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Message from the Principal

Ko te kai a te rangatira he korero

The food of chiefs is a dialogue

Tēnā koutou e te whanau

As we come to the end of Term 3, I would like to thank all of those who took the time to complete the community survey. The response was overwhelmingly positive with 89% stating that they would strongly recommend Glenfield College to family and friends - arguably the most important aspect of the whole survey. There is so much rich information we can use to plan for 2024 and beyond as we reset and aim for further improvements in all areas of school life.

Recently, Glenfield College students participated in the very successful Tournament Week with Team 1 Netball and the Mixed Hockey Team performing well, getting some good wins and building a culture for future teams in years ahead. Special thanks to the Director of Sport, Stuart Dove, for his leadership and drive in growing sport at Glenfield College.

This week the Dance Showcase highlighted the progress of the Performing Arts under the leadership of Mrs Ogden, supported by Mrs Spencer-Bates. A real highlight has been the growing number of students involved in Hip Hop and seeing more junior students take to the stage and gain confidence from the experience. Special congratulations goes to Deputy Head Girl, Vienna Lind, and Makayla Claffey for their leadership in this area too.

Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori has experienced its strongest week since I arrived here six years ago. Whaea Awhina Mikaere and the Whānau class have done an outstanding job in providing a range of daily activities that included quizzes, games, a fry bread sale on the Parade Grounds on Wednesday and a hangi being prepared for earlier today. A lot of mahi has gone on behind the scenes and we thank everyone for their support.

For Years 11 to 13, senior examinations were very successful in the sense of purpose and manner in which they were undertaken by the students, which is arguably the most positive aspect for me, as Principal, this term. There was a real sense of determination when observing them in practice. The key is to remember there is still time to learn and address what has been identified in the results and feedback. Seven weeks (until NCEA examinations begin) is a long time and the study break over the next two weeks will provide an opportunity to make real progress.

Wishing you all the very best for the school holidays/study break and I look forward to seeing many of you at the end-of-year events as we celebrate all the achievements of 2023.

Paul McKinley
Principal



International Students Farewelled



Earlier today we farewelled our three International students as they head back overseas. They joined us at the beginning of the term and during their time here, they have taken part in various adventures and activities. We wish them all the best with their journey home. Below are their favourite moments while at Glenfield College.

Rachele: The availability of everyone, the teachers, staff and students. I also really appreciated the numerous activities, the Dance Show and the clubs.

Francesco: The students, the teachers, the activities and the kindness of the staff.

Flavio: The size of the school as it's not too big so it's easier, especially for exchange students, to create strong bonds and feel part of a community.

Dance Showcase



On 20th & 21st of September we held our annual Dance Showcase in the Kaipatiki Theatre. During the evening, guests were treated to performances by some very talented students. A big thank you goes to Mrs Ogden for all of her hard work behind the scenes. Please click [here](#) to see more pictures from the evening.

Māori Language Week Celebrated



During this week we have been celebrating Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori, various activities have been held to celebrate the language and part of this was fry bread and a hangi earlier today. Big thanks goes to Whaea Awhina Mikaere for all of her organisation behind the scenes.

Music Showcase



On 24th August our annual Music Department Showcase was held in the Kaipatiki Theatre. During the evening, guests were treated to performances by talented students including soloists, groups, and the school band. It was an entertaining night full of fantastic music and quality performances from students of all year levels. Thanks to Mr Kus for his organisation of the evening. Please click [here](#) to see more photos from the evening.

Survey Winner Announced



Congratulations to Margaret Pulu who is the winner of the Community Survey and has won a \$200 Countdown voucher.

Senior Exams



From 7th-13th September, our senior students took part in their practice exams. These exams provide evidence-based grades that may be awarded to students if they can't attend an examination or external assessment.

Winter Sports Week



From 28th August to 1st September our students travelled to Taupō to participate in the annual Winter Sports Week. During this time, they played against other teams from around the country. Our students had a wonderful time during the week whilst portraying our values of pride and respect.

Snow Trip



From the 13th - 15th of September, 42 senior students took on the slopes for skiing and snowboarding at Mount Ruapehu. All students had lessons in the morning and then took on the higher slopes as their confidence and skill levels increased. It was great to see all students enjoying themselves on the snow and having a great experience. To see more photos from the trip please click [here](#). To see the video please click [here](#).



