



Glen Eden Primary Team Newsletter, Term 3, 2020



Nau mai, haere mai! Welcome to Term 3!

Welcome to the beginning of a very busy and exciting Term 3!

Across the school, classes will be focusing on The Performing Arts - dance, drama and music - and there will be opportunities for each team to present their work on stage at different performances. There will also be the opportunity to attend our school production of Lion King which many Year 4-6 students will be involved in, either in behind the scenes preparation or on the stage. Our Takahē and Kiwi classes will also have weekly waiata sessions with kapa haka tutors. Classes will continue to focus on developing the use of digital technology in a range of teaching and learning contexts. Expert teacher Kate will be working with teachers and in classes. Please remember to use our school app - it is a fantastic way to advise us of student absences or change of contact details, to see the newsletters and to give permission for trips. If you haven't already got it, just download the Skool Loop app and search for Glen Eden Primary.



Tui Team News:

Stardome Observatory Trip



Tui classes will be going on a trip to the Stardome Observatory in either Week 2 or Week 3 this term. Each class is starting the term with a mini inquiry into Matariki and the 90 minutes session at the Stardome will be all about Matariki. Information about this trip and permission slips has been sent out via our Skool Loop app. Paper copies for those who need them have gone home too.

University of Canterbury Kiwi Competitions

For those students who have paid for these, they will take place in Week 2 of this term (27th - 31st July).

Garden to Table:

Our Garden to Table programme will continue to run again this term and we are again looking for more whānau members to come along and help out whether it be in the kitchen - preparing and cooking food with the students, or in the garden - planting, watering, weeding or harvesting with the students! It is really important that all students wear covered shoes, have long hair tied back and have a jacket available if possible, for their Garden to Table sessions.



Schoolwide important dates & reminders:

August

- 3rd - Cook Islands Language Week
- 5th - Student led conferences - school ends at 1:30
- 11th - Train safety presentations

September

- 7th - Tongan Language Week
- 10th - Out of Zone student ballot
- 14th - Te wiki o Te Reo Māori
- 15th - Lion King matinee
- 16th & 17th - Lion King night performances
- 24th - Term 3 ends
- 25th - Staff only day

Tui Team important dates & reminders:

July

- 27th - 31st Kiwi competition test
- 29th - R10/R14/R16 trip to Stardome
- 31st - Interschool Hockey

August

- 3rd - R3/R7 trip to Stardome
- 7th - Y6 transition to Int at Kelston Int
- 21st - Interschool Gymnastics
- 28th - 2:15pm R7 Assembly

September

- 2nd - Last day for GEIS Y6 enrolments
- 4th - 2:15pm R10 Assembly
- 8th - Interschool Basketball
- 9th - Interschool Basketball

Term Three Garden to Table sessions:
(subject to change)

| Week | Tuesday | Thursday | Week | Tuesday | Thursday |
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| 1 | Room 3 | Room 7 | 2 | Room 10 | Room 14 |
| 3 | Room 16 | Room 3 | 4 | Room 7 | Room 10 |
| 5 | Room 14 | Room 16 | 6 | Room 3 | Room 7 |
| 7 | Room 10 | Room 16 | 8 | Room 14 | Room 3 |
| 9 | Room 7 | Room 10 | 10 | Room 14 | Room 16 |

If you are keen to come and have a look or help, please leave a message at the office with your name and number for Julie or Michelle. Any help is gratefully appreciated!

Our Garden to Table programme runs on a Tuesday and Thursday from 11.20-12.50pm.

Pop along and see what we do in these sessions!

Health and PE:

This term our PE focus will be on large ball skills and strategy involved in games such as Netball, Basketball, Tapawae etc. We are really fortunate to have a well stocked PE shed thanks to Miss Bellingham, so it means that all students can be active and fully participate in their classes PE sessions. Tui Sport will start again this term, and the focus will be on Athletics. We want to allow students the opportunity to practice all of the track and field events that we run at our Athletics day early in Term 4. The rotation will include High Jump, Shotput, Discus, Sprints and Long Jump.

Digital Technology:

The Tui team teachers are doing lots of exciting new learning in the digi-tech area - so there are some new ways of teaching and learning planned this term in the Tui classes this term, a flow on from some of the outcomes from lockdown. These new developments promote rich tasks, student agency, monitoring self, decision making and self/peer assessment - watch this space!

Cultural Groups:

Kapa Haka and Samoan group will start this term, working towards items to perform at Kelifest in Term 4. Whaea Monica and Miss Toluaki will be taking Kapa Haka. Mr Davids and Liz will be taking the Pasifika group. Students in Tui team can choose to be in either Kapa Haka or Pasifika group. By choosing to be in one of these groups, they commit to the in-class session and also any additional lunchtime practices that are needed. These groups are optional. Students not in these groups will be focusing on learning some element of performing arts with either Mr Paopao Brown, Miss Bellingham or Mrs Maoate during the cultural groups in class session time.

Choir:

Unfortunately, due to COVID-19, the APPA choir festival that we are normally involved in has been cancelled for 2020. This means there will be no performance at the Town Hall this year. Fortunately we can still offer our Tui students the opportunity to sing in a choir, as we need a choir to perform as part of The Lion King production, Mrs Chettiar has already started working with students who have shown an interest in singing in the production choir. If your child wants to join, it's not too late, but they need to see Mrs Chettiar ASAP!

Year 6 Enrolment to Intermediate:

If you have a student in Year 6, now is the time to start thinking about where they will be going to Intermediate. Glen Eden Intermediate enrolments are due in before the 2nd September - the Out of Zone ballot will be done shortly after this date, so if your child is out of zone and you want them to go into the ballot, it MUST be in by then. Please come and see Alana McKenzie if you have any questions or need some support in enrolling your Year 6 child into an Intermediate.

We are looking forward to an action packed term in Tui team!

Ngā mihi manaakitanga,

Tui Team Teachers

