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A message from the Principal / Tumuaki

Kia ora e te whānau

We are getting ever closer to the end of the school year. The graduation dance has been a highlight over the last week. The evening was a huge success and that was down to the huge amount of organisation and creativity that the staff put into the event. The students had a great night and I was so proud of them on the evening for their participation and the gratitude they displayed towards the staff.

I would like to remind you about our end of year celebrations. Year 8 Prizegiving and Graduation is on Tuesday 13th December at 12.30pm and Year 7 Prizegiving is the 14th December at 9.30am. Come along and help the students celebrate their successes.

Due to an increasing number of COVID cases in the school, we will be encouraging students and whanau to wear a mask at the prizegiving. The last thing we want to see just before Christmas is a widespread outbreak within our community.

Ngā mihi nui

Mark Whitford (Principal/Tumuaki)

A message from the Principal / Tumuaki - continued

I had the privilege of attending the Glenfield College Junior Prizegiving on Tuesday 6th December. It was great to see so many ex-Glenfield Intermediate School students being recognised and receiving awards for their achievements over 2022. There are far too many list them all, but I would like make special mention of the following ex students.

Special congratulations to:

Year 9

First place: Tiana Davis

Principal's Award for All-round Excellence: Rose Oborn

Year 10

Junior Dux: Nate Carroll

Principal's Award for All-round Excellence: Jacob Freestone

I am looking forward to this time in 2023 seeing the amazing success of our current Year 8s as finish their first year at Glenfield College.

Message from Mrs Stevenson and Mr Allison

Kia ora koutou

The last few weeks have been very busy but have also been a time for great celebration. We acknowledged our 50th Jubilee and our fabulous parents and whānau who have supported and helped our school this year. We really do appreciate all of the time and energy you give to help our tamariki be a part of so many exciting events such as zone days, math and science competitions, writers festival, camp, sports camp and the Rainbows End trip this week. Without your support these events would not be able to happen, so thank you.

We also celebrated with our year 8 students at their Graduation Dance this week. It was such a special event and hopefully one that will be a lasting memory for these students.

Thank you for all your support during the year and to the year 8 students and families whose association with Glenfield Intermediate School is coming to an end, we wish you all the best for the future. To the rest of our families, have a safe and happy holiday, and we look forward to seeing you all again next year.

Ngā mihi nui

Mrs Stevenson
Deputy Principal

Kia ora koutou

I would like to thank you for your continued support throughout this year. Our students should be proud of the progress and development that has been made throughout the year and the way they have contributed to our school in various ways.

I would like to acknowledge our dedicated teachers, teacher aides and support staff who work tirelessly to provide our students with the best possible learning outcomes everyday. We look forward to continuing to provide rich learning opportunities and experiences that our tamariki will love and enjoy during their time at GIS.

I wish the year 8 students and their whānau all the best moving forward into 2023. We are excited to welcome our year 7 students and their whānau back next year and are looking forward to seeing their continued growth and development.

Have a safe and happy holiday.

Ngā mihi nui

Mr Allison
Deputy Principal

Staff Changes for 2023

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We are saying farewell to the following staff members at the end of 2022.

- Sabine Brooke, Courtney Clark, Elizabeth Jefferies and Cheralee Manikkam. On behalf of the School Board, we would like to thank all of these staff members for their service to the Glenfield Intermediate community and wish them all the best.
- A special farewell to Mr Tony Hitchcock, our business manager who is retiring after 17 years at GIS. He has seen a huge amount of change over his time at GIS and has been instrumental ensuring the school property and finances are in an excellent position. We wish him all the best for his retirement.

We are very excited to welcome the following staff to Glenfield Intermediate for 2023.

- Anthony Helmhout will be joining our teaching team from Devonport School. He has a passion for te reo and tikanga Māori.
- James Kirby has recently graduated and is known to students from his time at Windy Ridge School. He is a keen sportsman and enjoys the outdoors.
- Michelle Hayden will be joining Room 7 part time. Michelle is an experienced teacher who has a passion for the environment and adventure sports. Ex students from Bayview School will know Mrs Hayden well.
- We also welcome Hannah Jackson who is a newly graduated teacher. She brings an enthusiasm and passion to make a difference for our tamariki.

