



Friday, 31st August 2018

Kia ora,

Thank you very much to the many students and parents who came to the **Parents' Association** planting day at the college last Sunday. With about 60 parents and students present, the planting of the new gardens was done in just over an hour and a half.

The Quad looks great with new pavers, seating and now plants in all of the gardens. Thank you very much to Sara Haddon, Warren Duncan and the Parents' Association for funding the plants and organising the volunteers.

It is wonderful to be part of such a supportive and committed community.



Tournament Week

Six teams (or squads) head away next week to various national tournaments as listed below:

- Football (Boys) Palmerston North
- Football (Girls) Rotorua
- Hockey (Girls) Napier
- Hockey (Boys) Levin
- Netball Mt Maunganui
- Underwater Hockey Rotorua

It is great to see our students competing in these tournaments. With all the talk of NCEA and the need to teach students 'soft skills', I increasingly value co-curricular opportunities through sports and arts, for students to grow into well-rounded men and women.

Thank you to the many coaches, managers and parents who will travel with our students to the tournaments next week. We greatly appreciate the donation of your time to make these opportunities possible. Good luck to all students on the tournaments.

School (Senior) Exams

Senior school exams start on Wednesday 12 September, that is the week after the Tournament week. Students travelling to tournament should take revision work with them, as most teams make time for study between games or in the evenings. All students should now have a study plan and be working through this. If you have any concerns or questions about your child(ren)'s preparation for these exams, please contact their Dean or Assistant Dean.

Richard Dykes
Principal

Upcoming Events:

September

- 3-7 Winter Tournament Week
- 6 Parents Association Meeting (7pm-9pm, Staffroom)
- 11 Whanau BBQ (6:30pm-8:30pm, Staffroom)
- 19 Board of Trustees Meeting (6pm-9pm, Boardroom)
- 23 Fun Run/Walk (9:45am-1pm)
- 23-25 Duke of Edinburgh Gold Practice Journey (All Day)
- 25 Dance Night (6:30pm-8:30pm, Hall)
- 27 Arts Awards (7pm-10pm, Hall)
- 28 Media Awards Ceremony (6pm-9pm, Hall)
- 28 End of Term 3

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



Position Available: Advancement Officer (Alumni)



We are seeking an enthusiastic and organised person to take on the role of Advancement Officer (Alumni) for Glendowie College. The position is for 12 hours per week, days and times are flexible. The role requires connecting with our growing Glendowie College Alumni both through the database, and

organising events. If you are interested or require more information, please contact Sharon Hewetson, Deputy Principal, on hsn@gdc.school.nz

Credit Balances – Parent and Student Portal

You can access the [Portal](#) for school information and payments.

Full instructions are available [here](#).

If the Portal shows a credit balance, please contact Mrs Bernadette Hyde on hyd@gdc.school.nz to use this up.

Ms Lisa Davis-Miller, Business Manager

Wānanga

The Ministry of Education is co-ordinating wānanga to be led by community leaders/facilitators across Tamaki Makaurau. It is hoped that the Ministry will identify community members who will continue to wānanga with us following these hui and to inform the kōrero (see below).

Kōrero Mātauranga – Education Conversation is the website that is being used to capture the 18 different reviews that are taking place at the moment. There are some themes that are coming through that will inform the Minister of Education on the Education Work Programme, this overview will be guided by the themes that are emerging.

The Māori Wānanga will be focussed on capturing ‘authentic Māori voice’ to inform the future design of New Zealand education, for all children and young people for the next 30 years. This will feed into the refresh of [Ka Hikitia](#) and [Tau mai te Reo](#), and the [Education Work Programme](#).

The Ministry of Education is inviting all whānau, hapū, iwi - tamariki, matua and kaumatua – to help build the future of Māori education in Aotearoa.

