

School Newsletter Week 6, Term 4, 2024

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Message from the Principal

As we come to the final weeks of what has been a very challenging year, I would like to acknowledge the staff and students who are working hard right through to the end of the year. The Senior Leadership Team have been amazing with a strong collaborative work ethic and a clear desire for growth and development of our school. Alongside this, the middle leadership group of HODs and Deans who are ably supported by a very committed and dedicated staff which includes a very strong support staff group, ensures that Glenfield College is in very capable hands.

The Senior Academic Prize-giving was a very special celebration of academic excellence and acknowledged those who excelled across a wide range of areas in the school. Congratulations again to Dux, Sue Park and Proxime Accessit, Jave Haven Lafuente. Further details of this special occasion are included further on in this

newsletter.

As we start to plan for 2025, I am heartened by the fact that staff are ensuring that our senior students continue to be supported and junior academic programmes continue to keep students engaged and focused with a strong sense of purpose. As well as moving around the school, visiting classes and undertaking one on one conversations with staff I took the opportunity to visit the Year 9 students at their camp in Tawharanui this week. This is a very special part of the country and watching the students challenge themselves and interact with staff and their peers in this amazing space is truly rewarding. A huge thank you to the staff who have given up their personal time to not only organise the camp but to run the various activities as well as ensure that students are well fed and looked after is greatly appreciated.

Although there have been several competing priorities over the last few weeks, NZQA examinations are progressing well and the junior examinations also allowed junior students to experience a more formal assessment period as part of their learning. Staff are currently completing their reports, and these will be emailed to parents and caregivers at the end of the academic year.

Best wishes for the final two weeks of the school year.



Rakesh Govind

Principal



Senior Prizegiving Success



On Wednesday, 30th October, we held our annual Senior Academic Prize-giving Ceremony. The school was joined by many parents and family members to celebrate the academic achievements of students during the 2024 year. Congratulations to all of our prize-winners including Dux for 2024, Sue Park & Proxime Accessit, Jave Haven Lafuente. Please click [here](#) to see more photos from the event and [here](#) to see the live link.

Notable awards went to:

McKinley Cup: Teina Anderson

Kaipatiki Scholarship Award: Sienna Hunter

Resilience Award: Nathan Holl

Lyn Bailey Scholarship: Sue Park

Lodge North Harbour Award: Michelle Marsden

Glenfield College Vocational Excellence Scholarship: Paige Holmes

University Scholarships: Kiersten Fernandez, Sienna Hunter & Sue Park

Rankin Memorial Trophy: Karlos Angyang

John Potter Memorial Trophy: Sue Park

Year 11 Principals Award: Rose Oborn

Year 12 Principals Award: Nate Carroll

Year 13 Principals Award: Sienna Hunter

Year 9 & 10 Camp





This week, Glenfield College hosted the Year 9 and Year 10 camp at Tāwharanui Regional Park. The students embraced an action-packed week filled with exciting activities such as archery, surfing, kayaking, orienteering, mountain biking, water kickball, team building, raft building, and beach games. Evenings were equally thrilling, with students challenging staff to games like spotlight, sardines, and go-home-stay-home.

Beyond the fun, this camp was an incredible opportunity to further develop Glenfield Way values—respect, adventurous, and resilience—while strengthening teamwork and communication skills. Surfing was a popular highlight amongst the students as the wave conditions were perfect. The gorgeous weather and delicious meals made the experience even more unforgettable.

A massive thank you to our dedicated staff who generously gave their time to make this much-anticipated annual event a success. Their support and enthusiasm ensured our students created lifelong memories. Please click [here](#) to see more photos from the camp.

Literacy & Numeracy Corner

There is literacy...

In Mathematics and Statistics,
when making sense of word
problems and explaining answers.

In Science, when using
formal and technical
language in a lab report.

In Drama, when reading and
rehearsing lines from a script
for a performance.

Pasta Information

This is part of the information on a 500 gram packet of pasta.

Servings per pack: 3

Serve size: 167 g

Nutrient	Average quantity per serve	Average quantity per 100 g
Fat		
Total	0.3 g	0.18 g
Saturated	0.03 g	0.02 g
Sodium	668 mg	400 mg

Using the information **per serve**, what percentage of the total fat is the saturated fat?

The National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) has set an 'adequate intake' of 460–920 mg of sodium per day.

Below are some statements about the information provided.

Click on 'True' or 'False' for each statement.

