



Glenbrae School

2024 February Newsletter

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Dear Whānau, Parents and Caregivers,

Mālo ni, Fakaalofa lahi atu, Kia orāna, Tālofa lava, Mālō e lelei, Talofa, Noa'ia, Ni sa bula vinaka, Mauri, Tēnā koutou katoa and warm greetings to you all.

Welcome back to school. 2023 was a wonderful year, and 2024 is going to be even better.

Our teachers have loved introducing themselves to your children and getting to know them. We have a very busy and exciting year ahead and another busy term.

Camp for Year 7/8s is only a couple of weeks away! This year, camp is FREE for all our Year 7 and 8 students. We also have our Meet the Teacher Evening on Thursday 8th Feb at 5pm in the School Hall. This is a great opportunity for you to get to know your child's teacher better and set up good communication between teachers and families.

Please note that hats and appropriate footwear are essential at Glenbrae School. We require BLACK school shoes, or black sandals. Crocs and coloured shoes are not appropriate, as they are not the correct school uniform. Please see the page in this newsletter with some suggested footwear options for your child. We have also included some suggested outlets where you may find the right shoe for the right price.

Coming to school regularly is a key part of your child's education. Regular means - every day! Not just the days our children feel like getting out of bed. The earlier they go to sleep the night before, the more energy they have the next day. Families whose children are not at school can expect phone calls and house visits to get our kids back to school ASAP - but we simply cannot achieve good attendance without our families support.

At school, we provide a free lunch and breakfast for everyone. It is a delicious and healthy part of our day and we are proud to provide this for our families.

Welcome back to this year and we are looking forward to another very busy year ahead!

Ngā mihi nui

Robbie Perreau
Principal

First Day Back at School

Thursday 1st Feb was our first day back and our kids had a great time meeting their old friends, making new ones and getting to know their new teachers. Here are some pics from the day!





Attendance at School

We love having your children here at school! They bring life, energy and learning! Whilst we know that some days we have appointments, family events and celebrations, we feel sad when our students miss out on school unnecessarily, so we wanted to share these facts with you:

If your child misses:	That equals:	Which is:	And over 13 years of schooling, that is:
1 day every 2 weeks	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1.5 years
1 day per week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2.5 years
2 days per week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years
3 days per week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years

Important Upcoming Dates

Tuesday 6th Feb	Waitangi Day (Public Holiday)
Thursday 8th Feb	1:30 - Water Fun Day (Whānau Competition)
Thursday 8th Feb	5pm - Meet the Teacher Evening
Mon 12th - Thurs 15th Feb	Year 7/8 School Camp
Thurs and Fri 15th, 16th Feb	Year 5/6 Tiritiri Matangi Island Trip
Wed 20th March	3 way conferences (all day - no classes this day)
Fri 29th March	Easter Friday (Public Holiday)
Mon 1st April	Easter Monday (Public Holiday)
Tue 2nd April	Easter Tuesday (no school this day)

Property Updates

Over the school holidays, we have completed a number of projects including the painting of the outside of the school pool, a new garden and new concrete outside Rooms 1-6.



School Shoes - What is and isn't allowed!



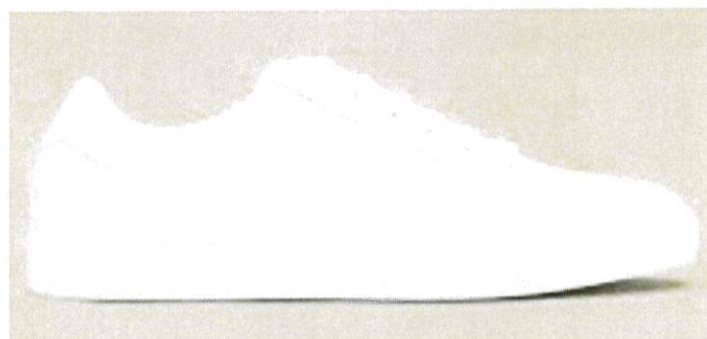
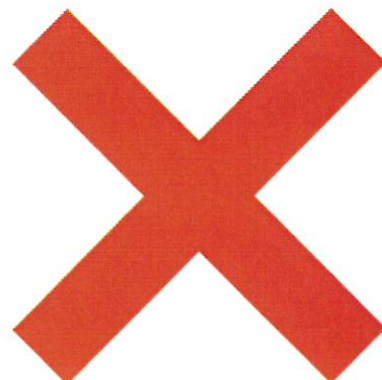
Here are some shoes which are great for school



