

### School Newsletter Week 10, Term 2, 2024.

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5th July 2024 Kaipatiki Road, Glenfield, Auckland, 0629 +64-9-444-9066

### **Message from the Acting Principal**

Tukua kia tū takitahi ngā whetū o te rangi

Let each star in the sky shine its own light



What a wonderful end to a busy term we have had. Last week we acknowledged and celebrated Matariki, the Māori New Year. Matariki is a time to reflect on the past, celebrate the present and look ahead to the future. Our Year 9 Te Reo class organised activities and quizzes throughout the week, enabling us to deepen our knowledge of this important time of the year. From writing our goals and

aspirations on Hiwa-i-te-rangi wishing star's, sharing of kai with our form classes, through to doing some Matariki-related numeracy quizzes to solve the number of lollies in the jar competition - it was a wonderful week of tohatoha (sharing) and atawhaitanga (kindness).

This week we have celebrated the cultural diversity we have at Glenfield College and thanks goes to the Cultural Prefects and their Cultural Committee for the organisation of events. It is wonderful to see students proudly wear their cultural dress and to hear the stories behind the tradition of some of the clothing they are wearing. In sharing stories of Scottish heritage, I learnt that Head Boy, James Newland's clan and Mr MacLeod's clan have a somewhat turbulent history! The Pasfica and Filipino groups sold some delicious snacks and drinks and we were treated to a colourful Cultural showcase. The clapping, cheering and encouragement from the audience in the theatre is testament to the inclusive environment our students create for each other and a real show of kotahitanga. Well done and thank you to the Kapa Haka, Pacifica, K-Pop, Bollywood and Filipino groups for sharing your cultures with us at the showcase.

In looking ahead to next term, we have two weeks of important marketing for the school with our Year 8 visits and Open Evening. The Intermediate visits from Glenfield and Wairau Intermediate Schools are vibrant and bustling, showcasing areas of secondary schooling that the Year 8 students have to look forward to. While our teachers do a tremendous job on this day, the stars of the show are certainly your children. From Prefects and Year 9 Leaders working with the Year 8 groups, Subject Ambassadors running activities both at the Intermediate visits and Open Evening, Peer Support Leaders running the sausage sizzles and lunchtime activities - it is your tamariki who are the best marketing for our kura. We look forward to meeting younger siblings and new friends and families over the coming weeks.



It is pleasing to see many of our students achieving well in their academic studies, both junior and senior students. Our Year 9 students have just started the third rotation of option subjects, enabling them to experience a broad curriculum. I encourage all junior students to make the most of the opportunities afforded to them in these early years of high school, finding that subject that ignites their passion and interest.

We held our inaugural scholarship breakfast last week. This event brought together scholarship students from across the curriculum areas to engage in activities that got them writing succinctly, thinking critically and justifying positions. Alumni, Cris Escandor (class of 2022), was our guest speaker, giving insight into his scholarship journey and successes. Only 3% of students will gain scholarship success and our students were congratulated for taking those first steps; one, for signing up and attending tutorials in school and two, for attending the scholarship breakfast to engage in a morning of academic learning and discussion. It was wonderful to have 30 students in attendance who are all aspiring to reach the pinnacle of achievement in their respective subjects.



It is rare these days that we get to read much positive news in regard to the apparent state of education, so it was great to read last week that NZ students are among the best in the world for creative thinking

according to the OECD PISA tests. We need to remind our students and our children to have growth

mindsets when it comes to setting goals for academic success. Term 3 will see our senior students

sitting their school examinations and I encourage them to get their notes in order over the holidays so

they are well-prepared.

I recently attended the SPANZ Principals Conference where the Minister spoke to us of her six priorities

in education. The focus on structured literacy, the prioritisation of a knowledge-rich curriculum and

attention to evidence-based theories on 'how we learn' make me feel confident in the work we have

been doing in our professional development this year. Head Girl, Sue Park, joined me yesterday at AUT

City Campus where the Minister reiterated these messages to a room full of head students who then had

the opportunity to engage with her in a Q&A session about the future of education.

Well done to Nate Carroll who has recently been appointed to the Netball New Zealand Youth Board. He

will be an important youth voice for the growth of Netball.

Also well done to Xavier Wetere, class of 2022, who was recently awarded a prestigious Aimes

Scholarship award for Service. Xavier joined the workforce at Te Puna Hauora, becoming a youth

worker mentoring local youth. Xavier was awarded a financial award which he will put toward his further

study in the area of youth work. We are incredibly proud of Xavier and the amazing work he does for

young people in our local community.

Today we farewell our Sports Director, Mr Stuart Dove, who is moving to Australia with his family. We

would like to thank him for all the opportunities he has created for our students to be active, both in

social and competitive sports. He has also given countless hours and weekends to helping on school

trips and camps and I know both our students and staff will miss him greatly.

