



Friday, 10th May 2019

Kia Ora Tātou

Welcome back after the school holidays. The school focus in term two and term three, particularly for senior students, is working consistently towards academic goals. This is the time of year when students start getting assessment results and determine the effort required to attain their desired academic outcomes. Complicating the picture are the other things going on in our students' lives. Winter sport for all codes have started, many students participate in arts and cultural activities, the School Ball is looming for Year 12 and 13 students, some students have after school jobs as well as other family and social commitments.

Our young people are really busy, and this can be stressful for them as they try to balance the different aspects of their lives. As a school, we need to be aware of the various factors competing for the students' time and the possible effects of that. Obviously, we want all students to attain to their potential, but we also want them to maintain their wellbeing.

At the end of last term, I attended the Positive Education New Zealand (PENZ) conference, which was about aspects of wellbeing in schools, as addressing student wellbeing is one of the college's strategic goals which I oversee. As a society, we are becoming more aware of stressors affecting young people today and the need to have strategies to build their resilience.

Attaining to one's potential and maintaining wellbeing do not need to be conflicting. Simple wellbeing strategies around diet, sleep, taking physical exercise, managing time and having a positive support network mean that assessment requirements can be more manageable.

A highlight of the PENZ conference was having the opportunity to listen to a presentation from Nigel Latta. He was highly entertaining, but also had important messages relating to the wellbeing of young adults. I must commend the Parents' Association for taking the initiative of inviting him to speak to the school community. As a qualified psychologist, Nigel's presentation comes from a professional, research backed source. He will share information and anecdotes which are helpful for you to support your children through their teenage years. I have heard him speak three times and have never been disappointed. Please take advantage of the opportunity provided by the Parents' Association.

Board of Trustees Elections

This term the college will hold elections for the 2019-2022 Board of Trustees.

All state schools in New Zealand hold their election at the same time. Canterbury Education Services is running the election on the college's behalf, and liaising with Ms Davis-Miller, our Business Manager. There is more information about these elections further in this newsletter.

Gordon Robertson, Acting Principal



Upcoming Events:

May

- 15 Board of Trustees Meeting
(6pm-9pm, Boardroom)
- 20 Parent/ Subject Teacher/
Student Conferencing
(3pm-8pm)
- 22 Bali Surf Trip Fundraiser
(6:30pm-9pm, Hall)
- 23 Careers Expo
(4:00pm-7pm, Hall)
- 25 Senior School Ball
(7pm-11:55pm, Eden Park)
- 25-26 Duke of Edinburgh Bronze
Tramp
- 27 Parent/ Subject Teacher/
Student Conferencing
(3pm-8pm)
- 28 Book Night
(4pm-6pm, Library)

June

- 4 Taurere Whānau Meeting
(6:30pm-8:30pm, Staffroom)
- 6 Cross Country (All day)
(12:30pm-3:00pm)
- 6 Parents' Association – 'Nigel
Latta – Adventures in
Parentland'
(7pm-9pm, Hall)
- 7 Cross Country (back up date)

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



Parent/Subject Teacher/Student Interviews

Bookings for Parent/Subject Teacher/Student Interviews will open at 9:00am on Monday, 13 May 2019.

The dates for the interviews are:

Monday, 20 May 2019 3:00pm – 8:00pm

Monday, 27 May 2019 3:00pm – 8:00pm

These interviews are with the subject teachers. Discussions will include progress in assessments to date, progress towards NCEA, and discussion of the term 1 key competencies report. For Year 9 students, it could also include discussion of the interim MYP report.

Report evenings for parents/guardians and students will be held in a number of classrooms centred around the library. We strongly recommend that students also attend the conference as it is about them and their learning.

Interview times are 5 minutes to enable parents to meet more of their child(ren)'s teachers. Should more time be required in special cases, a separate meeting or phone conversation can be organised between staff and parents.

