



GLEN OROUA SCHOOL

Kaitiaki for our Community

19 July, 2023

Kia ora e te whānau,

We warmly welcome Indi Will (sister of Hend, Bonnie & Christian) and Wiki Matenga (sister of Hine) as new entrants to our school this term. We also welcome Sam Balmaceda to Rākau, and her parents, Victoria and Melvin.

On Friday 21 July, we will be celebrating **Matariki** as a school, and we warmly invite whānau to join us for lunch following waiata, from 12.45-2pm. We will be making soup and fry bread at school, and you are welcome to add to that by bringing along kai that is a nod towards your family's culture, on top of one vege per student for our soup. A small plate will be sufficient, and please, no peanuts or peanut products.

Learning Conferences will be held next Tuesday 25 & Thursday 27 July from 2.20-6.20pm. School will finish at 2pm on both of those days, with the bus running then (it will be about an hour earlier than usual). Bookings can be made by going to www.parentinterviews.co.nz and using the code XGYVWW84.

Māhuri Renovation We are delighted with the progress of the renovation of Māhuri over the holidays. It certainly looks much more like a classroom now, and is warmer and lighter with the new double glazed windows and doors. The photo below doesn't do justice to the improvements, so pop in sometime and check it out!

Lamb & Calf Day A strong tradition in our kura, students can show lambs and calves at our Lamb & Calf Day (to be held on Tuesday 24 November) that are born after the 1st July and before mid September. Our information booklet about this will come out shortly.

Items to note...

- Just about a third of all of our school shirts are still with our families, and it would be excellent to have these returned by the end of the week so we can be prepared for our next outings.
- Trousers, shorts & tights - without seeking an inundation, we would love a few pairs of different sized pants that we can use for when kids get wet and dirty and don't have a change of clothes.



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Congratulations...

- To this group of Glen Oroua girls who form part of the cheerleading team from Zero Gravity who won a gold medal at the United Cheer competition in Wellington at the start of the holidays. This crew are going to perform their 3rd place ensemble from Te Kawau's Top Talent at next week's Hui-a-Kura
- To Sage who won a gold medal and a 2nd place at her Jiu Jitsu competition in Takaro recently.
- To Marcus, Liam, Grace, & laisha who were awarded the Most Improved Swimmer awards for their class for the 2022/2023 swimming season. Ka rawe!!



Changing Room Mural...

Penny designed a mural with an Under The Sea theme for this panel in the girls' swimming pool changing rooms last year, and spent time last term enlarging and painting it in situ.

It's amazing to me how alike the original this is and, of course, just how bright and beautiful it is. It's going to be enjoyed by so many of our community in the coming summer!



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Coming Up...

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| Thurs 20 July | Year 7/8s to Tech |
| Friday 21 July | Matariki celebration |
| | FotS Disco |
| Tuesday 25 July | Learning Conferences |
| Thurs 27 July | Year 7/8s to Tech |
| | NZ Playhouse @ Sanson |
| | Learning Conferences |
| Friday 28 July | Hui-a-kura 2.15pm |
| Thurs 3 Aug | Year 7/8s to Tech |
| | School Board Meeting |
| Friday 4 Aug | Year 5/6 Cluster Football |

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