



Friday, 22nd June 2018

Kia ora tātou

With just two weeks to go until the end of term, our senior students are now in the thick of learning and internal assessments. Many are feeling under pressure.

The next fortnight is a good opportunity for you to check in with your child(ren) about what assessments they have coming up, do they have realistic timelines for getting everything done, and do they know what exactly is required to achieve and gain a merit or excellence? If not, they have two weeks to talk to their teachers before they go away on holiday.

The Deans and Assistant Deans have been meeting with various students (and parents) along these lines, and I thank them for their work. Remember that you can follow your child's academic progress online via the Parents Portal. Contact your child's Dean or Assistant Dean if you cannot get on or if you have any questions about your child(ren)'s progress or wellbeing.

2019 Course Selection and Enrolments

The school is now preparing for 2019. Mr Robertson, four students and I have visited our contributing schools this week to talk to current year 8 students about enrolling for next year.

Please note that we will take some out-of-zone students in 2019. The recent New Zealand Herald article incorrectly reported that we had closed out-of-zone enrolments. We are taking less, but will still accept a small number to balance our year 9 roll and to keep siblings together if possible.

Year 10-12 students are doing course selections over the next two weeks. We must do this now to ensure we have the correct staffing for 2019, and to start preparing our timetable. Please contact our Careers staff, Mr James and Mrs Caiger, if you want help with this process.

Winter Sports

It is great to see so many students playing winter sports, and parents supporting them on the side-line.

Please be aware that many of our sports rely on volunteers to coach, manage or referee the teams/games. If you are able and willing to help in any way, please contact our sports staff.

I would also appreciate your support to ensure that our players and spectators respect the volunteers, especially referees. Volunteers often have no formal training, but their commitment means that the matches can occur, and I greatly appreciate this.

It is essential that players and spectators respect the referees and their on-field decisions at all times, regardless of the way the whistle goes. If you do have concerns about how a match is refereed, in the first instance please contact our sports staff to follow up.

Ngā mihi nui,
Richard Dykes
Principal



Upcoming Events:

June

- 22-24 Duke of Edinburgh Silver Journey
- 23-24 Senior Underwater Hockey (Mt Maunganui)
- 25 Year 10 NCEA and Subject Information Evening (7pm starts)
- 27 Parents Information Evening – 2019 Enrolment Process (7pm-9pm, Library)
- 28 Taurere Whānau Group Meeting (6:30pm-8:30pm, Staffroom)

July

- 3 Dance Night (6:00pm-8:00pm, Hall)
- 4 Alumni – Recent Leavers Reunion (5pm-7pm)
- 5 Parents' Association Meeting (7pm-9pm, Staffroom)
- 6 Term 2 Ends
- 23 Term 3 Starts
- 31 Annual Musical Gala Concert (7:30pm-10pm, Holy Trinity Cathedral, Parnell)

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



Parents Information Evening – ‘2019 Enrolment Process’

Glendowie College will be holding a ‘Parents Information Evening’ next Wednesday, 27 June at 7:00pm in the college library.

The purpose of the meeting is to cover the enrolment process for 2019 year 9 students’ enrolments.

If you would like to enrol your child(ren) with the college for next year, this is an opportunity to meet informally with Richard Dykes, our Principal, to have any questions answered about the enrolment process.

We look forward to seeing you there. No RSVP is required.

Forgotten Items for Students

Reception is being inundated with forgotten lunches and PE gear. Please encourage your child(ren) to check and ensure they have everything they need for the day before they leave for school in the morning. Due to high demand of requests, we cannot guarantee that items dropped off at reception will be delivered on time for their use.

Student Drop Off / Pick Up

We would like to take this opportunity to remind all parents again that students should be dropped off before school and picked up after school at either the Mt Taylor Drive or Riddell Road entrances.

Please do not drive in through Gate 1 or drop off students at the entry way, or stop at the bus bay. We have noticed recently that students are being dropped off at the Gate 1 entry way blocking traffic from behind.