To book Parent/Subject Teacher/Student interview appointments:

1. Go to www.schoolinterviews.co.nz (after 9:00am on Monday, 13 May 2019)
2. Input the schools unique code **t45yt** on the Home Page.
3. You can make appointments with up to 7 subject teachers. The Deans, Guidance Counsellors and Careers team are also available for interviews.

Please note:

- School will finish at 1:40pm on Monday, 20 May 2019 and 1:40pm on Monday, 27 May 2019.
- There will be a few computers made available to students at school who might not have internet access at home. They can use them to make appointments.
- When making appointments, it is advisable to have a gap between appointments to facilitate the movement between rooms.
- **The bookings website will close at 9:00am on Monday, 20 May 2019 for Monday's interviews. They will re-open at 9:00am on Tuesday, 21 May 2019 to enable further bookings for the Monday, 27 May 2019 interviews and will close again at 9:00am on Monday, 27 May 2019.**

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CO-OPERATION.



2019 Board of Trustees Elections

Nominations have been called from the community for candidates to become members of our Board of Trustees. Key dates are as follows:

By Friday 10 May	Nomination forms will be posted to all persons on the school's caregiver roll.
Friday 24 May	NOMINATIONS CLOSE – Friday, 24 May 2019 at noon. An election will then be held if the number of nominations exceed vacancies. For Glendowie College, the number of vacancies is 5.
Wednesday 29 May	Voting papers will be sent by post to all on the school caregiver roll.
Friday 7 June	Voting closes at 12 noon.
Thursday 13 June	Votes are counted, and our school is advised of the results.
Friday 14 June	New Board takes office.

We look forward to all our parents/caregivers being involved in the process.

The parent/caregiver roll will close on Wednesday, 22 May 2019. You may still provide updates to your contact details by Tuesday, 21 May 2019 through the Portal (please click this link [how to change details on portal](#) for instructions) or by emailing reception@gdc.school.nz. The roll is available for inspection at reception from Wednesday, 8 May 2019.

The University of Canterbury

The University of Canterbury (UC) | Te Whare Wānanga o Waitaha gives students and graduates an excellent educational foundation that they can turn into an amazing career.

UC Information Evening Auckland | Hui Tairanga Tāmaki-makau-rau is the chance for your students and their whānau to find out everything they need to know about life and study at UC.

The evening will include sessions specific to the programmes offered at UC. These will be led by some of the UC's top academics and College Deans, and will also cover accommodation options and scholarships, including the 'Go Canterbury' scholarship for students from the Auckland region.

The transition into tertiary study can be daunting for whānau. To help, UC have a panel of parents from Auckland who now have children studying at UC. They will speak about their decision-making process, the transition, and answer any questions.

We encourage our students who are considering UC to register and attend this event with their whānau.

Date: Wednesday, 15 May 2019

Time: 6:30pm - 8:30pm

Location: SKYCITY Auckland Convention Centre, 88 Federal Street, Auckland 1010

Registration: All attendees should register via Eventbrite to secure a seat.

If you require further information, please email them at liaison@canterbury.ac.nz or phone 0800 VARSITY (0800 827 748).



Bali Surf Trip 2019 – Movie Night Fundraiser

**BALI SURF TRIP
MOVIE NIGHT**

Wednesday 22nd May 6:30pm

TICKETS ONLY \$5

Come and join us for a movie in the Glendowie College school hall to help us raise funds for our surfing trip to Bali. Bring your friends and come and have a good time!

Tickets will be available to purchase outside the Nurse's Office at lunchtimes starting from Week 1 of Term 2.

Hot pizza, drinks, lollies and more will be available to purchase on the night so please bring some cash!

Glendowie College Careers Expo 2019

Date: Thursday, 23 May 2019

Time: 4:00pm – 6:45pm

Venue: School Hall

The college strongly encourages all students and parents to attend the 2019 Careers Expo. Liaison staff from New Zealand Universities, Institute of Technologies, Industry Training Organisations, Private Training Enterprises, Student Exchange/Study Abroad, and New Zealand Armed Forces and Police will be available to provide course information, enrolment advice, guidance for their tertiary education and training qualifications.

