## Wednesday 6th March 2024

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### Dear Parents

Thank you to all the parents and caregivers who came to our recent International Open Day, and parent interview evening. The purpose of the meetings may have been a bit confusing for some parents who thought the teacher would be telling them about how their child was doing at school. However, these meetings were for teachers to have the opportunity to meet you, and for you to provide the teacher with information about your child. It is important that at the beginning of the year, we gather information about your children as it is proven that when there are strong learning partnerships with parents and an environment where students have a sense of belonging, there will be improved outcomes and personal success.

We are sorry that there were delays with some parents' interviews, and also that there were not enough slots for all parents. If you missed out on an interview, please contact your child's teacher to set up an alternative time.

We plan to hold teacher / parent conferences on Wednesday 3 April and Thursday 4 April. Teachers will provide information on your child's learning at these meetings. More information will come home closer to the date.

## Charter, Strategic and Annual Plan:

The Charter, Strategic Plan, Annual Plan, Analysis of Variance and Targets have now been finalised. If you would like to read these documents, they are available from the office. Alternatively, you can read the Strategic and Annual Plan on our website.

### **Board of Trustees Meeting:**

The next Board of Trustees meeting will take place on Tuesday 9 April at 5.30pm in the staff room. You are welcome to join us.

### **Swimming:**

We have been very lucky to have Swim Skills for Life coming to our school. They are trained tutors and will be spending a week with junior classes and a week with senior classes.

The junior programme will start on Tuesday 5 March and will run until Monday 11 March, inclusive. The senior programme will begin on Tuesday 19 March and will run until Monday 25 March. Please send swimsuits to school with your child each day that they have these lessons. Swimming is part of our school curriculum and it is so important that children learn to swim. We are one of the few schools in New Zealand that has a swimming pool and we are very privileged to have Swim Skills for Life come to our school at no cost.

### Bike Ready:

We are also very lucky to have Bike Ready coming to school on the 18 and 19 March to work with our Year 5 and 6 children to teach them basic riding and safety skills. They supply all the bikes, safety gear and instructors for this very worthwhile programme.

### Sun Hats:

I was out in the playground yesterday and found that many of the children were outside without their sun hats. It is very important when the weather is so hot, that the children are wearing sun hats when they are outside. Can you please make sure that your child has a sunhat and they bring it to school each day. It is also important for them to bring an unbreakable bottle of water to school, to keep hydrated in this hot weather.





# <u>Important Dates to Remember</u>

▼ Tues—Mon	5-11 March	Swim Skills lessons Juniors	<b>V</b>
	19-25 March	Swim skills lessons Seniors	
Friday	8 March	Whole School Assembly	1:40pm
Mon—Tues	18—19 March	Bike Ready for Year 5 &6	
Tuesday	19 March	Positive Puberty Parent Info Evening	5:30—6:30pm
Friday	22 March	Whole School Assembly	1:40pm
Friday	29 March	Good Friday	SCHOOL CLOSED
Monday	1 April	Easter Monday	SCHOOL CLOSED
Tuesday	2 April	Easter Tuesday School Holiday	SCHOOL CLOSED
Wednesday	3 April	Parent-Teacher Interviews	3:15pm—6pm
Thursday	4 April	Parent-Teacher Interviews	3:15pm—7pm
Friday	5 April	Whole School Assembly	1:40pm
Tuesday	9 April	Board Meeting—all welcome	5:30—7pm
Friday	12 April	Last day of Term 1	SCHOOL CLOSES AT 2PM



## **GARDEN TO TABLE**

Could you be a Garden to Table volunteer?



Volunteers are required on Friday mornings

(9am—11am) to help our students in the garden or in the kitchen.

Please email jos@glenfield.school.nz

For more information or if you can help.





Our Kidpower strategy focus in this newsletter is "Rubbish bin Power"

Put those hurting words into the Kidpower rubbish bin and replace them with words that make you feel good about yourself.



## SAUSAGE SIZZLE POSTPONED

There will be no sausage sizzle this Friday

The next Friday Sausage Sizzle will

be on

the 15th March

## **MERIT CERTIFICATES**

The following children were awarded
Merit Certificates at the last assembly for
demonstrating qualities from our
GPS Learner Aspirations and our GPS Learning
Tools:

RM 1: Eva M, Arrow A, Kate T.

RM 2: Ghilman A, Maila M, Makenna W.

RM 8: Cid L, Renee F, Myiesha F.

RM 9: Noah R, Noah L, Kyrie G.

RM 10: Naomi A, Sasanda J, Vivaan M.

RM 11: Liah P, Shayden T, Vanessa V.

RM 12: Callum R, Breeze T, Patricia H.

RM 13: Leo M, Pax H, Tenuli W.

RM 14: Ken T, Louis X, Maanvik D.

RM 15: Abby S, Cris L, Vladimir P.

