

Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> June 2018

## Kia ora tātou

### Living in La La land

You may have noticed that the public debate on NCEA following the government releasing some discussion points around the possible future of the qualification. I welcome this discussion though preferably without the soundbite rhetoric. It is neither helpful to say suggested changes to NCEA are in 'La La Land', or to say exams are an anachronism. Similarly, the Ministry needs to provide considered policy options for the public to discuss.



The debate is important. We must continually review our practice to ensure that we best prepare our students for life - at and beyond school.

That was the rationale behind introducing the MYP into years 9 and 10. We want a junior curriculum that is engaging, challenging and rigorous. What students learn in years 9 and 10 should set them up for success through to Level 3, NZ Scholarship, and on to tertiary study.

To keep you informed about this ongoing development, I have asked Mrs Hewetson and Ms Gibb to provide regular updates about the programme in the newsletter. You will have seen the first article last week. As a side note, it is interesting that some of the Ministry's thoughts on NCEA, e.g. personal projects, mirror what happens in MYP.

Historically, Level 1 NCEA, or School Certificate as it was known then, was needed for the significant proportion of students who left school after Form 5 to start work.

This is not the case today at Glendowie College. Over 90% of Glendowie students stay through to year 13. Almost 100% of our students gain Level 2 NCEA, and most gain Level 3 by the time they leave school. The majority gain NCEA endorsed with merit or excellence.

Another point of view is that sitting exams in year 11 prepares them for sitting exams in year 12. There is some truth in this. However, the purpose of assessment is to gauge how well students are learning, not teach them how to sit assessments. Year 11, for example, must be more than just a practice run for year 12 as some people have suggested in the media.

Broader than this review is how do we best prepare Glendowie students for success beyond school, in particular in their tertiary studies where the majority of our students will go to after college. Part of that preparation is continuing to see our students succeed at the highest levels in NCEA (especially levels 2 and 3) and NZ Scholarship.

The Board of Trustees will conduct a community consultation next term as part of its 4-year strategic review. We will specifically seek your views on this and other matters. Your child(ren)'s academic qualification and readiness for life beyond school is fundamental to all that we do at Glendowie College and we want to listen to your opinions and thoughts.

Ngā mihi nui,

**R Dykes**  
Principal

## Upcoming Events:

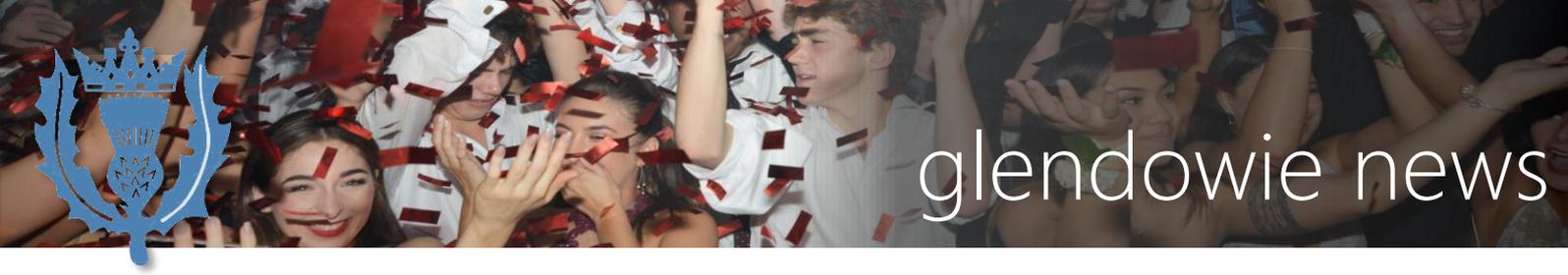
### June

- 16-17 Junior Underwater Hockey Tournament (*Auckland*)
- 19 Whanau BBQ (6:30pm-8:30pm, *Staffroom*)
- 20 Board of Trustees Meeting (6pm-9pm, *Boardroom*)
- 22-24 Duke of Edinburgh Silver Journey
- 23-24 Senior Underwater Hockey (*Mt Maunganui*)
- 25 Senior Careers Planning (7pm-9pm)
- 27 Parents Information Evening – 2019 Enrolment Process (7pm-9pm, *Library*)
- 28 Taurere Whanau Group Meeting (6:30pm-8:30pm, *Staffroom*)

### July

- 3 Dance Night (6:30pm-8:30pm, *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 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’

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Glendowie College will be holding a ‘Parents Information Evening’ on 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.

## Road Safety

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Last week, some youths (not from Glendowie) drove a stolen car along Riddell Road at high speed just before our students walked to the Cross Country event. Thankfully no-one was injured and the Police successfully arrested the driver.

