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## School Newsletter Week 10, Term 3, 2024.

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**Message from the Principal** 

I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to Reverend John Marsden, the Board of Trustees, staff, students and the Glenfield College community for the warm welcome I received during my recent welcome pōwhiri. It was an incredibly special occasion that set a positive tone for my tenure here. The haka pōwhiri was emotionally charged and I felt truly humbled by the experience. The passion within the school community was evident and I am thankful for the way I was received. My friends and family felt very welcomed and my colleagues from Piopio College were impressed with the occasion. I have continued to receive supportive messages, reflecting the strong community spirit at Glenfield College.

I have spent the past two weeks getting to know staff and students and observing the school in action. I have easily identified the following strengths of the school:

#### Belonging

Students exhibit a strong sense of belonging, proudly wearing their uniforms and adhering to clear behavioural and achievement expectations. The speeches by James and Sue at the powhiri highlighted student voice, reinforcing the sense of student agency and community. My classroom visits have been welcoming, with students and staff responding positively.

#### Striving for Excellence

The school has strong systems and processes in place. Collaboration amongst staff is evident, ensuring consistency and effectiveness in our practices. Engagement across the school contributes to a positive teaching and learning environment.

#### **Focus on Success**

Students are concentrating on their examinations and the overall tone within the school is encouraging. Attendance rates are great, reflecting a commitment from both students and staff.

I would like to recognise the hard work of the Board, staff and the Senior Leadership Team so far this year. Staff members have effectively shared responsibilities and I want to particularly commend Michelle Cleaver for her outstanding leadership in the Acting Principal role—an important responsibility that she has managed exceptionally well. As I settle into my role as Principal, I am incredibly grateful for the opportunity to be part of such a dedicated and committed team.

As we approach the end of Term 3, I would like to take this time to wish students a safe and restful break, and also to remind senior students of the importance of using the next few weeks wisely to focus on the upcoming exams, review their course-work and ensure they feel confident and ready for the business end of the year.



Rakesh Govind

Principal



On Tuesday, 10th September, we welcomed our new Tumuaki, Mr Rakesh Govind. The pōwhiri, led by our Kaumatua, Reverend John Marsden, was a very special occasion marking a new chapter for Glenfield College. Our students gave this occasion, and Mr Govind, the mana that was deserved. Please click here to see the photos and here to see the live stream: https://www.youtube.com/live/dESKIAKryVQ?si=D339-JaJbxftHk3i



**Dance Showcase** 







On Wednesday, 25th and Thursday, 26th September our annual Dance Showcase was held in the Kaipatiki Theatre. During the evening, guests were treated to performances by talented students. It was an entertaining night full of amazing dancing and quality performances from our students. Thanks to Mrs Ogden for her organisation to make these nights so memorable. Click here to see more photos from the evenings. Please click here to see more photos from the evenings.



**College Converge** 



At the end of Term 3, we were fortunate to host the Kaipātiki Local Board for College Converge 2024. This meeting was facilitated by the Kaipātiki Community Facilities Trust (KCFT). It involved 40 of our senior students expressing their views and thoughts for the local community to eight local board members. The discussions ranged from community events in the area to road safety and transport issues and looking at the facilities available for our students in the local area. There were plenty of great discussions and the meeting meant that the local board came away with plenty of views about meeting our student's aspirations for the future of Kaipātiki.



## **Emerging Leaders Conference**





On Monday, 26 August, Ayesha Virtudazo and Sam Chua (Year 12 students) were selected to attend the inaugural Emerging Ethnic Leaders breakfast. This event brought together students from diverse backgrounds across Auckland, giving them the opportunity to engage with inspiring guest speakers who shared insights on the impact of leadership in their lives. Ayesha and Sam's involvement highlights the importance of fostering leadership and diversity, while also acknowledging the unique challenges that ethnic students face as they navigate the path to becoming leaders in their communities.



**Music Showcase** 



On Wednesday, 28th 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, as well as 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. Click here to see more photos from the evening.