This information is important for all students, particularly 2019 school leavers and for students in Year 9 to Year 12 who are seeking guidance into prerequisite/preferred school subjects (subject selection) for their further education and training.

Mr David James, Careers/Development Programmes and Transition





After School Science Help



The Science department offers after school help for all year levels every week in H4L. Below is the calendar for term 2. We endeavour to have a specialist from each subject each week. Please encourage your child(ren) to make the most of this awesome opportunity!

Date	Day
16 May	Thursday
22 May	Wednesday
28 May	Tuesday
5 June	Wednesday
11 June	Tuesday
20 June	Thursday
26 June	Wednesday
2 July	Tuesday

Mrs Adrienne King, Science Faculty

Rūaumoko House / HeartKids Fundraising Activities

For the first half of this term (Term 2), Rūaumoko house will be running a few fundraising activities to support the charity, HeartKids.

HeartKids is an organisation which aims to support families and kids who are diagnosed with rare heart conditions and help them throughout their lifetime.

Rūaumoko goals are:

1. To raise \$1,200 from a Mufti Day, which was held on Wednesday, 8 May 2019.
2. To raise \$1,000 through the STEP UP challenge of doing 10,000 steps a day for 4 weeks to 'Raise the heartbeats for the HeartKids'.

We are fortunate to be surrounded by an amazing team, who have already contributed by making generous donations. We are about one fifth on the way towards reaching our goal.

We would love to go beyond reaching the goal of \$1,000 for the STEPUP challenge, so we encourage you, your families and friends to get involved by donating via <https://give.everydayhero.com/nz/ruaumoko-challenge-heart-kids>, so please spread the word.

Any support counts and would be much appreciated!

Have a Heart, Save a Life! Let's do this for the HeartKids!

Mrs P Harduar, Rūaumoko Assistant Dean



'Loves Me Not' Education Programme

Glendowie College in conjunction with the Police will be facilitating a 'whole-school approach' to prevent abusive behaviour in relationships.

'Loves-Me-Not' is designed for Year 12 students which is considered the appropriate age to discuss relationship abuse and to start to take action for change. It uses a whole school approach and includes a one-day workshop which will take place on Tuesday, 21 May 2019. It is based on a student inquiry learning process, where students take action (personal action, effective bystander action and community action) to prevent harm from relationship abuse.

Education about relationships involves:

1. Identifying and aspiring to great relationships
2. Recognising when things aren't going right
3. Identifying societal influences that perpetuate abusive behaviours in relationships
4. Understanding the law in relation to sexual consent
5. Having the skills and strategies to deal with negative, unhealthy and abusive behaviours in relationships in any combination of perpetrator, victim or bystander.

Further information can be found by visiting the following website:

<http://www.sophieelliottfoundation.co.nz/loves-me-not/>

Mr Richard Thompson, Head of Health Education

Book Night – Tuesday, 28 May 2019

BUY HOT CHOC TOPPED WITH CREAM & MARSHMALLOWS @ LUNCH & SUPPORT US

TUESDAY 28 MAY 4-5.30PM

FUN, READING, KAHOTS, PRIZES, WEAR YOUR PJS

Book Night @ the Library supports
Jammies in June
middlemorefoundation.org.nz/jammies-in-june



Whakaatu Toi – Arts Faculty Exhibition and Showcase

Save the dates!

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 in Week 9 of this term:

Monday June 24: Art Exhibition Opening Night

4pm - 8pm (Hall)

Gold coin entry, nibbles and drinks included

Tuesday June 25: Exhibition

9am - 5pm (Hall)

Open to public and GDC students

Free entry

Wednesday June 26: Gala Showcase

7pm - 9pm (Hall)

Performances in drama, dance, music, and digital + visual art

Tickets on sale in week 6 - \$3 student / \$5 adult

Ms Clare Jennings, Arts Faculty



Student Success at Special Olympics Athletics Competition



Daniel Watt-Wyness (11LWS) recently competed at the Howick/Pakuranga Special Olympics Athletics Competition, which was held at the Yvette Williams track at Lloyd Elsmore Park.

