



GLEN OROUA SCHOOL

Kaitiaki for our Community

29 May, 2024

Tēnā koutou Glen Oroua whānau,

It's hard to believe that we are halfway through the term already, and for us - halfway through our preparation for our production! It's certainly full steam ahead on that front at school, and it's lovely having so many people helping out in different ways - even the Bowls Club who are having an away session on the last week of term so we can leave all of our set out in the Hall.



Monday, next week, is obviously a public holiday for Kings' Birthday. The following day (Tuesday 4 June) is a Teacher Only Day. We are joining with our Kāhui Ako (our community of learning with 24 local schools) for a symposium of Rangitāne mātauranga or knowledge.

Yummy Fruit Stickers...

Allie in Rākau has reinvigorated this promotion whereby the collection of Yummy branded stickers (from apples and stone fruit) and labels off bags of Yummy fruit leads to our school receiving sports gear. Look out for the Yummy sticker and label collection sheets coming home with your children. We would love it if you would join us in collecting loads of stickers before October when the stickers are totalled!

- G**rowth
- R**espect
- I**nvovement
- T**enacity

GRIT Values Focus...

Our current GRIT values focus is around growth and in particular staying curious. This helps us to be continually learning, not only by being interested but also being open minded to different ways of thinking, new ideas and when learning is tricky (which it needs to be before it gets easy).

Timber offcuts...

Our keen carpenters have asked me a couple of times if we can get some new wood for our carpentry area. They have fully used and re-used the pieces we have! All shapes and sizes are useful for the wide variety of projects and creations they come up with, so if you have some pieces lying around that aren't useful to you we would love to make use of them.

Rippa Rugby Tournament...

Our three rippa teams had a great day out at Tangimoana, despite a couple of injuries, practising their developing skills and demonstrating a whole lot of teamwork. The kids and staff really appreciate the energy put into prepping our kids for this by Ben, Chris, Kylee and Irene. Aside from enjoying the competition, cluster tournaments can be a great way for our tamariki to experience an introduction to a sport they don't usually play. Next up we have the cluster football tournaments at the start of Term 3.



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Track Between the Hall & School...

This project of the Glen Oroua-Taikorea Community Committee is now well underway, creating a safer pathway that is off the road between the Glen Oroua Hall & School.

In time, students will be able to use this when coming to and from school (and so avoiding that tricky corner), and for the GO Playgroup and our school to have easier access between the two spaces during the day.

It's a huge kindness of the Batchelar family to allow this access across their paddock, and of all those putting in many voluntary hours to make it happen. In the meantime, many of our tamariki are absolutely delighted to watch the digger action that's happening on the other side of the fence!



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The story of the boy who wore pink

One day there was a boy who wore pink. He thought that it didn't matter and hey he was right but some bullies came over. Trust me when I said it doesn't go well with bullies. But it kept going every single day... Soon 2 of the school kids bought 50 pink shirts and gave them out to support him. And that was how this whole day started. Now we celebrate Pink Shirt Day as a time that pink doesn't matter. If a boy is wearing pink or a girl is wearing blue it doesn't matter, it's just a thing that is. We don't let bullies bully us for wearing a different colour than what people think we should wear. We just say "it doesn't even matter."
By Cora CH

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Coming Up...

Thurs 23 May	Year 7-8 to Tech
Tues 28 May	Year 0-3 Gymsports @ Sanson
Thurs 30 May	Year 7-8 to Tech
Friday 31 May	Marqet Day 11.20am
Friday 31 May	Hui-a-kura @ 2.15pm
Monday 3 June	King's Birthday Holiday
Tuesday 4 June	Teacher Only Day
Weds 5 June	Year 5-8 Interschool Cross Country (selected team)
Thurs 6 June	Year 7-8 to Tech
Friday 7 June	Te Kawau Junior Gymnastics
Thurs 13 June	Year 7-8 to Tech
Monday 17 June	GO Cross Country