

School Newsletter Week 5, Term 3, 2024.

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Message from the Acting Principal

Mālō ho'omou lelei

This week we have celebrated Tongan Language Week and I would like to thank our Pasifika group for sharing and celebrating the Tongan culture with us.

In writing my last newsletter as Acting Principal, I have been reflecting on how well our kura has functioned in what has been a challenging year for our community. I am incredibly proud of where we are at as a school academically, in our engagement and successes in the areas of sports and the arts, in our students readiness and willingness to be ambassadors and leaders in many facets of our school and Kahui Ako life, and in our community for the belief we all show in our young people to do great things. Yesterday in our staff photo, we wore a red ribbon to remember Mr McKinley. I think he too would be proud of his kura this year. Our thoughts are with the students, staff and community at Kelston Girls this week whose Principal, Mrs Sarah Stenson, passed away.

As you will see in this newsletter, it has been a busy start to Term 3. Most importantly, we are very much looking forward to our new Principal, Mr Rakesh Govind, joining us in the coming weeks. If you would like to diarise Tuesday 10th September, 11am, our parent/whanau community are warmly invited to join us at the powhiri to welcome our new Tumuaki. We will send more details closer to the time. Mr Govind brings many years of experience in education, senior leadership and principalship and we have no doubt that the school will continue to go from strength to strength under his guidance.



Open Evening

It was a pleasure to host prospective students and their whanau at our Open Evening in Week 2. On what was a terrible night weather wise, we had a full theatre and our students again did themselves proud acting as guides, leaders and subject ambassadors. We are very lucky on the North Shore to have a choice of many excellent schools and it is therefore heartening to see our roll growth which reassures me that we are meeting the needs of our local community. If you know of anyone that missed the Open Night and is wanting to consider Glenfield College, please tell them to contact us for a meeting and we can give them a tour of the school. The exciting thing with roll growth is the ability to widen the breadth of subjects and extra-curricular activities we can offer.

Kapa Haka Festival

We hosted the Kahui Ako Matariki Kapa Haka Festival in Week 3. This was a huge day with us welcoming 500+ young people and their whanau into Glenfield College to perform with their Kapa Haka Roopu. Our kapa haka was well-led by senior students, James Newland and Maia Bickford, who really stepped up in the weeks prior to help rebuild the group and prepare them for the day (with the support of Donovan Bickford). I was immensely proud of their performance on the day and even more so of their support of other performers - of note, the tautoko that they gave to the Wairau Valley Special School Kapa Haka group - this was very special. As is the case with many of our events at the College, it was

student-led on the day. We had students MC'ing, in the Theatre tech crew, backstage crew, fundraising, and liaising with visiting schools and teachers. Well done to all these taurira.

School Ball

On top of this, we have also fitted in the School Ball which was such a great evening for our senior students and staff. Our students were again impeccably behaved, looked wonderful and I hope created memories that will last.

Junior Sports

If you are reading this as a parent of a junior student, please remind them that this term and Term 4 have plenty of opportunities for them to connect with others through the various sports that are on offer. We had an entire day yesterday of sports and group photos, so if your child is interested they just need to seek it out.

Fathers Day Breakfast

The annual Father's Day breakfast is this coming week. This event is hosted by our Prefect team and is such a nice start to the day. If you have not purchased your ticket yet please do so ASAP for catering purposes.



Subject Selection

Our Year 10, 11 and 12 students are currently in the process of selecting subjects for next year. These were due by today. You can help us at home by asking to see their subject selection sheet, looking at SchoolPoint together and exploring the pathways that certain subjects can take them, and ensuring your child has completed this process not just on the paper sheet but also electronically on SchoolPoint. Subject choices will be discussed this Tuesday at mentoring appointments.

Mentoring Day

This coming Tuesday is Mentoring Day for our senior students. If you have not done so yet, please book an appointment for you and your child. This is an opportunity to discuss subjects for 2025, academic results and goals to date, and then importantly preparation for school examinations.

Derived Grade examinations

12 to 18 September are our school examinations. Attendance at these is compulsory and provides your child with preparation for both exam techniques and an insight into the depth of knowledge required for success in the externals. These examinations replicate what could be expected in the NCEA

examinations in November, provide a derived grade should this be required, and is used toward academic grades for prizegiving. You can help at home by checking if your child has a revision plan organised, and encouraging them to get started now if they have not already done so.