Coincidentally our community constable, Sergeant Dean McEntee, spoke to our year 12 and 13 students two weeks ago, and mentioned that he is concerned about the number of students possibly driving with passengers on an inappropriate licence. He advised that the Police may do more spot checks in the area to prevent this. From time to time, we also get calls from concerned parents about our students' driving.

If your child drives a car to school, we would appreciate you talking with him or her about driving responsibly, and respecting the laws and other people (drivers and pedestrians) using the roads.

We want our students, and others, to be safe; and appreciate you talking with your child(ren) about this.

**Mr R Dykes, Principal**

## Inappropriate Student Use of Mobile Phones

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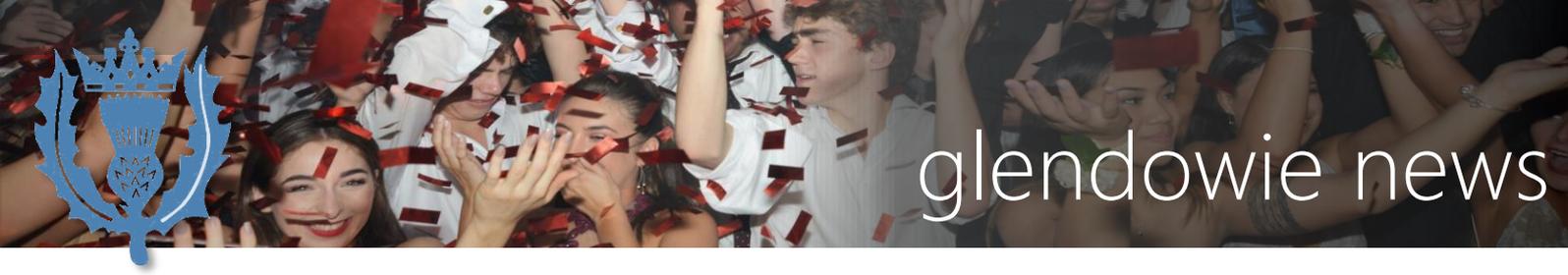
There is a growing concern about the increasing number of students using mobile phones in class when they should not. The college requires that students only use their phones during class time if permission is given by the teacher.

Students using their phones inappropriately may have the phone confiscated by the teacher, who will then pass it on to the relevant House Dean. Students can have their phones returned after a detention, or if the phone has been repeatedly confiscated or there are other concerns, when a parent/caregiver meets with the Dean.

We would prefer a situation where the students are focused on their learning without distractions. It would be appreciated if you could support the college in a number of ways. Firstly, please do not text or phone your children during teaching time. If contact is needed, please do so at interval or lunch times. Secondly, the student has chosen not to follow the school requirements and therefore parental displeasure at the inconvenience caused may encourage the student not to repeat the behaviour.

A number of schools are considering banning phone use completely during school hours because of the impact mobile phones have had. We want to give our students some degree of flexibility and independence while also realizing that time in class should be about learning.

**Mr G Robertson, Deputy Principal**



## Alumni – Recent Leavers Reunion



**RECENT LEAVERS REUNION**  
**Wednesday 4 July 5-7pm**  
 Leavers from 2013-2017 • Free entry • Drinks & Food available



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. More information is available on the college Facebook page: <https://m.facebook.com/events/108930676653110>

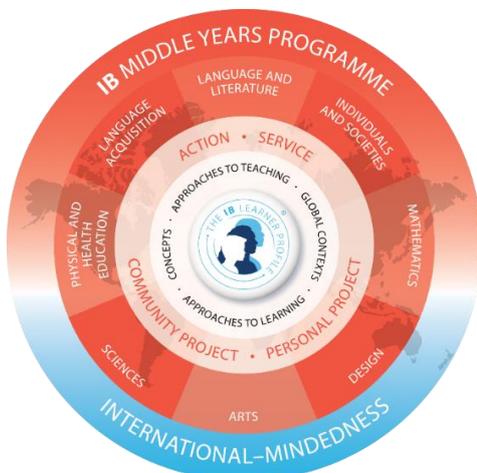
For further queries, please contact [alumni@gdc.school.nz](mailto:alumni@gdc.school.nz)

**Mrs C MacKenzie, Alumni Advancement Officer**

## Middle Years Programme (MYP) - International Baccalaureate

### What is the Middle Years Programme?

The programme empowers students to inquire into a wide range of issues and ideas of significance locally, nationally and globally. The goal is for our students to be young people who are creative, critical and reflective thinkers.



