Thursday, 13th December 2018

Koa te Kirihimete me te Tau Hou hari

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

Junior Prizegiving

Congratulations to our prizewinners at Tuesday's Junior Prizegiving. It was a great occasion as we acknowledged the success of our junior students this year. It was good to see so many parents and whānau/extended family attend the ceremony and share in their child's success. Rebecca Chan, former Head Prefect, gave an inspiring speech to the students as she described life after school and shared some perceptive insights. With her permission, I have included a copy of her speech in this newsletter.

Thank you to Mr Robertson (Deputy Principal) and everyone else who contributed to this event.

Building Programme - On the Move

If you drove past the college on Wednesday or Thursday, you may have seen three rooms being shifted from their current site inside Gate 3 to the far side of the Somerville (Music) block. This is the start of the enabling work for our new Science Block, construction of which is scheduled to start in July next year. The Student Services building is now opposite the Tuck Shop and new netball and tennis courts will be constructed in front of the Moore gym over the summer.





Quad Opening





Upcoming Events:

January

- 24 Subject Confirmation
 (Year 13, 9:30am-12:30pm, S8
 & Library)
 (Year 12, 1pm-3:30pm, S8 &
 Library)
- 24 Powhiri Practice (9:30am-3pm Ruapotaka Marae)
- 25 Peer Support Leaders Training Day (Selected Y12 & Y13 students, M1)
- 28 Auckland Anniversary Day (school closed)
- 30 First Day Year 9 Students' and New Students in 2019
- 31 Day 1 All Year Levels commence (Full Day)

February

- 1 Day 2 Normal Classes
- 6 Waitangi Day
- 11 Swimming Sports
- 13 Year 9 Parents' Information Evening (5pm-6:30pm, Hall)
- Parent/Form Teacher/Student Conferencing (2:45pm-5pm)
- 19 Parent/Form Teacher/Student Conferencing (8:45pm-4pm)

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

Last week, we formally opened the refurbished Quad and recognised the people who helped design and build it, as well as the families who donated to the project. I spoke at the ceremony about how it was significant to me that the first project in our property redevelopment is a student space at the heart of the college. As vital as the academic and co-curricular spaces are, it is important that we also invest in the social and recreational spaces for our students. Spaces for them to relax and unwind, and to gather and have fun together.



The year 13 class of 2018 donated a beautiful artwork for the courtyard and it looks stunning. If you get a chance, have a walk through the Quad and admire the sculpture. Thank you very much to our outgoing year 13 students.

Final Thoughts

As I look forward to 2019, I am excited about what it will bring. I talked to next year's Head Prefects and they are especially excited about the new houses and the spirit and leadership that is growing through these. I am pleased with how staff have used the MYP initiative to review their junior curriculum ... how we teach, how we assess, and how we prepare our students for ongoing success at NCEA and NZ Scholarship. There are many exciting initiatives happening in junior classes across the school through this programme.

2018 has been a busy, challenging and rewarding year. We introduced four new houses – Tawhirimātea, Tāne Mahuta, Tangaraoa, and Rūaumoko. Thank you to our amazing Deans, Assistant Deans, Prefects and all the others who have made the new houses a great success. The houses have captured the minds of students and created wonderful spirit inside the college.

We launched the MYP programme which will extend our students academically, as well as bringing more global perspectives into our junior curriculum. A number of staff have lead this initiative and it's exciting to see what faculties are doing in years 9 and 10 as a result. This culminated in the community project in term 4, with students running an exhibition of their work for parents and friends in the library after school. I was impressed with the calibre of the students and their work, and look forward to extending this service project across the entire junior school.

We joined the Glendowie Community of Learning (Kahui Āko) to strengthen the interaction between the college and our contributing schools. This has been a positive initiative as it brings the four schools, and their staff, closer together.

