crossings on Kaipatiki Road during this time.

Below is a map of the detours that will be in place for the remainder of the year.





## 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](mailto: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](mailto:admin@gc.ac.nz).



To follow @glenfieldcollegesport click below



To see the latest sports fixtures click below



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

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# Order Lunches

## new to ezlunch?

Quickly create an account to order lunch now.

1. Scan QR code to create a new account.



2. Enter your details to get started.

3. View the menus & click to add items to the cart.

4. Go to Checkout & pay.

5. Collect your lunch at 1.30pm from Quad Kitchen.



**THANK YOU for your ezlunch order.**

Curious to see what's on the menu?

Go to <https://ezlunch.co.nz/schools> and search Glenfield College to view a sample menu or click here

If you would like any help, please get in touch. 8am – 4pm weekdays

09 475 5287 0800 EZLUNCH [hello@mykindo.co.nz](mailto:hello@mykindo.co.nz)

Please note that students are not permitted to have UBER Eats delivered to the school.



The school would prefer that they take advantage of the above option instead.

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## Students Driving to School

We want to continue to ensure our students are kept safe when they are making their way to Glenfield College. It is a requirement that we are aware of any students who are driving to and from our school each day. If your child drives a vehicle to school, can you please either fill out the digital form below by clicking on the link, or ask your child to collect a permission form from Mrs Newton in reception and return it to school with your child. It should only take you a few minutes. Please fill out this form even if you have completed this in previous years, as we need to have the most up-to-date records at the school. Your child will be issued a Glenfield College parking pass so that if they park on our top driveway we are aware of their car and can find them if need be. Please note that the top driveway is a shared space with Glenfield Rugby Club, and the Wilson and Wairau students also use this driveway. The privilege of driving to school comes with an expectation that your child will drive responsibly and will not carry illegal passengers. Digital permission to bring a vehicle to school is linked [here](#). it is mandatory your child has a parking pass if they are going to be driving to school from this term.

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## Devices Compulsory for Years 9 and 10

Just as a reminder to all Year 9 and 10 students, you are expected to have a Chromebook or equivalent for all lessons every day. If you have difficulties with this, then please contact your Dean to discuss how we can assist. If your device is broken or is out of battery then there are a limited amount of devices available at the Sports Coordinators' office but these should only be borrowed for the day.



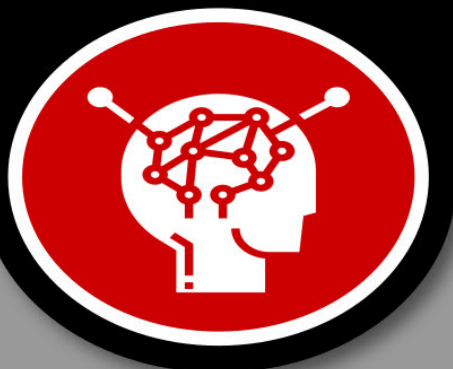
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## Safety when leaving the School

A reminder for parents that the gates are closed for pickup of students at the end of the day. This is for the safety of those students leaving at 3.10pm. Please arrange to collect your child further up Kaipatiki Road, either near the rugby club or towards our netball courts. If you are leaving the school through the main gates then you should turn left as this is the safest, and quickest way to exit. If you need to head up Kaipatiki Road, then go around the roundabout and head towards Glenfield Mall.



# LEARNING HUB 课后补习



## WHAT 内容

- 完成作业
- 找老师提问
- 向同学请教

## WHEN 时间

- 周二和周四
- 放学后直到 4:30 结束

## WHERE 地点

- 图书馆

## 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







## Glenfield College Uniform Available from 'New Zealand Uniforms'

**Store:** 19A Douglas Alexander Pde, Albany

**Phone:** 09 477 6300

**Email:** albany@nzuniforms.com

**Store Hours:** Weekdays 9am – 5pm, Saturday 9am – 1pm

**Web:** www.nzuniforms.com

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It's easy, set up an account and make automatic payments (weekly, fortnightly or monthly) in advance and watch your balance grow. When you are ready to make your Schoolwear purchases with NZU, your money is already available and waiting to be spent! Call or visit the store today to get started.



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