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Coming Events

Sports Camp One Totara Springs	27 June– 1 July
Meet the High Schools Evening	6 July 7pm
Last day of Term	Fri 15 July

"Meet the Secondary Schools" Evening

On Wednesday 6 July we are hosting our annual "Meet the Secondary Schools" evening for our Year 8 students and caregivers. A notice is being sent home with Y8 students with further information.

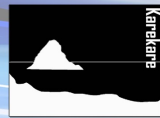
Community Survey

We will shortly be sending home a community survey to ascertain whether our views as a school, and what we offer your child educationally, matches your own views. We would appreciate you completing this survey and returning it to your child's classroom teacher by Friday 8 July.

Dates for your Diary

We are holding our Open Nights for Year 6 students 7.00–9.00pm on Tuesday 2nd August and Thursday 4th August

Glen Eden Intermediate School



Kia Ora and Greetings

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

This is Week 8 and our Sports Camp One team are preparing for their camp at Totara Springs in Matamata next week. This annual fixture has become a highlight for our students who have trained regularly over the past months to ensure they are well prepared for this event. We wish Ms Va'ai and the team well.

Fantastic Achievement

I want to congratulate the Children's Literature Quiz team members - Sue Ko, Daniel Dowling, Scott Plumpton and Arantxa Zecchini Dowling—who travelled down to Parliament Buildings in Wellington last Wednesday and represented Auckland as Auckland Champs in the National Competition.

This event is an annual one and it was a fantastic effort from them all. Well done students, despite the uncertainty of the flight schedules.

Food for thought

An extract from "My Principal's Digest".

The whole child: healthy, safe, engaged, supported, challenged

An achievable goal for our future is for parents, educators policymakers and communities to join forces to ensure all our children become productive and engaged citizens. Children deserve an education that emphasizes academic rigour, as well as essential 21st century skills of critical thinking and creativity. We can all share a broad vision of achievement and accountability that promotes

the development of children who are healthy, safe, engaged, supported and challenged. Our communities can look at the whole education and social picture and make sure that each student:

...enters school healthy and learns about and practices a healthy lifestyle

...learns in an intellectually challenging environment that is physically and emotionally safe for students and adults

...is actively engaged in learning and is connected to the school and broader community

...has access to personalised learning and is supported by qualified, caring adults

...is challenged by a well-balanced curriculum and is prepared for success in further study and for employment in a global environment.

Literature Quiz Success

Congratulations to the following students who were placed 1st in the Auckland heats of the NZ Children's Literature Competition on Tuesday 7 June:

Sue Ko R21
Daniel Dowling R2
Scott Plumpton R21
Arantxa Zecchini Dowling R21

Congratulations, also, to the second GEIS Literature Quiz team:

Sabine Blokker R21
Rueben Mita R21
Emma Gray R21
Katana Scanlon R2
Rowan Hart (reserve) R21

They all performed admirably in the nail-biting Auckland heats on Tuesday 7 June.

As a result of winning the highly contested Auckland heats, the team of four students and their two coaches, Mrs Runnerstrum and Mr Jenkins, were honoured to be invited to Wellington to attend the national finals held in Wellington, Wednesday 15 June. This was a rollercoaster ride as their Jetstar flight was cancelled due to the Chilean volcano ash cloud problems, however they were fortunate to secure seats on an Air New Zealand flight at the very last minute. They arrived at the Beehive, just in time for the competition to begin. A couple of the team members were unwell however

they all competed admirably against 12 other nation-wide teams. There was media coverage at the event, with a "Close Up" film crew giving them air time due to their valiant attempts to get there. An unexpected overnight stay meant that their sojourn in Wellington was memorable. It was a most successful adventure, reaffirming Glen Eden Intermediate's pledge to offer students wonderful opportunities.

Mrs Runnerstrum and Mr Jenkins would like to express their deep gratitude to the students' parents, Glen Eden Intermediate and ALL the associated people that helped to make the GEIS Children's Literature Team Champions' dreams come true.



