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Kia ora koutou

It has been a very busy start to term 2 and the students are fully into their learning programme. The ASB Getwise team has been in our school working with all our students around financial literacy and helping them to develop their understanding of how our money makes the world go round. The rest of the term promises to be very busy with our roadshows and visits to the local primary schools starting next week. I encourage you to discuss with your child what is happening in their classrooms.

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Bully Free NZ

Last week we supported Bully-Free NZ Week by reinforcing the messages of this campaign with our students. In all situations students have the choice of being a bystander or an upstander. Bystanders are the people not directly involved, but who contribute to the issue by spreading rumours, telling tales or by doing nothing when things start to escalate. An upstander, on the other hand, is a person who does not join in when someone else is being bullied, they speak up and do their best to help or support that person.

At Glenfield Intermediate we reinforce these messages on a regular basis through lessons in class and at school assemblies. Thank you to all those students that supported Pink Shirt Day and their commitment to Stop bullying.

Mental Health Awareness

On Thursday 27th May, GIS showed our support for youth depression and mental health by taking part in 'I Am Hope's Gumboot Day'. Gumboot Day was founded by comedian Mike King to give kiwi kids struggling with mental health the opportunity to access free counselling services when they really need it. We raised over \$700 to donate to I Am Hope to help reach their \$5 million goal.







Teacher/Staff Only Day

Professional learning is essential to ensure that we are delivering the best education for your community. As teachers and staff at Glenfield Intermediate, we are committed to improving our practice to ensure all learners meet their potential. This means from time to time that we need to have teacher/staff only days. We have one of these days coming up on Tuesday 8th June which means that school will not be open for instruction on that day. Please make alternative arrangements for your child on this day.



GIS is a PC4L School

Our purpose is to encourage students to take responsibility for themselves by providing a consistent, positive approach to behaviour.

At GIS we value:

- Respect
- Responsibility
- Relationships
- Resilience

Upcoming Dates

31st May **X Factor Finals**

Week 5 Samoan Language Week

Queens Birthday Holiday 7th June

> **Teacher Only Day** 8th June

10th June Room 1 Bake Sale

Daily Notices / Panui

We have created a google doc to allow students and whanau to access our daily notices more easily. You can bookmark this link to see what is happening at school each day.

https://docs.google.com/ document/ d/1iZYEUp4BttgILtyHMZKm 7aoF2Fgnj4yl6ccNyp1ny2E/ edit?usp=sharing



Principals Message continued

Uniform Expectation

The expectation at GIS is that students wear their formal uniform to and from school. Whilst at school they will be required to change into their PE gear at certain points of the day. It is essential that all students have 100% correct uniform at all times. I ask that all parents please ensure that your child has the correct uniform and wears it appropriately. If this is problematic, please contact the classroom teacher as non regulation clothing, hats and shoes are not allowed. If you are unsure, please check with the school office or look on the school website.

Road Safety

STUDENT SAFETY - A reminder that for safety reasons, students need to be dropped off and picked up from Chivalry Rd. Please **DO NOT** drive into the school grounds to drop off or pick up your child. We have a number of school vans and buses on site at these times, and additional vehicles in the carpark create a serious safety issue for our students. Also, please do not park on the broken yellow lines by the pedestrian crossing, parking here obstructs the view of the road patrollers and is a safety issue.

Congratulations to the following students who receive a Principal's Award at assembly today. They were recognised for having curious minds.

Student Achievement

Massive congratulations to Rose (Y8) who is having a piece of her writing published in Toitoi, a journal of young peoples writing. This is a huge achievement, congratulations Rose!

Titan A Mainstall

The cutter sways, and I hear yelling, but it's far away. Rain lashes me; no, maybe not me. Someone. "Titan a mainstall! Titan a mainstall!" is all I can hear. But I might not hear it. I concentrate, but that makes my head throb with a pulsing heartbeat. The jib is flapping. Someone should tighten it. Flappy no happy. Flappy no happy. A wave comes crashing in the boat, but it doesn't feel like I get wet. The spare oars hit me, and it *hurts*.

"Titan a mainstall" is ringing in my ears, and I wonder what a mainstall is. Maybe they should stop yelling, and then whatever a mainstall is, it would be a Titan. Would it? Waves crash over me again, but I don't feel cold. Just a deep numbness. It's comforting, and I might feel safe, but I don't know. My eyes slowly close, no, something. Something. Warmness? Maybe. The yelling is back, but not about the mainstall anymore. Boom? Jib? The jib needs tightening. It's not happy. I wonder why someone hasn't tightened it yet. My eyes open to see who is slacking off, or maybe they're supposed to leave it sad, but that doesn't make sense. The Titan a Mainstall needs doing? Maybe.

A blob appears in front of me. A weight is lifted off me, and I realize it's the oars. They fell on me? Possibly. Why am I in a puddle? Puddles shouldn't be on boats. The cutter sways, and my head hits the fiberglass hull. Another warm blob holds my head, it must be a hand. But I shouldn't be able to feel the warmth. Because I should be warm. The hand probes my head, and it hurts *so much*. My head shouldn't hurt. And why am I on the floor? The loose boom hangs over my head. Someone should tighten the mainsail. They might get hit in the head.



Principals Message continued

School TV

It's never been more challenging for parents to raise happy, healthy and resilient children. Like never before, parents need to be informed with clear, fact-based information on the many challenges faced by today's youth. Topics such as youth anxiety, depression, self-harm, drug and alcohol use, cyberbullying and many others need clear explanation and guidance.

SchoolTV is a new ongoing resource that is now available to our GIS parents. Each edition will address a major topic with expert interviews, fact sheets, parent quiz, recommended apps, books and much more. SchoolTV aggregates information from many great resources such as BeyondBlue and ReachOut, amongst others. SchoolTV



provides a single stream of independent factual information that saves parents time and confusion of searching online across multiple sites for information.

Teenagers are the most sleep-deprived segment of the population. This is a very under-recognised problem and the cost to society in the healthy development of young people is profound.

https://glenfieldint.nz.schooltv.me/newsletter/sleep

School App

The school website now includes our School App. To ensure you receive all the latest updates/notices/alerts, please download the new App by using the link on the school website or via the QR code below. These will take you to KiwiSchools Connect, download the KiwiSchools Connect App from the App Store or Play Store. Search for Glenfield Intermediate.

When prompted select — Subscribe to all.





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https://www.schoolfundraisingshop.org.nz/



SPORTS RESULTS

All of our netball teams are still playing grading games and having a mix of wins and losses.

Glenfield Gladiators hockey team have had a great start to their season with 2 wins on the bounce.

Our basketball teams are also doing well. Glenfield Grizzly's have had 2 wins, Glenfield Gazelles have had a bye and a loss, Glenfield Great Whites have had 2 losses, Glenfield Gators and Glenfield Greyhounds both had 1 win and 1 loss.

Congratulations to those students who have been selected for sports camp. A reminder that the second payment of \$80 is due 28 June.

Sports Notices

The Northern Mystics are back home at The Trusts Arena after 3 weeks on the road and it's a rematch against our Southern rivals the Ascot Park Southern Steel. You don't want to miss this match – make sure you get there early to get the best seats in the house.

Doors Open: 3pm Centre Pass: 4pm Tickets on sale now at:

Promo Code: MYSTSCHOOL21

Use this code to special discount code for your students and families which provides a \$5 discount on Adult GA tickets - making Adult GA tickets only \$20.

https://www.ticketfairy.com/event/northern-mystics-30may2021/