## **Level 3 Business Studies Success**





Earlier this term, our Level 3 Business Studies students (Kisha, Kiersten, Mateo, Horatio and Cleo) had huge success at the NZCETA Pursuits Challenge, where they were tested over two hours on managerial theory, operational strategies, financial analysis, and marketing strategies. The students performed exceptionally well throughout the evening and were awarded second place among all the secondary schools including Dio, Saint Kents, and Rangitoto College. Thank you to Karen Phang and Lizl MacLeod for your support and Vincent Weber for cheering the team with a 'Go GC' sign.



## **Deloitte Challenge Success**









On Wednesday, 28th of August, Cleo, Mateo, Kisha and Kiersten participated in the Deloitte Challenge, where they engaged in various activities, including solving a real-world problem presented by Deloitte. Mateo's group achieved first place and Cleo's group secured second place in the challenge. Their

success was a testament to their exceptional teamwork, collaboration and knowledge. They embodied our school values of pride and respect throughout the event.



# **Guest Speakers Join Our Level 3 Business Studies Students**



On Wednesday, 28th of August, we had the pleasure of hosting several guest speakers at Glenfield College, who provided our students with invaluable insights into exam preparation and potential future studies in Business Studies. Lloyd, a Business Studies Lecturer at AUT, and our past alumni, Corbin Harris and Callum Neil, shared their experiences and knowledge during a session. This two-hour session was designed to help students succeed further in their examinations. This was a valuable opportunity for Level 3 Business Studies students to gain perspective from experts and former students who have walked the same path.



## **International Students**



Today we farewell Kiyono who has been with us for the term from Japan. We have enjoyed having her with us, her warm personality and dedication to doing well in her studies have been commented on by many who teach her. Kiyono has participated in school trips and excursions; a highlight has to be her performance at Musical Showcase playing the Violin. She has so much musical talent and we wish you well for her travels home.





Cyber Safety





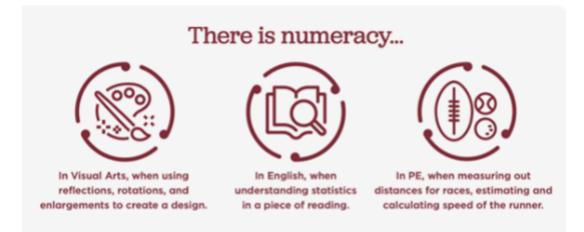
In Week 1 of next term school staff and a representative from NZ Police will be presenting to the community on Cyber safety. With technology and social media constantly evolving, staying informed can feel overwhelming. Join us early next term for a cyber safety talk aimed at helping parents navigate the digital world and supporting their children in making safe online choices. This evening will be held on the 16<sup>th</sup> of October at 5.30pm in the Kaipatiki Theatre.



## Health and Safety

A reminder to our community that students driving to school should have registered their cars with us, and have signed permission from you as parents to drive. Students are not permitted to carry passengers. Where space allows, the shared driveway at the top of the school can be used for students to park their cars. A reminder to please drive safely in and out of this driveway, turning only left onto Kaipatiki road at the end of the day.

**Numeracy Corner** 



## 9) Money

Ian could buy this item on hire purchase. (See advertisement below).

DVD cash price \$849.95 OR hire purchase \$140 deposit and \$7.52 weekly for 2 years

Which option should lan choose - pay the cash price or place it on hire purchase? Explain your decision.

**Possible Solution:** 

HP = 140 + 7.52 x 104

= 140 + 782.08

= \$922.08

A difference of \$72.13

Ian could choose to pay cash because it is cheaper or he could hire purchase as he may not have all the cash needed at the time and he can pay the goods off.



## **Important Dates to Note**

18 September-5th October - Project K Camp 14 October - Term 4 Starts - Day 6 15 October - Sports Awards 16 October - Year 9 Enrolment Evening from 3.30pm to 6pm Cyber Safety Information Evening - 5.30pm 18 October - Leavers' Dinner 19 October - Robotics Tournament 22 October - Pōwhiri for new students 22-25 October - Spirit Week 23 October - Year 9 Enrolment Evening from 3.30pm to 6pm 24 October - Arts Awards 28 October - Labour Day - School Closed 30 October - Senior Prizegiving 31 October - NZQA Admin Day for Year 11-13 students 2 November - Robotics Tournament 5 November - NZQA Exams Start 18-22 Novermber - Junior Camp 21 Novermber - Whānau Hui 29 November - NZQA Exams Finish 5 December - Junior Prizegiving Practice 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.