Later in the newsletter you will see opportunities to support our Netball and Hockey teams fundraise for

their tournaments through the purchase of a recipe book or ticket to the quiz night.

Finally, I would like to wish all of our families a safe and relaxing holiday.

Michelle Cleaver

**Acting Principal** 



### **Cultural Week**







The various cultures that make up our school we've celebrated this week with a cultural dress day, a food sale and a showcase where students shared performances related to their countries of origin. Please click <u>here</u> to see more photos from the cultural showcase.

### **Year 9 Stardome Trip**



On 21st June, 30 students travelled to the Stardome Observatory and Planetarium to celebrate Matariki. They enjoyed activity-based learning in the classroom, time in the Space Gallery & Exhibits area, and a planetarium show in the 360-degree theatre.

### **Level 3 ESOL Trip to Tiritiri Matangi**



On 6th June, our Level 3 ESOL students travelled to Tiritiri Matangi to explore the island and different aspects of wildlife. The students gained first-hand knowledge of these threatened species that inhabit

### **Outward Bound Adventure**







On 6th June, Hayden and Ayesha flew out from Auckland to take part in the Mind Body Soul course for Outward Bound in Anakiwa. This is what they had to say about their experience:

This course lasted 21 days challenging us both mentally and physically. Marius and Jewel, who went last year, gave us a run-through of what we could be doing and we decided to take the opportunity and enter into the course. It was 21 days away from the environment that we were used to being in and the only way we could contact the outside world was by writing and sending letters. We were placed in a group with 12 other people in it, 12 of them we didn't know and we had just met. We lived and survived the 21 days together doing activities/schemes such as tramping, sailing, coasteering, white water kayaking, rock climbing, PT sessions and other team-building activities which tested the trust we've built up with one another, after only knowing each other for a few days. Of the activities listed above, sailing was one of the most memorable, not only because of the fun we had but also because of what we

learned throughout that journey. We went out of Anakiwa for four days and three nights and sailed through the Marlborough sounds. The four days were filled with different challenges that we as a group had to overcome, like how to work together in other areas of the boat to be able to sail, having to row for multiple kilometres when there wasn't enough wind and the sea sickness we got from spending over 70+ hours on the boat. Although we were tired, we realised through this scheme and the whole 21 days how important it was to have a positive attitude no matter what situation you are put into. No matter how bad the situation is, there is always something good waiting at the other end and in our case, it was a warm and dry hut that we got to stay in on the last night of our sailing scheme after days of being out in the rain.

We are very thankful to the school, the sponsors of this trip and our families for allowing us to take part in this life-changing opportunity. During the time we were there, we learnt a lot about ourselves and the world. If given a chance, we would go again. We highly recommend this course to anyone who loves the outdoors and people who place lots of restrictions and limits on themselves. Although challenging, It helped us grow stronger mentally and physically as individuals. We learnt how to be comfortable being uncomfortable in unfamiliar environments and going past the limits we place on ourselves that can easily be overcome with a little push. Please click here to see more photos from the adventure.

Ayesha - Year 13 student & Hayden - Year 12 student.

### Ngā Manu Korero



On 14th June, our Te Reo Māori Students attended the 59<sup>th</sup> Ngā Manu Kōrero Speech competition which was held at Nga Puna O Waiorea (Western Springs College).

Ngā Manu Kōrero is regarded as the most significant māori event for nurturing oratory skills and providing the stage for young people to express their views and to lay down their challenges to an audience of peers, parents, whānau and judges. The speech contests are intended to encourage the development of skills and confidence of Māori students in spoken English and Te reo Māori. All secondary schools are invited to participate in this wonderful event.

One of our very own students Kobe Puketapu (pictured) took part and represented Glenfield College proudly by taking part in the Senior English segment. Students in Kobe's category were required to recite a six-minute speech without the use of any cue cards. Kobe had the support of his school peers behind him as he delivered his first speech and they supported him with a waiata (song) after. Kobe also took part in an impromptu section which requires the student to be given a topic and needs to elaborate a three-minute speech with only five minutes of preparation time. This was a very proud moment for our school and all of the staff members who were able to watch Kobe. Of the four staff members who attended Manu Kōrero, three of them had taken part in Ngā Manu Kōrero before and acknowledged the uneasiness prior to being on stage.

With the students attending Ngā Manu Kōrero, we hope we have instilled within each student a seed of hope so that we may be able to see more of our Glenfield students up on the stage in the future.

### **Philippines Independence Day**







On 12th June, the Filipino community celebrates Independence Day. The Filipino Group performed with Wilson School this year and their lively presentation was a hit. Students and teachers enjoyed the show, even joining in the singing and dancing.