Parents are requested not to drive into the school grounds for dropping off or picking up children unless for medical reasons or an appointment with a staff member.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Glendowie College Sport

The Auckland Secondary Schools Football Association have recently notified schools that there is an insufficient number of referees to cover all football grades. Consequently, schools are being asked to provide referees for all their football games. Finding volunteers to referee matches has been extremely difficult for all schools in the Auckland competitions.

Our sports department would very much appreciate hearing from any parents and/or community club referees who have the experience (and time) to officiate football matches on Wednesday afternoons and/or Saturday mornings.

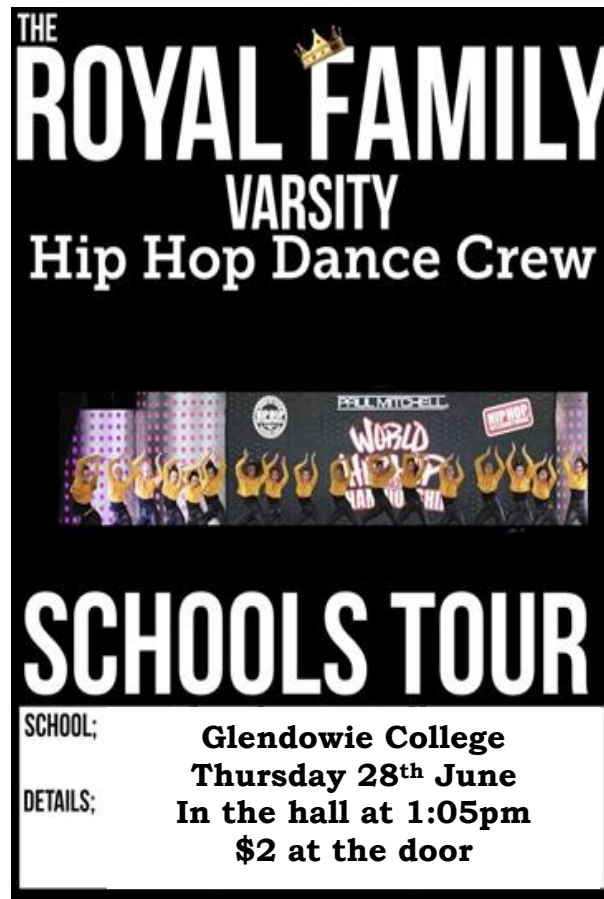
Please contact me if you are able to assist with our shortage of football referees by email (jam@gdc.school.nz) or phone (09 575 0798).

Finally, College Sport Auckland has reinforced to schools that all players and spectators that attend a school match must respect that the referee officiating is now likely to be a volunteer parent and/or teacher, and as is the case for all match officials, they should not be subjected to any verbal abuse.

Mr David James, Director of Sport



The Royal Family Varsity



Taurere Whānau Meeting

The next Taurere Whānau meeting, for families of our Māori and Pasifika students, will be held on Thursday, 28 June 2018 in the staffroom at 6:30pm

If you have any enquiries, please feel free to contact Mrs Ruth Richardson (rcd@gdc.school.nz) or Miss Lydia Rasmussen (ras@gdc.school.nz).

Dance Night – 3 July 2018 (Tuesday)

Dance night will be on Tuesday, 3 July 2018 in the School Hall. There are works from all year levels.

The first dance will start at 6pm, refreshments are available. Entry by gold coin donation. Hope to see you there!

Miss Lydia Rasmussen, Dance Department



Alumni – Recent Leavers Reunion



RECENT LEAVERS REUNION
Wednesday 4 July 5-7pm
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If you left the College in the past 5 years, we would love to see you back for our Recent Leavers Reunion on Wednesday, 4 July 2018, 5pm-7pm. Free entry – drinks and food available – ID required.