Self-Managing Students

Last newsletter I wrote about the importance of students turning up to school ready to learn with their own Chromebook, stationary, school bag and attending every day. We are noticing a large number of students are turning up late which means they are missing part of their Period 1 lesson. Please note that students do receive lunchtime detentions for lateness unless the lateness has been communicated and/or justified by a parent. We want to encourage students to manage themselves in the morning, to set their alarm earlier, to pack their lunchbox and bag the night before, catch the earlier bus, and where possible not to have to rely on anyone else to do this for them. It is their responsibility to get here on time - the two classrooms full of students on lunchtime detention yesterday tell me that our students need to improve in this self-management space.



Sport

Please see Mr Lacey's report further on in this newsletter for details of how the winter season has finished.

Good luck to our Netball and Hockey teams who are competing in the Secondary School Tournament Week in Week 7. We know you will represent yourself and the school with pride.

Well done to our Hockey team who ran a very successful Trivia Night recently as part of their fundraising efforts. It was a hard-fought battle with a table of ex-students taking out First Place, some excellent raffle and silent auction prizes and yummy sweet treats to purchase.

Performing Arts Showcase

I encourage you to attend the upcoming Music Showcase (Wednesday, 28 August at 6.30pm) and Dance Showcase (Wednesday, 25th and Thursday, 26th September at 6.30pm).

Also, please note the advert further on in this newsletter regarding the Kaipatiki Sounds Festival being held at Birkenhead College later this term. This is always a fantastic evening celebrating the talent in the Kaipatiki region (featuring students from Glenfield, Northcote & Birkenhead College).

Michelle Cleaver
Acting Principal



2024 MUSIC SHOWCASE

Wednesday 28th August at 6.30pm
Gold coin donations are welcome



FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST

Friday, 30 August at 7.30am
Kaipatiki Theatre
Guest Speaker

Tickets \$10
available from the Finance Office or online payment

Tongan Language Week Celebrated



This week we celebrated Tongan Language Week. This included a quiz, a pattern drawing competition, a food sale, a Tongan Kahoot quiz & Tongan solo dances.

International Students



This Term we have had 14 new International students joining us from both Japan and Italy. The students are here for a mix of shorter stays through to year-long stays. It is great to see them settling in well and adapting to school life, including joining activities like rock climbing and going to the Waitomo Caves with the Geography class.

We have also had two groups come to us this term for their Kiwi experience. A group of 18 students from different schools in China and 17 students from Teisei Gauken Junior High. These students have been buddied with our students to gain experience of another culture and to learn how to embrace different types of schooling.

Open Evening



On the 31st of July, we hosted our Open Evening for prospective 2025 students and their whānau. The Theatre was full when the evening opened with musical performances from our talented students and a performance from one of our dance ensembles. Mrs Cleaver then spoke about the school and held a Q & A session. Key staff were available to talk about their departments and several current students were present, showcasing their favourite subjects. During the evening, the Prefects took prospective families on a school tour that gave them an overview of the many opportunities available inside and outside the classroom. It was a very successful evening and will help to ensure that Glenfield College continues to grow as a sought-after school in the community. Click [here](#) to see photos from the evening.

Quiz Night



On Friday, 2nd of August, we held a Hockey Tournament Quiz Night in the Kaipatiki Theatre with 117 attendees. The night was run by the tournament team members and raised nearly \$5,000 towards the cost of attending the event.



Celebrating Entrepreneurial Success: Kisha and Kierstan's Mahurutanga Scents



Earlier this term, Kisha and Kierstan (Year 13 students) created a business, Mahurutanga Scents. Their dedication to investing in it has recently led to an exciting partnership with our local community organisation, Eco Hub. We encourage everyone to support their journey - check out their Instagram page at [mahurutanga.scents](https://www.instagram.com/mahurutanga.scents).

School Ball



On Saturday, 27th of July, our annual school Ball was held at the Ellerslie Event Centre. Thanks go to Anna Williams, Deb Allaker & Jordyn Ogden for all of their hard work behind the scenes to make this such a huge success. Please click here to see photos from the evening: <https://www.cactusphotography.co.nz/galleryslide/7095266a5b830b691e/list>

Kapa Haka Kāhui Ako Festival



On Friday, 9th August, we held our first Kapa Haka Kāhui Ako Festival in the Kaipatiki Theatre. Intermediate schools from around the area gathered to take to the stage to perform in front of a very full theatre. Please click here to see more photos from the event: <https://www.flickr.com/photos/129130977@N02/albums/>

Glenfield College Talent Show



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Level 3 Sport & Recreation



On Tuesday, 13th of August, our Level 3 Sport & Recreation students helped Bayview Primary School run their Cross Country at Glenfield College. They ran warm-ups and cool-downs with all of the 200 primary school students. They had a relay race against the students, staff and parents, which they won.

