



Kia Ora Tātou

With just two weeks left for term two, assessment requirements for senior students have been increasing. Those students considering taking Scholarship exams at the end of the year have just had workshop sessions and mock exams to get a feel for the academic requirements of Scholarship.

Now is a good time to check with your child(ren) about their assessment load, what the requirements of the assessments are, particularly for merit and excellence endorsement, and how they are managing their time to achieve their desired level. If they are not clear, they need to have a conversation with the relevant teacher(s) or Dean.

The Deans, Assistant Deans and other staff mentoring students have been meeting with students particularly if there are concerns about their progress. Remember that you can follow your child(ren)'s academic progress on the Parent Portal. We advise students to check the portal regularly, so that they can gauge their progress.

Board of Trustees Elections

We were fortunate to have eight quality candidates stand for five parent representative positions on the Board of Trustees. Garry Ivill, Matthew Veal and Moana Oh have been re-elected back onto the Board. New parent trustees are Campbell Gough and Warwick Beadle. Bridget Rothbart was elected as the staff trustee. The new Board met for the first time on Wednesday evening with Garry Ivill selected as Chairperson and Matthew Veal, Deputy Chairperson. The college looks forward to working with them for the next three years.

2020 Enrolments and Course Selection

I have been visiting our main contributing schools with Mrs Fraser, head prefects and two Year 9 students to inform the Year 8 students about the transition to college and the enrolment process. If you are the parent of a Year 8 student, your child's school should have the college enrolment packs available. They can also be picked up at the college's reception. Please look closely at the deadline dates and keep Saturday 3 August 2019 free for our Open Day. There is also the **Parents' Information Evening** on Wednesday, 26 June at 7pm in the library.

Year 10-12 students are undertaking their 2020 course selection over the next two weeks. The selection process needs to be at this time of the year to ensure that we have the correct staffing for 2020, and so enable the college to advertise early for any new staff and start preparing the timetable. It is a good opportunity now to discuss your child's 2020 subject choices with regard to their possible career pathway. Summary outlines of all the subjects offered are in the Subject Information booklet, which is on the college website.



Upcoming Events:

June

- 24 Whakaatu Toi Art Exhibition (4pm-8pm, Hall)
- 25 Whakaatu Toi Art Exhibition (9am-5pm, Hall)
- 26 Parents' Information Evening – 2020 Enrolment Process (7pm-9pm, Library)
- 26 Whakaatu Toi Showcase (7pm-9pm, Hall)

July

- 3 Alumni – Recent Leavers' Reunion (5pm-7pm, Hall)
- 4 Parents' Association Meeting (7pm-9pm, Staffroom)
- 5 End of Term 2
- 22 Start of Term 3
- 24 Year 12 Drama Festival (6pm-7pm, Drama Room)
- 25 Year 12 Drama Festival (5:30pm-6:30pm & 7pm-8pm, Drama Room)
- 26 Year 12 Drama Festival (6pm-7pm, Drama Room)
- 31 Year 13 Drama Festival (6pm-7pm, Drama Room)

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



Industrial Action – Paid Union Meeting

You have probably heard through the media that an agreement has been reached between the PPTA and the Government negotiating team. This agreement needs to be ratified by PPTA members before it is accepted. The Paid Union Meeting affecting Glendowie College will be on **Wednesday, 26 June 2019**. School will finish at 12:35pm on that day. There will be supervision available for any students who need to remain at school.

Gordon Robertson
Acting Principal

Parents' Information Evening – '2020 Enrolment Process'

Glendowie College will be holding a 'Parents' Information Evening' on Wednesday, 26 June 2019 at 7:00pm in the college library.

The purpose of the meeting is to cover the enrolment process for 2020 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 Gordon Robertson, our Acting Principal, to have any questions answered about the enrolment process.

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

Technology Technician Vacancy

The College is seeking a reliable, resourceful and practical person to join our Design and Technology Department as a Technician.

