



Friday, 10 November 2017

Kia Ora

Dear Parents,

"More than education, more than experience, more than training, a person's level of resilience will determine who succeeds and who fails. That's true in the cancer ward, it's true in the Olympics, and it's true in the boardroom."

Dean Becker, Adaptiv Learning Systems



Resilience, or the absence of it, is a hot topic in the media. It is in our school's mission statement – "We will grow young men and women who will enter a dynamic world, confident and resilient ..."

Resilient people face challenges or failure, and bounce back. An article in the Harvard Business Review identifies three aspects to resilience:

- a staunch acceptance of reality
- a deep belief that life is meaningful
- an uncanny ability to improvise

In times of adversity, facing reality can be unpleasant. For teenagers, this reality may be failing an assessment, losing friends, not getting into a particular team, or not getting into a course at university. Objectively staring down reality is the starting point for young people to find solutions or make changes.

The second element – a belief that life is meaningful. It is about believing that something good, if unexpected, can happen – i.e. as one door closes, another will open. The third element is being able to improvise a solution when they may not currently have the skills or tools to do so.

What I liked about the article is that it gives us adults a framework to teach young people to be resilient. Rather than saying "Don't worry, you'll get over it", we can ask questions such as:

- "So what's actually going to happen?"
- "What are the real or most likely consequences of this?"
- "What else could happen or come out of this?"
- "What else can you hope for?"
- "What are some other things that you can do in this situation?"
- "What are some half-way or alternative things to do?"

The more I work with teenagers, the more I see the importance of resilience. Some people may be born more resilient than others, but it can also be learned. As adults, we support teenagers by helping them to be realistic about the chances of success or failure, and the consequences of either. By helping them consider different futures, and by supporting them to develop the skills or ideas to move forward.

R Dykes
Principal

Upcoming Events:

November

- 9-30 NCEA Exams (except 17 Nov)
- 22-23 Teachers Only Day
- 23-28 Junior Exams
- 29 Board of Trustees Meeting (6:00pm-9:00pm, Boardroom)
- 29-30 2018 Prefects Camp
- 30 Duke of Edinburgh Gold Tramp (first day)

December

- 1 NCEA Exams end
- 1 2018 Prefects Camp
- 1-3 Duke of Edinburgh Gold Tramp
- 1 Dance Night (6:30pm-8:30pm, School Hall)
- 4-6 Duke of Edinburgh Silver Final Tramp
- 5 Art Exhibition (6:00pm-8:00pm, School Hall)
- 6 Year 13 Leavers Dinner (7:00pm-10:30pm)
- 7-8 Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Final Tramp
- 7-8 Wider Living Day (Years 9 & 10)
- 11 Junior Prizegiving (10:00am-11:30am, Hall)
- 12 Term 4 Ends

(For a full list of upcoming events, please see the calendar on the college website.)



School Prefects 2018

Congratulations to all our school prefects for 2018.



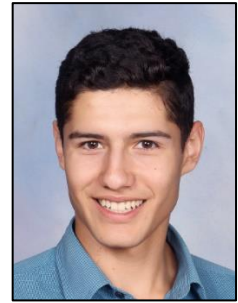
Jamie Martin
Head Boy



Tyler Sullivan
Head Girl



Deanna Louis
Deputy Head Girl



Camilo Aristizabal Gomez
Deputy Head Boy

❖ Alexandra Turner	❖ Adam Mangnall
❖ Annabel Worn	❖ Alex Stanners
❖ Ashley Khoo	❖ Archie Porteous
❖ Azita Nafissi	❖ Cassius Brown
❖ Ella Bayliss	❖ Darby Manning
❖ Emma Barrett-Garnier	❖ Harry Copeland
❖ Eve Walter	❖ Isaac Mercer
❖ Hannah Johnson	❖ Joshua Taylor
❖ Jasmine Gedy	❖ Josiah Richardson
❖ Kyla Graham	❖ Jovahnn Teura
❖ Loia Tuafafo	❖ Matthew Edwards
❖ Olivia Davies	❖ Po-Chen Liu
❖ Olivia Sorensen-Tyrer	❖ Ryan Bush
❖ Sophie Atkinson	❖ Ryan Woon
❖ Susannah Clements	❖ Samuel Cogger
❖ Teegan O'Connor	❖ Tauru Muralidhar

Mr R Dykes, Principal



Senior Prizegiving

A very successful Senior Prizegiving took place on 1 November 2017 (Wednesday) to recognize the top academic students in each subject as well as overall year level winners. Students were also recognized for their service and leadership within the school through a number of special awards. A record number of students received Scholarships from New Zealand Universities.