In the programme model for MYP students are at the centre surrounded by four areas:

- Concepts
- Global Contexts
- Approaches to Learning
- Approaches to Teaching

In each newsletter, we will describe what this means, starting with **concepts**. A concept is a “big idea”— a principle or notion that is enduring, the significance of which goes beyond particular origins, subject matter or a place in time. They represent a vehicle for students’ inquiry into the issues and ideas of global significance, providing the means by which they can explore a subject. For example, in Mathematics concepts, topics students may explore include: form, relationships and

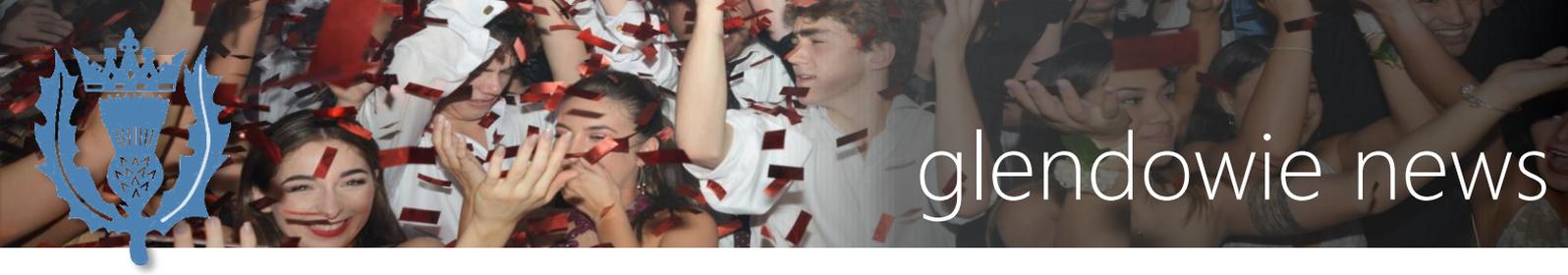
logic. Concepts have an essential place in the structure of knowledge. They require students to demonstrate levels of thinking beyond facts or topics. Click on the [link](#) for a short clip that explains this further.

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## The Language Perfect World Championships

The Language Perfect World Championships took place from 21-31 May 2018. Nearly 200,000 people globally took part and answered close to 200,000,000 questions. Language Perfect is an online program that helps students learn vocabulary and put their language skills into practice. All students studying a language at Glendowie College took part and answered a huge total of 408,426 questions. We have had some great results this year. Congratulations to the German department, which came first for German in New Zealand - wir sind stolz auf euch!



The top award winners were:

<b>Emerald (5,000+ points)</b>	<b>Gold (3,000+ points)</b>
Fannika Darazs	Serge Carrol
David Lawrence	Sarah Kayes
Mila Beldon	Kevin Cao
Callum Collier	Holly Crausaz
	Charlotte Lambert
	Raymond Tran
	Sophie Newton

These students qualify to apply for two NZIIU (New Zealand Institute of International Understanding) exchange scholarships provided they are also over the age of 15. These are worth \$4,000 - \$5,000. Well done and good luck to all applicants!

Emerald, gold, silver and bronze award winners will be presented with their certificates in assembly in recognition of their efforts. It is always great to see how this effort positively impacts student's comprehension and communication.

**Ms A Vincent, Faculty Leader Languages**

## Young Enterprise Programme

Four year 12 business students, who are taking part in the Young Enterprise Programme, have created 'Simplified', a business dedicated to educating children about sustainability and the environment.

SIMPLIFIED



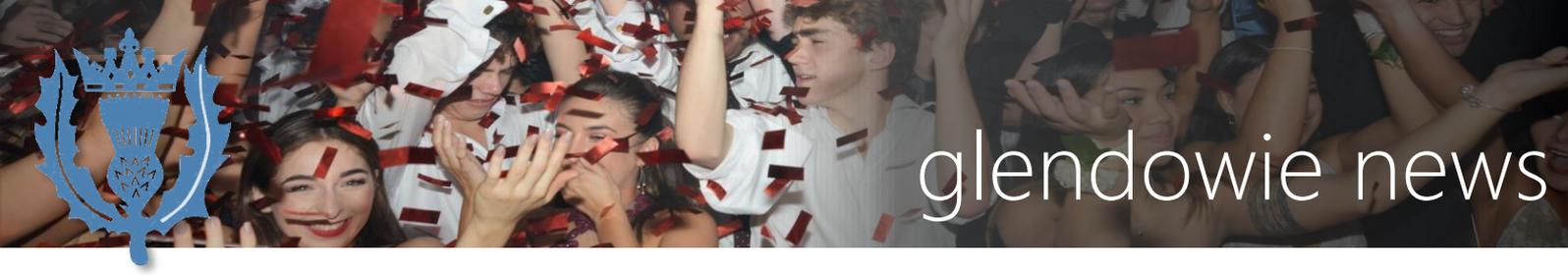
They will be going to local primary schools to provide educational talks and fun group activities. They will also be selling their product, which they have named 'Outdoor Discovery Kit', for \$15. The kit encourages children to explore nature. Inside the kit are paints, a brush, soil, seeds, a specially made booklet with fun activities and a reusable pot wrapped up in a hand-sewn bag.