We mourned the passing of a student - Gabriel Steadman. This was a difficult moment in the life of our school and community, and I thank everyone inside and outside of the college who helped support Gabriel's whānau and friends, and guide our community through this tragedy.

Beyond the college, 2019 will be eventful for New Zealand education. The spectre of industrial relations and uncertainty due to the many reviews initiated this year by the Coalition government, will hang over the sector.

The Ministry of Education and PPTA are poles apart from a solution in the pay round negotiations, and we will inevitably have strikes in term 1 and possibly beyond. I believe that we're at a tipping point in NZ education and hope that the Government recognises that its most important priority for our country is to make teaching a highly valued career option, and ensure we get our best and brightest graduates choosing to go teaching and work with the young people of New Zealand.

Many of the large education reviews initiated by the Coalition government will be debated in detail next year. The Tomorrow's Schools report came out last Friday and is radical in its proposals, including recommending devolving power from school boards to central agencies and potentially limiting or reducing funding for schools such as Glendowie College. The report is out for consultation until April 2019. It is a very significant document that will define education in New Zealand for years to come. As parents, it is important that you are informed about this and give your feedback to the Government. I will provide more information to you about this early in 2019.

Whai i te raumati nui ... Have a great summer

For now, it's time to relax and unwind. I hope that you and your family have an enjoyable summer break. I wish you safe travel and a relaxing Christmas and New Year.

R Dykes Principal



School Administration Office



The school administration office (Reception) is now closed and will reopen at 9:00am on Wednesday, 23 January 2019.

Change to Year 10 Core Classes for 2019

Due to roll growth, we have created another core class at Year 10 for 2019. This means that the colour names of the core classes will be changing and your child may end up in a class with a different colour name. Please note, this affects students currently in Year 9, going into Year 10 next year.

Mr Gordon Robertson, Deputy Principal

Job Vacancy - School Canteen

A job vacancy is available for the school canteen. They are looking for someone who can work Monday, Thursday and Friday, with possibly more hours to cover sickness and leave. The hourly rate is \$17.82 including holiday pay for approximately 17 hours per week. The position commences January 2019.

This is a fast paced environment and experience is preferred. If you are interested, please contact Silvi on silviann@live.com.

Prefects Camp

Last week, 33 of the 2019 Prefects spent three days together learning about leadership, team building and planning for next year with their Deans. The group had House team challenges to complete in the bush around Albany which culminated in them each cooking a part of a shared meal over an open fire. On day three, Mr Batchelar sent the Houses off on an amazing race event from Albany back to Glendowie College. They were required to complete numerous challenges on the way, such as climbing Mt Eden, getting a phrase translated into another language by a member of the public and getting group photos as evidence of completing each challenge. The first House to return was the mighty Tāne Mahuta!

Thank you to Mrs Rothbart and Mr Batchelar for their contribution towards making this a memorable leadership camp.



Mrs Sharon Hewetson, Deputy Principal



Junior Prizegiving 2018

The 2018 school year concluded with the Junior Prizegiving. This was a very successful occasion where top academic students in each class were recognised as well as overall year level top scholars. A number of special awards were also presented.

Special guest speaker was Rebecca Chan, former Head Prefect and Dux in 2014. Rebecca has just completed a Bachelor of Engineering degree at Auckland University with first class honours. Her field of expertise is Mechatronics. A copy of her prizegiving speech has been included below as she touched on some important factors for a successful and interesting life.

Congratulations to all prize winners!