Experience with a range of tools and machinery as well as a knowledge of CAD/CAM systems would be an advantage but not essential. We are looking for someone who can manage their time effectively and work as part of a diverse team. Day to day jobs include preparing resources, maintaining equipment and managing materials.

This is a permanent, part-time position, starting on Monday 22 July 2019 (Term 3). If you are interested in applying, please email your CV to Robyn Lewis, Faculty Leader Technology, lws@gdc.school.nz

Applications close on Friday, 28 June 2019.

Relief Teacher Vacancy

The College is seeking teachers who are available for relief throughout the remainder of this year.

We are looking for people across all subject areas, and you must be a registered teacher.

If you are interested, please email your CV to Mr Praveen Chand, Deputy Principal in charge of Curriculum, cha@gdc.school.nz



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Whakaatu Toi – Arts Faculty Exhibition and Showcase (Week 9, Term 2)



The Arts Faculty are excited to announce Whakaatu Toi, an exhibition and showcase of student work in Visual Arts, Drama, Dance and Music. The event takes place over three days next week:

Monday 24 June: Art Exhibition Opening Night

4pm - 8pm (Hall)

Gold coin entry, nibbles and drinks included

Tuesday 25 June: Exhibition

9am - 5pm (Hall)

Open to public and GDC students

Free entry

Wednesday 26 June: Gala Showcase

7pm - 9pm (Hall)

Tickets are available for the Gala Showcase of performances and works from students in Dance, Drama, Music and Visual Arts. Performances include Scholarship Drama monologues, co-curricular Music groups, including the Concert Band and Rockquest Band performances, dance works from the YouDance festival, NCEA assessment pieces, a theatresports demonstration, and the one act play 'Out of Your Mind'.

Tickets for Wednesday 26 June Showcase can be purchased via this link:

www.trybooking.co.nz/1129

Gate Times

Please be advised that, during the week, Gates 2 and 3 close automatically at 6pm and Gate 1 at 7pm.

If you have parked onsite, please ensure you leave before these closing times as we no longer have a caretaker on site to let you out.

The pedestrian gates are closed around the same time by Matrix Security.

On Saturdays, Gate 3 closes automatically at 3:30pm after Saturday sport has finished.

Ms Lisa Davis-Miller, Business Manager

School Payments

1. If you have any queries about your school account, please contact Mrs Bernadette Hyde on hyd@gdc.school.nz or in person at the Accounts Office from 10am to 4pm.
2. Login into the Portal [here](#) for real-time information from our student management system on attendances, academics and finances. Login details were sent to you at the start of the year and you can contact Mrs Tara King on reception@gdc.school.nz for a reminder of the details.
3. School donation receipts for tax purposes can be printed at any time from the Portal.

Ms Lisa Davis-Miller, Business Manager

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Glendowie College Alumni Upcoming Events – Please spread the word!

The college will host two reunion events in the coming weeks.



The first event, the **Recent Leavers' Reunion**, will be held on **Wednesday, 3 July 2019 from 5pm to 7pm in the school hall**. This is for former students who graduated from Glendowie College in years 2014-2018. Any current and former staff are also welcome to attend. Entry is free, food and cash bar will be available. Please visit the Facebook page for details: <https://www.facebook.com/events/334452217257515/>



The second event, **The 1960's Decade Reunion**, is scheduled for **Friday, 16 August 2019 from 7pm to 11pm**. This is for any students or staff members who were at the college in any year of the 1960s. Tickets are \$35 and include a welcome drink, nibbles on arrival, and supper mid-evening. To book, please click on the following link: <https://www.trybooking.co.nz/BEV>

Please feel free to pass this information on to anyone who may be interested in attending.

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Parents' Association







David


David is coming to
Glendowie College on
Sunday 28th July between
10am and 3pm.