Daniel, was among twenty athletes from Special Olympics Auckland, who competed against other clubs from the greater Auckland region, Whangarei and Waikato.

Congratulations to Daniel who gained success in 4 events, placing 1st in the Mini Javelin, 2nd in the 200m run, 2nd in the 400m team relay and 3rd in the 100m run. Well done Daniel!

Ms Fiona Smith, Tangaroa House Dean

Interact Club – Easter Egg Hunt

At the end of last term, the Interact Club sold chocolate eggs and bunnies to the students to fundraise for the Starship Hospital Foundation. It is pleasing to report that we sold over 1000 easter eggs and bunnies, and raised over \$600 for the Starship Hospital Foundation.

A huge thanks to The Warehouse Pakuranga for their donation and a massive thank you to all the students and staff who gave up their time to buy, sell, sort and label over 1000 pieces of chocolate.

Special thanks to Mrs Shapley who gave up so much of her time to help us out!

Nina Harding, Club President (Year 12 Student)



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Parents' Association

Support our fundraising!

PRE-ORDER NOW! Just \$70

Hurry! Bonus Early Bird Offers. Limited Time Only.

Glendowie College is fundraising with Entertainment!

Your support really helps our School, so we're thrilled to let you know about special bonus Early Bird Entertainment Membership Offers for loyal supporters.

Pre-order the NEW 2019 | 2020 Entertainment Membership and receive bonus offers you can use right away!

SUPPORT US NOW

"The Entertainment Membership is great value. With lots of instant savings. It more than outweighs the price. There is something for everyone - casual and fine dining, adventure and family activities. I couldn't live without it. Plus, I get to support a good cause." - Zana B. Sydney

Pre-order to enjoy these bonus offers

PREVIEW THE VALUE

Early Bird Vouchers

Entertainment Book 2019/2020

The Parents' Association has had a fabulous start to the year with several new enthusiastic parents joining our merry bunch. We have launched our first fundraiser, 'The Entertainment Book', which was given out to all year 9 and 10 students. This is a great coupon book offering a range of goods and services. If you have not received a book and would like to purchase one, the link is: <https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/102r353>

GLENDOWIE PARENTS ASSOCIATION - PRESENTS -



NIGEL LATTA

Adventures in Parentland: The teenage years

NAVIGATING YOUR TEENS (17-13) THROUGH ISSUES SUCH AS TECHNOLOGY, STRESS AND ANXIETY, CLIMATE CHANGE

6 JUNE 2019

GLENDOWIE COLLEGE HALL 7-9 PM

TICKETS \$25

www.trybooking.co.nz/849 for tickets

Nigel Latta Seminar

Nigel Latta will speak to us on Thursday, 6 June 2019 in the school hall. Tickets have been selling well, and we are expecting a great crowd. Come along, have a few laughs and gain a tip or two about raising teenagers.



Thanks to G & T Hairdressing Mission Bay, who are sponsoring a great raffle prize to be drawn at Nigel Latta's seminar.

Tickets are available from <https://www.trybooking.co.nz/849>



Parent/Teacher/Student Conference Dinner

Calling all Bakers and Cooks

Each year the Parents' Association organises dinner for the Incredible Teachers on one of the Parent/Teacher/Student Conference nights, this year is Monday 27th May 2019.

We need 50 parents to bake or cook one dish to add to our buffet of yummy food (e.g. rice, mains, baking, crock pot meal).

We are also looking for a few parents to help serve and clean up on the night.