\$2 from every sale will be donated to the EcoMatters Environment Trust, who help create programmes to get the community involved in sustainability. We would like to thank Bunnings's Mt Wellington for sponsoring us.

If you are interested in purchasing a product or supporting us, please contact us on our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/Simplified.nz/>

**Isabella Clague, Year 12 Student**



## Chamber Music Competition

Our talented students, Zachary Vowles (Year 11), Damon Herlihy-O'Brien (Year 10) and Michael Song (Year 13), who formed the group 'Mizada', will be performing at the New Zealand Chamber Music Competition on Saturday morning at the Raye Freedman Centre, Epsom, Auckland.

Michael Song will also be performing as a member of a Piano Trio, along with fellow students from the Pettman Junior National Academy. The combination is piano, violin and cello, and they will be playing the "Ghost" trio by Beethoven.

## Rockquest

The GDC rock group, 'Ragaire', comprised of year 10 students, Leo Spykerman (Keyboards), Damon Herlihy-O'Brien (Drums), James Eskildsen (Bass Guitar), Rina Mori (Rhythm Guitar) and Bella Bavin (Lead Guitar and Vocal), will be performing in the Auckland Central Regional Finals at the Dorothy Winstone Centre on Saturday in the evening session beginning at 7:00pm.

They have been doing very well in the 'Peoples' Choice' vote, so we encourage you to vote for them if you have not already done so.

## 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](mailto:arts@gdc.school.nz), Accounts or the Music office.

GLENOWIE COLLEGE PRESENTS

# THE ANNUAL MUSICAL GALA CONCERT

Holy Trinity Cathedral, Parnell

Adults \$20  
Students \$10

**Tuesday, 31 July 2018**  
7.30pm

*Featuring:*  
**Concert Band**  
**Big Band**  
**Strings**  
**Ensembles**  
**Soloists**  
**Choir**

Tickets available [arts@gdc.school.nz](mailto:arts@gdc.school.nz) and the Music Office

Mrs C Myhre, Faculty Leader Arts



## School Ball 2018 – “A Night in Chicago”

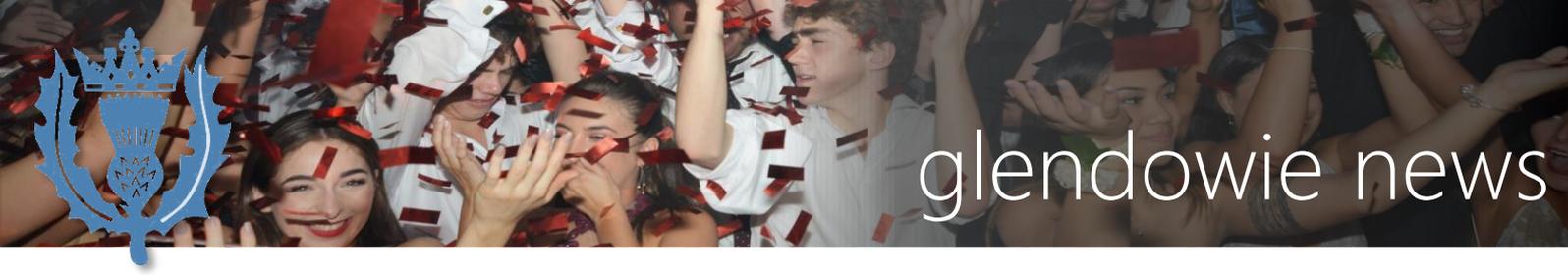
On Saturday 26 May 2018, Glendowie College held their annual school ball. The Ellerslie Events Centre was transformed into a sophisticated world of black, maroon, white and gold, with ostrich feathers, playing cards and chips adorning the tables.

Soft jazz played in the background and an opening performance by Jonny and Kristie from “Dancing With The Stars” further enhanced the ambience. Then it was over to Jan Holland the DJ and the spirited patrons to maintain the momentum of the evening. All in all it was an excellent night out!

(Link to photographs: <http://www.cactusphotography.co.nz/glendowiecollege18> Password: GC18BALL)



*Mrs B Rothbart, Year 13 Teacher in Charge*



## Cross Country 2018



On Thursday 31 May, the college's annual Cross Country event took place and was a huge success! The sunny but chilly weather made it a perfect day for everyone to participate and enjoy the race whether that was by running, walking, skipping or jumping to the end.