Statement

True False

The amount of sodium in *two* serves of the pasta exceeds the maximum NHMRC daily 'adequate intake'.

The maximum NHMRC daily 'adequate intake' of sodium is less than one gram.

Answers:

The correct answer is 10% because 0.03 is one-tenth of 0.3 and one-tenth as a percentage is 10%.

Alternatively, $\frac{0.03}{0.3} \times 100\% = 0.03 \times 100\% \div 0.3 = \frac{0.03 \times 100}{0.3} \% = \frac{3}{0.3} \% = 10\%$

The correct answer for part A is 'True' because two serves of the pasta contains $668 \text{ mg} \times 2 = 1336 \text{ mg}$, which exceeds 920 mg, the upper value of the NHMRC range.

The correct answer for part B is 'True' because $1 \text{ g} = 1000 \text{ mg}$. The upper value of the NHMRC range, 920 mg, is less than 1000 g.



Homestay Help Needed

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[Registrations now open](#)

Te Kura accepts short-term registrations over the summer break. Te Kura Summer School is a learning programme available for eligible ākonga (students) who require up to 12 NCEA credits to progress to further study, training, or employment.

Hand, Foot & Mouth Warning

We have a confirmed case of Hand foot & mouth in school, it is highly transmissible though not usually serious except in pregnant women, very young children or anyone with a compromised immune system. If your child presents with any of the following symptoms then please have them checked by a Doctor.

<https://info.health.nz/conditions-treatments/infectious-diseases/hand-foot-and-mouth-disease>

Important Dates to Note

- 29 November - NZQA Exams Finish
- 5 December - Junior Prizegiving Practice
- 6 December - Junior Prizegiving
- End of Term 4 - 12.30pm finish
- 28 January 2025 - New Year 9 and all new students first day
- 29 January - Day 3 - Whole School
- 30 January - Day 4
- 31 January - Day 5
- 4 February - Sports sign up
- 5 February - Class, ID & Prefects Photos
- 6 February - Waitangi Day - School Closed
- 7 February - School Closed
- 11 February - Clubs sign up
- Year 9 Whānau Welcome Evening

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

Sports Report

A busy start to Term 4 with Cricket, Futsal and Volleyball leading the way!

In Week 4, Glenfield College took seven teams to compete in the North Harbour Junior Beach Volleyball Day. On a beautifully sunny day at Mairangi Bay Beach Volleyball Club, several volleyballers had their first-ever taste of beach volleyball. In teams of two, they competed through pool play and into play-offs, with a few teams picking up victories in the sand. While undoubtedly a fun experience, the lessons learned, and new skills attempted will surely support some of our future volleyball players and teams.



Junior Volleyball wrapped up the competition for the year last week. Glenfield College had four teams competing across the different grades; a Boys & a Girls team in both the North Harbour Super League and North Harbour League. In the Super League, the boys had a very successful campaign, beginning the season in Division G, and promoting to Division D. A season that included a seven-game winning streak at one stage, and a final placing within the top 10. The Super League

Girls had a season of improvement, after a shaky start, a consistent run of performances saw them maintain their division right up until the last week, where two wins to round out the season saw them finish inside the top 20. This week, the Boys and Girls Volleyball teams headed off to the Junior Auckland Championships.



A new North Harbour Futsal league started in Term 4, with Glenfield College entering three Boys' teams into this competition. A version of Football that is played inside with six players on each team, with a smaller, heavier ball that promotes skills and quick play. The boys started out intending to hone their skills through to off-season, to support their football campaign in 2025 but ended up taking to Futsal impressively quickly. As of last week, Glenfield College teams were sitting on top of both pools, with great opportunities to finish out the season playing some finals football, and end the sporting year on a high!

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Netsafe Resources

As our children spend more time online, it's important parents and whānau help them stay safe. Now is a great time to talk to them about how we use the internet and digital technology. Netsafe has created an Online Safety Parent Toolkit and introduced a new Webinar Series to give you all the information you need to talk about online safety with your children.

Parent Toolkit

<https://netsafe.org.nz/parenttoolkit/>

Netsafe Webinar Series

Each month Netsafe offers a new webinar on a different key cybersafety issue. Join their webinars to learn more about keeping your family safe online and share these links with friends and whānau.

Body image and social media

Date and time: 10th December @ 7.30pm

Register here: [Webinar Registration - Zoom](#)

This webinar for parents will explore some insights from the research and provide practical tips and tools to give parents, and young people, more control over what and who they see as they consume social media content and use social media channels.

