



# Glenbrook School Newsletter

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> November 2019



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## Message from the Principal

Kia Ora Whanau and friends and welcome to the craziness that is the end of the year. It is certainly a sprint to the end with opportunities across the school including: Team Tui camp, EPRO8, Robotics, basketball coaching, touch skills, football coaching, tennis coaching, Fundamental Motor-skills Development programme, netball NZ, Big School to Little School Waiuku event, Piwakawaka train trip, athletics, Camp Hillary Tongariro, Wero water kayaking trip, Botanical gardens visit, transition for Waiuku College, transition for View Road Technology and across school transition for Glenbrook School to name a few of the events this term. We are also looking forward to the end of our time with our Year 8s as we prepare for the Year 8 Dance and Dinner.

We are very excited by our academic results and cannot wait to share with you how your child has accelerated at Akonui Hui. Remember to check your child's progress in the Parent Portal, their success in Learning Progressions and their Achievement Report.

It is also important to note that students are tired with the increase in daylight hours, a long busy term, anxiety about 2020 and excitement of the holidays and Christmas in the air. Please take time to allow your child to have their down time with you and rest when possible.

## Akonui Hui (Parent Student Teacher Conferences)

Akonui Hui will be held on Thursday 5th December 9.00 - 6.00pm and Friday 6th December 9.00 - 3.00. There are no classes on these days. You can book to see your child's teacher on: [www.schoolinterviews.co.nz](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz) and then enter code: ded93

Please note that Glenbrook School does not write traditional end of year reports. Your child's assessment data, achievement levels and weekly learning achievements can be found on the Portal in Spotlight, Assessment and Achievement Report. This is a more up to date and timely reflection of what your child is achieving. Akonui Hui is the place to have a richer individual discussion about your child's learning overall this year. Students need to attend Akonui Hui with their parents. They do not have to wear school uniform.

## 2020 Stationery Costs

**The stationery cost for 2020 is \$65 per child.** This includes all class stationery items for the year such as books, pens, pencils, glue sticks, cellotape, colouring markers, outlines pens, individual books and digital platforms Education Perfect and STEPs which students will use at home. These items are used to make things that come home such as Making Table and STEAM items. Both digital platforms are heavily subsidised by

the school where it is expected that the activities we don't use as part of the curriculum at school are used at home for home learning. For example, Mathematics in Education Perfect will be used at school for years 3-8 but English in Education Perfect will be the home learning component. The school is purchasing a range of subject access.

The stationery costs include other specialised items for each year group such as compass, protractors etc. in the senior school or writing, drawing books etc. in the junior school. The stationery cost can be paid at the school office. Just a reminder that at Glenbrook School all stationery items are organised by the school. They do not come home until the end of the school year, nor are they covered. This ensures equity for all of our students. The class teacher will name them ready to start for day one. All you have to do is make the payment!

2020 Stationery can be paid anytime from now and is due January 31st 2020. (The stationery costs do not include the Technology payment of \$30 for years 7&8. The total costs for Years 7&8 is \$95 each)

Payments can be made electronically to:

Glenbrook School Board of Trustees

12 3023 0503093 000

Ref: Student Name

**A reminder that all students in years 5,6,7 and 8 will need a digital device daily for learning. Years 3 and 4 will have shared access to some devices but are encouraged to bring their own if possible.**

## Prizegiving

Our annual End of Year Prizegiving is being held on Monday 19th December starting at 6pm. All students are expected to wear full school uniform and attend. Year 8 students are able to wear appropriate tidy wear. We welcome all families and whanau to attend to support all our students. Trophies will not be permitted to go home. These trophies represent a wonderful history of our school and we want to make sure they are around for many years. Instead, students are awarded the trophy and a medal. They will be photographed with the trophy (and you will be able to take photos too!) and be able to keep the medal. The trophies are displayed in the trophy cabinet which students and families are able to see every time they walk through our hall.

## Class Lists 2020:

Student and teacher placements will be announced on Monday 9th December as part of our transition morning. Students will bring home a notice identifying their 2020 class



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and 2020 teacher. They will bring these home at the end of the day. Students will not be changed from the class they are placed in. We will have full classes in 2020 and have spent a long time making sure classes are purposefully balanced. No 2020 teacher placements will be announced before this time.

Students will spend the morning with their 2020 class teacher and 2020 classmates on Monday 9th December.

## Helpers Morning Tea

Each year we like to say thank you to all our parents and family members who have helped us over the year. If you have assisted us at school, on a trip or in the classroom, we would like to invite you to come along and have morning tea with us. Our annual Helpers Morning Tea is on Tuesday 10th December at 10.30 - 11.30.

## TERM 1 2020

Please note that Term 1 2020 will start on Tuesday 28th January for all students. Meet the Teacher is on Thursday 30th January 2020, 5.30 at the Glenbrook School pool. There will be a Waiuku Schools Teacher Only Day on Friday 20th March. All Waiuku Schools will be closed for instruction on this day.

Glenbrook School Pool – Pool keys will be available to purchase from Monday 2nd December. The cost for the season is \$120 with a \$20 refund on return of the key. The increase in price is due to the damage inflicted during the previous swim season where we need to raise over \$80,000 for pool repairs. Pool users must sign a pool agreement outlining the rules and guidelines for key holders. Keys can only be purchased by the Glenbrook School community and they must not be shared out or you will be asked to return them.

## Glenbrook School Uniform

In 2020 we will no longer be selling school uniforms from the office. These will now be able to be purchased online from our supplier Uniform Works [www.uniformworks.co.nz](http://www.uniformworks.co.nz). The website will go live for our school mid-December (the date will be advised via the school portal & Facebook). You will have the option of getting your uniform couriered to your home or delivered directly to the school for pickup from the office.

We currently have stock still available at the office which we will continue to sell until stocks are sold out. For the start of 2020 school year we will have a shop day at school on Tuesday 21st January from 9am ~ 3pm & Wednesday 22nd January from 9am until midday. We will also continue to have a small supply of hats for sale at school. We highly encourage you to

have your child's name embroidered onto their school uniform to reduce the chance of losing it!

## 2020 School Donations:

Glenbrook School has opted into the government's donation scheme for 2020.

## 2020 School Office Hours:

The school office will be open to accept enrolments and 2020 stationary payments Monday 20th January from 9am till 3pm. The uniform shop will be open Tuesday 21st January 9am till 3pm and Wednesday 22nd January 2020 from 9am to 12pm

## School Portal

At Glenbrook School we use our Parent Portal to communicate and share the whole school and class information, your child's assessment, learning progress, school contributions and attendance. Information can be found on our school website <https://glenbrookschoolnz.com/parent-portal/> on how to download the app. For access please contact the school office where your username / passwords can be issued.

## School Hats and Jumpers

All students must wear a Glenbrook School hat. These can be purchased from the office. Please make sure you name it. There are also a large number of jumpers in the lost property waiting to be claimed. Please remind your child to bring home all their belongings.

## 2020 Gala

In 2020 we will be having our school gala. If you are able to assist in anyway please contact our gala committee on [gala@glenbrook.school.nz](mailto:gala@glenbrook.school.nz) Gala will be on Saturday 14th March.

## Christmas Donations

We invite Christmas donations for Waiuku Family Support. If you are able to donate a gift to someone in Waiuku, please wrap it with the age and gender and drop off to our donations box in the office.

This week is our last Friday assembly as we have Akonui Hui next week, followed by the Year 8 dinner. Have a lovely week everyone and not long until the end of the year!

Your Principal,

Ms Lysandra Stuart

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