https://www.numberoneshoes.co.nz/kids/school-shoes?_sl=2

<https://www.thewarehouse.co.nz/c/clothing-shoes-accessories/school-uniforms-accessories/school-shoes>

Here are some shoes which are NOT allowed at school



Ongoing Key Reminders and Notices

Valuables/money/phones that get brought to school and get lost are completely the child's responsibility and the school will not search for or be responsible for these lost items if they are brought to school!

Students are not permitted to bring mobile phones/smart watches to school. If they bring one, they need to hand it to their teacher to look after during the day.

Vaping or smoking on school grounds is completely unacceptable at Glenbrae School. Students who bring these items to school will face the consequences for doing so.

Glenbrae School has a uniform which is available for purchasing at the office. The correct school uniform needs to be worn every day, which includes a Glenbrae School hat during Terms 1 and 4.

If you have changed any of your contact details please keep the office informed. We need to be able to contact you in an emergency and these details are vital to be kept updated!

All of Glenbrae School's Policies and Procedures are available for viewing at anytime at www.glenbrae.schooldocs.co.nz. The username is **glenbrae** and the password is **glenbrae123**.

Absences - please call the office on 09 528 5025 if your child is not coming to school that day. If we do not hear from you, we will txt you and after numerous days away, we may have to place a referral to our attendance service for follow up.

Fizzy drink, lollies, chocolate, chewing gum etc are a big NO NO at school. If found, they will be confiscated and returned at the end of each day. We look forward to your support on this. We supply free lunches so there is no need to drop off lunch if your child has forgotten it that day!

Keep it named! Please name every piece of uniform your child has. This makes it so much easier to find when your little one may have left something behind.

OPEN DOOR POLICY Our school runs on an "Open Door Policy". This means that should you have any questions or concerns about anything please do not hesitate to contact us. Don't be a stranger, but pop in anytime you can. We'd love to see you! If at any time you wish to see any of your child's teachers about something specific please telephone the school to organize an appointment. At times there are bound to be issues that crop up and we encourage you to air your concerns but ask that you speak to the person involved first. If you have done this and feel there has been no success, you are more than welcome to see the relevant senior staff member or myself. If you are wanting information on your child's progress, it is advisable to book a time to see teacher. This will enable the teacher to give you the time you deserve to have the proper conversation. Classrooms are busy places in the mornings before school and immediately after, and it is not always possible for the teacher to give full attention to your queries if you do not book in advance.

All visitors to the school must sign in at the office upon arrival. This includes your high school aged students who return back to school!

Uniform Reminders

Please ensure your child is wearing black shoes to school please. This is our school uniform. Please see some examples on what black school shoes are acceptable. Glenbrae School's uniform is the same for boys and girls, with girls having the option of wearing shorts or the skirt. We encourage parents to purchase at least two school uniform T-shirts which have the school logo and a school uniform blue jumper which has our school logo on it. The black school shorts are to be worn in the summer months. Plain black trousers/long pants can be worn during the winter terms which are Term 2 and Term 3.

School Board Updates

Makerita Lote-Fepuleai has now joined the school board.
The 2024 board meeting dates are as follows, at 4pm.