For more information, please visit the college Facebook page:

<https://m.facebook.com/events/108930676653110>

For further queries, please contact alumni@gdc.school.nz

Mrs Caroline MacKenzie, Alumni Advancement Officer

Middle Years Programme (MYP) – International Baccalaureate



In Mathematics, the Year 9 students are just about to complete their first MYP unit called 'More Than Just a Box'.

Throughout the unit, students have been challenged to consider form and space in relation to the skills of measurement. They have collaborated in activities that have encouraged them to learn how to find the perimeter, area and volumes of shapes whilst solving larger problems. Activities such as finding out how long it would take to breathe all of the air from the room, how many calories are in a giant marshmallow and how to create 3D models

using nets have been used to make the students aware of the different concepts of measurement. The unit culminates in an assignment which encourages students to consider the limited resources on the planet as they design and justify a package for a mobile phone. This assignment makes students consider minimising surface area and volume, and finding shapes that pack closely together.

Mr Jonathan Eley, Faculty Leader Mathematics

Graphics Calculators



Graphics calculators (Casio fx9750 GII) can be purchased through school at a cost of \$100. Please pay at the Accounts Office.

The calculator is required for 11MAT, 11MAS and all year 12 and 13 Mathematics courses in 2018.

Mr Jonathan Eley, Faculty Leader Mathematics



Rock Band 'Ragaire'

We are very proud of our Rock Band 'Ragaire' who competed in this year's 'Smokefree RockQuest' at the Auckland Central Regional Final.

The band consists of five year 10 students, Bella Bavin, Damon Herlihy-O'Brien, James Esklidsen, Rina Mori and Leo Spykerman.

'Ragaire' was the youngest group in the event, and in spite of this, they were awarded the 'Best Original Song Award'. The students are very proud of themselves and say that they will be back next year to take the 1st place!

If you would like to see their performance video (this is not the winning song, but another song that the band performed at the event), please visit this link https://youtu.be/NEUA_HtZQCw

Mrs Christine Myhre, Faculty Leader Arts

Gala Concert

Please note that this wonderful event is on Tuesday, 31 July 2018 at 7:30pm. Bookings can be made through arts@gdc.school.nz, Accounts or the Music office.



Mrs Christine Myhre, Faculty Leader Arts

'Big Sing' Competition

The Glendowie College Choir performed in the 'Big Sing', a national choral singing competition, on Wednesday, 13 June 2018 at the Auckland Town Hall. Over 250 choirs from around New Zealand took part in this annual event and we were very excited to take part for the third year in a row. We performed three pieces, ending with 'Boogie, Woogie, Bugle Boy' accompanied by Mayna Tse (Year 12) on Cornet, Po-Chen Liu (Year 13) on Trombone and Gemma Scott (Year 13) on Tenor Saxophone, which was a wonderful addition to the singing. We are thrilled to receive a Commended Award. Well done all!

Mrs Celia Finn, Choir Director



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Parents' Association Update

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



Our current fundraiser is our **Movie Night** - coming up fast. Have you got your tickets yet Angels?

MOVIE NIGHT



The Glendowie College Parents' Association are holding a movie night at

Hoyts Mission Bay

to raise money to improve our school!
Come and support us on

Thursday 26 July from 7pm

There is a theatre reserved for college students - ditch the parents and have a laugh!!
We will sell out so book your tickets NOW.

Tickets \$20.

Go to <http://www.trybooking.co.nz/DZ> to buy tickets and follow the instructions.
You can also pre-purchase a combo ticket for discounted drink and food items.

FOR MORE INFO email gdcparents@gmail.com

Gordy, Student Tickets are just \$18 – let's fill a theatre with just students.

A lucky student ticket holder will win a Trip for 2 Auckland Whale and Dolphin Eco Safari (valued at \$360). Spend 4.5 hours experiencing the diverse marine wildlife and stunning scenery of Auckland's Hauraki Gulf Marine Park. GUARANTEED Marine Mammal viewing – or come back for free!

