



27 August 2021

Kia ora koutou

Hoping you and your whānau are well and are making the most of the 'bubble' time together. Firstly let me acknowledge the amazing work our staff and students have been doing for our Distance Learning Programme. I am so grateful for our dedicated and committed staff, and so proud of the engagement of the students. Congratulations to each and every one of you.

### **Professional Learning for teachers**

On Monday 30th, the Glenfield Intermediate staff have professional development sessions for our literacy programme. These were booked before lockdown and we are very fortunate that the facilitator can continue these sessions online. This means that classroom teachers will all be unavailable for a 70 minutes time slot between 9am and 3pm. Students will be able to continue with their learning programme. Teachers will communicate when this 70minutes is with their individual classes. Thank you for your support.

### **Enrolments for 2022**

Enrolments for 2022 may not be a top priority for your whanau at the moment but we have had several queries regarding enrolments for 2022. Out of zone enrolments were due on September 1st but the MoE has extended the time frames due to Covid-19 lockdown. Please see new details below:

- Out of zone enrolment applications for 2022 are now open and will close on **27 September 2021**.
- If necessary, places are allocated by a ballot to be held on **29 September 2021**.
- We will advise the results of the ballot no later than **1 October 2021**.

Click the following link to see our school website for details [Enrolment Information](#)

We would also appreciate it if all 'In Zone' enrolments could also be received by 27th September. You can enrol online anytime.

For our parents of Year 8 students, we suggest you look at the secondary school websites for information regarding any changes to enrolment dates.

### **Extra support for families**

To help supplement the learning that is being provided by our teachers, the Ministry of Education are also providing resources to assist with Learning at Home. Resources are online for your whānau to access via the [Learning From Home](#) and [Ki te Ao Marama](#) websites. [Papa Kāinga \(TVNZ\)](#) and [Māori TV On Demand](#) educational channels are also available now.

### **Online Safety and appropriate use of devices**

We would like to reiterate the importance of keeping all children safe online while they continue to learn from home. Network for Learning's (N4L) Switch on Safety Service is available free to support online learning on devices used to undertake learning from home. Instructions for the specific device a child uses can be accessed directly at [www.switchonsafety.co.nz](http://www.switchonsafety.co.nz). Online safety can't be provided by technology alone – it requires a holistic approach. Please discuss this with your children and remind them of the expectations. If students do breach the 'appropriate online expectations' the classroom teacher will contact parents to discuss this. For tips and advice to support online safety conversations can be found on the Netsafe website.

[www.netsafe.org.nz](http://www.netsafe.org.nz)

Congratulations to these students who were scheduled to receive a Principal's Certificate at assembly last week. These certificates have been sent out to the students/parents via email.

Carl - Year 8	Carter - Year 7	Chanel - Year 7	Tamara - Year 8
Riley - Year 7	Riley - Year 8	Lola - Year 7	Andrei - Year 7
Manav - Year 8	Jamyca - Year 8	Ezekiel - Year 8	Millie - Year 8
Elizabeth - Year 8	Neil - Year 7	James - Year 7	Emily - Year 7
Mian - Year 7	Diaz - Year 8	Marvin - Year 8	Emma - Year 8
Jullian - Year 8	Petra - Year 8	Ryan - Year 8	Lexter - Year 7
Hemi - Year 7	Emily - Year 7	Brian - Year 8	Yasmin - Year 8
Georgia - Year 8	Rachel - Year 8	Amos - Year 7	Kaea - Year 7
Orlando - Year 7	Mia - Year 7	Athena - Year 8	Sylahs - Year 8
Remar - Year 8	Luke - Year 8	Azariah - Year 7	Teyla - Year 7
Alexandra - Year 7	Logan - Year 7	Moosa - Year 7	Marcus - Year 7
Jason - Year 7	Peyman - Year 7	Ricco - Year 8	Mari-Lyn - Year 8
Charlotte - Year 7	Joseph - Year 8	Georgia - Year 8	

### **FUN FAMILY ACTIVITY**

If you are looking for a good activity your family can complete at home, the team at EPro8 will be running a Challenge - Lockdown Edition starting on Monday 30th. It comes with the chance of winning one of the brand new EPro8 Electronics Starter Kits. The challenge will be completed using paper and a roll of sellotape. The teams will be family teams all from the same household. Parents and siblings can all be part of the team.

Entry is free, and it is open to any of our students. Further details and registration is here:

<https://epro8challenge.co.nz/epro8---lockdown-edition.html>

### **Next steps**

We will send another community update early next week once the Prime Minister has informed Auckland of the next steps for our region. In the meantime, our distance learning programme will continue to be delivered. As always, please let us know if there is anything we can do to support you and your tamariki during this time.

Take care, and stay safe.

Ngā mihi

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