### Level 2 & 3 Drama Performance



On 19th & 20th of June, our Level 2 and 3 Drama students performed in the Drama play "The Crucible". A challenging script set in 1692 Massachusetts during the Salem witch trials. Raised to be seen but not heard, a group of young women in Salem suddenly find their words have an almighty power. As a climate of fear, vendetta and accusation spreads through the community, no one is safe from trial. Click <a href="here">here</a> to see more photos from the performance.

### Matariki Week







From the 24th to 27th of June we celebrated Matariki Week. This included decorating Hiwa-i-te-rangi wishing star in the library, Hiwa-i-te-rangi star cookie making, guessing the number of star lollies in the jar, Kahoot and shared kai which brought everyone together and sharing in each other's company.

### **Year 11-13 Parent/Teacher Evening**



On 25th June, we held our Year 11-13 Parent/Teacher interviews in the Kaipatiki Theatre. This was an opportunity for parents and caregivers of our senior students to meet with their subject teachers. These meetings were incredibly beneficial for our learners and we were very pleased with the turnout of support we received. Than you to all parents who came in to have rich learning conversations about your child progress.

### **Blood Drive**







On 25th June, we hosted a 'blood drive' in the Kaipatiki Theatre. This was an opportunity for students and staff to donate blood. The donated blood can be used in treatments for those going through cancer, undergoing surgery, or who have been in a traumatic accident. It can also be used to help those with autoimmune disorders or bleeding disorders. Thank you to our school community for donating on this day.

### Level 3 Physical Education & Sport/Recreation Camp







From 12th to 14th June, our Level 3 PE students travelled to Muriwai Beach for three days. Here's what Hayley van Dijk had to say about the trip:

"We took part in a wide range of activities during the camp learning about risk management and running recreational activities. At the end of the mountain biking, we got a debrief about the safety management and risk management aspects of mountain biking. For example, things that are put in place to keep riders safe and have fun. We took part in Tree Adventures (high ropes in the trees), mountain biking, paintball & visiting Parakai Springs. We played touch & volleyball on the beach, we also planned, budgeted, brought and cooked our own food which was a great learning curve. At night we got to play some games like spotlight and card games before we had to head into our tents.

I really enjoyed all the activities. Parakai Springs was our first activity and it was awesome. The slide was so much fun with the highlight being when about 15 of us went down the slide at the same time in a big line. The best highlight of mountain biking was just being in your own head and enjoying the trail. The trails were really fun and exciting. For the tree adventures, I had to conquer a fear. Jewel, Zoey and I all decided it would be a good idea to start on the 7th out of 10 levels, which was not the best idea. I was a bit shaken up at first, however, after that, it was so fun.

This camp was worth going on, a lot of memories were made, and for most Year 13 students, this would be our last camp. Thank you to Mr Anderson and the staff who helped make this camp possible".

Hayley van Dijk - Year 13 student.

### **Chess Tournament**





On 21st June, the Glenfield College Chess team took part in the North Shore Secondary Interschools 2024 Chess Tournament where despite our eagerness to achieve highly, we unfortunately fell a little short. Regardless of this, it was a great opportunity. We've learnt a lot from it and moving forward, would like to establish a Chess culture within our school and build a community in which players of any skill level would like to attend and hopefully get something out of it.

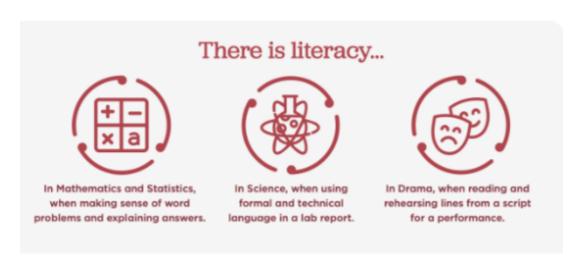
Written by Kuan Kruger - Year 13 student.

### **Aims Awards Success for Xavier Wetere**



On 14th June, ex-student Xavier Wetere was awarded an "Emerging Talent" scholarship worth \$3000 for his youth work at the annual Aims Awards Evening. Congratulations and well done Xavier on this amazing achievement!

### **Numeracy & Literacy Corner**



### Literacy

At Glenfield College, we are committed to raising the Literacy levels for every student. As the Covid lockdown students reach high school we have found that many of our junior students are reading and writing below their grade level.

As part of our Literacy focus every Year 9 and Year 10 student is enrolled in two online programmes at Glenfield. Twice a week students in the junior school do Reading Plus during their Literacy period. The reading levels of some students who consistently read have increased dramatically. Consistent and sustained reading will raise reading levels which, in turn, means that students will start doing better in all their subjects.

Parents and whānau can help us help their children by encouraging them to do Reading Plus at home.