Bella BavinWinner of the Junior Leadership Cup



Harper Johns-Kerr Winner of the New Zealand Pride Cup



Sarah Mercer
Winner of the Groves Cup
for most outstanding all-round student

The Cup and Special Award recipients were:

The Rothbart Cup	Joshua Lay
– For displaying significant entrepreneurial ability.	
The Year 10 Social Studies Prize	Leo Spykerman
– For all round excellence in Social Studies and a high level of engagement	
with current social issues.	
Lino Nelisi Junior Reading Award	Holly Harding
Speech Cup – Year 9	Abhaya Puthigae
Speech Cup – Year 10	Kieran Morris
Junior Languages Cup	Emily Mackie
The Gibb Cup	Stella Mitchell
– Year 9 Social Studies Inquiry Work Winner.	
Graphics Cup	Jocelyn Glenn
– Overall effort in Year 10 Graphics.	
Music Shield	Damon Herlihy-O'Brien
Junior Art Cup	Madalen Guibert-Soehadi
– Most Promising Junior Art Award.	
Miss Griff Trophy	Samantha Tyro
– Best Girl in Physical Education.	
The Hauora Cup	Andre Yray
– Best Boy in Physical Education.	
Junior Mathematics Cup	Joshua Lay



The Trenwith Cup	Cristin Burrell
– 1 st in Year 10 English.	
The New Zealand Pride Cup	Harper Johns-Kerr
– For a high level of pride in school community and country.	
Top Scholar Year 9 Cup	Annabel Hankin
Junior Leadership Cup	Bella Bavin
– For showing the greatest leadership in the junior school.	
The Groves Cup	Sarah Mercer
– The most outstanding all-rounder in Year 10 for academic, activities and service.	
Top Scholar Year 10 Cup	Joshua Lay

A full list of the Junior Subject Prize-winners may be downloaded here.

Mr Gordon Robertson, Deputy Principal

Speech from Rebecca Chan, former GDC Student

Aaaaand I'm back, which I'm sure it won't mean anything to a lot of you considering I am an unfamiliar face, but I assure you and as previously mentioned, I'm in fact an old student, an ex-GDCer, and someone who remembers this place fondly.

When I got the call from Mr Robertson about speaking here today, my first thought was 'but it hasn't been that long, I've only just left, it's only been 4 years'

In 4 years, Year 10s will have left this place and year 9s will be running the place. When I left GDC, I had taken 3 sciences, calculus and media studies. I worked at the cheesecake shop, I played lawnbowls, our house names were different, I was in the Asia house and our colour was yellow. I played Clarinet (not well) in the concert band and got nicknamed Squidward for it. Ms Jan was my very patient form teacher, and every week in assembly, I used to read out a random fact.

So where am I 4 years later? Well, I've survived an engineering degree and emerged with first class honours specialising in mechatronics, which means I've studied mechanical, electrical and software engineering, so I'm not a transformer, I'm really more of an Iron Man wannabe.

I made the Deans honours list, designed a firefighting robot that avoids walls and obstacles, worked in a group of 30 to provide a long-term solution to New Zealand's freight and transportation problems, and I've coded a game of Connect 4.

I've also designed a fibre optics probe for detecting bladder cancer and won an industry award by Fisher and Paykel Healthcare which allowed me to represent the University of Auckland in the Engineering New Zealand Awards. I was a uniquide, which is like peer support for uni students, and I've been flown to Sydney to interview with a global management consulting company. I've represented my cohort in dodgeball, have been a roofer over the summer and worked at an acoustics consultancy throughout the year.

Turns out, 4 years is longer than you think.

And so, I guess it's my responsibility to clue you in and share some of my thoughts from those 4 years in hope that it will make your life just a little more smooth sailing. So bear with me, here are my top 7.

1. It's all about people.

Without even trying, you'll come across some great characters. Take for instance your form class – don't take for granted how great it is to see the same bunch of randoms every day. Build up some team spirit – they're your family and believe me, you will miss them when the time comes.



You're lucky at Glendowie. In addition to a variety of club and sports teams, you also get to take a few extra subjects of your own – language, media, art, drama, computing, which means you get to interact with an even wider range of people. At university, unless you make an effort, meeting people outside your specialisation or even just, in general, can be rather difficult. So take full advantage of how easy it is to meet people here and have some fun – you never know who you'll meet and who you'll keep.

