Friday, 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2016

#### Kia Ora

To me one of the highlights of the recent Olympics was the joy and sense of pride shown by many of the competitors, especially Eliza McCartney, when interviewed after their events. Even those who did not win medals could reflect on their commitment and acknowledge that they had competed in their sport at the highest level.



Sometimes commentators accuse teachers of being

PC and anti-competition. These accusations are ill-informed and incorrect. To be the best that they can be students must be competitive either with others or with themselves and it is the school's responsibility to provide opportunities.

Our music groups are among Auckland's best as shown by the gaining of gold, silver and bronze awards at the recent KBB Music Festival. In sport, last weekend the Fifth Grade rugby team won their grade with a hard fought 10-5 win over Sancta Maria College and four netball teams have finished in the top two of their grades. This last week has been Tournament Week with a number of Glendowie College teams competing around the North Island. At the time of writing the final results were unknown but we know the teams have competed with pride and a sense of enjoyment in being part of a contest.

On a personal level senior students will be competing against themselves in the forthcoming school exams which start in a week's time. This is a good chance for them to assess how prepared they are for the external NCEA exams in November and the amount of further revision that is required to achieve to their potential.

Through whole school and dean level assemblies as well as individual conversations with students the senior leaders, Deans and teachers have all been giving the message that success is the result of application and hard work.

Competition helps instill values such as determination, a sense of achievement and respect for yourself and others. Ideally we would like to see all our students feel that sense of pride and of a job well done, like our Olympians, when they look back on their academic, Arts or sporting endeavours.

G Robertson

Acting Principal

#### **Upcoming Events:**

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- 2, 5 Real Art Roadshow3 Real Art Roadshow open to the community (10am to 12noon)
- 6 Year 10 Music Concert (7pm)
- 8 Parents' Association Meeting (7pm)
- 9 16 Senior Exams18 Fun Run/Walk
- 19 Dance Night (4pm)
- 20 Leavers Concert (7pm)
- 21 Board of Trustees Meeting (6pm)
- 22 Haka Competition
- 23 Term 3 ends

#### October

- Term 4 begins
- 10 Year 13 Film Festival (7.30pm, Hall)
- 11 Year 12 Film Festival (7.30pm, Hall)
- 12 Arts Awards
- 13 Year 11 Film Festival (7.30pm, Hall)
- 14 Film Festival (Awards Evening) (7.30pm, Hall)
- 19 Board of Trustees Meeting (6pm)
- 20 Sports Awards

# Early School Finish - Tuesday, 13th September

The college has been advised that there is a combined NZEI and PPTA Paid Union Meeting taking place on Tuesday, 13<sup>th</sup> September. The purpose of the meeting is to inform teachers, principals and support staff of the key proposals in the Government's Funding Review for Schools.

As a result school will finish at 12.35pm on Tuesday, 13<sup>th</sup> September. However, senior exams timetabled for that afternoon will still run with supervision being undertaken by non-PPTA staff. School buses have been rescheduled for the earlier finish.

The school apologises for any inconvenience.

Mr G Robertson, Acting Principal

#### **Term 3 Exam Timetable**

The Term 3 exam timetable was made available to students on Wednesday, 31<sup>st</sup> August 2016. A copy of the timetable may be downloaded from the college's website, please see the following link: http://www.gdc.school.nz/file/open/78/

## Glendowie College's Annual Fun Run/Walk

Glendowie College's Annual Fun Run/Walk is on Sunday 18 September, with the 5k and 10k run/walk starting at 10am from Gate 3 car parking area at the college.

As it is a school and community event, we welcome your participation in the fun run/walk. Registration forms are available from Glendowie College reception or downloaded from our website at <a href="https://www.gdc.school.nz">www.gdc.school.nz</a>.

Cost of entry is \$10 per participant and \$30 per family of 2 adults and 2 children.

The college appreciates the on-going support of our major sponsors:

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- SuperCity Mortgages
- The Uniform Group
- New Balance

Mr D James, Development Manager



#### **Immunisation Reminder**

Year 13 students are reminded that they need to ensure that their immunisations are up to date, this is particularly relevant for those students going into hostel accommodation at tertiary institutions next year.

Ms J Davison, School Nurse

## **Glendowie Primary Asian Cultural Festival Performance**

On Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> August, 7 Glendowie College students performed at the Glendowie Primary Asian Cultural Festival with 12 Glendowie Primary students. We have been teaching the primary students the Chinese umbrella dance for the last 6 weeks and it was a fun and rewarding experience for all.

Special mention to *Emily Ding*, who took on a large amount of the teaching and structuring responsibility.