Please book via
<https://www.trybooking.co.nz/941>
or gdcparents@gmail.com



*10% of sales go directly to Glendowie College
*Free sitting and proofs
*Prints from \$17

We look forward to seeing you!



www.fotoman.co.nz

Fotoman

The Fotoman is coming to Glendowie College on Sunday, 28 July 2019. Bookings can be made via the link provided. Don't miss out!



We have another large fundraiser planned which will be launched next term. Please save the date **Saturday, 24 August 2019**. This will be a night to remember!

We are always looking for more members to join us – our next meeting is on Thursday, 4 July 2019 in the staffroom. We hope to see you there!

Upcoming Events

Parents' Association Meeting	Thursday, 4 July 2019
Save the Date – Fundraiser	Saturday, 24 August 2019

Sara Haddon, Parents' Association Chairperson

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Mates & Dates Relationships Programme

As part of the NZ Health and Physical Education Curriculum, the college has engaged Nest Consulting to provide the Mates & Dates Relationships programme for our Year 11 students. Mates & Dates is designed to assist young people to have healthy relationships. They aim to teach young people:

- how to have healthy relationships based on respect, negotiation and consent
- how to identify inappropriate behaviour
- how to get help if they, or someone they know, are in an unhealthy relationship
- how to safely intervene in situations that could lead to harm.

Mates & Dates is not a sex education programme, however it will include materials and discussions about sexual and dating violence, consent, dating, relationships, pornography and other related subject matter. Nest facilitators will not be showing any explicit materials.

The students will discuss what consent is, how to seek and give it, how to recognise coercion and what to do if they feel pressured into any unwanted sexual acts. Nest facilitators will also provide information about the law.

Mr Richard Thompson, Health Coordinator

Mau Rākau



Glendowie College is very fortunate to have **Mau Rākau** in our school, taught by an expert kaiako/teacher Kerei Paki-Winitana. Mau Rākau is the art of weaponry, and in particular taiaha. Lessons have been running for two weeks now, and the progress made by the students has been remarkable. Both genders are participating, with lessons requiring the same level of commitment and discipline from both. The most common feedback from students is “how easy it is, but also how strenuous”.

“The moves are not demanding (yet) but the level of focus and precision are critical”. “Legs.....my muscles were shaking!”

E pa ana ki Matua Kerei “If it isn’t burning, you’re not doing it right!”

A special mihi/thanks to **Scott Waghorn from Smilecare Dentist** for accommodating our school schedule and supporting our students waihoki ake i tautoko Te Ao Māori nōna (supporting Māori World) by providing Kerei paid time from work to come to Glendowie College every week. Ngā mihi manaakitanga ki a Dr Scott.

Mau Rākau Training takes place every Wednesday after school.

Ms Melisa Chase, Te Reo Māori Teacher



Junior Underwater Hockey

The Junior Open Underwater Hockey team had a great weekend at Northern Regionals at Westwave Aquatic Centre. The team progressed through the pool play and semis without conceding a goal. Facing a strong team from Mahurangi College in the final, our team secured a hard-fought victory in extra time. Gray Milmine, our Underwater Hockey Manager, launched himself from his wheelchair into the pool to celebrate with the boys during the post-match cheers.

Glendowie College's two Junior Girls' teams finished in 8th and 10th positions.

Thanks to Raelene Lock, Gray Milmine, Claire Diprose and Anna Vincent for their organisation and management of the teams over the weekend.

Mr Jeremy Adams, Sports Coordinator



Theatresports Night

During the past few weeks, the Theatresports senior team was able to participate in two players' nights with first one held at Glendowie College and the second at Botany Downs College.

Players' night usually composes of two main parts, the blind round and the choice rounds. The blind round game consists of blindly choosing a game out of a set range. This round is usually the hardest as it is shorter than usual games, and you never know which game you will get or the order in which you will be competing. The choice round consists of games which the teams may prepare beforehand. However, since it is improv, how it goes always depends on the night, and the reaction team members get from the audience and each other.