Wednesday 21st Feb
Wednesday 27th March
Wednesday 8th May
Wednesday 19th June
Wednesday 7th August
Wednesday 18th September
Wednesday 6th November
Thursday 12th December

Free Data

Glenbrae School's Website does not use any data, so you are free to browse away 24/7 without using your mobile data, if you use 2degrees, One NZ (formally Vodafone), Spark, Warehouse Mobile, Skinny, Slingshot or Orcon.

2024 Curriculum Overview

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Duration	Module	Learner Profile	Curriculum Focus	Big Idea
3 weeks	Ko wai tātou? Who are we? GBS values What does it look like?	Students contribute to a better world.	Social Sciences: Culture and Identity	Through our shared GBS values we are connected to each other, to the community and to the wider world.
4 weeks	Te whakapuaki i ahau Expressing myself	Students are empowered. Students are creative.	Visual Arts	Visual Arts is an effective way of expressing my culture and identity.
7 weeks	He kaupakihi matou We are entrepreneurs	Students contribute to a better world. Positive digital citizens.	Technology Mathematics	An entrepreneur identifies a need in the market and realises the opportunity.
6 weeks	He aha kei waho i te waahi? What is out there in space?	Students actively participate in the wider world.	Science: Planet Earth and Beyond	Curiosity is a strong driver to explain the unexplained about the solar system and beyond.
5 weeks	Te whakapuaki i a tātou ano Expressing ourselves	Students are empowered. Students are creative.	Performing Arts	Performing Arts is an expression of how people see and celebrate the world.
5 weeks	Te tinana me te hinengaro taurite Balanced body and mind	Students are empowered. Students contribute to a better world.	Health and PE: Personal Health	Leading a balanced life empowers us to enhance our personal wellbeing.
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5 weeks	Te mahi a nga hapori How Societies Work	Students actively participate in the wider world. Students are positive digital citizens.	Social Sciences: How societies work	If a society has not been conquered / colonised, how might they have evolved and developed?
4 weeks	Te whakaoti i ta tātou ako Wrapping Up Our Learning	Students are creative and empowered	Vison: Grow, Believe, Succeed	We show our school values through our learning to Grow, Believe, Succeed

Email Addresses of Teaching Staff

Please contact your classroom teacher in the first instance if you have any questions or queries about your child's learning. The teachers will warmly welcome you to a meeting to discuss matters together in a collaborative way.

Room Number	Teacher Name	Teacher Email Address
Room 1	Viena Ripata (DP) and Bashnee Naidu	vienar@glenbrae.school.nz bashneen@glenbrae.school.nz
Room 2	Shadab Ayub	shadaba@glenbrae.school.nz
Room 3	Cardell Tino	cardellt@glenbrae.school..nz
Room 5	Jamin Paramore	jaminp@glenbrae.school.nz
Room 6	Andrew Te Aotonga (DP) Kris Sheath	andrewt@glenbrae.school.nz kriss@glenbrae.school.nz
Room 7	Amy Tofa	amyt@glenbrae.school.nz
Room 8	Shwe Kyee	shwek@glenbrae.school.nz
Envirosciences and Release Teacher	Dupendar Nath	dupendarn@glenbrae.school.nz
Reading Recovery	Angela Kelly Jane Reading	angelak@glenbrae.school.nz janer@glenbrae.school.nz
Principal	Robbie Perreau	principal@glenbrae.school.nz

Student Support

School's Social Worker - Murray Te Huki - murrayt@atwc.org.nz

School's Nurse - Yun He - yunh@adhb.govt.nz

**Contact Details - Required to contact you in times of
Emergency**

Parents please fill in your updated contact details and return this page to the office if any have changed, otherwise please leave blank.

Address where the child lives:

Name of Father / Caregiver:

Mobile Number: _____

E-mail address: _____

Home of father: _____

Name of Mother / Caregiver:

Mobile Number: _____

E-mail address: _____

Home of mother: _____

In case of emergency - contact person:

Name: _____

Relationship with child: _____

Mobile Number: _____

E-mail address: _____