2. Choose your people wisely.

Most importantly – surround yourself with supportive people who encourage you to do great ,and don't drain your energy sources. I have been around with people who are negative, or they don't try or they don't care. Not only is this exhausting, it also lowers your own frequency. And life is too short to be on a down buzz all the time.

On the days when I couldn't figure out why my robot was running head first into walls, it was those I was surrounded by who stopped me picking the robot up and throwing it into the wall myself. Support doesn't have to be fixing the problem for you, it can be as simple as words of encouragement or helping you take a step back and start afresh. So even when my robot was still being a disobedient little rascal, as long as I had someone to help me through it or to help me laugh it off – everything was A-ok.

3. It's all on you.

You know how people say there's no such thing as a stupid question. I once asked if you can burn water, and my mum asked if vampires really sparkle in the daylight. Yes, asking questions is great, I have an incredible amount of respect for those who aren't afraid to keep asking until they understand something. But first, before you ask ... use your head. Apply yourself and actually think about the answer first instead of just waiting for it to be given. Teachers can teach but learning comes down to you.

And if it's any consolation, my sister wrote in a multi-choice test in year 9 that spiders are a mammal, she's now in medical school miracles really do happen and all hope is not lost.

4. How do you work?

Glendowie offers you the perfect chance to take the time to figure out how you work and what works for you. Are you academic? If so, go for it and establish a work ethic and study habit, so you don't waste university time or grades figuring it out. If you're more hands-on, then find a path that highlights and enriches that – practicality is an incredibly valuable skill. Simple stuff but having an understanding of what motivates you and what works for you makes everything just that much easier.

5. Whilst academics are important, so is having fun and creating experiences, and good memories.

These days, people aren't looking for straight excellences or perfect GPA anyway. They're looking for rounded students with character. So, go have fun and enjoy your life, and consider it life education.

6. Be open minded.

In everything you do and everyone you meet. I never took hard materials, electronics, or computing, but here I am in mechatronics. I also thought my love for Media Studies would end in high school, but I'll be working next year at a company that creates the software for cinemas. No experience is wasted. So, do what you want to do or do what you don't think you want to do because you just never know.

7. Finally, my last and most important tip – when things get really rough, remember the chocolate bar slogans.

Take a break, and you're not you when you're hungry!

Juniors, you have a wealth of time on your side and so many incredible opportunities at this school. Don't waste them. Put yourself out there. Try and don't apologise for failing. Get prepared for the challenges to come and be excited when they do. Push yourself. Push others (not literally!). Have fun and give it everything you've got.

And if I could only give you one piece of advice. Let it be the Engineering motto Work hard. Play harder.



Quad Opening

The newly redeveloped Glendowie College Quad was officially opened on Thursday evening, 6 December 2018. Guests included Parents' Association, Board of Trustees, and Development Trust members along with college alumni, teachers, students and the families who had donated towards the quad development.

Special guests were sculptor, Neil Donaldson, and his wife, Isobel. Fundraising for and carrying out planting in the quad has been a focus for the Parents' Association this year. Sara Haddon, Chairperson of Parents' Association, was asked to cut the official ribbon. Guests also admired the recently installed sculpture, by Mr Donaldson, which was gifted to the college by the leaving year 13 students. Tyler Sullivan, Head Girl, explained that the design was chosen because it represented the circle of college life — students leaving each year with fond memories, but being replaced by a new intake of enthusiastic year 9s. The new house murals, an art project begun at Summer Fest and completed recently by the Year 13 painting students, were also displayed. The project was guided by Mrs Helen Cooper, departing Head of Visual Arts.

Special thanks to Ms Cherise Stone and Eilish Wood (Year 12) for their help, and to Silviann Johnson (Staff Canteen) for donating pastries and Mr Caleb Tanner for taking the photographs.



