Friday, 11th November 2016

Kia Ora

Senior Prizegiving

It was wonderful to celebrate our students' academic achievement last Wednesday at our senior prizegiving.

Senior prizegiving recognises the high level of achievement by our Glendowie College students, both academic and also with regard to service and leadership. It is significant that beyond the school cups and



certificates, our students also picked up over \$250,000 worth of scholarships (e.g. university scholarships) to assist them in their studies beyond school. This confirms that our students perform at the highest levels nationally.

The list of Scholarships and Special Awards recipients is detailed in the next section of this newsletter, with a link to the full list of all Senior Subject prize-winners. Photos taken of students are available on our website, simply click on the link on the front page to our Flickr account.

Thank you to all of the staff and volunteers who arranged this wonderful evening, particularly Mr Robertson, Deputy Principal, for his superb co-ordination of the evening. A lot of work goes in behind the scenes to co-ordinate cups, decide prize-winners, print certificates, etc ... and it is all greatly appreciated.

Upcoming Events:

November

15	Pacific Whānau Hui (6.30pm)		
16	Glandowia Surf Club Pali		

16 Glendowie Surf Club - Bal Lombok Trip Information Evening (6pm)

22 Taurere Whānau (6.30pm)

23 Board of Trustees Meeting (6pm)

23 Teacher Only Day

24–29 Junior Exams

30 Dance Night

30 Duke of Ed Gold Final Tramp

December

1-4	Duke of Ed Gold Final Tramp
5	Leavers Dinner (6:30pm)

6 Junior Concert (7:00pm)

7 Visual Arts Exhibition

8-9 Duke of Ed Bronze Tramp

12, 13 Wider Living Days

Board of Trustees Meeting (6pm)

16 End of Term Four

NCEA Exams

Most of our senior students will now have sat their first NCEA exam. I'm confident that our students will have acquitted themselves well and wish them well in their remaining exams, which continue through to December 2nd.

Some senior students have been back at school doing supervised study and doing internal assessments to get them through NCEA this year. This is part of a focus to ensure that our students have the best chance to succeed.

This programme has been co-ordinated by our Deans and Deputy Principals, with teachers working with students through the study period. Thank you to the staff involved in this.

R Dykes Principal



Senior Prizegiving 2016







Megan Chan (Maddock's Memorial Cup)



Genesis Su'a-Tariau & Megan Chan (Head Prefects)



From left to right: Deanna Louis (Year 11),
Zoe Braithwaite (Year 13) & Jacqueline Cox (Year 12)
(Top Scholars)



Zoe Braithwaite with her Mother (Gail) (Dux)

A very successful Senior Prizegiving took place on 2 November 2016 (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!

Mr G Robertson, Deputy Principal



Scholarships

The Glendowie College Development Foundation Trust Scholarships	
The Māori Pasifika School Leavers Scholarship	Genesis Su'a-Tariau
The Glendowie College Development Trust Service Scholarship	Sophie Vreeburg
Peter McKenzie Scholarship	Lachlan Southall
Tamaki Lions Club Scholarships	
The Academic Scholarship	Alden Khoo
The Technology Scholarship	Matthew Ross
Ara Lodge Visual Arts Award	Zoe Braithwaite
The Hoysted Scholarship	Mariana Lote
The Gillian Rae Cassey Memorial Scholarship	Simon Archer
Victoria University of Wellington Excellence Scholarship	Katie Glasgow-Palmer,
	Ellen McNamara, Monique
	O'Meeghan, Christina Posner,
	Sophia Reid, Sarah Scarrow &
	Belle Porteous
Victoria University of Wellington Achiever Scholarship	Conor O'Neil
University of Canterbury 'Go Canterbury Scholarship'	Benjamin Jans, Matthew Ross,
	Thomas Brenton-Rule, Thomas
	Irwin, Blake Kayser & Hannah Page
University of Otago Leaders of Tomorrow Scholarship and Vice	Natalie Sherman
Chancellor's Scholarship	
University of Otago Academic Excellence Scholarship	Olivia O'Connor-Robertson &
	Kate Yanagisawa
University of Auckland Academic Potential Scholarship	Samantha Woon
University of Auckland Top Achiever Scholarships	Alyssa Bullot & Megan Chan
University of Auckland Pacific Academic Excellence Scholarship	Hana Leofo

Special Awards

Amith Cup	Kiera Montgomery
M A Grove Memorial Trophy	Ella Bayliss
The Rotary Club of Auckland East Cup	Tarun Muralidhar
Diligence Cup	Richard Norris
Hooper Cup	Lauren Calvert
The Pride Shield	Ben Linstone
The Deans' Cup	Alyssa Bullot
Past Pupils Trophy	Katie Glasgow-Palmer
The Edward van Boheemen Service Cup	William Smith
Leadership Trophy	Genesis Su'a-Tariau
Cup for General Excellence Year 13	Hannah Page & Alden Khoo
Maddock's Memorial Cups	Simon Archer & Megan Chan
Proxime Accessit	Shoko Asano
• Dux	Zoe Braithwaite
Head Boys Cup	Genesis Su'a-Tariau
Head Girls Cup	Megan Chan

A full list of the Senior Subject Prize-winners can be downloaded here



Digital Safety Advice from NetSafe

NetSafe's top five tips to help protect your child online are:

- 1. **Keep it private:** Ensure your child keeps their profile and online friends private and are careful about disclosing personal information and photos.
- 2. **Keep it friendly:** Ask your child to think about the potential consequences for themselves and other people for every video uploaded, comment posted, photo shared, email or text they send.
- 3. **Keep it online:** Ensure your child only ever meets online friends for the first time in the company of you or trusted adult.
- 4. **Keep it locked:** Make sure your child's device uses a PIN, so when it is lost or stolen it cannot be used to autosign into their online profiles. Encourage your child to use strong passwords and to change them frequently and reinforce they should not share them with anyone except you.
- 5. **Keep it real:** Reinforce strong, positive personal and societal values and behaviours online. Most importantly help build resilience in your child in case they come across anything upsetting online.