The Ministry is asking us to help ensure that Māori-Whānau within the school to have their say in three ways:

- Date: Wednesday, 19 September 2018
Time: 5:30pm – 7:30pm
Where: Glen Innes Community Hall, Main room
- [Kōrero Mātauranga - the Education Conversation](#)– online survey and #edconvo
- The Ministry is also holding three wānanga on the future of Māori education in Tamaki Makaurau.
 - Vodafone Events Centre – 770 Great South Road, Manukau. This is an open event, we encourage you to bring along as many voices as you can. Kai will be available.

The following two venues have limited spaces, please register early, Kai will be available:

- Papakura Alternative Education/Activity Centre
- Manurewa Mokopuna ki Roscommon – 39-41 Burundi Ave, Clendon Park, Auckland

Here is the mailbox koreromatauranga.tamaki@education.govt.nz – for you to register.

From the Ministry of Education

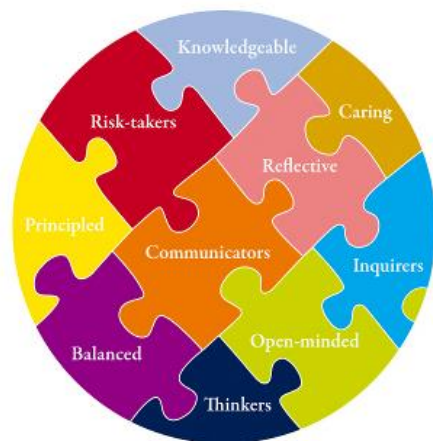
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Middle Years Programme (MYP)




The Learner Profile

The aim of IB MYP is to develop internationally minded people who, recognising common humanity and shared guardianship of the planet, help to create a better and more peaceful world (International Baccalaureate, 2013).



The Learner Profile gives direction to the type of Glendowie College graduate we aspire for our students to become. By teaching an inquiry based curriculum, students have more agency in their learning and therefore have the opportunity to reflect on and develop the attributes needed to be a successful learner and person. For example, how can we strive to be a BALANCED student?

For more detail information on all the areas of the Learner Profile, please click on the [link](#).



As GDC Learners we **STRIVE** to be...

BALANCED (Ākonga ora)



Value the importance of personal well-being or hauora for ourselves and others.

Mrs Sharon Hewetson, Deputy Principal

Rūaumoko House Charity Fundraising

Rūaumoko House is raising money and cans for the Auckland City Mission as part of our Term 3 charity fundraiser. Our goal is to raise \$1000 and 1000 cans. Please help support our goals by donating to the Givealittle page below.

<https://givealittle.co.nz/fundraiser/welcome-to-city-mission-can-possible-ruaumoko>

Thanks in advance for your generosity.

Ms Sheridan Hancock, Rūaumoko House Assistant Dean and House Prefects



Parents' Association Update

The Glendowie Parents Association Fundraising team, have been rather busy.
Let's check in to see what they have been up to.



A Triumph – The Quad Redevelopment Planting Day

A picture speaks a thousand words. Massive thanks to our amazing volunteers who planted hundreds of plants in just one hour!! Warren, our leader, organised us to perfection.



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Our Last Event of the Year – Fun Run / Walk (Sunday, 23 September 2018 – 9:45am start)

HELP NEEDED

- Seeking volunteers on the day - to Marshall the race course, registration tent takers, serve at our Cafe.
- Days before - registration tent, baking for our cafe, handing out flyers and giving out posters to local schools and community groups.
- Sponsorship - if your business can sponsor a raffle item, or give a cash donation, please email us.

Either email us or volunteer at <https://www.trybooking.co.nz/227> and we will be in touch.



No-one ever became poor by giving – support a PA event today.

A Frank & Grumpy Cat.

We are always looking for great parents to join us and give a little back to our school community - more people results in less tasks and time by all.

See ya next time in the staffroom, next meeting is Thursday 6 September!!!