A huge thanks must go to Mrs Christine Myhre and Miss Celia Haggitt for their time, effort and special skills in producing the quality musical performances on the night.

Congratulations to all prize and Scholarship recipients!



*Jacqueline Cox & Frank Leng
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*Deanna Louis
Top Scholar in Year 12*



*Jordan Wilson & Lauren Calvert
Maddock's Memorial Cup Winners*



Jacqueline Cox & Family



*Lauren Calvert & Allan McBride
2017 Head Girl & Head Boy*



*Julia Tan
Top Scholar in Year 11*



*2018 Student Leaders
(Left to Right) Tyler Sullivan (Head Girl), Jamie Martin (Head Boy),
Deanna Louis (Deputy Head Girl) & Camilo Aristizabal Gomez (Deputy Head Boy)*

Mr G Robertson, Deputy Principal



SCHOLARSHIPS

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Glendowie College Development Foundation Trust Scholarships <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Māori Pasifika School Leavers Scholarship The Glendowie College Development Trust Service Scholarship 	Alyshia Samuel Freda Song
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Peter McKenzie Scholarship 	Frank Leng
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tamaki Lions Club Scholarships <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Academic Scholarship The Technology Scholarship 	Joanna Archer Rosemary Brown
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ara Lodge Visual Arts Award 	Jacqueline Cox
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hoysted Scholarship 	Priyanka Verma
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Gillian Rae Cassey Memorial Scholarship 	Lauren Calvert
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> New Zealand School of Tourism Scholarship (New Scholarship) 	Chantelle Collinson
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Victoria University of Wellington Excellence Scholarship 	Alissa Skyrme/Emma Wong/Jack Barter/Leilani Colenutt/Kate Hudspith-Gooch
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Victoria University of Wellington Achiever Scholarship 	Clare Gray
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Auckland University of Technology Vice Chancellor's Significant Student Scholarship 	Emily Ding
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Auckland University of Technology Engineering Scholarship 	Matthew Murrell
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> University of Otago New Frontiers Excellence Scholarships 	Truman Boughey/Lucy Hay/Lauren Vodanovich
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> University of Otago Vice-Chancellor's Scholarship 	Saskia Stone
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> University of Otago Leaders of Tomorrow Entrance Scholarship 	Nina Dally/Allan McBride
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> University of Otago Academic Excellence Entrance Scholarship 	Brooke Clark
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> University of Auckland Academic Potential Scholarship 	Stephanie Carr
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> University of Auckland Top Achiever Scholarships 	Georgia Tippet/Katrina Dickins/Frank Leng/ Kiera Montgomery/Phoebe Jin/Andrey Borro/ Donovan Kelso

NEW AWARDS

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Mike Pero Award 	Alonzo Nieves
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Taku Huarahi Taonga 	Jovahnn Teura

SPECIAL AWARDS

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Amith Cup 	Tarun Muralidhar
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> M A Grove Memorial Trophy 	Lydia Edgeworth
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Rotary Club of Auckland East Cup 	Jessica Nielsen
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Diligence Cup 	Rose Stephens
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hooper Cup 	Deanna Louis
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Pride Shield 	Henry Leabourn
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Deans' Cup 	Katrina Dickins
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Past Pupils Trophy 	Frank Leng
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Edward van Boheemen Service Cup 	Freda Song
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Leadership Trophy 	Steven Harper
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cup for General Excellence Year 13 	Georgia Tippet/Allan McBride
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maddock's Memorial Cups 	Lauren Calvert/Jordan Wilson
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proxime Accessit 	Frank Leng
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dux 	Jacqueline Cox
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Head Boys Cup 	Allan McBride
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Head Girls Cup 	Lauren Calvert
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Timothy Wells Memorial Cup – Top Scholar in Year 11 	Julia Tan
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Andrea Boyd Memorial Cup – Top Scholar in Year 12 	Deanna Louis
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> McMinn Cup – Top Year 13 Student Undertaking Vocational Courses 	Steven Harper