School Docs Reviews

As previously notified, we use the services of SchoolDocs to manage our school policies, updating them to reflect current legislation.

The following policies are up for review this term and parents are invited to have their say:

- Managing Income and Expenditure (Board)
- Financial Conflicts of Interest (Board)
- School Donations and Student Activity Payments/Attendance Dues and Other Income
- Expenditure
- Asset Management and Protection (Board)
- Property Planning and Maintenance
- Prevention of Bribery, Corruption, Fraud and Theft

To review, log on to the SchoolDocs website using:

<https://gc.schooldocs.co.nz/Logon.aspx?ReturnUrl=%2f>

Login: gc

Password: Kaipatiki

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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

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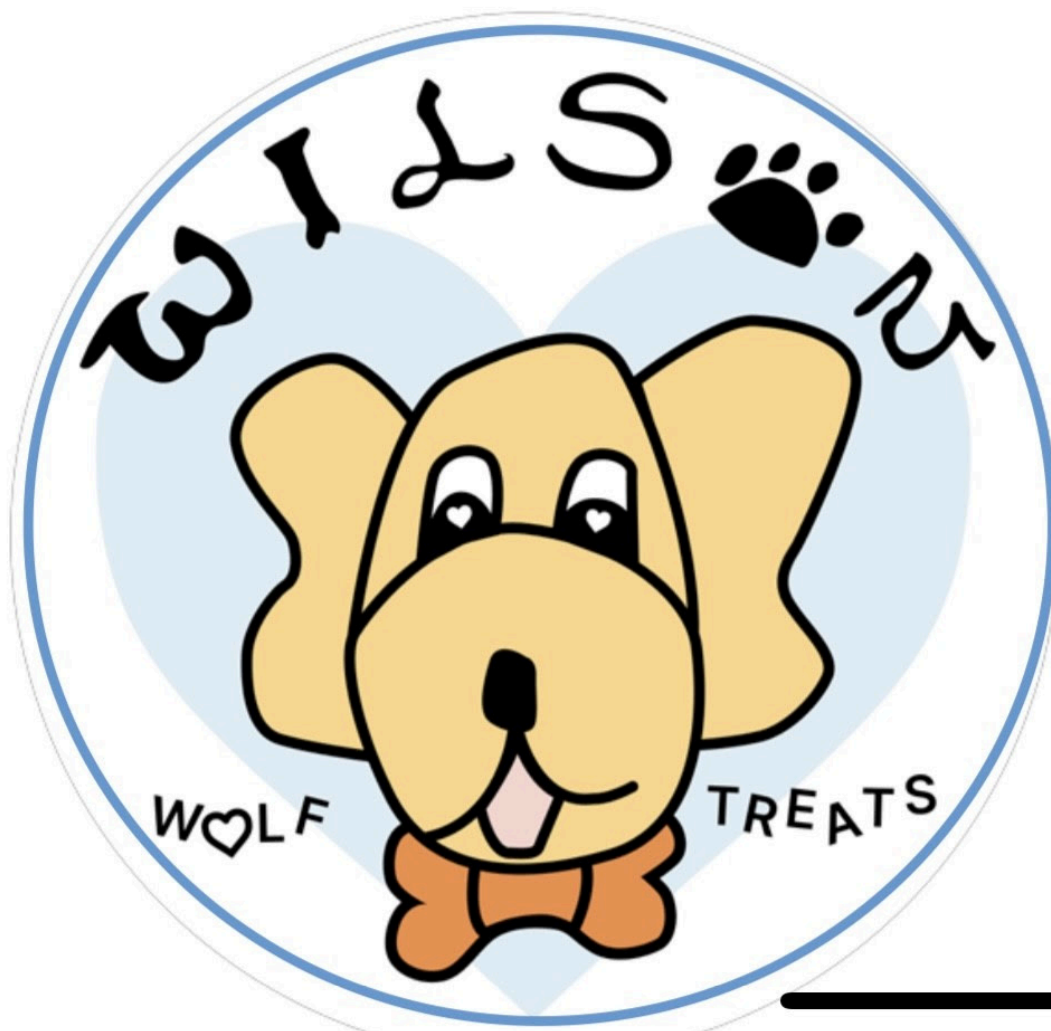
homework
with others



assessments
with teachers

Learning Hub

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



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