Click here to view

the school calendar

# **Sports Report**

The back end of Term 3 saw finals, Winter Tournament Week and the start of Junior Volleyball.

Netball finished their North Harbour season on a high, winning the Grade 4 final, with a comprehensive 35 - 22 victory against a Westlake Girls team. They then headed to UNISS to compete against other schools from across the Upper North Island. It was a good experience for all involved, particularly the juniors, getting a taste of what Premier Netball is like. Despite a couple of tough days earlier in the week, with knock backs against strong invitational teams, victories against higher grade schools such as Rodney & Paeroa were the highlights of the week. Lots of smiles and a few tears to end the week, but the girls were all happy knowing they put their all into representing the school.



The mixed Hockey team headed off for a week in Whakatane to compete in the Wollaston Trophy, North Island mixed event. Captained by Hayley Van Dijk and Travis Atkinson, the team got off to a great start, coming out strong with a win and a draw through pool play, cementing a place in the quarter finals for the first time. The following two games were a challenge, but Glenfield held their own, losing narrowly in some very nerve-wracking final minutes. Their final game was fast and frantic, but we wanted the win more. We finished seventh overall in the tournament. A huge shout-out to Jo Cowell who organised all the food and cooking for us. It was a huge undertaking to feed over 20 people and no one ever left the table hungry. Also thanks to all the supporters who drove down to watch the team play. It was great having lots of cheering on the sidelines.



Junior Volleyball Super League got underway last week, with teams featuring in both the Girls and Boys leagues. Both teams got off to a steady start, winning one & losing one of their games on opening night. The boys followed this with two comprehensive wins against Long Bay & Takapuna Grammar School this week.

The Junior Boys also travelled to the Junior A Qualifying Tournament, hoping to earn the opportunity to play against the top Junior schools from across the city. A tough pool and two very narrow losses meant we did not make the cut this year. It was valuable learning for the boys and great preparation for the Super League season and the upcoming Auckland & North Island Championships.

Term 4 will see the introduction of Futsal, with three boys teams ready and raring to go!

To follow @glenfieldcollegesport click below



To see the latest sports fixtures click below





# 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

## 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**

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# new to ezlunch?

Quickly create an account to order lunch now.

1. Scan QR code to create a new account.



View the menus & click to add items to the cart.

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 <u>https://ezlunch.co.nz/schools</u> 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 <u>hello@mykindo.co.nz</u>



# 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

#### **Payment Options:**

NZ Uniforms accepts Cash, Eftpos, all major Credit Cards and WINZ payments. We also offer finance through Gilrose Finance, PartPay and have a 'Uniform Club' which is a great way to save for your School Uniform purchases.

## 'Uniform Club' :

It's easy, set up an account and make automatic payments (weekly, fortnightly or monthly) in advance and watch your balance grow. When you are ready to make your Schoolwear purchases with NZU, your money is already available and waiting to be spent! Call or visit the store today to get started.









# **5 DAY SCHOOL HOLIDAY JOURNEY**

Embark on an Epic 5-Day Teen Sailing Adventure! Calling all teens aged 14-18! Get ready to embark on an unforgettable journey that blends adventure, skill-building, and lasting friendships.

Sail onboard the Legendary Boat,



Master Sailing Basics:

Learn navigation and weather prediction. Cook & Sleep onboards: Prepare meals and experience nights on deck. Rise to the Challenge: Test your grit and decision-making with support from experienced instructors who will guide you every step of th

Achieve Greatness: Earn credit towards the prestigious Duke of Edinburgh Hillary Award. All-Inclusive Price:

For just \$1,575 per person, you'll get meals, accommodation and adventure. Ready to Set Sail?

Secure your spot now and start the adventure of a lifetime!





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Watch a Movie, Enter The Draw & Earn Your School Cash !

See any movie during the T3/T4 school holidays at Takapuna Beachside Cinemas.

Fill in the online form, we will donate \$1 on your behalf and put you into the draw to win one of three \$100 gift cards

At the end of the holidays, we will total up the entries, donate money to your school and draw our three winners, 1 Primary, 1 Intermediate, 1 High school student. We will notify all winners via email

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