As usual, the event took place at Churchill Park. The senior girls started off the event with Sophie Atkinson setting an incredible time of 16:26. The senior boys followed with Noah Hinds coming in first. In the intermediate girls, Keely O'Grady was far ahead of her fellow competitors and took out her race while Brody

Green put up a good fight to win his. The juniors were last, but definitely not slow, with Gia Jeffery and Angus Monro winning their races.

The competitors were encouraged the whole way by a great group of Year 13 motivators and the promise of a sausage from the Sailing team and a sweet treat from the Year 13 bake sale at the end.

A special mention goes to the photographers on the day: Ella Wake, Rachel Edwards, Marco de Kretser and Mr Carrigan, and to the Physical Education staff who made it another successful year. Congratulations to the following students who made it into the top 10 in their age group:

### Junior Girls

Placing	Name	Form Class	Time
1st	Gia Jeffery	9GEE	12:59
2nd	Emma Goodall	9THR	13:33
3rd	Lydia Boyd	10KIM	13:50
4th	Hannah Howe	10JON	14:01
5th	Carly Green	10SIM	14:03
6th	Martha Diprose	9THM	14:05
7th	Erin Walshe	9COA	14:17
8th	Alyssa Peters	10LWS	14:18
9th	Paris Gilbert-Staines	9THR	14:21
10th	Hannah Barclay	9SAN	14:43

### Junior Boys

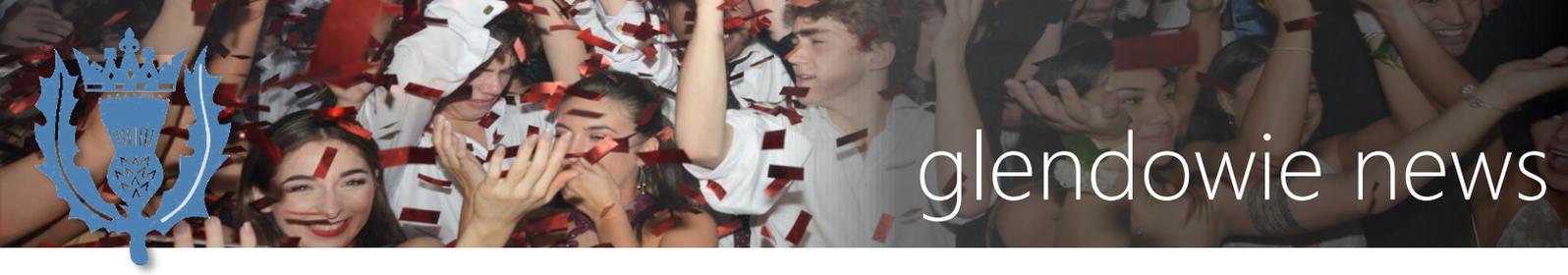
Placing	Name	Form Class	Time
1st	Angus Monro	9NAI	10:35
2nd	Valentin Gavras	9NAI	11:32
3rd	Henry Evans	10PVN	11:35
4th	William Atkinson	10SIM	11:38
5th	Alexander Roberts	9THM	11:50
6th	Ryan Lock	9NAI	12:02
7th	Evan French	10PVN	12:03
8th	Matthew Calvert	9SAN	12:19
9th	Albert Edmondson	9SAN	12:21
10th	Serge Carroll	9NAI	12:35

### Intermediate Girls

Placing	Name	Form Class	Time
1st	Keely O'Grady	11KAU	16:19
2nd	Holly Harding	10JON	17:03
3rd	Olympia Gedye	10JON	19:01
4th	Ella Wake	10SCH	19:24
5th	Sasha Barrett-Garnier	11SRM	19:41
6th	Macayla Lock	11KAU	19:48
7th	Emily Clague	10JON	20:37
8th	Georgina Clague	10SHJ	20:46
9th	Sarah Brown	10KIM	20:56
10th	Isabel Edmondson	11SRM	21:01

### Intermediate Boys

Placing	Name	Form Class	Time
1st	Brody Green	11PTW	14:53
2nd	Benjamin Hunt	10PVN	15:04
3rd	Rowan Warren	11KAU	15:09
4th	Luke Barter	10KIM	15:38
5th	Josh Calvert	9PRA	15:39
6th	Alex Reid	11SRM	15:40
7th	Michael Terekhin	11KAU	15:52
8th	Samuel Clayton	11SRM	16:01
9th	Luca Jamieson Soper	11CAR	16:02
10th	Josh Vodanovich	11PTW	16:15