Sara Haddon, Parents' Association Chairperson

<https://www.facebook.com/GlendowieCollegeParentsAssociation/> or Gdcparents@gmail.com

Upcoming Events & Fundraisers

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| Fun Run | Term 3 23 September (Sun) | https://www.trybooking.co.nz/227 |
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Our Incredible Sponsors for the Fun Run/Walk Include:

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| New Balance | Uniform Group | Barfoot St Heliers | Timeless Images |
| Fenchurch Shops | Physio Rehab | Entertainment Book | Hoyts Ben & Jerry's |
| Starbucks | Sal's Pizza | The Coffee Club | Ware Ellex Hair Salon |
| Bald Eagle | Fresh Direct | Movenpick | Crisp Home |
| Moretons | Dos Amigos | Vivo | |



[Sign up for the 2018 Fun Run/Walk here](#)

Victoria University Graduates

Congratulations to the following former Glendowie College students who have graduated from Victoria University between June 2017 and May 2018:

- Emma Beattie Bachelor of Arts
- Brenda Ellis Master of Public Policy
- Dani Ann French Bachelor of Arts & Bachelor of Laws
- Evie Gillan Bachelor of Arts
- Anna Janiszewski Bachelor of Arts
- Tessa Lynch Bachelor of Architectural Studies
- Samuel Smith Bachelor of Laws

Please join us in acknowledging and celebrating the students' wonderful success.

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Sports Update

College Sport Auckland Individual Swimming Championships

Sean Gibbs (Year 11) represented Glendowie College at the College Sport Auckland Individual Swimming Championships held on 5 August 2018 at West Wave Aquatic Centre in Henderson.

Sean represented the College in three events – the 50m freestyle, 100m freestyle and 100m butterfly. Sean had taken a few days off school due to sickness in the days leading up to the meet, so his expectations were not high.

The 50m freestyle was the first event followed quickly by the 100m butterfly and then the 100m freestyle. It was a packed swim meet with very little time between events.

Sean had a great swim in the 50m freestyle bringing home a first for Glendowie.

The next event was the 100m butterfly where Sean achieved a third place finish. Fatigue started to set in, but Sean pushed on to finish the last event – the 100m freestyle, where he finished a respectable fourth.



National iTKD Tae Kwon Do Tournament

Damyan Ng (Year 10) attended the iTKD National Tournament in Wellington during the holidays on 14 and 15 July, 2018.

Damyan is now the iTKD New Zealand 1st Dan Black Belt Pre-Junior Champion in sparring (light heavy division) and specialty (flying kicks), having won gold medals in both these events.

Next on Damyan's hit list is the iTKD World Cup in Sydney at the end of September.

North Island Secondary Schools Championships



Over the holidays, 3 Year 9 students, Emma Goodall, Erin Walshe and Gia Jeffery headed to Cambridge for the North Island Secondary Schools Championships. For the first time in a number of years it was not raining and this enabled the cyclists to cycle hard over the 3 races.

Erin performed well in the road race, placing 21st and Emma placed fourth in the criterion. The three girls formed a cohesive unit and performed well in the team time trial. Overall they had a great weekend and returned home exhausted.



Winter Sport Wrap

Last week wrapped up the Winter Sports first team season. A great season for our First XI Girls Football team culminated in a 2-0 extra time loss to an unbeaten Marist College team in the APC Division 2 Final. The young GDC team have grown throughout the season under a new coach, Steph Trowill, and the future looks very promising. Please click [here](#) to read an article from College Sport.

Like the girls' team, our Boys First XI Football team, introduced a new coach (Jayden Bush, Glendowie Alumni) and this has coincided with the blooming of a bunch of promising young players. After a slow and erratic start to the season, the team has performed admirably over the later part of the season and avoided relegation despite finishing the season with a gripping 2-1 defeat to Rangitoto College. Our Boys and Girls First XI Hockey teams completed their seasons in testing weather conditions.



