



Glenbrook School Newsletter



Wednesday 12th December 2018

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Message from the Principal

Kia Ora Whanau and friends and welcome to our last newsletter for the year. On Saturday we were one of only two primary schools represented at the Waiuku Christmas Parade. A big thank you to Gus and Kath for the huge amount of hours and work that is needed to prepare a float. Thank you to the families and students who were on the float. Well done to all our students who performed their piano or keyboard recitals on Sunday and we look forward to Gillian teaching piano again in 2019. On Monday our students engaged with our Through School Transition Programme. Yesterday we had our Helpers Morning Tea. An enormous thank you to all friends, parents, Whanau and neighbours who has assisted or supported our school in any way this year. Everything you do is valued and appreciated. Finally, the Year 8 Dance is on Thursday followed by the Year 8 Dinner on Friday. Therefore, there is no assembly this week and Kelly Club will be based in Te Kauri.

Mufti Day, Sausage sizzle and Ice Blocks.

A reminder that tomorrow there will be a mufti day on Thursday 13th December. Cost: Gold coin. Theme: Holidays! Ice blocks and sausage sizzle will also be for sale. \$2 each. Orders can be taken in the class with the teacher at the start of the day.

2019 Stationery Costs

The stationery cost for 2019 is \$65 per child. This includes all class stationery items for the year such as books, pens, pencils, glue sticks, cello tape, colouring makers, outlines pens, Mathematics, individual text books and STEPSWeb. It also includes 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, nor are they covered. The class teacher will name them ready to start for day one. All you have to do is make the payment. 2019 Stationery can be paid anytime from now and is due February 8th 2019.

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

2019 School Donations: \$120.00 per child.

School donations greatly assists the BOT with providing the extras not funded by the Ministry of Education to keep our school progressing with better and accelerated results for student achievement. This includes assisting with school costs, events, teacher aides, other class text books, classroom resources, reading and mathematics materials and other equipment. In 2019 the School Donation will be \$120 per child. \$250 for families with 3 or more children. If you would like to pay any fees directly into the school bank account, the details are: Glenbrook School Board of Trustees: A/c no. 12 3023 0503093 00. Please write in the reference your child's name and what it is for.

We thank you for the donation and if you have any queries about how this is used by the school please do not hesitate to contact the Principal.

Prizegiving

Our annual End of Year Prizegiving is being held on Monday 17th 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. From this year trophies will not be permitted to go home. This is so they can be looked after and maintained as a few of them are becoming quite delicate and worn. These trophies represent a wonderful history of our school and we want to make sure they are around for many years. Instead students will be 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 trophy will be displayed in a new trophy cabinet which students and families will be able to see every time they walk through our hall.

Whanau Day

Whanau Day is on Tuesday 18th December. Cost is \$2. Students are able to wear mufti. Students will have a fun day swimming, water slide, bouncy castles with sausage sizzle and treats throughout the day. You do not need to pack a lunch or snacks (unless your child has specific dietary needs). All students must wear a hat, have sunscreen on and wear a rash shirt over their togs. If there are any parents who are able to assist Miss Stuart on the day, we would greatly appreciate the additional help.

TERM 1 2019

Please note that Term 1 2019 will start on Monday 4th February for all students. Wednesday 6th is Waitangi Day so school is closed for the public holiday. Meet the Teacher is on Thursday 7th February at 5pm at the Glenbrook School pool.

2019 Office Hours

The office will be open on Tuesday 29th January 8.30 - 3.00. We encourage everyone to pay their stationery, School Donations early and to purchase school uniform either on or before this date. The office is extremely busy in the first week of school managing enrolments and classes so we encourage all families to organise uniforms and stationery either before the end of this year or on Tuesday 29th January.

End of Year Reports

A reminder that your child's end of year is coming home on Monday 17th December. This will be the last time we send home a written report in this format. In 2019 your child's learning will be shared via 'Spotlight' in the Parent Portal. It is important you have signed up and activated your Parent Portal. Information on how to access and use Spotlight in the Parent Portal will be shared throughout Term 1 2019.

Parent Portal:

It is essential that all parents and caregivers have access to our Parent Portal. If you have not done so, please email Ms Stuart your email so this can be set up. You then need to download the @schoolmobile app to your phone. Every Monday our teachers



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post what is happening and up and coming events. We note that many parents have signed up to the portal but have not downloaded the @schoolmobile app and signed into it. Please remember to do this to receive valuable information about Glenbrook School.

School Resources and End of Year Help

If you have any school resources such as readers, library books, text books, Writers medals, Math's trophies etc., can they please be returned to school asap please. If there are any parents or helpers who are able to come into school to put books and other resources away in order to prepare our school for the end of year we would love to have your help. (Junior school request parent help for Monday 17th December).

Glenbrook School Pool

Pool keys will be available to purchase from Monday 3rd December. The cost for the season is \$95 with a \$20 refund on return of the key. 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. All 2018 fees must be paid before a pool key can be purchased.

Thank you to everyone who has made our school the success it is. Whakawhanaungatanga: We work as a community together. Enjoy these last few days together and I look forward to seeing you all at prizegiving on Monday. Have a well-deserved break, Christmas and summer holiday fun. Our time with our children is very precious and I encourage everyone to make the most of every moment as a family.

Lots of love and care,

Your Principal,

Ms Lysandra Stuart
stuartl@glenbrook.school.nz

Term 4 Events:

Year 8 Dance	Thursday 13th December
Mufti Day: Theme Holidays	Thursday 13th December
Year 8 Dinner	Friday 14th December
End of Year Reports: Home	Monday 17th December
End of Year Prizegiving	Monday 17th December
Whanau Celebration	Tuesday 18th December
Last Day: Finish at 12pm	Wednesday 19th December
First Day of School 2019	Monday 4th February

Glenbrook School 2019

Ms Lysandra Stuart	Principal
Mrs Jessica Simons	Deputy Principal
Ms Ally Davidson	Assistant Principal

Team Piwakawaka

Mrs Jessica Simons	Teacher	Parekerekere (Seedling Bed)	Year 0 & 1
Mrs Melissa Lee	Teacher	Parekerekere (Seedling Bed)	Year 0 & 1
Mrs Christina Meredith	Teacher	Tirohanga (The View)	Year 1 & 2
Mrs Jude McCulloch	Teacher	Te Whenua (The Land)	Year 1 & 2

Team Tui

Ms Ally Davidson	Teacher	Uenuku (Rainbow)	Year 3 & 4
Mrs Suit-keen Kovati-Waru	Teacher	Uenuku (Rainbow)	Year 3 & 4
(Currently advertised)	Teacher	Uenuku (Rainbow)	Year 3 & 4

Team Haast

Miss Emma Sixsmith	Teacher	Te Kauri (The Kauri)	Year 7 & 8
Mrs Heather Simnor	Teacher	Te Rakau Nui (The Big Tree)	Year 6 & 7
Miss Monique Shuker	Teacher	Te Rangi (The Sky)	Year 7 & 8

Team Kereru

Mr Richard Collins	Teacher	Te Marama (The Moon)	Year 5 & 6
Mrs Sue Waitai (Currently advertised)	Teacher	Te Moana (The Sea)	Year 5 & 6

Relief Staff

Kara Thornton	Tony Machin
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Support Staff

Mrs Debra Olson	Office Manager
Mrs Darlene Goodall	Principal's Assistant
Mrs Jill Lapwood - Uenuku	Teacher Aides
Mrs Heather Mills - Te Whenua	
Mrs Kathy Clark- Parekerekere	
Mrs Shelley Claasen- Tirohanga	
Mrs Mark Olson	Caretaker