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School Policies and Procedures go to:
<http://glenoroua.schools.co.nz/>
Username: glenoroua
Password: policies

Tēnā koutou Glen Oroua whānau,

The end of today (Wednesday) is the start of a six day break from school for our tamariki. Aside from Easter there are a couple of extra days on either end that are a little different. The school (but not public) holiday on the Tuesday after Easter we usually are not aware of as Easter often falls within the school holidays. I read yesterday that this 'Easter Tuesday' school holiday originated from when we had a three term school year. The Easter holiday was the time when students changed into their 'winter' uniform, and as the Friday and Monday were public holidays (and shops were shut), the Tuesday became a school holiday so families had a day to purchase uniforms - and it has stuck!



On Thursday we have a Teacher Only Day. Teachers are using this time to visit other schools to observe and learn about initiatives we are looking into developing at Glen Oroua School, to benefit your children's learning. We will also be taking part in the consultation on the new Aotearoa New Zealand Histories draft curriculum to give our view on it's content and if we consider it to be bicultural, clear, and easy to use.

As we have two short weeks, there will not be a newsletter next week. Any pertinent notices will be shared via Seesaw as usual. Watch out for information about the Junior Tabloids which is next Friday (9 April) - transport would be appreciated, and pre-orders for bought lunches due next Wednesday - the day we come back after Easter.

Have a great break with your families!

Hockey Turf - we have a large amount of pre-used hockey Turf that can be bought for a donation for the likes of a hockey practice area, weed suppressant, or to cover rough parts of races (or add your other great ideas here). It will be spread out in the carpark on a date TBA in the first week of the holidays, and cut within reason to the size you require. If you think you would be interested in buying part of this, please be in touch with Francie at school or principal@glenoroua.school.nz. It is possible that there is horsetail in some of this.

School Pool - The pool is now closed for the season. Thanks to all those who used our pool sensibly and safely. I know a lot of fun has been had in it! Also huge thanks to Jason Dermer who has been responsible for the day to day running of the pool. It's a big commitment across the summer months, and he has done a super job. Thanks Jason! If pool keys could be returned to the school office, or mailbox, that would be greatly appreciated, and have us more prepared for the start of next season.

School Shirts - There are a number of these that need to be returned following camp and the swimming sports. If these could be washed and returned as soon as possible, it would be much appreciated.

Cheques - Cheques are being phased out in New Zealand from 31 May. From the start of Term 2, please use other methods (cash, online banking) to make payments for school

Friends of the School Information:

Glen Oroua Trail Ride is Back!

Sunday 18th April @ Pukemarama Farm

Gates open 8.00 am , Ride Starts 10am.

**Adults \$40pp, 14 and under \$15.
GO Kids with parents helping \$10**

See facebook for details "Glen Oroua Trail Ride"

Trail Ride Meeting Wednesday 7 April, 7pm in the Library

We are still looking for someone to fill the Secretary roll on the committee. If you are interested please come along to the meeting or contact Gen 027 413 3454

Term Events

- Thursday - 1 April - Teacher Only Day
- Friday - 2 April - Good Friday Holiday
- Monday - 5 April - Easter Monday Holiday
- Tuesday - 6 April - Easter Tuesday Holiday
- Thursday - 8 April - Technology
- Friday - 9 April - Te Kāwau Tabloids - Oroua Downs
- Thursday - 15 April - Technology
- Friday - 16 April - Assembly - 2.15pm -
- Friday - 16 April - Last Day of Term

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