Level 1 Waitomo Trip



On the 5th & 6th of August, our Level 1 Geography class went on a two-day trip to the Waitomo caves. During this trip, we participated in fun activities that helped us work as a team and get out of our comfort zones. We went black water rafting where we climbed around in a dark cave and jumped off underground waterfalls. In contrast to this was a peaceful boat ride where we got a close-up view of the glowworms in their own environment. Then we got to learn about the beautiful limestone formations and the history behind them. Reinforcing the information we had learnt in class helped the experience become more memorable. Overall, this trip was an amazing experience and I would recommend it to anyone else who wanted to do it. Written by Karly Lind - Year 11 student.



Eco Hub Trip



On Wednesday, 14th of August, our students had the opportunity to visit the Eco Hub, where they participated in a range of workshops, team-building exercises, and an insightful walk through the bush, where they learned about our incredible local fauna and flora. The experience also provided valuable lessons on the financial interdependence of the Eco Hub Kaipātiki Project with other organisations and entities. It was a day of learning, growth, and connection with nature.



YES University Of Auckland Market Day



On Wednesday, 17th of July, our Year 13 Commerce students participated in the YES University of Auckland Market Day where they made impressive sales and promoted their businesses amongst other students. Thanks to Mr McLeod for making this trip possible.

AUT Shadow a Leader Programme



Earlier this term, our Level 3 Business Studies students attended the AUT Shadow a Leader Programme. This innovative initiative provided them with invaluable insights and real-world experience by shadowing prominent New Zealand business leaders. Their participation exemplifies our commitment to fostering the development of future leaders. Well done to Kisha and Horatio for attending this event.

Numeracy Corner

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.

Try this: [Cube Nets Puzzle](#)

[Past Numeracy Assessments and Answers](#)

Sports Report



A thrilling Term 3 for sports as winter sports weekly moved into knockout rounds and finals!

Netball had a wonderful run with both the seniors and the juniors, with the Year 9 girls finishing top of their grade, before unfortunately coming unstuck in their semi-final. Senior Team 1 however put all of their final pieces together, as things started to click in the last few weeks. A dominant semi-final win over a Rangitoto team set up tomorrow's Final against Westlake 9, which will surely be an exciting finish to the North Harbour season and perfect preparation for the upcoming UNIS tournament.

Both Hockey Boys & Girls had strong starts to the season, seeing them promoted into North Harbour Grade 2. Despite shaky starts against the increasingly strong opposition, both teams eventually found their feet to finish the season strongly, with the Boys playing off in the 3rd/4th play-off next week. Following that, the mixed Hockey team will head off to Whakatane for a week to compete in the Wollaston Trophy.

Basketball next, and with eight teams there was always likely to be some excitement, and there was with four of those teams making semi-finals and some very close ones at that! U19B Boys had a thrilling contest against Vanguard in their semi, falling short by just two points. Junior A went one closer, but still fell short in their semi, losing by one point to a Rosmini side. There is one final to look forward to next week however, Junior B will face Albany Junior in Wednesday's final.

More semi-final action for a number of our students in Rugby. Four of the Glenfield College Boys featured in the Northcote/Birkenhead/Glenfield 1st XV composite team, that fell three points short of beating Westlake Boys 2nd XV in a brilliant game in horrendous conditions!

Football Girls finished in Term 2, but the boys saved some of their more exciting performances for the end of the season. Team 1 involved in multiple high-scoring games, after beating Hobsonville Point 3-0, what followed were two exciting encounters, that despite losing 3-4 to TGS & 4-6 to Rosmini! Boys Team 2 finish their season tomorrow morning against Rangitoto Y11 B.

Elsewhere, seven students competed in the Auckland Climbing Series Bouldering Round. ACS is a four round event held throughout the year, with this particular round focussed on the bouldering discipline, held at BoulderCo, Westgate. Miles Malaki was the pick of the bunch, taking the silver medal in the Junior class.

Last week also saw four students endure the long trek out to Bruce Pulman Park, to compete in the Auckland Secondary Schools Road Race Championships. Students competed over three or four km depending on their age group, with all of our students placing well within the top 30, among fields of well over 50!