#### Ms L Rasmussen, Teacher in Charge Dance









# **Classical Studies Association Quiz**



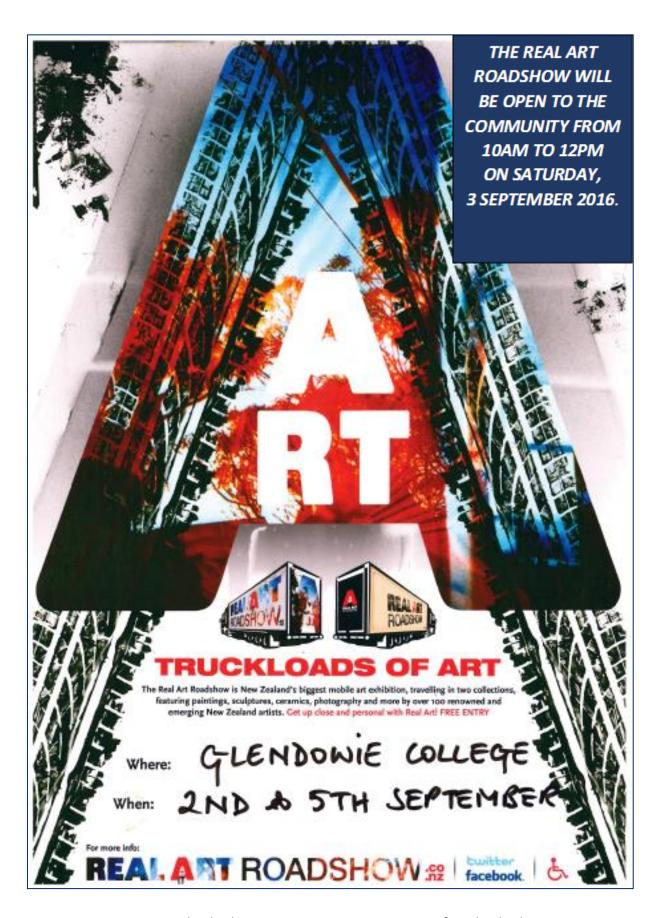
On Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> August, the Annual Classics Association Secondary Schools Quiz was held at St Cuthbert's College. Our team name was *'Ironic Columns'*. There were a wide range of questions on Ancient Greek and Roman culture and society. While we didn't win, it was a lot of fun competing with many schools from around Auckland.

Miss C Haggitt, Social Sciences Faculty

Above: Lara Septetavc, Cameron Kelso and Aishah Mangnall

Photo credit: Paul Artus, Classics Association







#### **KBB Music Festival**

The KBB Festival is the tournament week of Band and Orchestra performance in Auckland. It was held in the Holy Trinity Cathedral on 15 – 20 August, and 3,000 students participated.

Glendowie College entered a Wind Band, Concert Band and Big Band. All our groups achieved a significant Award.

- Wind Band Bronze
- Concert Band Silver
- Big Band Gold

Special congratulations go to *Katie Glasgow-Palmer, Zoe Braithwaite*, *Po-Chen Liu*, *Akari Ouchi* and *Mai Furukawa* who were selected for the Honours Band which was conducted by the Australian based adjudicator, Mrs Alison Housley. This band rehearsed and performed on Friday night. Their music was amazing!

Well done everybody involved! We are very proud of you.

#### Mrs C Myhre, Arts Faculty Leader and HOD Music

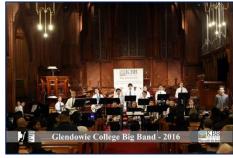


Proud Gold Award Winners.

Katie Glasgow-Palmer, Aldric Khoo, Emile Vreeburg
with Mr Atkinson after the Award ceremony.







**Top to bottom**: Glendowie College's Wind Band, Concert Band and Big Band.

# **National Council of Women's Speech Competition**



Congratulations to *Alyssa Bullot* who represented Glendowie College in the recent National Council of Women's Speech Competition. Her topic was 'What does a gender equal New Zealand look like?'

The judges commented on her excellent content and presentation techniques and awarded her second place. She received a certificate and \$100 for her efforts.

Mrs S Wood, Head of English Faculty.



## **Business Day at Massey University, Albany Campus**

On the 24<sup>th</sup> of August, the Year 13 Business Studies students attended the Business Day held at Massey University Albany Campus. They gained a lot of insight from multiple business speakers such as *Flow Software*, *Daifuku Airport Technolo*, *Winscribe* and *Fonterra*. This will give the students case studies they can use for NCEA exams at the end of the year.

All student groups had an opportunity to do their product launch during lunch time which gave them a boost of confidence as customers took interest in finding out more about the product and purchasing the different products. It was an eventful and informative day for our senior Business students.