We have participated in many players' nights where we usually came second to last or last. However, this time our team was better prepared, and with our best players, we managed to win our first game! The feeling was great and we felt empowered the following week when we competed at Botany Downs College in the second players' night. Although we did not win that competition, we came a close second (off by 3 points) to Kelston Boys who are national champions!!

The senior team consists of 7 members. 5 members of the team – Michael Hope, Nathan Philipiah, Louis Carrier, Ella Court and Paneh Espiritu – all competed successfully. Watch this space as there are likely to be more events for Theatresports next term.

Mr Hayden So, Co-Teacher In Charge Theatresports





'Big Sing' – New Zealand Choral Festival

Glendowie College Choir performed in the annual 'Big Sing' New Zealand Choral Festival on Tuesday, 11 June 2019. Secondary schools from around the country have been participating in each of the regions for a coveted place in the Finale. The college Choir sang a 10-minute programme of three pieces, one of which was composed by Janet Jennings, mother of Ms Clare Jennings, our Arts Faculty Leader.

The students were grateful to have this opportunity to perform in the beautiful Auckland Town Hall. They sounded absolutely beautiful! They all had a wonderful day inspired by the amazing talent of choirs from schools around Auckland. If you would like to hear their programme, the Choir is performing at the upcoming Whakaatu Toi Gala Showcase on Wednesday, 26 June 2019 in the School Hall.

Ms Celia Finn, Big Sing Coordinator



Smokefree Rockquest 2019



Ragaire at the Smokefree Rockquest 2019 Central Auckland Final

bands. Bella Bavin, Rina Mori, Damon Herlihy-O'Brien and Leo Spykerman, were all thrilled with the result and are definitely a band to watch out for in their remaining two years of eligibility in this competition.

Lauren Blakey performed in the extremely competitive Solo/Duo category of Smokefree Rockquest on Sunday 9th June. Her original song 'One Hit Wonder' was very well appreciated at the event. Lauren found the supportive and collegial atmosphere among the competitors rewarding and inspiring.

Mr Andrew Lile, Head of Music

This year Glendowie College had two entries through to the finals of the Smokefree Rockquest competition, which was held on 8th and 9th June 2019 at the Dorothy Winstone Theatre.

The first final entry was for our band 'Ragaire', who had not initially been selected from the Auckland Central heat. With one of the selected finalists withdrawing, Ragaire was given the position. At the Regional Final, Ragaire performed two original songs with such commitment that they gained third place among 12



Lauren Blakey at the Smokefree Rockquest Solo/Duo Final



Tangaroa's Beach Clean up



On 16 June 2019, Tangaroa House cleaned up the beach at Tahuna Torea Reserve. We had a great turnout of 40 people and collected 16 big bags of rubbish. This activity helps keep our community tidy, and we were surprised at how much litter we collected even though the beach appeared to be tidy and clean.



It was great to see so many Glendowie College students involved and committed to keeping our community tidy and raise awareness. A big thank you to Sustainable Coastlines for their support.



Lydia Edgeworth, Tangaroa House Prefect

Mindful Parenting Course

MINDFUL PARENTING COURSE

In this practical 6 session Mindful parenting course, Shirley Pastiroff (counsellor and mother of 5) teaches effective Mindful parenting solutions that reduce parenting stress, improve relationships and create deep and lasting connections with your children.

WHERE & WHEN

Glendowie Primary School
217 Riddell Rd

DATE: Thu 15 Aug 2019

TIME: 7.30 – 9pm for 6 weeks

COST: \$150

Special couples rate: \$250 per couple



Renew Your Mind



Course facilitator:

Shirley Pastiroff

Counsellor and mum of 5

TESTIMONIALS

"Life-changing. I have recommended it to everyone who will listen" – Mum of 2: ages 5 and 2

"All parents should be put on this course"
– Dad of 3: ages 10, 7 and 4.

"Fabulous. Informative. Empowering. Thought-provoking. Inspiring"
– Mum of 3: ages 16, 13 and 10

SIGN UP ONLINE:

renewyourmind.co.nz/mindful-parenting