If you can help, please sign up on www.trybooking.co.nz/BKA



This year we have a large fundraiser planned which will be launched later this term. All we can currently say is 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

Parent/Teacher/Student Conferencing Dinner	Monday, 27 May 2019
Nigel Latta Seminar	Thursday, 6 June 2019
Parents' Association Meeting	Thursday, 4 July 2019

Sara Haddon, Parents' Association Chairperson

<https://www.facebook.com/GlendowieCollegeParentsAssociation/> or Gdcparents@gmail.com



Class Exhibitions

In Term 1, Year 9 and 10 students held class exhibitions of their work in the library. The year 9 classes had a 'popular favourite' vote where any library visitors were invited to vote for their favourite works. Harrison Klette, Jake West and Daisy Green were the most popular favourites. Year 10 self portraits were hung in the library until the end of term and these received very positive attention.

Exhibitions are a constructive opportunity for peer feedback and student development in the visual arts. We look forward to continuing this program throughout the year.



Mrs Sarrah Shapley, Arts Faculty

Tip Top Trip 2019

On Tuesday 7 May 2019, the Level 1 Economics students headed to Tip Top for a tour of the factory. It has become an annual event as Tip Top provides the context for a producer decision making unit. Tip Top aims to use fresh natural local ingredients in its ice cream wherever possible. This is its point of difference from many other ice cream providers. There is a lot of construction activity on site and a positive view for the future despite it being in the process of being sold by Fonterra. Students no doubt enjoyed the free ice cream, and it was an opportunity for some to sample a new flavour, the Kapiti Cherry Blossom cone. Kapiti is also produced at the factory.



Mrs Bridget Rothbart, Social Sciences Faculty



China Trip 2019

The biennial China Trip continues to be a highlight of student lives. It is a life changing experience and I hope it will be a part of those “when I went to China” reminiscences in years to come. The trip has many facets – language, cultural, networking, business and camaraderie. Team China 2019 had the most amazing joie de vivre and zest for life. A special thank you to Ms Harduar and Mr Shi for giving up their time to accompany the group.

Mrs Bridget Rothbart, Social Sciences Faculty



During the April school holidays, a group of twenty senior students from Business Studies, Economics and Chinese travelled to China for a two-week cultural immersion. This trip had been in planning for over a year and everyone was extremely excited for it.

We took off from New Zealand at midnight on the second last day of term 1 to start our adventure. We arrived in Hong Kong thirteen hours later, and waited for an hour for the connecting flight to Beijing. After a 120km drive from Beijing Airport, we arrived at our first location, a small oriental hotel next to one of the Great Wall’s tourist locations. The majestic mountains are similar to those we see in New Zealand countryside, the only difference being the Great Wall in the background.

On the second day we walked a small section of the Great Wall. After two exciting days in Beijing shopping and visiting cultural heritage sites such as the Forbidden City and Tiananmen Square, we headed to our next destination, Ningbo.



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We stayed at local students' houses in Ningbo for the week and went to school with them. This was the biggest cultural shock for the group. School begins at 7:35am and lasts until 5:15pm with ten classes per day of 40 minutes each. Many local students continue to study at school until 9pm. We were lucky to have classes created specifically for us, from kite making to conversational Chinese. An eye opening daily activity at school was the morning run at 9:35am where the entire school would turn up at the running track and run two laps before going back to class.

After the week at school, we farewelled our homestays and their families and headed off to our final destination, Shanghai. We explored many imitation markets with lots of "genuine" high-end products costing less than NZ\$10!

One highlight was visiting New Zealand Central, where we had the opportunity to meet some New Zealanders working in China, who shared their experiences with us. Thank you to Ashwin Pillay (Red Fern Consulting) and Greg Romney (Walt Disney Company) for talking to us.



On the final day in Shanghai (and China), we all went to Disneyland for the day. Many of us enjoyed the Tron ride, while Mr. Shi got lost in the 'Alice in Wonderland' maze.

The trip to China was an incredible experience and one that none of us will ever forget. Huge thanks to Mrs Rothbart, Mrs Harduar and Mr Shi as well as everyone who made the trip possible for us. 谢谢.

Sean Gibbs, Year 12 Student