#### Ms P Harduar, Social Sciences Faculty



'Blackshack' selling their homemade lemonade



'Crafted Candles' selling their homemade candles



'Yang Fruity Family' taking orders for their 'Culturestatic' workbooks aimed towards 6-7 year olds; exposing the young minds to Japanese, Malaysian, Chinese, Korean and Indonesian cultures

# Simon Archer – 'Blackshack' Success Story



Simon Archer

'A grandmother's homemade lemonade recipe is changing the life of year 13 student **Simon Archer**.

Growing up, Simon loved Saturday afternoons at his grandmother's garden because she would whip up her delicious homemade lemonade. Simon thought her lemonade had the potential to "satisfy the taste of the world".

In 2015, inspired by famous entrepreneurs like Steve Jobs, Bill Gates and Richard Branson, Simon decided to chase his own dream. He began selling 'Blackshack', the lemonade he makes using his grandmother's recipe at his Auckland School of Glendowie College...'

Simon and his 'Blackshack' success story is featured in <a href="mailto:stuff.co.nz">stuff.co.nz</a>, to read the full article please see the following link: <a href="http://www.stuff.co.nz/auckland/local-news/83362746/simon-archers-blackshack-the-new-alternative-to-sugar-drinks">http://www.stuff.co.nz/auckland/local-news/83362746/simon-archers-blackshack-the-new-alternative-to-sugar-drinks</a>

Simon has been working really hard and is on his way to some great achievements with new branding and more media presence.

Ms P Harduar, Social Sciences Faculty



# Another Successful Year 11 Business Students Market Day with an International Focus



'Taco Campana' bringing the culture of Mexico to GDC



'WokStop' bringing Chinese culture

companies spent time in-class as well as out of class, planning and organising their business venture with a focus on 'cultural awareness'.

As part of the Year 11 Business Studies course, 6 student based

Each company had to gain cultural awareness themselves before carrying out their business venture which gave the cultural experience to each customer through product, culture board, dressing and language used for greeting. It was a great experiential learning for each student involved.

The students will now review their business activity against their plan for the 6 credit NCEA internal standard and the most culturally focused stall will be announced later in the term.

A very special acknowledgement to *New World Eastridge* for sponsoring 'Taco Campana'.

#### Ms P Harduar, Social Sciences Faculty

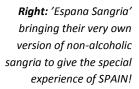


'TANE' bringing a taste from the Islands



'Ataturk' giving an experience of Turkish culture

Right: 'Uncle Joe's' testing cultural intelligence though fun culture packs of doughnuts (filled with different flavours)









## Update on the GDC Young Enterprise Scheme Company 'Live For'



'Live For' (Shaun Motu-Muavae - CEO, Malcolm Willis and Christopher Rodrigues)



'Live For', the GDC Young Enterprise Scheme company, had their promotion launch at Massey University. The three young Entrepreneurs have connected with GDC Electronics students to create a mock-up for the 'Drinking Buddy' app.

The app is designed to allow friends to sync and keep track of each other and be socially responsible when out drinking.

The group has met with Uber who have agreed to be integrated in the app to provide safe transport.

Upon completion of the mock-up for 'Drinking up', 'Live For' will liaise with Unitec to get the app programmed.

They are hoping to have the app available at Google Play and Apple store by next term.

'Live For' directors are also working with the GDC media students to create the promo video which will be launched later this term.

Connect with 'Live For' on social media by liking them on Facebook or following the progress of 'Drinking Buddy' on snapchat as well as following live.for.enterprise on snapchat by scanning the QR-Code provided on the right hand side.

Ms P Harduar, Social Sciences Faculty

# **October Revision Courses from NCEA Campus**

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## **Blue Light Life Skills Course Success**







Eight Year 11 Glendowie College students recently graduated from the Blue Light Life Skills Course run by the New Zealand Blue Light Venture held at Motu Moana Campsite in Blockhouse Bay. Forty Nine students ranging from 14 to 17 years old from Secondary Schools as far as Kaitaia to Wellington attended the camp. It is a camp that is all about empowering youth, challenging them and giving them some discipline and extending their own life skills.

The programme centres on a one week live in experiential learning camp in partnership with the New Zealand Defence Force focusing on leadership training, practical skills, self - confidence and leaderless tasks.

This program suited those considering career opportunities in the services such as the Airforce, Army, Navy or Police. It also suited young people who like challenges and can handle the demands of what the camp offers. At times the camp was very physical but also rewarding.



It taught young people about respect, self-discipline, team work, leadership and many other characters that they as individuals will face as they mature. The course also offered students the opportunity to earn up to 12 NCEA credits. 4 Level 1 credits and 8 Level 2 credits.