(L to R) Richard Dykes, Rewa Vowles, Sara Haddon (Chair of Parents'Association) cutting the ribbon, Megan Hollister (Treasurer of Parents' Association) and Baden Pascoe. Rewa and Baden were among the families who donated specifically to the quad and have name plaques on the seats.



Tyler Sullivan (Head Girl) with sculptor, Neil Donaldson, in front of the sculpture which the departing Year 13 students have gifted to the college.

Ms Nicole Parish, Advancement Alumni Coordinator

Peter McKenzie Scholarship 2018



Lilyann Huang (Year 13) was awarded the \$2000 'Peter McKenzie Scholarship' for Accounting at a Rotary breakfast on 15 November 2018. The Scholarship is awarded each year to a student who will be studying Accounting at University, and is given in memory of Peter McKenzie, who was a partner in Deloittes and a member of the St Johns Rotary Club.

Ms Noeline Doherty, Mathematics Faculty



Leavers' Dinner 2018

Over 360 students, parents and staff members attended the Leavers' Dinner at Alexandra Park on Wednesday, 5 December 2018. It was a truly memorable evening, filled with heartfelt speeches, great food and graduation certificates! A big thank you to all staff who helped make this evening successful and enjoyable. Special thanks to Mrs Bridget Rothbart for her superb organisation and dedication. All the best year 13, it has been a pleasure!



























Year 10EST/10DTE Interdisciplinary Dragon's Den 2018

The Year 10 Enterprise Studies and the Year 10 Digital Technology classes worked together on an interdisciplinary project. The topic which each of the 8 groups based their inquiry on was 'cultural considerations from different communities can lead to creating innovative designs and/or products'.

On Friday, 7 December 2018, 8 groups of students showcased their projects to a panel of judges through presentations, which were available for public choice voting for Glendowie College staff and students. The products ranged from a Kiwi Pencil Holder, Chinese Jewellery Box, Chinese Pencil Holder, Racer Drone to the more intricate designs, such as an Indian Fantail, Wooden Thai Elephant and a Japanese Maneki Neko Cat. It was definitely an exciting event with the many different ideas presented making it challenging for the judges.

Congratulations to 'The Indian Fantail' group, who won both the 'Interdisciplinary Dragon's Den 2018 Award' and the 'Public Choice Award'. The group's members include Benjamin Hunt, Sujaanan Jeyaseelan, Henry Evans, Ethan Tizzard and Daniel Cormack.



The Indian Fantail group with judges



The Indian Fantail group's winning product



1st Runner Up – The Japanese Maneki Neko Cat



 2^{nd} Runner Up – The Thai Elephant

1st Runner up: The Japanese Maneki Neko Cat

Group Members: Christopher Tims, Hans Setiawan, Kevin Cao and Mason Frank

2nd Runner up: The Thai Elephant

Group Members: Ryan Garcia, Joshua Brewer, Ryan Gin, Regan Norris

A special thank you to the Student Organizing Committee who helped organise and host the event. Members of the Student Committee were Francesca Kidd, Grace Hollis, David Lawrence, William Atkinson and Neha Prakash.

We would like to extend our appreciation to the lovely judges who took time out of their busy schedules to be 'Dragons' for the event. A big thank you to our panel of judges – Mrs Bridget Rothbart, Ms Michelle Simpson, Ms Lesley Walker and Mr Trevor Comber.

Ka Pai to all the students who participated in the event. We are proud of the achievements of all the students who gave the final presentations to the panel of judges. What a wonderful way to finish off the year!

Ms Jeelie Christopher and Mrs Pritika Harduar



MYP Community Project

This year, two Year 10 classes were given the opportunity to take part in the first trial of the Community Project at Glendowie College. The aim of the Project is for students to undertake service learning by choosing an issue which they are passionate about, and planning an action which could make a real difference in someone else's life. Students chose a range of actions, such as visiting local Year 8 students to tell them what to expect at college, creating a booklet on healthy eating for primary school children and presenting it to local students, visiting local rest homes to interact with their residents, teaching children in an after school care programme about Maori myths and legends by creating a book and teaching the children flax weaving.