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See ya next time Gordy at our hang out in the staffroom, next meeting is the Thursday 5 July!!!

Upcoming Events & Fundraisers



Mamma Mia Movie 2	Term 3 26th July	https://www.trybooking.co.nz/DZ
Timeless Photography Portrait Offer	Current	https://www.trybooking.co.nz/CE
Planting Bee	Term 3 Mid Aug (TBA)	https://www.trybooking.co.nz/DQ

Sara Haddon, Parents' Association Chairperson & Fundraising Angel

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Vietnam Trip 2018

On 11 April 2018, 23 Glendowie College students, and 3 very brave teachers, embarked on a life changing journey to Vietnam over the Term 1 break.

Our adventure started 3 hours later than we expected due to a delayed flight, but eventually we arrived in Singapore and rushed onto our connecting flight to Hanoi, Vietnam. From the moment we stepped out of the airport, we were shocked by the heat and humidity, which we would quickly have to learn to cope with. As we made our way to our hotel for the night, our very friendly and excited guide Quy pointed out all sorts of things out the windows and we were all totally in awe of our new surroundings.

Our first adventure of the trip was Ha Long Bay. Up early the next morning, we all boarded the bus very sleepily, still exhausted from all the travelling we had the day before. However, once we arrived and hopped aboard the junk boat, we were all buzzing with excitement. The scenery around us was absolutely stunning, not like anything we had ever seen before. Morning yoga on top of the boat was also a surreal experience. The boat trip was a perfect opportunity for us to get to know each other more. Ha Long Bay was inevitably a highlight of our trip, and we were all sad to leave behind the relaxing, but adventurous, atmosphere it held.

The next experience was an overnight train to Hue which, despite the bathrooms and rocky sleep, was a very fascinating journey with unforgettable countryside views. After a rather stressful disembarking, we were met by our coach in Dong Ha and were eager to start the next leg of our adventure.

Following a scenic morning of cruising down the Perfume River, we were surprised by Quy with an 'Imperial Dinner and Show' at which Darby and Ruby were voted King and Queen. Their positions allowed them to demand us to do them favours, which were hilarious and included a lot of singing, dancing and even performing the chicken dance in a painfully long and tedious rotation before leaving the restaurant.