RM 16: Vanya E, Jonry O, Harper D.

RM 19: Jay O, Jeriah A, Zach L.



### **EASTER HOLIDAY**

Friday 29 March—Tuesday 2 April SCHOOL CLOSED

Please check our online newsletter for our community notices on HERO

# For parents and whānau

Practical information about education for parents and carers

# Student attendance: A guide for parents and caregivers

Every single day counts towards your child's learning at school and gives your child the best chance to gain qualifications and do well in life.

### Parents and caregiver expectations

Ākonga | students are legally required to attend school every day. Support is available for families of children who are struggling to attend.

- Parents play a big role in helping their child do well in school. You can do this by making sure your child goes to school every day and letting the school know if they're sick.
- Parents must make sure children are enrolled and attend school every day.
- Family holidays or taking time off for extracurricular activities are not acceptable reasons for being absent.

# What are my legal responsibilities as a parent or caregiver?

Regularly attending school helps students to get the most out of their education.

Children must be enrolled in a school. If they leave a school you need to make sure you enrol them in the new school right away.

You must let the school or kura know if your child is going to be absent for a day, or intends to be absent for a portion of the school term for whatever reason, like a tangi or medical procedure.

You are also responsible for letting the school know if your child is moving schools.

#### **Tips for parents**

- Talk to your tamariki about why school is important, be positive about it, and help them build good habits.
- Schools and kura can help too. They should create a welcoming environment, have clear rules about attendance, and support local activities that promote going to school.
- We know that families sometimes have problems, and that can make it hard to focus on school. But there's help available.
- Schools and parents and caregivers should work in partnership to support tamariki regularly attend school. If your children is reluctant to go to school and you're having trouble, talk to your school.

# Getting help if your child is not attending regularly

We know there can be important reasons why children aren't coming to school, such as long-term illness, bullying, or financial challenges for families. If your child is affected by any of these, talk to your school first.

Your school will work with you to remove barriers to attending. There are many kinds of support available that might help make it easier for students to come to school. Your school might also connect you with other agencies or alternative education pathways.

If you have more serious concerns, contact your local Ministry office.

Local Ministry of Education offices [https://www.education.govt.nz/our-work/our-role-and-our-people/contact-us/regional-ministry-contacts/]

### More information

When your child is wagging\_school [/secondary-school/your-child-at-school/when-your-child-is-wagging-school/].

<u>Learning support needs [/learning-support/learning-support-needs/]</u>

<u>Costs and financial assistance [/primary-school/schooling-in-nz/costs-donations-fees-and-financial-assistance-including-childcare-subsidy-link-scholarships/]</u>





# **Glenfield Primary**

5 weekly sessions

Starts: Thurs 7th March

Time: Morning tea

Venue: School Field

Cost: \$59 per child

\$29.50 per extra sibling

Register on enrolmy.com/msports-northshore



M-sports-footykids.org.nz





# Music Lessons for 2024

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#### One-Off Events

- irten Garage Sale, 8.30am-11.45 Ipm @ Birkdale Community House, Hall & Park n departure from Birkdale Community House nop, 9am-4pm @ Birkdale Hall

- Barefoot Harry, 10am-12pm @ Tui Park , 5.30-7pm @ Beach Haven Primary ck Party, 3.30pm-6pm @ Opoketal Gardens estival, 5pm-8pm @ Kauri Park School 8. Market, 10am-2pm @ Beach Haven Community House, 9am-

#### **Weekly Events**

- Mondays: Kai Tahi, 5.30-6.30pm @ Beach Haven Community House & Birkdale Hall
  Tuesdays: Körero Mäori Mai, Ilam-Ipm @ Birkdale Community House
  Wednesdays: MäMäFIT, 9.30-10.30am @ Beach Haven Community House
  Wednesdays: Fa Reo for the Whänau, Ioam-10.30 @ Beach Haven Community House
  Wednesdays: Kiddy Kapa Haka, 10.30-11.30am @ Beach Haven Community House
  Thursdays: Pasifika Zumba, opm-7pm @ Beach Haven Ratepayers Hall
  Thursdays: West African Drumming, 6.30-7.30pm @ Birkdale Hall / House
  Fridays: BDC Hip Hop Dance Class, opm-7pm @ Birkdale Intermediate
  Various Dates: KCFT Summer Fun www.kcft.org.nz
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Check out the full programme - www.birkdalebeachhaven.org.nz





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### Dear family,

Do you own your house?

Do you have a spare room?

Do you like spending time with children?

Are you interested in hosting students?

Would you like to make some exta money, \$330 to \$380 per week?

We are homestay agents and have been placing homestay students for 7 years now. Students are from various different countries and are mainly here for a short time (2 weeks to 2 months) and are looking for the local New Zealand family

If you are interested please feel free to call or email us for further information.

**Amy and Robert** 

Owner / Operator