Next year, four Year 10 classes will be chosen and in 2020, the whole of Year 10 will take part. Students who completed the project this year found it extremely rewarding, and all agreed that even small actions could make a big difference to others.

Mrs Willa Henvest, Community Project Coordinator

Caitlin Jones, Ella Hoodless and I were fortunate enough to take part in this community project, and we decided that we would buy and donate art supplies to a local primary school, Glen Taylor, because we are all art students and enjoy teaching children. Our goal was to inform and encourage their students to develop artistic confidence and creative thinking, as well as providing them with new art supplies. We contacted Ms Wrack, Glen Taylor's Deputy Principal, and collaborated with her. We considered what they wanted to introduce into their art education and created a plan. We taught two one-hour classes at Glen Taylor Primary School, using new art supplies such as paint, paint brushes and palettes, which we had fundraised for and purchased. We created a lesson plan in Powerpoint showing the kids simple art techniques and pictures, which they could try to recreate, and we helped them by demonstrating and assisting. Over \$250 worth of new art supplies were provided to Glen Taylor Primary School. This project taught us a lot, for example, how to manage and plan for a class, and how to be organised and responsible to ensure that everything was completed on time and according to plan. We were all passionate about the project and it was a really enjoyable and rewarding experience.



Chloe Diprose, Year 10 Student



2018/2019 Germany Exchange Programme

Last week was a busy week for our German students. On Monday night, six of our year 12 students departed on a 2-month exchange programme to Germany. They will live with their host families, improve their language skills, experience a German Christmas, spend time exploring Berlin, attend school and will no doubt have the experience of a lifetime. There were sad farewells at the airport, but also the knowledge that they were on their way to an incredible adventure and will return home with lots of stories to tell. Their exchange partners will visit New Zealand in March, and we will have the opportunity to reciprocate by welcoming them. Gute Reise und viel Spaß!



Ms Anna Vincent, Faculty Leader Languages

Farewell - Language Assistant 2018





On Tuesday last week, we said 'auf Wiedersehen' to Carmen Romelfanger, our German Language Assistant. This year, Carmen spent every Tuesday in our German classes assisting me and our lucky students. The students particularly enjoyed learning about German festivals and celebrations, sharing New Zealand traditions and having someone else to ask questions and practice their German with. Carmen is returning to Cologne to complete her teacher training (History and English), we know she will be a great teacher!

Ms Anna Vincent, Faculty Leader Languages

Glendowie College Cricket

Glendowie College has had a number of players selected for Eastern Districts Cricket Association (EDCA) representative teams. The EDCA teams will train and play in tournaments over December and January. Selected players include:

- Samuel Veal
- Alexander Reid
- Joshua Calvert
- Naomi Hay
- Jordan Herbert
- Avinaash Krishnan
- Maddie Smith-Rice
- Hayden Crocker
- Jack Stevens

In addition, Mia Hay and Kessia Veal, who will join GDC next year in year 9, were selected for EDCA under 15.

Mr David James, Director of Sport



New Zealand Secondary School Athletics Championships



Sophie Atkinson (Year 13) returned from Dunedin last weekend as a National Champion after winning the Gold Medal in the Senior Girls 800m. Sophie raced a great race, leading from the start and digging in deep for the last 100m to allow her to extend her lead over the second placed competitor from Wellington.

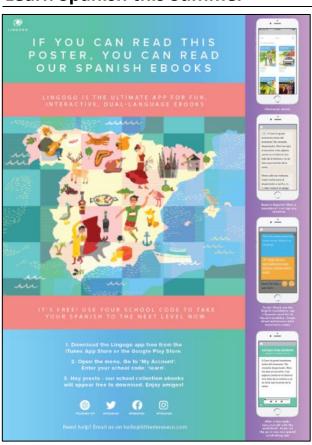
Charles Devlin (Year 12) also came away with a medal in the Senior Boys High Jump. After jumping a personal best of 1.93m, Charles finished in third place on a countback after being tied in the second place getter.

