



Glenbrook CALF CLUB DAY - Saturday 20th September 2025

Welcome to Glenbrook School's Calf Club Day 2025. Our agricultural day, known as Calf Club, is a very long and proud tradition at Glenbrook School. It is a day in which students, teachers and the community come together to showcase a range of animals and rural abilities of our wonderful children. This year, Glenbrook School's Calf Club is on Saturday 20th September. It is an integral part of our school community, history and curriculum. It reflects the rural and environmental nature of our school of which we are extremely proud of.

Glenbrook School offers a wide variety of options enabling all students to be able to participate and celebrate in the school community event. Below is a list of all the options available this year. Please discuss which option would be best for you and your child and choose one only. Once a decision has been made, please pick up an entry form, and information booklet on that chosen option from the school office.

Each child may have only one entry & is required to complete an official entry form available from the office.

Calf Club Day options for 2025 are:

- **CALF:** Obtain, care for and raise a calf and then proudly demonstrate all your hard work in the animal ring: leading, child effort and animal condition. No poster/diary is required for this option.

Calves to have been born: 1 June – 31 August 2025 inclusive. Please note that due to the ongoing Microplasma Bovis risk, **calves must not be obtained from the Pukekohe / Tuakau sales.** Entry forms are available at the office.

OR

- **LAMB/(GOAT) KID:** Obtain, care for and raise a lamb or kid and then proudly demonstrate all your hard work in the animal rings: calling, leading and child effort. Lambs/Kids to have been born: 1 July -23 September 2025 inclusive. No poster/diary is required for these options. Entry forms are available at the office.

OR

- **CHICKEN:** Raise and care for a day-old chick and create a poster. On Calf Club Day, children each have a turn at speaking to the judge, and chickens will be weighed and judged. A poster is also required and worth 50% of your overall mark. Entry form, poster card and poster criteria information can be picked up from the office when you collect your chickens. **Chicken orders are available at the office must be sent to the office by this Friday 23rd May by 11am and no late orders will be accepted.** Chickens are \$6ea and you must order a minimum of 2. Chickens will arrive on Monday 23rd June.

OR

- **PETS (DOGS/SMALL FURRY):** Bring your dog or small furry (rabbit, guinea pig, rat, or mouse) and create a poster. Dogs must be able to be controlled by the child and led around a small obstacle course, as well as being judged. Small Furrries will be judged on child effort and child knowledge. A poster is also required and worth 50% of your overall mark. Poster card and poster criteria information can be picked up from the office when you pick up your entry form.

OR

- **PTA OPTION:** The PTA option for 2025 is to design and make a letter box. Be original and create a letterbox fit for your front gate. Your letter box must be made of 80% repurposed or natural materials. A poster is required for this option which will make up 20% of your overall mark. You will be required to show the design and making process. The entry form, information about this option, poster card and poster criteria information is available from the Office.

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OR

- **GARDEN:** This year's Calf Club garden challenge is... **Who can grow the best Kumara vine?** Further information is available from the office. **Buckets and kumaras will be available from the office between the 14th & 18th July for a small fee of \$3.** All children must use the kumaras provided. You are required to produce a poster, showing the growing process. Your poster will make up 50% of your overall mark. Entry forms, information booklet, buckets, kumaras and poster paper are available from the Office. Students may have completed this subject in previous years, by doing this again it gives them an opportunity to have learnt from their first attempt.

NB: Pre-schoolers: Do you have a preschooler keen to be involved in Calf Club? They may enter the following categories at Calf Club Day – calf, lamb, goat or chicken. Please note that all pre-schoolers with an animal must be supervised at all times. Pre-schoolers will not be **officially judged but will be able to “show” their animal to the judge**, and will receive a participation ribbon.

REMEMBER: Entry forms, Information sheets, and poster cardboard are available from the School Office. **ALL CHILDREN ENTERING EITHER OF THE ABOVE MUST COMPLETE AN OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM.**

ENTRY FORMS DUE NO LATER THAN FRIDAY 15th AUGUST 2025. Those students who turn up to Calf Club without having entered will not be allowed to compete. Please ensure your child has completed their entry forms and returns them to the School Office. **Further information for families new to Glenbrook School:**

Separate to the official Calf Club entry, all children will also create indoor art and craft exhibits during Term 3 at school with their class. Each class will be notified by their class teacher of any materials required for making these exhibits. These creations will be on display in classrooms on Calf Club Day.

Heritage Exhibits: All students will create a heritage item to exhibit. Students will be given two options to choose from and will create their exhibit at school on the Friday 19th September. Parents, guardians and whanau help is very welcomed during this time.

Ribbons and certificates will be awarded during the day on Calf Club Day. Trophies and medals will be presented at a Prize-giving ceremony at the end of the day.

Glenbrook School awards special Long-Service Medals to Year 8 students who have entered Calf Club in one of the above options (agricultural animal, pet, PTA or Garden option) for 8 or more consecutive years. For many students, this is an important recognition of a wonderful achievement.

Calf Club Day is considered a school day for Glenbrook School.

Those with calves, lambs or goats who win a 1st, 2nd or 3rd ribbon at Glenbrook School Calf Club Day are eligible for the Waiuku Schools Group Day which will be held later in October (date to be advised) with a small fee to be paid on Calf Club day to ensure entry.

More information on Calf Club Day and how families can get involved will be posted on the school Portal and website over the coming weeks. For further information please contact the Calf Club Committee.

Please note that Calf Club is organised by a committee of parents – for any queries or if you would like to join the organising committee please contact: calfclub@glenbrook.school.nz