

School Newsletter Week 1, Term 4, 2023.

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Message from Michelle Cleaver

Whāia e koe te iti kahurangi ki te tūohu koe, me he maunga teitei Seek the treasure that you value dearly, if you bow your head, let it be to a lofty mountain.

Tena koutou e te whānau

We welcomed our students back this week to a term which is full of opportunities to thrive, strive, be recognised and celebrated. The whakatauki above talks of pursuing excellence and the importance of being resilient as we try to achieve new heights. This is very apt as we celebrate excellence across many pursuits in our ceremonies this term.

Sports Awards were held this week - a night to acknowledge and celebrate the commitment, leadership and performance of our students. Thank you to Mr Dove, Sports Director, for his organisation of the evening and for his leadership in Sport, a part of school life in which many of our students thrive. The recipients at Wednesday's awards ceremony have certainly shone in their respective fields and I congratulate all of the students who walked across the stage.

Ex-student, Michelle Williams, was our guest speaker. She is a current New Zealand cheerleading coach and national bodybuilder. Michelle spoke to our students about being courageous, being true to ourselves and about the power of having self-belief if coupled with hard work. The vehicle of sport developed skills in Michelle such as resilience and determination, all of which have transferred to skills important for life.

Awards of note were

- Team of the year: Under 19 Boys Basketball
- Coaches of the year: Randy Skelton / Daniel Tawhai Basketball
- Sportsman of the year: Albie Fisher
- Sportswoman of the year: Rebekah Freestone

Coming up in Week 2, we get to celebrate and acknowledge our Arts students from the fields of Visual Arts, Dance, Drama and Music. This will be another event where we can come together as a community to see the wonderful talent that we have in Glenfield College.

Please also pop into your calendars our Senior Academic Prize-giving which is in Week 4. This is the final event of the year for our Senior students and one in which we recognise the academic successes and all-round contributions. It is wonderful to see the hard work of many recognised at this occasion, and as always, having family/whānau present to witness their child walk across the stage makes it even more special.

To our Senior students who go on exam leave shortly, please remember you are not quite at the finish line. While many of our students are in a privileged position where they have their NCEA Level 1, 2 or 3 required credits already, the examinations now provide them the basis to gain the credits needed for course endorsements and to show that they can succeed in a range of assessment modes. Your teachers have worked hard to prepare you so you are ready, now it is your turn to show those self-managing and aspirational values that we expect, to plan a rigorous revision programme so you can achieve at your own level of personal excellence in the external examinations.

Our Junior students are not forgotten in all of this and they will be acknowledged in their prize-giving at the end of the Term. They have the Junior camps to look forward to, so please ensure you have returned the permission slips if your child is attending. Many of our Year 10 students will also have the important Reading, Writing and Numeracy assessments in the upcoming weeks.

And my final words are to our Year 13 students and whānau. Well done, you are almost there! I hope that your time at Glenfield College is one that you will look back on fondly, one that has provided you a

solid platform to go ahead and thrive in the world and a place in which you have formed some friendships for life.



Michelle Cleaver Deputy Principal



Sports Awards Ceremony



On Wednesday night the annual Sports Awards evening was held in the Kaipatiki Theatre. Congratulations to Rebekah Freestone (Sportswoman of the Year) and Albie Fisher (Sportsman of the Year) along with all other award winners. There were performances by the GC Cheerleaders, Hip-Hop Group and the Rock Band which made it a memorable night.

A big thanks to everyone who made the evening a success. Please click <u>here</u> to see more pictures for the evening.

Technology Block Superstars



Denielle Trimucha - Year 11 student



Angie Freeman - Year 11 student

Important Dates to Note

19 October - Arts Awards - 6pm - Kaipatiki Theatre 23 October - Labour Day - School Closed 24 October - Day 2 31 October - Senior Academic Prizegiving - 12.30pm - Kaipatiki Theatre
1 November - Seniors Last Day
2 & 3 November - Junior Exams
6 November - NZQA Exams Start
22-24 November - Year 9 Camp
29 November-1 December - Year 10 Camp
6 December - Junior Academic Prizegiving - 10am - Kaipatiki Theatre
End of Term 4 for students
7 & 8 December - MoE Teacher Only Days
11-13 December - Prefects Camp



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Please ensure we have up-to-date contact details. You can do this by updating them on the <u>Parent</u> <u>Portal</u>, 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.

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