### Senior Girls

Placing	Name	Form Class	Time
1st	Sophie Atkinson	13CHS	16:26
2nd	Olivia Hay	12LIU	19:33
3rd	Jessica Nielsen	12KNG	19:37
4th	Beatrice Smit	13CGN	19:52
5th	Jodie Dickins	12NFS	20:04
6th	Tayla Clark	12SOH	20:40
7th	Alexandria Solly	12JAN	20:53
8th	Andrea Ross	12STE	21:06
9th	Jasmine Gedye	13HDU	21:07
10th	Zoe Fowler	13CHS	21:21

### Senior Boys

Placing	Name	Form Class	Time
1st	Noah Hinds	13CHS	15:41
2nd	Sean Fraser	13ELY	15:55
3rd	Camilo Aristizabal Gomez	13CHS	16:11
4th	Alexander Duff	13TOM	16:31
5th	Joshua Taylor	13CGN	16:49
6th	Jaden Zeng	12NFS	17:02
7th	Patrick Collier	12PAS	17:12
8th	Oliver White	12LIU	17:37
9th	Toby Osborne	12LIU	17:38
10th	Cairo Stark	12JAN	17:39

**Gemma Scott, Year 13 PHE Student**

## Classics Auckland University Trip

On 5 June 2018, the Year 13 Classicists embarked on a trip to become an Auckland University student for the day.

Arriving at the large city campus, we attended our first lecture titled 'Aristophanes on Saving the City', which was presented by Dr. Dougal Blyth, who talked about the famous poet and how his plays (including 'The Frogs' which we are studying this year) reflect ancient society and the values they held. Following this, Associate Professor Anne Mackay shared some Athenian vase paintings, and how they were a window into ancient society and Professor Matthew Trundle talked about Alexander the Great and the influences and effects that his actions had on both the ancient and modern world. The close of the day saw the great debate between Dr Dougal Blyth and Professor Matthew Trundle about whether or not the influences that Alexander had were positive or negative overall. The experience enlightened us on the vast streams of knowledge that we have the potential to uncover, while also being incredibly helpful towards furthering our understanding for upcoming internals and the final exams at the end of the year.



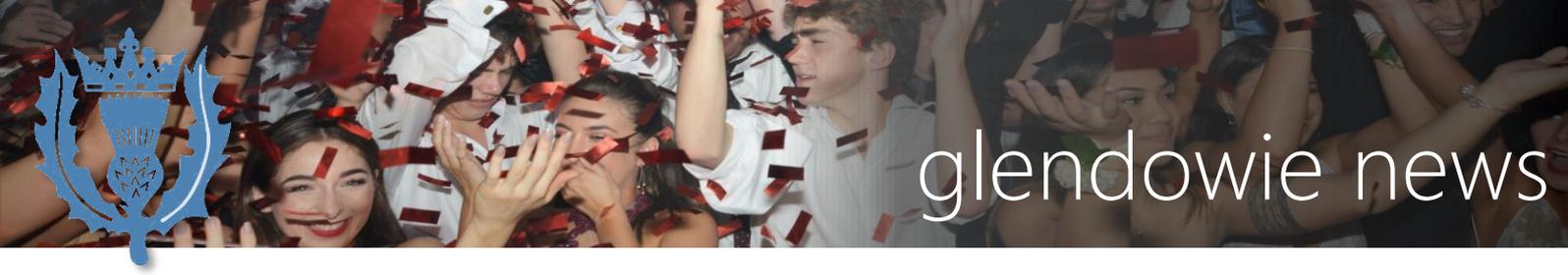
**Ella Ballentyne, Year 13 Student**

## Pyjamas Update from Student Librarians



Last week, a group of student librarians purchased pyjamas with the \$500 they raised through the 'Book Night' activities. 66 sets of pyjamas were purchased in sizes ranging from 1-14, and they were delivered to the Middlemore Hospital Foundation on Monday.

**Ms J Gayton, Library Manager**



## Parents' Association Update

# 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](mailto:gdcparents@gmail.com)

**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.**



### *Evening Angels*

#### **Hi Gordy**

*Well Angels, the Teacher/Student Conference Dinner was a huge success. The night was run like a well-oiled machine and we catered over 50 dishes for all types of appetites and food requirements, and what's more the leftovers fed some of them for days!!! No one went hungry, the servers were efficient, generous, and the washing up fairies made it like we were not even there!!! A few Angels and Friends to thank:*



*Karen, Vicky, Debbie, Aimee, Nicole, Catherine, Gill, Michelle, Yuilana, Alli, Harriet, Rewa, Megan, Liz, Mahlon, Vicki, Sandra, Lynda, Ray, Kim, Anne, Leanne, Laurelle, Viv, Lianne, Susan, Jenny, Christy, Virginia, Sara, Jane, Linda, Anne, Mia, Nicola, Emanuela, Kelly, Kerri, Nelleke, Mirjam, Gek-Tuor, Helen, Christine, Abbey, Elizabeth, Jenny, Julia, Karen, Gordon, Mike and Kim. A special thanks to Emanuela, our amazing Parents' Association member, who coordinated the whole event. I hear she has signed them all up again for next year's event!!!*



