



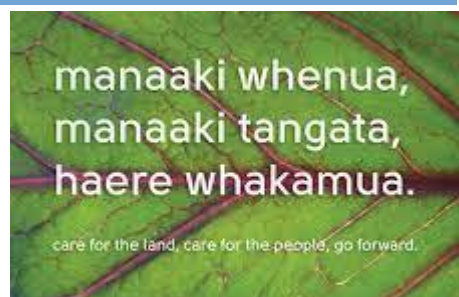
GLEN OROUA SCHOOL

Kaitiaki for our Community

28 June, 2023

Tēnā koutou e te whānau,

On Friday 21 July, we will be celebrating **Matariki** as a school, and we warmly invite whānau to join us for lunch from 12.30-2pm. More details will follow at the start of Term 3, but we will ask for each child to bring a vegetable to contribute to some hearty soup to sustain us all!



Mid year reports will come home with your children on Friday, in an adapted and simpler format. These summary reports provide a snapshot of your child's progress at school for the middle of the year and are supported by posts on Seesaw that demonstrate your children's growth and capabilities, and will be followed up by Learning Conferences that will take place on Week 2 of Term 3 (Tuesday 25 & Thursday 27 July).

Following the Learning Conferences we will seek your feedback on our formalised reporting cycle - Seesaw, Reports and Learning Conferences - to establish how we are meeting your needs around how we communicate with you about your child/ren's progress at school. Please remember that you can make a time to meet with your child's teacher to discuss their learning at any point throughout the year - and we would prefer it was sooner rather than later if you have a concern - but like you we also love to hear the great things you are noticing too!

Have a fun and safe winter break, and thanks for your ongoing support of your children's learning and our programmes.

Ngā mihi,
Francie

Items to note...

- **Wheels' Day** - is this Friday. Please bring along your child's bike, or scooter, or skates or skateboard. Covered shoes would be appreciated and helmets for those on bikes a must.

- It would be great to get all **school shirts** back before the end of the term.

- The **winter holidays** run from 3-14 July. We'll look forward to welcoming your children back on Monday 17 July.

- There is **further building work** happening on our Māhuri/old Library over the holidays. Please be aware of this if you are using the playground.



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Personal Investigations...

P.I. stands for Personal Investigations. In Rākau every student has had to find a topic that they are interested in, research it and then present it to the class in the way they choose during this term.

Some of the ways children choose to present include slideshows, speeches, or a poster. They also do audience interactions which include taste testing, quizzes, rides on a gnat (3 wheeled go kart), examining models they've created or anything else that they choose.

Some of the topics that kids choose are things like investigations on countries, repairing machinery, food and cartoons.

By Lilly & Iaisha



Growth
Respect
Involved
Tenacity

Glen Oroua Cross Country...

I'm panting. Wheezing. But I can't let that stop me from getting to the finish line. I've run all this way, I'm not going to stop now. Although I can hear people shouting, no, screaming, I can't make out what they are saying. Ruby is ahead of me. I'm running a comfortable distance from her. I'm concentrating hard, telling myself one thing: Get to the finish line...

...My legs feel like they are on fire, and I imagine that I look somewhat like in those Sonic cartoons, my legs turning into a spinning mass of grass, dirt, and the legs themselves. I'm like an angry lawnmower, tearing dirt and grass and everything that has felt the wrath of my sore, tired feet...

...I am running harder than I've ever run before, and I feel like if I try to stop now, I'll screech to a halt somewhere in the middle of Antarctica...

Excerpts of a piece by Jake



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Coming Up...

Thurs 29 June
Friday 30 June

Year 7/8s to Tech
Wheels' Day
Reports to whānau
End of Term 2

Monday 17 July
Thurs 20 July
Friday 21 July

Term 3 begins
Year 7/8s to Tech
Matariki celebration
FotS Disco

Tuesday 25 July
Thurs 27 July

Learning Conferences
Year 7/8s to Tech
NZ Playhouse @ Sanson
Learning Conferences

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