A full list of the Senior Subject Prize-winners can be downloaded [here](#)



Maori and Pasifika Cultural Event



**Talofa lava, Malo e lelei, Bula vinaka, Fakaalofa lahi atu, Kia Orana, Malo ni, Mauri,
Kia Ora, and Welcome**

On Saturday 9 December, with the help from parents of Māori and Pasifika students, we wish to hold a cultural event to celebrate who we are and where we are from, with the sharing of kai from around the Pacific.

We will be asking all parents to help make this event a success. We would like each family attending to please bring a plate unique to your culture, so we can celebrate diverse cultures together. We might also ask for a group performance, so be prepared! If you would like to help get in touch with other families in Glendowie College from a certain cultural group, please don't hesitate to contact me.

We are looking to start from 1:30pm. It will be a fairly relaxed afternoon getting together to know everyone, asking questions or meeting other parents, and our children can spend time with their peers. The school will be introducing the new house system next year, so the more support we can give each other, the better prepared we will be going into 2018.

Once you have contacted us (or we have contacted you), a detailed agenda for the day will be worked out. Students will be expected on the day to help set up and tidy up at the end. We hope to use the field if weather permits, otherwise the staffroom. Signage will also be put up on the day. Hope to see you there!

**Please RSVP to Lydia Rasmussen (ras@gdc.school.nz)
by Friday 24 November 2017**



YES (Young Enterprise Scheme)



What better way to start the festive season with Oaken's vitalising moisturizers!

Oaken is a student led enterprise as part of the YES programme aimed to put quality gifts into the hands of our customers at an affordable price. Infused with sweet almond and wheat germ oil + 100% made in NZ you can be ensured that these products are paraben free and free of animal testing! Don't expect to pay anything more than 2 bottles for \$15! These are perfect gifts for friends and family and be assured that only the best will be put into their hands, nothing more nothing less.

For more information, to order or request for samples, please email Aldric Khoo at 13105@gdc.school.nz This is a limited time offer.

We would like to thank you for your continuous support of this student led enterprise and would appreciate all the support we can get!



Gold Duke of Edinburgh Success



It gives me great pleasure to recognise 11 students on the completion of their Gold Duke of Edinburgh Hillary Award. Gold is the highest level of the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme. To successfully achieve the Gold Award, students must complete 5 sections of the award including: completing at least 1 hour per week for 12 months in a Service, Skill, and Physical Recreation, complete an Adventurous Journey of 4 days and 3 nights with 8 hours of purposeful effort per day, and lastly, complete a Residential Project in a purposeful

activity away from home for a period of at least 5 consecutive days.

The Duke of Edinburgh Award is all about young people being the best that they can be.

The Award builds individuals' strengths, interests and develops their personality to give them the ability to deal with everything that life can throw at them. I would like to congratulate the 11 students for being the best they can be and successfully completing this journey, achieving their Gold Duke of Edinburgh Award.

Congratulations to: YiMei Chuah (13THO), Brooke Clark (13THO), Jacqueline Cox (13THO), Katrina Dickins (13DHY), Aishah Mangnall (13DHY), Kiera Montgomery (13DHY) and past students Nicholas Blenkinsopp, Veronika Hunter, Olivia O'Connor-Robertson, Sophia Reid and Blair Spooner.

The students will be attending a Gold Award Ceremony in the near future to be presented their Award by the Governor General.



Left to right: Miss F Smith (Gold Duke of Edinburgh Award Co-ordinator), Katrina Dickins, Jacqueline Cox, YiMei Chuah, Kiera Montgomery, Aishah Mangnall, Brooke Clark and Mrs J Barrack (Gold Duke of Edinburgh Award Assistant Co-ordinator).