Students Jonah Folau, Lee-Anne Griffiths, Timo Leiataua, Tom Smith Murray, James Speirs, Harry Stone, Jovahnn Teura and Ryan Woon graduated on the last day of camp with family and supporters attending the graduation to celebrate the achievements the students had completed during the week. The cadets paraded in to the graduation completing a subset of drill movements to receive their Certificates for successfully completing the Life Skills Course.



**Jovahnn Teura** received the Top Student Award for Syndicate Three. This award identified an individual who had demonstrated the following qualities of keeping and maintaining a high personal standard of dress and bearing in their living area, excelling as a team member in the platoon, for being consistently helpful to others, was always respectful to staff and fellow students, conduct was beyond reproach, and best exemplified the qualities and attitudes the course aimed to instil.

Well done to all of the above students and a big thank you to the Blue Light Venture and New Zealand Defence for a memorable and life changing week.

Ms F Smith, Year 11 Dean



#### **GDC Wearable Arts Winners**

On Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> August the Annual Glendowie College Wearable Arts Show was held. There were several wonderful entries and it made it very difficult for the judge to decide on the place getters.

The show was compered by Patrick Spillane, who made every garment sound fabulous and we were fortunate enough to have Christopher Davis, a World of Wearable Arts and Cult Couture designer and section winner, as the judge. He was also judge several times for Trash2Fashion and recently had his surreal garment 'Return from the Dead' on an Air NZ advertisement.

The winning garment 'The Garden Party' made by Yi-Mei Chuah and Olga Koukine (pictured) was a masterpiece of cards based on the Katherine Mansfield short story 'The Garden Party' (this garment can be seen in the foyer of the school along with their explanation linking it to the story).



This year's winnning garment 'The Garden Party' made by Yi-Mei Chuah and Olga Koukine

In second place a first time entrant, *Priyanka Verma* with her garment 'Rangatira ahua (Nature princess)' modelled by *Stephanie Carr* and third place went to *Grace Hollamby* and *Bree Taylor* for their garment called 'Aspiration Desperation'.

Thank you to all the contestants with their fabulous creations and lovely audience for making it such a delightful evening.

Thanks must also go to *Mrs Bilkey*, *Ms Thomson* (lights), *Paolo Bayogen* (filming), *Lydia Edgeworth* and *Jack Jessiman* (lights) and, *Flynn Struckmann* (music) for making it such a memorable evening.

Ms S Gee, Technology Faculty



Priyanka Verma placed second with her garment 'Rangatira ahua (Nature princess)', modelled here by Stephanie Carr

# **Library Week**

Library Week ran from 22<sup>nd</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> August, with numerous 'Days of a Century Past' themed activities such as Kahoot quizzes about the past, Trench Runner (maze), Guess the Lollies, Vintage Mufti Dress-up, Guess the Silhouette, Skipping, Book Hunt and Calligraphy.

It was a success with the help of our wonderful Librarian Mrs Robertson and the planning and execution by the student librarians.

Thanks to all who got involved with Library Week!

Grace Ling, Library Prefect



## **Fifth Grade Rugby Champions**











**Above:** The team beat Sancta Maria College 10-5 in the final on Saturday, 27<sup>th</sup> August to win their division.

**Left:** The Fifth Grade Rugby semi-final was held on Saturday, 20<sup>th</sup> August between Glendowie College and Sacred Heart College. Glendowie won 34-4 to reach the finals.

On Saturday, 20<sup>th</sup> August the college's Fifth Grade rugby team beat Sacred Heart College 34 – 3 to go through to the finals of their division. Playing Sancta Maria College in the finals on Saturday, 27<sup>th</sup> August they won the game beating Sancta Maria 10-5. Congratulations to all the team members on their success.

## **Top School - Underwater Hockey**

The Season for Underwater Hockey has come to a close, and at the Auckland UWH Prizegiving Glendowie College was awarded Top School for the second season in a row (jointly with MAGS this year).

The Junior Open team came 1st in their competition, Junior Girls 4th, Senior Open 2nd and Senior Girls 6th.

Our GDC MVP Male player was James Ramsbottom, and our GDC MVP Female player was Alyshia Samuel.

Jackson Godfrey (10WBR) was awarded Top Junior Open Player for the competition.

Well done teams for a great competitive season and good luck to the Junior Open and Senior Open teams this weekend at the Nationals.

#### Ms J Barrack, Teacher in Charge Underwater Hockey







**Left to Right**: Glendowie College is awarded Top Auckland School jointly with MAGS, the Senior Open team who placed 2<sup>nd</sup>, and the Junior Open team who placed 1<sup>st</sup>