## So Gordy what is next for the Angels?

Well Angels...we have an amazing night out planned. Gather your crew and get your tickets to the Mamma Mia 2 Movie on Thursday 26 July - it will be a fun night out with food, drinks, laughter, prizes and a movie!! Parents and students have their own theatres, so it's cool to bring your Mum or Dad to! We have great deals on ice cream, drinks and popcorn. Get your tickets: <https://www.trybooking.co.nz/DZ>



## Gordy what fun – we are there!!



Angels you are looking rather beautiful - I think I need to capture this moment forever. How about we use Timeless Images and their team? Timeless Images is owned by our former Angel and College student, Lisa Harrington. They are donating 100% of the \$95 fee to our College, so let's tell everyone about this amazing deal! For just \$95 you will get a portrait sitting and 2 images - that's a value of \$785. Book yours now at: <https://www.trybooking.co.nz/CE>

Now Angels, I hear that you are not just about raising money!!

## Yes Gordy, we are up for any challenge you throw our way.

Well...the College has bought hundreds of plants, shrubs and few trees, and have a newly developed Quad area just waiting for us to fill it up with them. We are calling for any green fingers, students who need to provide community work, or those with some time to spare in mid August. Volunteers will be given a plant box, a plan and some plants, then get digging. As this is hungry work, we will have the BBQ fired up. Please sign up: <https://www.trybooking.co.nz/DQ>



One last mission Angels - our Facebook page has all the latest information, please get the parents to like and follow our page. We share first-to-know information, events and competitions. Our latest winners had to like, share and comment on our page - they are Vicky Russell, who won our Mother's Day Comp sponsored by Sweetie Pie Cupcakes, and Karen Duncan, parent and Monique Carrigan, staff member, who won our Facebook Promo sponsored by Timeless Images (a portrait session valued at \$785). This was so popular that we are running it again in June, enter now.

## Wow Gordy, let's get all the angels out there to sign up now

<https://www.facebook.com/GlendowieCollegeParentsAssociation/>



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

## Upcoming Events & Fundraisers

Mamma Mia Movie 2	Term 3 - 26 July	<a href="https://www.trybooking.co.nz/DZ">https://www.trybooking.co.nz/DZ</a>
Timeless Photography Portrait Offer	Current	<a href="https://www.trybooking.co.nz/CE">https://www.trybooking.co.nz/CE</a>
Planting Bee	Term 2 – mid August	<a href="https://www.trybooking.co.nz/DQ">https://www.trybooking.co.nz/DQ</a>
Fun Run	Term 3 - 23 Sept	TBA



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*Sara Haddon, Chairperson and Fundraising Angel*

## International Taekwondo – Auckland & Northland Regional Tournament

On 20 May 2018, the International Taekwondo Federation held their Auckland and Northland regional tournament. There were over 230 competitors, a few of which were Glendowie College students. We had the opportunity to compete in some of the following disciplines – Sparring, Patterns, Special Technique and Power Breaking. All the students performed incredibly well in the highly stressful and challenging competition.

The following medals were won by our students:

<b>Annabel Hankin, Year 9 (Blue belt Red stripe)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Silver Medal, Patterns</li> <li>• Silver Medal, Sparring</li> <li>• Bronze Medal, Power Breaking</li> </ul>	<b>Damyan Ng, Year 10 (Junior Black Belt)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gold Medal, Sparring</li> <li>• Gold Medal, Special Technique</li> <li>• Silver Medal, Power Breaking</li> </ul>
<b>Bella Bavin, Year 10 (Red Belt Black Stripe)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gold Medal, Sparring</li> <li>• Gold Medal, Special Technique</li> <li>• Silver Medal, Power Breaking</li> </ul>	<b>Emma Osborne, Year 9 (Green Belt)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Silver Medal, Sparring</li> </ul>
<b>Beatrice Smit, Year 13 (Green Belt Blue Stripe)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gold Medal, Sparring</li> </ul>	<b>Liam Ng, Year 12 (Blue Belt)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Silver Medal, Patterns</li> <li>• Bronze Medal, Special Technique</li> </ul>
<b>Chloe Tran, Year 10 (Yellow Stripe)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Silver Medal, Patterns</li> </ul>	

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## International Cheerleading Union (ICU) World Cheerleading Championships



Last month, I had the amazing opportunity to represent New Zealand in the 'All Girl Elite' division at the International Cheerleading Union (ICU) World Cheerleading Championships in Florida, USA.

