



Glenbrook School Newsletter

Thursday 11th April 2019



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Message from the Principal

Kia Ora Whanau and welcome to the end of Term 1. The last ten weeks have been filled with numerous opportunities for many of our students. These have included EOTC week of sailing, fishing, bowling, rugby league, STEAM, robotics and kayaking. Students have been participating in orienteering, swimming, badminton, kapa haka and cricket. A huge congratulations to our Kapa Haka group who performed at the Franklin Culture Festival. They were outstanding. Thank you to our families and PTA that assisted with the phone book deliveries.

A reminder that we would like as many students as possible attending the Waiuku ANZAC service. We meet in town by the town hall at 9.45am on ANZAC morning. Students need to be in school uniform. Sand to Mud is this Sunday. Students and adults meet at 8.30am for registrations in Belgium Street, Waiuku. \$20 an adult and \$7 a student.

Learning Focus

This year our learning focus is in metacognitive strategies in Science. Students will be regularly engaging in and exploring scientific ideas which hook and spark curiosity. Feel free to share ideas, resources and expertise with your child to encourage them. We want to hear about the FAILs - First Attempts In Learning and what they did next. Please send Miss Stuart photos or videos where students explain their thinking, FAILs and successes.

Professional Development

All our teachers and most teacher aides have worked hard in google training as they prepare for their exams over the holiday break. All our teachers have completed a scope of their teaching practice with an external facilitator, which indicates the very high standards of teaching we expect in our classrooms. Mrs Kovati-Waru and Mrs Meredith are involved in the Incredible Years programme for the year. All teachers are engaged and working collaboratively in our Strengthening Teacher Practice PLD. Mrs Davidson and Mrs Sixsmith are leading our Accelerated Learning in Literacy (ALLs) programme. Mrs Simnor and Miss Shuker are leading our Accelerated Learning Mathematics (ALiM) programme. Mrs Simons continues in her role as the Across Schools Leader for Waiuku Kahui Ako. All our teachers have almost completed their Cools Schools training.

Thank you to our amazing teachers for the continuous additional time and learning you put into our school for our students and our community.

Assessments

Students have completed assessments in Reading and Mathematics for Term 1. These results are available for you to view in the Parent Portal under assessment.

Staffing

It is with great sadness we farewell Mrs Jill Lapwood who is leaving us after almost sixteen years as a teacher aide and the best librarian ever. Mrs Lapwood is an amazing, kind and caring lady who has been integral to the success and culture of our school. Please feel free to

come in and farewell this beautiful person whom we shall miss dearly. We wish her the best of luck as she moves with her family to begin her next adventure. Please join us at our final assembly for the term tomorrow at 2pm to farewell her. This assembly is being led by Uenuku.

We welcome Mrs Alison Molloy as a teacher aide to our school. She will be based in Uenuku. Mrs Molloy is an experienced teacher aide and librarian. We welcome Mrs Kylie Littlefair who will join our team in Week 2, Term 2 as a classroom teacher in Te Moana. Mrs Littlefair is currently teaching at View Road School.

Written Reports

A reminder that we will no longer be producing written reports. Instead you can view what your child is learning each week in core curriculum in the Parent Portal. A very important Parents Meeting is being held on Thursday 9th May at 6.30pm where I will explain and demonstrate how you can see what your child is learning and how they have achieved it. This will enable you to be more fully informed about what they are learning at school in core curriculum. You are already able to access your child's assessment for each term.

Reminder: Click on menu. Assessment is in assessment. Learning intentions are in Child Learning Space. This is 'Spotlight', the student's portal. It currently shares what your child is learning in Reading, Writing and Mathematics will be shared throughout Term 2 as our teachers become more fluent.

Akonui Hui

Akonui Hui (Parent Interviews) will be held on Thursday 30th May and Friday 31st May. This is where you are able to discuss the progress of your child. Remember you are always welcome to make an appointment with your child's teacher to discuss your child's learning. Please note there will be no classes on these days.

Celebrate

Congratulations to all our students who have been recognised this term for our School Values, Writing and Mathematics at school assemblies. Congratulations for your recognition in the sports and activities you have done so well in. It is important to celebrate your child's achievements as they achieve them. They worked hard for them!

Acknowledgements

Thank you to everyone who have understood that our first priority is teaching and learning. I would like to thank our staff for the support they have given me as I have juggled both teaching full time and being Principal. I would also like to thank the wonderful students in Te Moana who are amazing. I love being in the classroom and the greatest privilege is that moment when a student learns something, shows perseverance, gets excited or just has that little smile that you know, he or she has got this!



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Enjoy these next two weeks with each other. Our children grow up so very fast, so please enjoy the family time you have. Have a great break and we will see you all again ready for Term 2.

Nga mihi ki oku Whanau,

Your Principal,

Miss Lysandra Stuart

Term 2 Events:

Term 2 Starts Back	Monday 29th April
Reading Together	Wednesday 1st May 3-4pm
Franklin Zone Orienteering	Thursday 2nd May
Kahui Ako Teachers Meeting	Thursday 2nd May
Assembly: Te Kauri	Friday 3rd May
Quiz Night	Saturday 4th May
BOT Meeting:	Monday 6th May
Science Roadshow	Wednesday 8th May
Technology: Haast	Thursday 9th May
Parents Information Evening: Parents Portal	Thursday 9th May 6.30pm
Assembly: Te Rakau Nui	Friday 10th May
Auckland Orienteering	Tuesday 14th May
Assembly: Parekereke	Friday 17th May
Franklin Football: 3&4	Tuesday 21st May
Franklin Football: 5&6	Wednesday 22nd May
Technology: Haast	Wednesday 22nd May
Reading Together	Wednesday 22nd May
Franklin Football: 7&8	Friday 24th May
Assembly: Te Marama	Friday 24th May
Trees for Survival	Wednesday 29th May
Akonui Hui	Thursday 30th May 9.00 - 5.00

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Queens Birthday: School Closed	Monday 3rd June
Technology: Haast	Wednesday 5th June
Assembly: Te Rangi	Friday 7th June
BOT Meeting	Monday 10th June
Reading Together	Wednesday 12th June
Assembly: Te Moana	Friday 14th June
Technology: Haast	Wednesday 19th June
Reading Together	Wednesday 19th June
Parents Information Session: Sexuality in Education Programme	Thursday 20th June 3.00pm
Assembly: Uenuku	Friday 21st June
Disco	Friday 21st June
Parents Information Session: Sexuality in Education Programme	Thursday 27th June 6.30pm
Assembly: Te Whenua	Friday 28th June
Franklin Hockey: 5&6	Tuesday 7th July
Dancing with Mythology: 7&8	Tuesday 2nd July
Franklin Hockey: 7&8	Wednesday 3rd July
Technology: Haast	Wednesday 3rd July
Assembly: Tirohanga	Friday 5th July
Last Day of Term	Friday 5th July

QUIZ NIGHT ~ See attached flyer for more details

May 11th 7pm at Waiuku Cosmopolitan Club

\$10pp max 6 per table

Help us to fundraise for:

Glenbrook School Year 7 & 8 Snow Camp

To book & pay: glenbrookschoolquiz@gmail.com
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