Angus Monro (Year 9) completed a great weekend for Glendowie College with an excellent top 10 finish in the Year 9 Boys Road Race.

Congratulations to all!

Mr David James, Director of Sport

Learn Spanish this Summer



Lingogo is a new Spanish language learning app.

To access your Lingogo ebooks:

- 1. Download Lingogo free from the <u>Apple app store</u> or the <u>Google Play store</u>.
- 2. Open the menu. Go to 'My Account'. Enter your code 'learn' (all lower case).
- 3. Hey presto! Our school collection ebooks will appear free for you to download. Enjoy amigos!

Ms Jody Gayton, Library Manager



Read Wherever You Go This Summer



The school's eBook Library is available to students and parents over the holidays. To access from a computer, please go to https://glendowie.wheelers.co/

To use it on a mobile device (including tablets and phones):

- .. Download the Wheelers app
- 2. Search for Glendowie College
- 3. Register / sign in using your student ID #
- 4. Happy Reading! Once downloaded, the book can be read offline

Parents' Association







Are you looking for a way to give a little back? By giving just a few hours each term, you can be a Parents Association star!

It's easy – a couple of meetings each term, help out at a few events, eat cakes and chit chat with Senior Staff and BOT members about life at Glendowie College. Many hands make light work!

No applications are required, simply email: gdcparents@gmail.com. The first meeting is in February 2019.







Sara Haddon, Parents' Association Chairperson

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



Europe 2020 History Trip



Europe History Trip - April 2020

Opportunity of a Lifetime!

Experience the history and culture of France, Belgium and Germany with your friends.

For an itinerary and costing, please email Ms Michelle Simpson - sim@adc.school.nz





Uniform Shop Hours



GLENDOWIE COLLEGE UNIFORM SHOP

EXTENDED HOURS FOR 2018/2019

21 Crossfield Road (Gate 3) Pop Up Shop Ph: 575-9128 extension 142 Email: uniformshop@gdc.school.nz

The Uniform Shop is temporarily located behind the tennis courts in the Year 13 Common Room. As it is very busy at the beginning of the school year, new students are advised to purchase their uniform on the following days:

Monday	14 January	9.00am – 4.00pm	Surnames A – L
Tuesday	15 January	9.00am – 4.00pm	Surnames M – Z
Wednesday	16 January	12.30pm – 4.00pm	Surnames A - L
Thursday	17 January	9.00am – 4.00pm	Surnames M - Z
Friday	18 January	9.00am – 4.00pm	All students
Monday	21 January	9.00am – 4.00pm	All students
Tuesday	22 January	9.00am – 4.00pm	All students
Wednesday	23 January	12.30pm – 6.00pm	All students (Open until 6.00pm)
Thursday	24 January	9.00am – 4.00pm	All students
Friday	25 January	9.00am – 4.00pm	All students
Monday	28 January	CLOSED	AUCKLAND ANNIVERSARY DAY
Tuesday	29 January	9.00am – 4.00pm	All students
Wednesday	30 January	9.00am – 12.30pm	International Students ONLY
Thursday	31 January	12.30pm – 2.30pm	All students
Saturday	2 February	CLOSED	WAITANGI DAY (will be open Saturday 9 February instead) (9.00am – 11.00am)

Normal Uniform shop trading hours then resume

Tuesdays 8.00am – 9.00am and 12.30pm – 2.30pm

Thursdays 12.30pm – 2.30pm

First Saturday of the month 9.00am – 11.00am (except on long weekends or in the school holidays)

Payment can be made by cash, cheque, eftpos or credit card



Drowning Prevention Auckland – Holiday Programme



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