

School Newsletter Week 1, Term 3, 2023.

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Message from the Principal

Tēna Koutou e te whānau

The expression of 'excitement and energy in the air' can best describe this week at Glenfield College and specifically the intermediate school visits of Wairau and Glenfield Intermediate Schools. While there was a nervous energy and sense of amongst the Year 8s, there was genuine excitement in the Year 9 - 10 Leaders and Senior Leaders who were able to share the Glenfield College experience with them all.

While we have our "Open Evening" next Wednesday night, the same message was given to the Year 8s this week. Glenfield College is about people. The beautiful Māori proverb of:

'He te mea nui o to ao - He tangata, he tangata, he tangata'

What is the most important thing in the world - The people, the people, the people.

Glenfield College are incredibly proud of our teaching staff and they are critical in setting the tone in the classroom and the quality of teaching the students experience. Everything in the school flows from the quality of the teachers who operate in a safe environment. I am incredibly proud of being Principal of Glenfield College as we continue to grow and improve.

My last piece of advice to anyone in the community when looking at Glenfield College is to book in a visit and ask for a tour of the school with a student, or talk to families who currently have children here. **That's where you really find out about a school**.

So, after a great start to Term 3, we quickly resume academic studies, sports trips, fundraising activities for trips, camps and many other great activities.

Wishing you all a dry and warm weekend, while looking forward to seeing many of you over the Term at our differing events.

Paul McKinley Principal



New Staff Member Welcomed



My name is Louis Zabala and I have been a teacher for nearly five years. I am currently teaching ESOL, English and Level 3 Biology. I am looking forward to shaping my students' future in a positive and motivating way.





This Term we welcomed more international students to our school. We hope they enjoy their time with us at Glenfield College. Pictured above from left are Flavio Pizzolotto, Rachele Palazzetti & Francesco Fronduto from Italy.



Intermediate Visits





This week we were privileged to host both Wairau and Glenfield Intermediate School Year 8 students. It is an important day for us where we are able to highlight what makes Glenfield College so great. Each group was accompanied by a Year 13 Prefect and Year 9 leader for the day to help them navigate their way around the activities, build connections and encourage the younger students to be fully immersed in the day. Our students were also involved in helping run the activities with the teachers. Students were able to experience Robotics, chemistry experiments, Services Academy challenges, native bird stencilling, māori games, drum lessons and even sword fighting. We would like to thank the Prefects, Year 9 leaders and the subject ambassadors who portrayed the school in a fantastic light over what was a busy two days. Please click <u>here</u> to see more pictures.



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During the holidays, some students were fortunate enough to take part in bungy jumping. Here is what they had to say about their experience:

Bungy jumping was an exhilarating adventure. I recently had the opportunity to do this adventure and made a good memory. The bungy jumping experience left a lasting impression on me. It taught me the importance of pushing boundaries and daring to do things which seem to be impossible. I am very grateful for this fantastic

opportunity and would highly recommend it to others. Written by Kirat Kaur - Year 12 student.

With my heart pounding, nerves kicking in and a buzz of excitement, I took a leap of faith and jumped off the Auckland Harbour Bridge, indulging in the thrilling experience of bungy jumping. My anticipation kept building up as I waited my turn to jump. Being second to last, the idea of me jumping became harder for me to imagine. However, with the upbeat music blasting in the pod, it made my nerves settle and my sense of enthusiasm heightened. When it was my turn, I walked towards the ledge and quickly, without hesitation, I jumped off. Before I knew it, I was surrounded by water as I kept on falling and falling. And for a second my heart stopped. As I got closer to the bottom, my fear vanished and adrenaline kicked in. A man yelled, "pose" and couldn't help but catch such a candid photo of me; my hair sprayed everywhere and a big wide grin on my face. The experience was surreal and the adrenaline rush was unlike anything I've ever felt. Now, I have made it my next challenge to conquer the biggest bungy jump in Queenstown. After all, the sky's the limit. Written by Kiersten Fernandez - Year 12 student.





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Important Dates to Note

22 July - Robotics 23 - 25 July - Year 13 Geography Trip 26 July - Open Evening - 6pm - Kaipatki Theatre 24 July - 4 August - Lumino Dentists 28 July - Hockey Bingo Night 2 & 3 August - Year 9 Enrolment Evenings - 4-6pm - Kaipatiki Theatre 8 August - Year 9 & 10 Parents Evening



School Communications

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

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.



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