After falling behind 2-0 inside five minutes, our Boys' team fought back to level the scores with Botany College. With lightning and hail overhead, the game was called off early and was settled with strokes. Unfortunately, Botany College were able to eek out the victory. The new coaching team of Crawford Blair and former student, Jayden Jasmal, have continued the upward trajectory this team has been on over the last few seasons.

Our Girls' team lost 2-1 to Marist College in their playoff. A tough result after the team had dominated the game, but failed to find the back of the net. Having moved up a division this season, the team has more than held their own and repaid the confidence and time invested by coach, David Tyrer, over the last two seasons.

The Glendowie College Premier Netball team had another stellar season. After qualifying to play in the Premier 2 Grade, the team exceeded expectations by finishing third behind powerhouse schools St. Kentigern College and Mt Albert Grammar. The girls secured their position with a great victory over One Tree Hill College in their playoff match, a team they drew with earlier in the season. Well done to the girls and coach, Sam Clarke-Winiata.

We wish these teams well next week as they disperse throughout the North Island for the Secondary Schools Tournament week.

Mr Jeremy Adams, Sports Co-ordinator

BlueLight Life Skills Programme

Last week, 9 Year 11 and 12 students attended Bluelight Camp at Motu Moana Campsite. This camp is designed to develop leadership and practical skills, as well as respect, teamwork and self confidence. 30 students from a range of schools around Auckland and Hamilton came together to complete this course.

A typical day would start at around 5:45am with one of the staff yelling "corridor"! Following this we would have ten seconds to get out of bed with all trainees lined up and standing to attention. For most of us, this was a shock to the system as it is so far from our typical routines. Habits had to change, like folding arms, leaning on walls, having hands in pockets and responding to the leaders with, "yes staff" and "no staff".

These days were filled with a lot of marching practise in preparation for graduation day, team building games and activities. These included going to the pools, rock climbing and white water rafting at Vector Wero White Water Park.

Throughout the week, people from a range of police teams and units came to talk about their specific profession, including the air support 'Eagle' unit, forensics, armed offenders squad and police dog squad. This was a great opportunity for us as it was an insight to a few possible career paths.

Looking back on this experience, there are no regrets as we endured this week of military style activities and made some new friends. Although for most of us there were many moments where being home and in bed seemed very appealing, it was a good challenge and some great memories were made.

Finally, congratulations to Keilan Hepburn who was awarded 'Top Cadet' by the staff/officers at the camp. Special mention also to Jack Jessiman and Sulaiman Farhat who were voted as 'Top Cadets' by their peers (30 participants in their unit).

The others GDC students who attended the 5-day experience with me were Jackson Schofield, Alice Savage, Adam Kinley, Sean Southall and Lupio Thompson-Rikys.

Kate Speirs, Year 12 Student



2018 International Market Day

On Friday, 24 August 2018, the Year 11 Business Studies students participated in the 2018 International Market Day. This was the pinnacle event for all their hard work.

Over the past eight weeks, the students (in groups) had to plan their products and businesses, while incorporating cultural awareness. The students were expected to conduct and participate in job interviews for positions (Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer, Chief Marketing Officer, Chief Operating Officer), present in a Shark Tank pitch environment to judges, and then sell their goods or services during interval and lunchtime on the day. The Year 10 Enterprise Studies curriculum also requires students to run a market day, but the requirements are more complex in Year 11. The students' stalls and products are expected to be culturally based and must provide cultural awareness to customers, as well as develop a more insightful business plan.



At this year's International Market Day, a plethora of cultures were represented. Spanish Paella, American Chips, Japanese Fried Rice and French Macarons were just a small sample of the amazing stalls present. Individual student-run ventures were able to go into the community and attain sponsorships should they believe this necessary. We would like to extend our thanks to Kohimarama Physio for the loan of their EFTPOS terminal to Paella Pals, and to New World Stonefields for their generous sponsorship of \$200 worth of New World vouchers to The Curry Club.