Enrolments 2023

If you are enrolling another child, or have neighbours / whanau that are looking to enrol a child at intermediate for 2023, please contact the school office for tour details.

Term Dates

Term 4 Dates

Tuesday 13th December - Year 8 Prize Giving at 12.30pm - (Year 7 students finish school at 12pm)

Tuesday 13th December - Last day for Year 8 students

Wednesday 14th December - Year 7 Prize Giving at 9.30am

Wednesday 14th December - School finishes 12.30pm

Term 1 2023

Wednesday 1st February - Parent/Student/Teacher Interviews

Thursday 2nd February - Year 8 - 8.45am start, Year 7 and new students - 10am start for Mihi Whakatau

Congratulations

Congratulations to the students who received Principals Awards this week.

Cody - Y8	Meredith - Y7	Davit - Y8	Mariz - Y7	Pearl - Y8	Jade - Y7	Aashna - Y8	Lisa- Y7
Devon - Y7	Dylan - Y8	Monica - Y8	Prisha - Y8	Darion - Y8	Aarna - Y7	Sneha - Y7	Ragyi - Y8
Haidar - Y7	Christian - Y8	Angel - Y7	Zihan - Y8	Chirag - Y8	Yuet - Y7	Joshua - Y7	Isra - Y7
Elissa - Y8	Abdulrahman - Y7	Siwon - Y7	Klowe - Y7	Manaia - Y8	Juah - Y8	Althea - Y8	Jaive - Y8
Lena - Y8	Madeleine - Y8	Lopeti - Y8	Jennifer - Y8	Yixin - Y8	Cameron - Y8	Olivia - Y7	Jaden - Y7
Jack - Y7	Damian - Y7	Aashna - Y8	Tuini - Y8	Lexie - Y8	Saanjh - Y7	Kayla - Y7	Elyse - Y8
Mark - Y7	Charmoné - 8	Elsie - Y7	Jorja - Y7	Ezekiel - Y7			



Graduation Dance

The students and staff worked together to create an amazing experience for our graduating Year 8's (Underwater Theme). As usual, it was a great way to celebrate the two years our students spent at Glenfield Intermediate.



Sports

On Thursday 1st December Kayleigh (R13) and Danica (R4) competed at the Auckland Intermediate School Athletics Champions of Champions. To qualify for this event is an amazing achievement as it brings the top athletics from the wider Auckland region together. Kayleigh competed in the 1500m and Danica in the Discus. I was fortunate to be at the day and the competition was fierce! The standard of performance was incredibly high. Both of you should be very proud of yourselves.

A special congratulations to Kayleigh who finished 3rd in the Year 7 Girls 1500m event.

Mr Whitford



Sport

We received a lovely email congratulating us on one of our sports teams.

“My sons basketball team played the Glenfield Grizzlies team at AUT tonight.

I have never come across a team with such awesome sportsmanship and maturity.

They acknowledged and shook hands with our team before the game and after, as well as their number 37 coming over after and thanking our team.

It was a close physical game, but refreshing to see everyone keeping their cool, playing hard but not dirty.

We were so impressed by your boys, they certainly did themselves and Glenfield Intermediate so proud.”

Cody, James, John, Jirah, Blake, Tangaroa, Ken, Jarold and Cullen

kei te whakahīhī au ki a koe - we are proud of you!

Message from Mr Whitford

We are so proud of these boys and the way they represented themselves, their whanau and GIS.

- Visit from the Philippines Team -



Monday 21st November saw GIS host some of the Filipino mens softball team. Our kapa haka as well as some of our ‘GIS has talent’ winners put on a fantastic performance.

This was followed by some questions for the team and then an impromptu dance from some of the team.

A great experience and we wish the team all the best for all their games during the world cup.

Karawhiua!!

Softball World Cup



On Wednesday 30th November, a group of students headed to the softball world cup to initially watch Australia take on South Africa and then were able to see the start of Argentina vs USA, before the rain put a hold on all play. A group of 4 students were lucky enough to go onto the diamond at the start of the game to hold the official softball flag while national anthems were played and teams introduced.

It was a great day and everyone showed respect towards the players and the game in general.