I have been involved in this sport for 6 years. Around October last year, I was

thrilled to hear that I had been accepted by Team New Zealand. We had weekly trainings leading up to the competition in late April, with one week of full day trainings just before we left Auckland. We stayed at the Disney World Sports Resort for 10 days and competed inside the ESPN Wide World of Sports complex. We had the opportunity to meet with many other cheerleaders from across the world, and truly felt the potential for cheerleading becoming an Olympic Sport. Representing New Zealand on the world stage in my favourite sport made me proud to be a Kiwi, and it was definitely the experience of a lifetime!

**May Tse, Year 12 student**

## Prefect Profile

**Name:** Jamie Martin  
**House:** Tāne Mahuta  
**Prefect Responsibilities:** Head Prefect  
**Co-curricular Involvement:** 1st XI Hockey, Young Enterprise Scheme, Monetary Policy Challenge



### **How would you define leadership?**

*Helping people with the right skills and talents to use them to their full potential, and pulling all these various people together to accomplish something.*

### **What is the best thing about Glendowie College?**

*Probably the friendly relationships between students and staff, all coming together to form a school that feels more like a community than most.*

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

*Owl, they get to fly, they are always awake at night, but I really hate rats/mice.*

### **What is your quirkiest interest or hobby?**

*Bungy Jumps or Skydives?*

## Knitting for the SPCA

A group of students are taking refuge in the warmth of the library over the winter break times, knitting mice and blankets, and making pompoms for the cats and kittens at the SPCA.

If you have any scraps/balls of wool that you no longer require, this group would greatly appreciate them. They can be dropped off at the library.

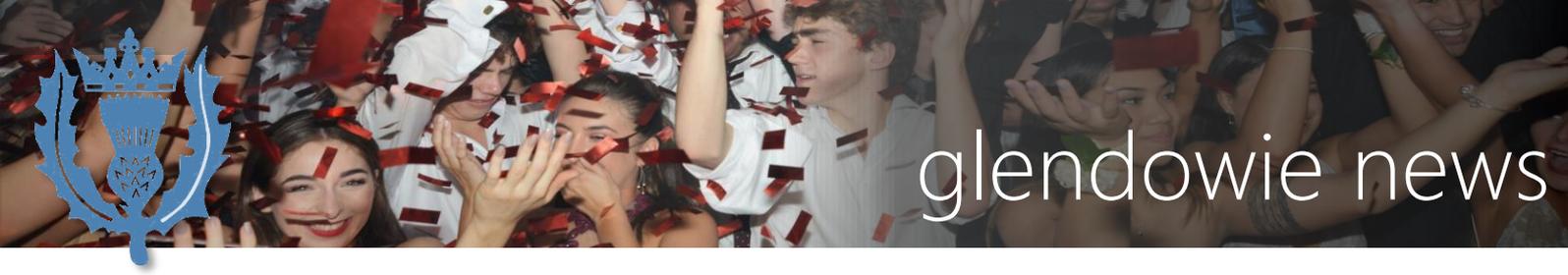


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## Auckland University of Technology (AUT)

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AUT ranked #1 Millennial University in Australasia, and #14 in the World.

What does this mean? Come along to AUT's first Parents Information Evening to find out. You will hear from some of our leading academics, gain insights around what industry want in a university graduate, and learn more about AUT's focus and vision.

Refreshments will be served and you will be given an information pack specially created for parents and whānau.

We are running this event at each of our three campuses, so you can choose the most convenient location for you. There is more information on our [website](#), or simply click the links below to register for the evening of your choice.

- [City Campus – 25 June 2018](#)
- [North Campus – 26 June 2018](#)
- [South Campus – 28 June 2018](#)

We look forward to meeting the parents and supporters of the students.

**AUT Future Student Team**

## North Shore Sport Stacking Club

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The North Shore Sport Stacking Club (cup stacking) has set its meeting dates for the year. Meetings are held at Bayswater School Hall, 181 Bayswater Avenue, Bayswater – FREE for everyone and suitable for ages between 3 and 60+.

Cups, mats and timers are provided for those who do not have their own sets, and free coaching is also provided by current members of the NZ Black Stacks team. The meeting dates are as follows:

- Sunday 10 June 2018      2.00pm-4.00pm
- Sunday 8 July 2018      2.00pm-4.00pm
- Sunday 12 August 2018    2.00pm-4.00pm
- Sunday 9 September 2018 2.00pm-4.00pm
- Sunday 14 October 2018   2.00pm-4.00pm

They look forward to seeing you there for a fun-filled family afternoon.