The other important thing for your child to know is that NetSafe can help young people and families if they encounter cyber-bullying. NetSafe can be contacted on 0508 NETSAFE (0508 638 723) or emailed on queries@netsafe.org.nz.

Ms V Mercer, ICT Manager and Digital Technologies

Top AUT Graduate – Bachelor of Creative Technologies

Justin Cramer-Roberts, an ex-student who left Glendowie College in December 2011, is now one of AUT's top Graduates in the Bachelor of Creative Technologies. For more information, please visit the link below:

http://www.aut.ac.nz/study-at-aut/study-areas/creative-technologies/our-graduates/justin-cramer-roberts

Mrs C McCabe, Administrative Assistant, Faculty of Development Programmes and Careers

Uniform

With the expectation of 230 plus new students starting next year, we have organised a temporary pop-up Uniform shop in the Common Room located between the tennis courts and the field. The extended hours for this busy time are on our website, or you can simply click here

Ms S Micallef, Uniform Shop Manager

Teacher Only Day

Please mark on our diaries that there is a Teacher Only Day on Wednesday 23rd November. This is the day before junior exams, so all Year 9 and 10 students are home revising for these. NCEA exams are still on this day.

Mr R Dykes, Principal



Gateway Success - Pablo Wilson

During Term 2 this year, Pablo Wilson in Year 12, participated in the Gateway programme. His career interest was in construction and he was keen to find out what it is like to work in the industry. Pablo showed great enthusiasm for the opportunities offered by the programme and organised himself to prepare for a work placement. He attended a two day health and safety in the work place course, which he earned valuable credits towards his NCEA level 2. This was followed by a Site Safe Building Construction Passport course, which is a requirement for anyone working in construction before they can legally enter most building sites and prepared Pablo to look for work from the day he completed it.

After the courses, Pablo was introduced to Janine Blackmore (Office Manager) and Mark Bedford (Managing Director) at Bridge City Interiors & Construction Ltd. They have been incredibly generous supporters of the school's Gateway programme over the last three years.

Pablo completed five days with Bridge City working on both commercial and residential jobs. His supervisors spoke highly of his work ethic, ability to adapt to the work place and enthusiasm. Following the work experience, Pablo had his interest in construction confirmed and decided to seek an apprenticeship to start later in the year or 2017.

We were able to connect Pablo with an employer who hosted another Gateway student during the year and success!! Pablo has been offered a three month work trial which he will start after completing his exams.

Congratulations to Pablo on his success and a big thank you again to all the opportunities provided by Bridge City Interiors & Construction Ltd! It is a great team effort which includes enthusiastic employers, students, teachers, Deans, supportive parents and caregivers, an excellent example of what can be achieved through the opportunities Gateway provides.

Mrs S Caiger, Gateway Co-ordinator

GDC Alumni



Our database of past students, parents, staff and volunteers is growing. Belonging to GDC Alumni is free, and being part of it will enable you to stay connected, keep up to date with what's happening at the school through quarterly newsletters, find out what others are doing, where they are and support the school and its students in a variety of way. We would love you to register with our Alumni.

An email has been sent to each Year 13 student inviting them to join, so we will be able to keep in touch with them and share their stories in future years. To join, please click on the link below:

https://app.etapestry.com/onlineforms/GlendowieCollege/alumnisignup.html

Mrs S Hewetson, Deputy Principal



The 1st XI Girls' Cricket Team



The 1st XI Girls' Cricket team have enjoyed a successful Term 4 season despite the weather! Weekly winter training sessions at the indoor facility at Parnell have yielded positive results and strong individual improvement, especially for our younger players.

We have enjoyed good competition, with improvements in our results, including winning against St Kentigern's College. Our last match for the season was against Avondale College, a must win relegation match to stay in the Premier competition. This resulted in a comfortable win, with our two Year 13 leavers, Hannah Page and Ahalya Babu, bowling strongly and finishing not out in our batting innings.

As a team, we are looking to develop and improve our confidence, skills and integrating emerging new players. Any students interested in playing cricket in 2017, please contact Miss Rasmussen or the Sports' Office.

Miss L Rasmussen & Miss C Haggitt, Teachers in charge of Girls' Cricket

Year 10 Arts Project

On Wednesday 8th December at 11.00 am, in the College Hall, students from the year 10 Dance, Drama and Music classes will present their own artistic interpretation of Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol".

This work has been entirely created by the students, collaborating ideas as they build their scenes, conveying artistically the essence of this powerful story.

Parents are warmly invited to attend this performance which is both unique and exciting.

Mrs C Myhre, Arts Faculty Leader

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