Miss F Smith, Gold Duke of Ed Co-ordinator

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20-Year Alumni Reunion

A small but enthusiastic group attended their 20-year reunion on Friday, 27 October 2017. Lots of laughs and reminiscing as the group had a tour of the school before meeting up in the staffroom for drinks.

Class pictures, year books and photos from their time at Glendowie College were available to look through. Jarod Rawiri (Actor – Shortland Street) requested to view the drama room, where it all started for him! On Monday morning, a few teachers were lucky to find notes in their pigeon holes, left by past pupils Marion Woodley and Jacqui Roy. It was great to have other alumni and staff helping on the night and a huge thanks to the Year 12's (prefects) for being tour guides. A very entertaining evening all round!



Leavers Morning Tea

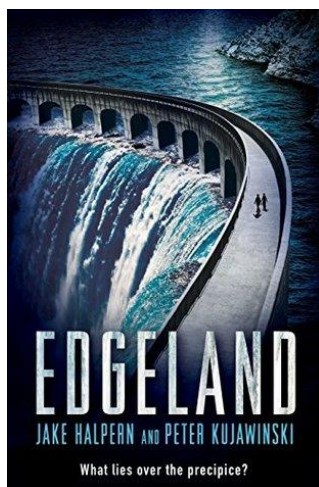
A great way to farewell our Year 13's after their final assembly. Students and teachers saying their last goodbyes over morning tea in the courtyard. Over 60 students have signed up to our alumni database to enable us to stay in touch.



Ms C MacKenzie, Advancement Officer



New and Readable at the Library



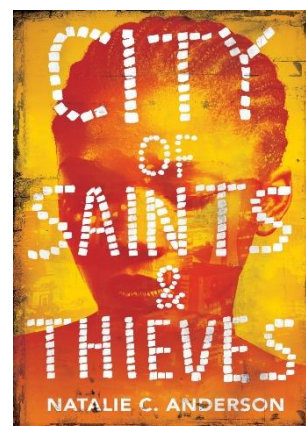
Edgeland – A fast paced read with a twist you won't see coming!

Thousands of miles due south from the Polar North is the island of Edgeland. Here, day and night last for 72 hours. And here is one of the natural wonders of this world: a whirlpool thirty miles wide and a hundred miles around. This is the Drain. Anything sucked into its frothing, turbulent waters is never seen again. Wren has spent most of her life on Edgeland, watching people bring their dead to the island's famous bone houses to be blessed and prepared for the afterlife. There the dead are loaded into boats with treasure and sent over the cliff, and into the Drain. Orphaned and alone, Wren dreams of escaping Edgeland, and her chance finally comes when furriers from the Polar north arrive with their dead, and treasure for their dead. With the help of her friend Alec, Wren plans to loot one of the boats before it enters the Drain. But the boat - with Alec and Wren on board - is sucked into the whirlpool. What they discover

beyond the abyss is beyond what either of them could have imagined.

City of Saints and Thieves – When the lines between good and evil become blurred!

In the shadows of Sangui City, a street-thief called Tina patiently plots her revenge. Her mother has been shot dead at the home of one of Kenya's richest businessmen, and Tina is sure she knows who's to blame. When a local gang asks her to steal from his home, it's the chance Tina has been waiting for. But as she steps inside, old wounds resurface and she is caught red-handed by his son, Michael. The pair set in motion a cascade of dangerous events that could, at any moment, cost Tina her life.



Ms J Gayton, Library Manager

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Website	http://www.gdc.school.nz/ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Calendar / General Information / Policies
Facebook	https://www.facebook.com/Glendowie-College-1598323453768825/ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Current Events / News / Updates
Flickr	https://www.flickr.com/photos/138591673@N03/ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Photos of School Events

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Glendowie Primary School Fair

Glendowie Primary would like to invite you to our school Fair on Saturday 25 November 2017, from 11:00am-3:00pm at 217 Riddell Road.

We have some great activities for the kids, inflatables, lots of fantastic food stalls and our huge White Elephant. There is plenty of parking available and we are going ahead rain or shine. We hope to see you there.



**the
Glendowie
fair**

**SATURDAY, 25 NOVEMBER
11AM - 3PM**

GLENDOWIE PRIMARY SCHOOL, 217 RIDDELL RD



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