



# Glen Eden Primary School - Newsletter

## Number 33 - 6 November 2018 - Week 4



It was a huge Wednesday at GEPS last week when 80 OMD workers left their offices and headed to our kura to help us out. We are so very grateful to them for all of their mahi. It was amazing to see what 80 adults could achieve in a day. Here is a list of what was completed: art masks attached to wall by hall, new plants planted along fence garden, bark pathway made through fence garden, mulch done on all trees along fence garden, art and new seats installed in fence garden, new flax planted and mulched by Biggles fence, Garden to Table gardens weeded, paths mulched, new soil added, stakes and netting removed from fruit trees, all trees on field and fruit trees mulched, feijoa trees trimmed, fenceline weeded and tidied and rubbish removed, library deck water blasted and painted, back pool wall water blasted and painted, wall by netball courts water blasted and painted, old pool murals painted over, year 6 dance decorations made, Xmas parade decorations made, wall by SWIS office cleared and rubbish thrown away. PE shed shelves smashed out and PE shed painted, all new PE shed balls blown up, total sort of all PE equipment, new storage for PE gear assembled, poetry cards readied for use in classrooms and working with Garden to Table to provide lunch for everyone.

We were lucky to have the help of Alanah Mullins - ex Twin Streams worker and Colin Blakeborough for the day. Our own staff: Stacey Yates, Casey Bellingham, Julie McCallum, Dianne Rayner, Kathryn Arbon, Barry Pavlovich and Margaret Thorby each had control over certain areas and workers for the day. We held a whole school pōwhiri for the OMD crew. Our school leaders did a karakia before kai and our kapa haka group did an amazing haka at the end of the day to thank the OMD workers. Stacey Yates and students are making some art work to send and there are class letters that have been sent too.

The strike planned for November 12 looks like it is going ahead. Glen Eden Primary will be closed for the day and staff will not be on site.

Sadly we have made the decision to cancel the Boogie and Bingo night. Arohamai to all who had planned on coming. Next year we are going to set dates early and make sure that we tell everyone in time to ensure that these events are all sold out! Thanks to the Nga Kaitiaki team who have done and continue to do such a fabulous job for our tamariki.

This Thursday half of our school will travel to The Trusts Stadium for our athletics day. The idea of going to the stadium is to give our students the experience of running on a real track and jumping and throwing using correct equipment. The day is also about choosing our school team, who will return to the stadium to compete against other schools, it gives everyone an opportunity to be a "real" athlete for the day. Thanks so much to Casey Bellingham who has worked tirelessly to organise this event and who will be up and about early in the morning to set it all up.

Here are our recent recipients of our Principal's Proud Pupil Pizza Prize winners. These students are all Year 5s from our kapa haka group. They represented us so well at Henderson Intermediate.

Ngā mihi mahana

Donna Soljan



### Dates for your Calendar 2018

Thursday 8 November	Senior Athletics @ Trust Stadium
Friday 9 November	NO ASSEMBLY
<b>Monday 12 November</b>	<b>School Closed for Teacher's Strike</b>
Thursday 15 November	Out of Zone Term 1 2019 applications close
Friday 16 November	Junior Athletics 2:15 pm Assembly R11 Ballot for Term 1 2019 out of zone places
Thursday 22 November	Kiwi team trip to Zoo
<b>Friday 23 November</b>	<b>Individual &amp; Class Photos - NEW DATE</b> 2:15pm Assembly R12
Tuesday 27 November	6:30pm Maori & Pasifika consultation hui
Thursday 29 November	Interschool Athletics
Friday 30 November	Mayow Fun Day
Monday 3 December	11am Helper's morning tea 6:30 Board of Trustees Meeting in Staffroom
Wednesday 5 December	7:00pm Year 6 Dance
Friday 7 December	Kiwi Swimming Sports No Assembly
<b>Thursday 13 December</b>	<b>1pm Prize Giving Assembly</b>
<b>Friday 14 December</b>	<b>Final day - School Finishes at 12pm</b>