



# Glen Eden Primary School - Newsletter

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An update to last weeks athletics results - Kian Olsen also came 1st in the 60m final.

Thanks to everyone who helped on the Mayow Fun day. It was an awesome day for all. Great to see that some staff enjoyed the bouncy castles, the swimming pool and the water slides too!

Last week we also held our Year 6 dance. This is an event to farewell our Year 6 students and celebrate their time at primary school. Thanks so much to all of the whānau who attended and special thanks to all of the staff who put in so much effort to make this a special night.

Along with the Year 6 students we farewell some staff members. Connie Igasan is leaving us to take up a senior teaching position and Sarah Irwin is also leaving GEPS this year. We thank them both for all of their mahi and the input into our tamariki, we wish them both the very best for the future.

In 2019 we welcome three new staff members and welcome back one staff member. Heather Dellow is returning to GEPS. New to GEPS are Aaron Pulman and Nicole Tye. The BOT have also appointed a new caretaker who is Grant Castle Kopua. We are very lucky that we have such quality staff joining our school and we are already excited about how great 2019 is looking for our kura. The full list of our 2019 Staff is on the back.

Today all students met with their new class and their new teacher. All students will receive a pack telling them their new room, new teacher and stationary list. The stationary shop will be open on Thursday 24 January 1pm - 3pm, Friday 25 January 8am - 12 noon and Tuesday 29 January 8am - 3pm.

Our prize-giving is Thursday 13 December at 11am. Whānau may take students home after this if they wish but we ask that they are signed out at the office first please.

Our last day is Friday 14th December when school finishes at 12pm. Shining Stars will run from this time. All other students will need to be collected or walk home as usual.

For 2019 the BOT has made the decision to move our before and after school care to SKIDS. This programme will be OSCAR subsidised and there will be lots of information in the new year. Sign up information and contact details will be posted on Facebook and sent via the app as soon as we have all of the details correct. Shining Stars will continue to operate the holiday programme at GEPS over the summer break.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the staff for all of the mahi this year. So many of our staff go above and beyond for our tamariki and work tirelessly for them. We are so lucky to not only have a fabulous teaching staff but we have an incredibly talented support staff who do so very much for our kura and our whānau. Thanks also to our BOT and to our families who help make GEPS a great place to be.

I hope everyone has a well deserved break over summer and wish everyone the very best for the holiday season.

Ngā mihi mahana

Donna Soljan

### Dates for your Calendar 2018

Thursday 13 December	11am Prize-giving Assembly
Friday 14 December	Final day - School Finishes at 12pm
Wednesday 30 January	First day of school 2019



As many of you may have heard this is Barry Pavlovich's last year at GEPS. He has been an amazing caretaker at our kura for the last 16 years and our school looks so good because of all of his mahi. At 72 years old Barry has decided it is now time for a bit more fishing and time with whānau. We know that he will still be popping in regularly and he is still going to help set the school up ready to open in perfect condition for January. We are really going to miss Mr P but he remains part of our GEPS family and is always welcome back.