Gateway Success



During the holidays, Gemma Page, (Year 12) attended a Gateway programme at Sky City. This is what they had to say about her time there. "From the moment Gemma started at The Grand by SkyCity on the Gateway programme, she was willing to jump in and let her personality shine through. During the course, she easily integrated with the team members and is now a valued member as one of our part-time porters. Through her willingness to try new things and being open to getting advice from the team, she has learnt to do the job quickly and is always willing to go that extra mile. Being good in hospitality is about enjoying what you do and having fun with it, Gemma has that spirit and drive to make this a career if she chooses to."

Teacher Programme Opportunity



Considering
a career in
teaching?



Apply for our one year in-school teacher training programme. Applications are now open for teaching roles in all subject areas.

Glenfield College offers prospective teachers a route into the profession through a partnership with The University of Waikato. Spend a year working in-school, mentored by experienced subject-expert teachers every day, gaining invaluable insights into teaching and learning and receive a stipend for the year. Applications are now open for teachers in all subject areas. You must already have a university degree to participate in this programme. Please contact Michelle Cleaver for more information – m.cleaver@gc.ac.nz.



Holiday Workshops Available

Business Studies

Friday 6th October

Visual Art and DVC

2nd to 6th October - Monday-Friday: 10am - 3pm

Ms Patterson & Mr Montreal will be in Monday - Friday

Health and PE Scholarship Writing

2nd to 4th October - Monday - Wednesday: 10am - 4pm - Library

Digital Technology

Mr Hill - Mon-Fri first week of the school holidays from 9.00am to 3.30pm

Art and DVC students are welcome to attend for independent study/work

English Internal - Years 12 & 13

Tues 26th in Rooms 43 & 44 from 10am

Biology & Chemistry - Year 12 - Ms Lee

26th Sept: Tuesday: 10am-1pm

27th Sept: Wednesday: 10am-4pm

28th Sept: Thursday: 10am-4pm

Chemistry - Ms Jung

27th Sept - Year 13 Chemistry - Wednesday 1pm-4pm

28th Sept - Year 12 Chemistry - Thursday 10am-1pm

Both Biology & Chemistry workshops will be in A block



Technology Block Superstars



Kobe Puketapu - Year 11 student



LJ Bain - Year 11 student

Important Dates to Note

- 9 October - Term 4 Starts
- 14 October - Robotics
- 23 October - Labour Day - School Closed
- 24 October - Day 2
- 28 October - Robotics
- 31 October - Senior Academic Prizegiving

2nd & 3rd November - Junior Exams
6 November - NZQA Exams Start
22-24 November - Year 9 Camp
29 November-1 December - Year 10 Camp
6 December - Junior Prizegiving
End of Term 4

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

Sports Report



Term 3 sport has now come to an end and I would like to thank every student, coach, manager, parent, staff member & volunteer who has helped make sport at Glenfield College so successful - you are all very much appreciated.

Our Netball UNISS Team and the Hockey Mixed Team had a fantastic time away in Week 7 at Tournament Week. Heaps of fun and action over five days in Taupo (Hockey) and Hamilton/Cambridge (Netball) was had by all. Thank you to everyone who helped make the week a great one for our students.

Sport isn't over for the year just yet, sport at lunchtime is still available (see Mr Dove in the Sports Office). Volleyball Juniors will train every Wednesday morning before school in the gym and our students will compete in the Harbour Competition throughout Term 4. Tennis on the Glenfield College outdoor courts is also an option with Mr Campbell taking training every Tuesday after school and Wednesday before

school. Junior Touch is another option depending on numbers. Please see Mr. Dove if you are interested in any of the above or email him at s.dove@gc.ac.nz.

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To see the latest sports fixtures click below



Road work changes from 27 September



On Wednesday the 27th of September, the direction of the existing one-way detour is switching and being extending up Easton Park Parade. The direction of traffic will flow down from Manuka Road towards Beach Haven Road. We are expecting to be removing the traffic controls along Kaipatiki Road in 10-12 weeks, with Easton Park Parade being removed mid to late December. The bus stops will be relocated on the 27th as well, with the temporary relocated stop in place for the duration of the closure along Kaipatiki Road.

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



WEARING IS BELIEVING
NZ UNIFORMS

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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