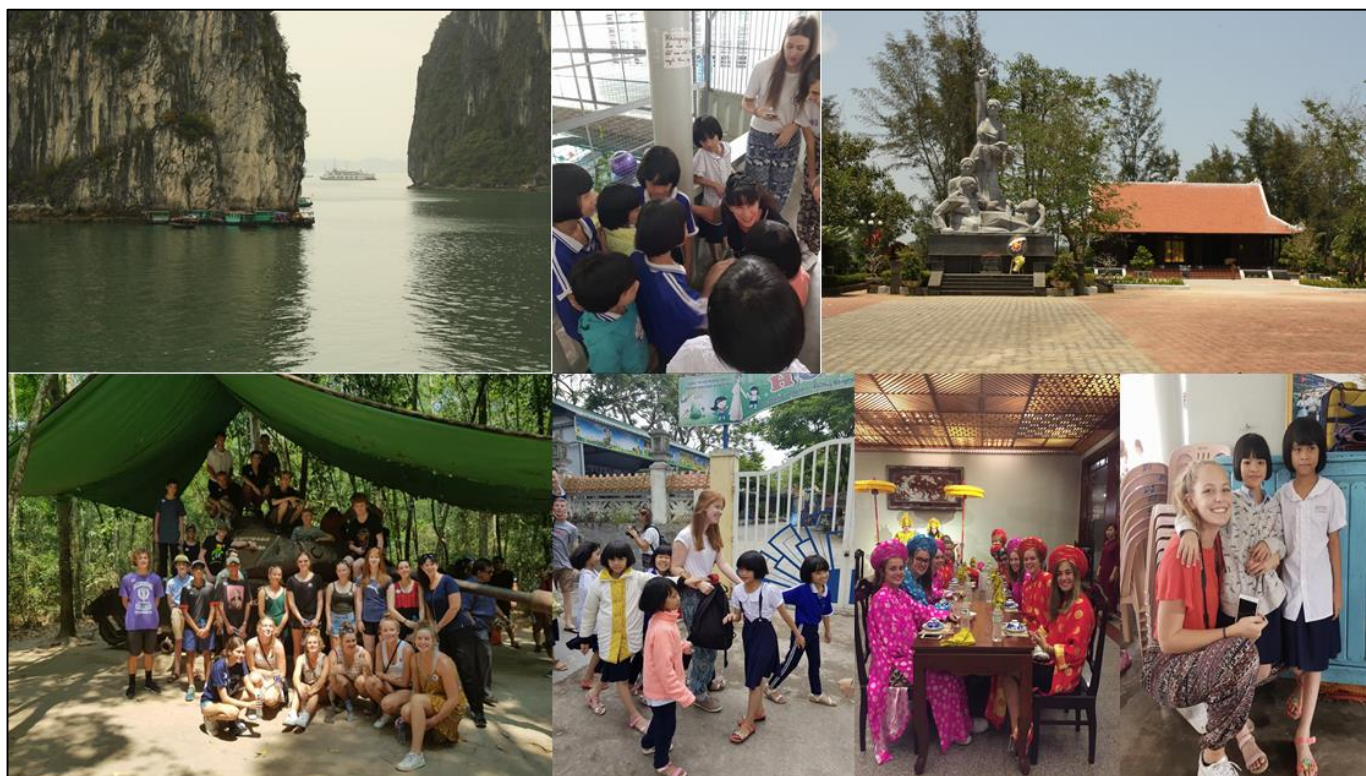
A highlight for everyone on the trip was definitely Duc Son Pagoda Orphanage. We all brought little souvenirs with us from home as gifts for all the children and just getting to interact, play and cuddle with them was an unforgettable experience. Learning about the orphanage and how they provided for all the children in their care was inspiring. Seeing children who were affected by Agent Orange, hit close to home, having previously learnt about its brutal impacts in our Vietnam War topic last year. No one wanted to leave the orphanage and the lovely kids after our brief two-hour stay, and it was clear that we were all very keen to return in the future.

One thing that hit us all hard was the My Lai tour. After studying about it and learning about how horrific it was, it was very surreal and emotional to be standing where so many civilians had been brutally murdered. While we all walked around remembering those who had lost their lives, you could have heard a pin drop. Seeing the ages on the plaques all over My Lai was very confronting and lots of emotions were definitely felt during this tour.

A surreal finishing point of our incredible trip was visiting the Cu Chi Tunnels, which were used as an underground network for Viet Cong soldiers throughout the Vietnam War. This was particularly amazing to see in real life because we had only seen pictures of it in our History classes last year. Our trip ended with a remarkable trip to a Ben Tre Homestay on the Mekong Delta, where we were greeted by friendly hosts who were so eager to teach us about the local way of living. This gave us the opportunity to try some authentic cuisine and truly experience life as a local.



Our journey came to an end in the very lively, fascinating and hot Ho Chi Minh City in Southern Vietnam before boarding our flight back to Singapore, then home to Auckland. Vietnam was a genuinely life-changing and unforgettable learning experience. I think that all of us would agree that we will be back in the future. We would like to thank Ms Simpson for the incredible amount of time and effort she put into the trip, as well as Mr Hurdell and Ms Jones for embarking with us on this journey, and putting up with us for two weeks!



Rose Stephens and Georgia Webb, Year 13 Students

Sustainable Coastlines



Tangaroa House's Mufti Day earlier this term was a huge success! Thanks to the help from the rest of the school, we managed to raise an impressive total of \$1,827 for Sustainable Coastlines, the house's charity of choice.