A huge thank you to the organisers for giving us this amazing opportunity.



Sports

- Boys Beach Volleyball Zone Day Results 2022 -



Team Members: Josiah, Nathaniel, Damian, Maseila, Kevin, Andrew, Jirah, Neil

Our boys represented GIS with pride and enthusiasm. 44 Teams competed at this day with 24 in division 1, which both of our teams were in. 1 team came 13th overall and the other in the top 20. ***Ka pai to all our players !!!***

Girls Beach Volleyball Zone Day

We had two teams entered in this zone day that was held at the Mairangi Bay Beach Volleyball Centre. There were 48 teams participating from 10 schools across the North Shore. The weather cooperated for most of the day with only one big downpour. Our girls faced some tough competition but played well together and demonstrated fantastic team spirit!



Our team members were: Kaea, Imani, Arie, Neveah, Pearl, Charlene, Hadassah, Zoe, and Makelesi

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From January 2023 you can login to your current myKindo or ezlunch account, select my details to update your child's school to Glenfield Intermediate School, and save the changes.

Then select the 'Fees and Donations' to link your student to our school records.

If you have children at two different Kindo or ezlunch schools, you can use the pencil to switch between the two schools and make your payments.

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New to Kindo? From January 2023 you can easily register [here](#) by simply entering in the email you have on file with Glenfield Intermediate.

SAVE TIME – PAY ONLINE

COVID UPDATE

Cases are once again on the increase within the student population. It is therefore still important for you to keep your child home if they are unwell, and do a RA test if they have symptoms. Also, please notify us if your child will be absent from school due to being a positive case of Covid-19. The isolation period for positive cases is still 7 days, with your child returning to school on Day 8.

It is no longer a requirement for household contacts to also isolate, however household members should test daily for 5 days while the positive case is in isolation. Therefore, ākongā who are household contacts but test negative and do not have COVID-19 symptoms, can continue to attend school.

Masks

- We will continue to encourage mask wearing at full school assemblies. The reason we will keep this in place is the large number of people gathering in an indoor environment and there are still cases in the community.

All the other recommended public health measures will stay in place as we know they reduce the spread of infectious illnesses including COVID-19. We will continue to keep our indoor spaces as well-ventilated as possible, encourage everyone to maintain good hand hygiene and to cough or sneeze into elbows. Most importantly, students should stay at home and get tested if they have COVID-19 symptoms.

Thank you for your ongoing support of our school.

Policy Reviews

We have moved our school policies onto a web based environment. You are now able to view all our current school policies on the website www.schooldocs.co.nz search for Glenfield Intermediate School and enter the **username: glenfieldint password: inspire**. These policies will be regularly reviewed and we will ask for parental input at different times. Policies are developed by the Board of Trustees and are reviewed on a regular cycle. Procedures are developed by the staff and do not require Board ratification or review.

This year our Health and Safety Policies are being reviewed.



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School TV

This month on School TV - Bullying

Bullying is an ongoing or repeated misuse of power in relationships, with the intention to cause deliberate psychological harm. Bullying behaviours can be verbal, physical or social. It can happen in person or online, via various digital platforms and devices and it can be obvious or hidden. Bullying in any form or for any reason can have immediate, medium and long-term effects on those involved, including bystanders.

Despite the efforts made to reduce bullying behaviours, the research tells us that one in four students still report being bullied every few weeks. However, not all negative behaviour should be considered bullying. The key difference is that bullying does not stop on its own. It's important young people learn how to identify behaviours that are rude, behaviours that are mean, and behaviours that are related to bullying.

Often the reasons for bullying can be complex. Some young people do it to get approval from others, some do it to regain control, whilst others may do it because it makes them feel safe. Supporting young people as they work through their emotions will help them unpack the motivation and reason behind the behaviour.

In this edition of SchoolTV, caregivers can better understand why some young people engage in bullying behaviours and what to do to support a child experiencing it. We hope you take time to reflect on the information offered in this month's edition, and we always welcome your feedback.

If you do have any concerns about the wellbeing of your child, please contact the school for further information or seek medical or professional help.

Here is the link to this month's edition <https://glenfieldint.nz.schooltv.me/newsletter/bullying>