Participating in the Market Day is a requirement to gaining six Level 1 NCEA credits, and during the next few classes, the students will be reflecting on their implementation of the business plan to secure the 6 credits as well as an additional three Level 1 NCEA credits for the Marketing Mix internal.

Upcoming events for Business students include a Year 13 Business Studies 'Dragon's Den' where the students will be pitching their marketing plan for a new or existing product to a panel of Judges. Watch this space for more!



Sean Gibbs, Year 11 Student



Year 13 Food Technology



Year 13 Food Technology has been really exciting this year. Our recent assessment was 'Excessive Sugar Consumption'.

For this assessment, we created activities which allowed some of our Year 9 classes to learn more about excessive sugar consumption. We sent out a survey for them to complete, and then planned our activities in groups. Each group had its own individual focus, for example, refined and natural sugar, sugar in drinks, sugar in snack food, and hidden sugar in processed foods.



On 14 and 15 August 2018, we performed our activities with the students in rotations. My group's activity was to invite the Year 9s

to a mystery tasting challenge in which they tasted six different popular snack bars and tried to work out which had refined sugar and which had natural sugar. They really enjoyed this activity and learnt that many snack bars are high in refined sugar, which will help them make better snack choices in the future. Our Year 13 Food Technology class had heaps of fun planning and carrying out our activities with the Year 9 students, and they seemed to have lots of fun too!

Aimee Murray, Year 13 Student

Tough Guy Tough Gal

Last Thursday, the year 12PE classes competed at the Auckland Secondary Schools 'Tough Guy Tough Gal' challenge. This is a 6km run through mud and obstacles including electric shocks, crawling through drainage tunnels and under barbed wire. The course is set up over 6km of hilly farmland in Helensville.

Students were tasked to create a 7-week training program to prepare them for this event. During the unit, students learn about various training techniques and biophysical principles that will apply to the race as well as to their own personal sports.



Fortunately, the weather cleared and the day was a great success. Special mention to Andrea Ross who came 4th overall, and Almog Hershco and Sam Lind who placed 9th and 10th respectively.



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Tāne Mahuta House Fundraising – SPCA

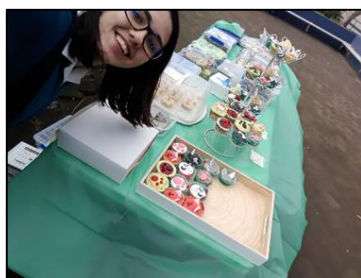


During the first four weeks of this term, the school has been engaged in a number of fundraising events and initiatives to raise money and spread awareness about the SPCA. The Tāne Mahuta House chosen charity was selected by a committee of members from the House in Term 1 for a number of worthy reasons. Not only does the SPCA rescue animals, they also care for re-house and fight for justice against cruelty for animals. They are a non-government organisation and rely on the community for help to continue the amazing work that they do.

During this fundraising period, fun posters have been all around the school promoting different events and overall awareness of the charity. The 'Dog of the Week' in assembly, which has been an arrangement of animals in SPCA care that need adoption, really helped to spread awareness. In each form class, there were boxes for donation items such as blankets, towels, pet food, and toys to give to the SPCA for the animals, and some of the form classes even took the initiative to decorate these boxes to further show their support.

One of the greatest highlights was the annual SPCA Cupcake Day where we set up our own stands to sell baking. Beautifully decorated cupcakes and yummy goods came in huge quantities from the students, and almost every single one was sold during interval and lunch time. A grand total of \$522.50 was raised from this initiative.

On Wednesday 15 August, there was a school-wide animal themed mufti-day, from fantastic onesies to ears and animal hats, the support was incredible! Face Painting and photo backdrops at lunch time ended this mufti-day on a high note. We raised over \$2100 – what an absolutely amazing contribution from everyone, the SPCA is hugely grateful!



Ella Bayliss, Tāne Mahuta Service Prefect