The cheque was presented to Shelley Butt, Sustainable Coastlines' representative, in the school assembly last Thursday.

Once again, we would like to extend our massive thanks to everyone who helped us achieve this. The money will be well spent towards the running costs of future beach cleanups and educational initiatives.

If you would like to find out more about the cause and where this money will be going to, please visit <http://sustainablecoastlines.org/>

Kyla Graham, Tangaroa Services Prefect



Year 12 PILOT – Polokalame

On 14 June 2018, our year 12 Pasifika students attended the Year 12 Polokalame. This was held at the new MIT building in Manukau City, and was attended by over 140 students. The students attending were Siniva Sanato, Nikita Horselenberg, Caragh Clarken, and Marliana Meteka.

The purpose of the Polokalame was to empower the students to recognise their qualities and be able to shape their nets of influence. The acronym 'TAKI' was used to help students take the lead at school through the following:

T = Talanoa. A chance to talk and to get to know one another in a gender-split workshop.

A = Aspire. To gain exposure to the different study/career pathways available.

K = Knowledge. These workshops were designed to develop the students' leadership skills.

I = Interact. Fun activities to piece together things learnt during the day.

One of the key highlights of the day was the guest speaker, John Belford-Lelaulu, who studied architecture at UNITEC. John spent his time between studies, teaching other students and visiting the poorer countries of the world, helping them develop housing for their populations. He told the students about his struggles growing up and how he came to study architecture. It was a very inspiring speech and showed the students that anything is possible.

The first workshop, TALANOA: TEU LE VA, looked at having each other's back, and talked about the concept of leadership and what it meant to students. They also looked at the concept of Vai – a word commonly known throughout the Pacific as 'water', 'sea' or 'ocean'. It is what connects all Pasifika peoples. The students were asked to think about the responsibilities they faced as leaders, and how they connect with each other and talanoa.

Other workshops were Scholarships, Well-being and Stress, and communication with Tauti Jeremiah who was particularly inspiring.

A good leader knows who they are. A great leader knows how to communicate.

It was a great experience for our students, and they were awarded best school for their contributions to discussions in their work groups.

A reminder that the Taurere Whānau meeting is on Thursday 28 June 2018, 6.00pm in the staff room. All welcome.



Siniva Sanato



Workshop



Student Ambassadors leading the evaluation session

Ms Ginny Thomas, Māori Pasifika Mentor, Rūaumoko



Prefect Profile



Name:	Deanna Louis
House:	Tangaroa
Prefect Responsibilities:	Deputy Head Prefect
Co-curricular Involvement:	Concert Band, Choir

How would you define leadership?

Leadership is recognising the potential that exists in others, and working hard to empower others in reaching that potential.

What is the best thing about Glendowie College?

The multiplicity and variety of opportunities for students to get involved in school life as well as the wider community. The spring rolls at the tuck shop aren't too bad either.

If you could be any animal in the world, what animal would you like to be and why?

An elephant, they have a great memory, and there's little that can stop them from getting where they want to go.

What is your quirkiest interest or hobby?

Ballroom dancing, it may seem old-fashioned but it's heaps of fun!

Lingogo – Digital Library App



LINGOGO

Glendowie College now has a subscription to Lingogo! Lingogo is a digital library app packed with fun, interactive ebooks for language learners to practice, enjoy and improve their Spanish. It is great as a recreational resource for students or language learning parents. Here is how to access it:

1. Search for 'Lingogo' on the iTunes App Store or Google Play Store, and download the Lingogo app for free (works on all iPhones, iPads, Android phones and tablets).
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Ms Jody Gayton, Library Manager



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The show (one hour) is on during the first week of the school holidays in Glen Innes. It is perfect for young student audiences.

For more information, please visit www.santarellidance.co.nz/fame-jr

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