Another programme we use to improve students' writing is Writer's Toolbox. This can also be done at home. The Learning Journey on Writer's Toolbox is an excellent tool for helping students' writing by taking students through all the elements of writing - step by step.

With the new NCEA Literacy and Numeracy co-requisites now being fully in place, we all need to do everything we can to help students pass these assessments. As was seen in the recent assessments, the Numeracy assessment consisted of a lot of reading and writing. Thus, showing us the importance of reading and writing for all subjects.

If you have any questions about Reading Plus or Writer's Toolbox, feel free to contact Karen Kingon, the Literacy coordinator at <a href="mailto:k.kingon@gc.ac.nz">k.kingon@gc.ac.nz</a>.

### There is numeracy...



In Visual Arts, when using reflections, rotations, and enlargements to create a design.



In English, when understanding statistics in a piece of reading.



In PE, when measuring out distances for races, estimating and calculating speed of the runner.

### Consecutive number puzzle

$$1 \square 2 \square 3 \square 4 \square 5 \square 6 \square 7 = 0$$

- a) Fill in the boxes with + and to make this true.
- a) Find all possible solutions?

### Suggested solution

The sum of the numbers is 28, therefore both the positives and the negatives must have a sum of 14, with one of the positives being 1. So the remaining positives must sum to 13, not using the number 1.

Eq. 
$$7 + 6 = 13$$

So 
$$1-2-3-4-5+6+7=0$$

Use a systematic approach to find all possible solutions.

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Eg. 
$$7 + 6 = 13$$

So 
$$1-2-3-4-5+6+7=0$$

As systematic approach yields 4 possible solutions.



Our school has been working with SchoolDocs to create a website for our policies and procedures. We are excited to announce that the site is now live and available to our school community.

The school works on a subscription basis with SchoolDocs to maintain, update, and review our policies. SchoolDocs provides us with a comprehensive core set of policies, which have been well-researched and align with the National Education and Learning Priorities. The policies and procedures are tailored to our school, and the school supplies specific information such as our charter, and procedures for behaviour management, reporting to parents, etc.

SchoolDocs updates, modifies, or creates policies in response to changes in legislation or Ministry guidelines, significant events, reviews/requests from schools, and regular reviewing from the SchoolDocs team. Our school board has the opportunity to view changes/additions and comment on them before they are implemented. We will advise you when policies are up for review and how you can take part in the review. We invite you to visit the site at <a href="https://gc.schooldocs.co.nz">https://gc.schooldocs.co.nz</a> (note that there's no "www."). Our username is "gc" and password "kaipatiki".

### Health and Safety - Left Turn Only from Glenfield College



Just a reminder, there is no turning right from the main car park in the morning. Please use the roundabout if you wish to travel up Kaipatiki Road.

### **Important Dates to Note**

26 July - Wairau Intermediate Visits
27 July - School Ball
29 July-2 August - Lumino Dentists
30 July - Pōwhiri for New Students
31 July - Open Evening - 6pm - Kaipatiki Theatre
2 August - Quiz Night - 6.45pm - Kaipatiki Theatre
5-9 August - Cook Islands Language Week
7 & 8 August - Year 9 Enrolment Interviews - 4-6pm
9 August - Kāhui Āko Matariki Festival
27 August - Mentoring

### **School Lunches**

Glenfield College does not have a tuckshop onsite, however, students can order from a comprehensive menu at ezlunch and this will be delivered to the front reception. Please note that students are not permitted to get food delivered by any other means.



### **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.

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- 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 <a href="https://ezlunch.co.nz/schools">https://ezlunch.co.nz/schools</a> and search Glenfield College to view a sample menu. If you would like any help, please get in touch. 8am – 4pm weekdays 09 475 5287 0800 EZLUNCH <a href="https://exlunch.co.nz">hello@mykindo.co.nz</a>

### **Fundraising Events**



### **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 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.



Click <u>here</u> to view the school calendar

As Term 2 comes to an end, it has been clear to see that Sport at Glenfield College is still a huge part of school culture and contributes to the reason our students attend. With that being said, it is important to stay committed to your chosen sport (or sports) at the beginning of Term 3 and not let your teammates down. I hope you continue to enjoy your time out on the fields, courts and turfs.

My time at Glenfield College has come to an end as I am moving overseas. I would just like to take this opportunity to thank every single person who has supported me in my role at Glenfield College over the past three years. I have loved working here and have made memories for a lifetime.

Stuart Dove.

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- 完成作业
- 找老师提问
- 向同学请教

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### WHERE 地点

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### do you need help with...



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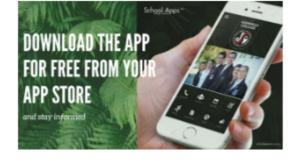
homework with others



assessments with teachers

### **Learning Hub**

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



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