Summer sports will start to ramp up from here out, so watch this space!



Important Dates to Note

- 27 August - Mentoring Day
- 28 August - Music Showcase - 6.30pm - Kaipatiki Theatre
Whānau Hui
- 30 August - Father's Day Breakfast - 7.30am - Kaipatiki Theatre
- 2-6 September - Winter Tournament Week
- 9-13 September - Services Academy Adventure Race
- 16-20 September - Māori Language Week
- 18-20 September - Senior Snow Trip
- 18 September- 5 October - Project K Camp
- 25 & 26 September - Dance Showcase
- 27 September - Term 3 Finishes - 12.30pm
- 14 October - Term 4 Starts - Day 6



UPCOMING EVENTS

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



The Glenfield College Derived Grade examinations for our senior students begin in Week 8, Thursday 12th September until Wednesday 18th September.

Attendance at the Derived Grade Examinations is compulsory. The results of these examinations will help both teachers and students in planning a revision programme leading up to the end-of-year NCEA examinations. These examinations also allow our Year 11 and 12 students to demonstrate that their level of knowledge and understanding supports a successful pathway into subjects they have selected for 2025.

Below is the **DRAFT** timetable

Note:

Numeracy, Reading and Writing (Yr 11 & Yr 12/13) - these are the NCEA Numeracy and Literacy Co-reqs. Students will be taking these examinations if they have not already passed the Numeracy/Literacy requirements.

	Thursday 12 September 2024	Friday 13 September 2024
am	1Eng ** 2BusS ** 3BusS **	Yr 11 - Numeracy 2Biol 3Biol
pm	2MatA, 2MatS 3HeEd **, 3Phys	Yr 12 - Numeracy, 2Geog Yr 13 - Numeracy, 3Geog

	Monday 16 September 2024	Tuesday 17 September 2024	Wednesday 18 September 2024
am	Yr 11 - Reading 2Danc, 2Phys 3Danc, 3MatC	Yr 11 - Writing 2Chem 3Chem, 3Dram	1Comm ** 2EngC **, 2EngV ** 3Eng **
pm	1PhEd ** Yr 12 - Reading, 2HeEd **, 2Musc Yr 13 - Reading, 3Musc	1MatA Yr 12 - Writing, 2Dram Yr 13 - Writing, 3Hist **	1HeEd ** 2Hist ** 3MatS

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ASTTP

Auckland Schools' Teacher Training Programme

<https://www.schoolbasedtraining.org/>

What makes this pathway different?

- Fees paid for.
- \$12,500 stipend.
- On the job training. Trainee teachers will work in one school for an entire year with a Mentor.
- There will be an opportunity to experience another school for a 5 week placement.
- Trainee teachers will complete academic papers through the University of Waikato throughout the year.

What are the entry requirements?

- Undergraduate degree in relevant subject area (Level 7 NZQF).
- Interview with school.
- Literacy and Numeracy test through Waikato University.

For Te Reo Māori, Pasifika Studies and Technology, relevant experience may be sufficient. Trainee teachers will be accepted on a case-by-case basis. The general framework is:

- High levels of te reo Māori or Pacific Language fluency that would enable them to teach up to and including Level 3 NCEA.

or

- A minimum of 5 years of relevant work experience, in the last 8 years, in a trade (e.g. chef, patternmaker, builder, mechanic, cabinetmaker, illustrator) relevant to teaching technology education subjects.

Considering a change in career?

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SUNDAY 8th September 2024

(10am-2pm)

GLENFIELD TENNIS CLUB

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Please keep up to date with College events via our online calendar below. This will be updated as information comes to hand.

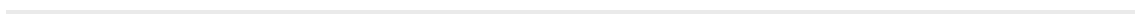
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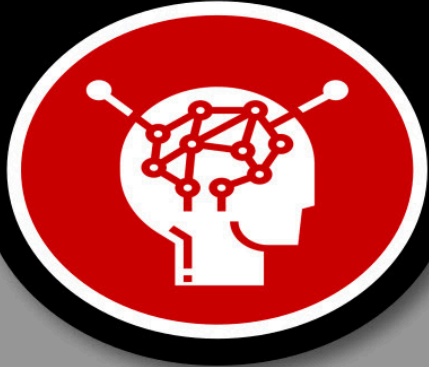
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LEARNING HUB 课后补习



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



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