



Glen Eden Primary School

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Kia ora GEPS whānau and welcome to Week 4 of Term 3

Nav mai haere mai Qingyu.

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you! What a great turn out we had at Student Led Conferences. We really appreciate the effort that whānau go to in order to partner with us to discuss children's progress together. If you couldn't make it on the night you are very welcome to make an appointment before or after school with the teacher and have the conference then. Again - thank you so very much for coming!



It's great to see an increasing number of parents with the Skool Loop app. This app can be used to sign permission slips, text in absences and as a way to stay up to date with latest reminders and news. You can also send emails, contact the office and update your contact details. On the app you will see businesses who have sponsored the app so that it does not cost the school. Please support these businesses if you have the chance. [Skool Loop App](#)

Last Friday all of our Year 6's had a great time at Kelston Intermediate School. All of the teachers who went reported back that our students were outstanding in every way. Well done Year 6 students. Our Year 5 students at GEPS also did a fantastic job of filling in and doing all of the roles normally covered by their tuakana.

Yesterday several GEPS staff visited kura with Māori bi-lingual units. Next year we are planning to have a Year 5/6 and a Year 3/4 Māori bi-lingual class. At student led conferences we asked for expressions of interest for these classes. We will be putting these classes together over the next few weeks and will follow up with phone calls to those who were keen. Please email me at donnas@geps.school.nz if you would like your child/ren to be in this pathway in 2021. Early next term we will be holding a whānau hui which will further explore what this pathway looks like for our tamariki and give parents the opportunity to ask questions around this.

Next term we will also be having a Pasifika fono. We have Nick Tuatasi as our guest speaker and our Pasifika group will be performing. Please save the date - 5 November. We are still keen to hear from anyone who has knowledge of fale building so we can get plans underway.



Last night I was lucky to be able to go and watch two of our netball teams in action. I love the energy and positivity of a GEPS sideline! Lots of encouragement, acknowledgement of good play from both sides, laughter, a wee sense of tension in a close game and a great sense of community. As always we are very lucky to have fabulous coaches who give of their own time every year so that we can have teams playing. Fa'afetai lava GEPS Netball whānau - you are awesome!

Ngā mihi mahana

Donna Soljan

Dates for your Diary	
Friday 14 August	2:15pm Assembly - R11
Monday 17 August	Lion King tickets go on sale
Thursday 20 August	Takahē team trip to the Zoo
Friday 21 August	Interschool Gymnastics 2:15pm Assembly R6
Tuesday 25 August	2:00pm Takahē Team Performance for Whānau 6:30pm Board of Trustees Meeting
Friday 28 August	2:15pm Assembly R7
Tuesday 1 September	2:00pm Kiwi Fiesta Performance for Whānau
Wednesday 2 September	Last day for Glen Eden Intermediate School Enrolments
Friday 4 September	2:15pm Assembly R10
Monday 7 - 11 September	Tongan Language Week Conservation Week
Tuesday 8 September	Interschool Basketball Competition
Wednesday 9 September	Interschool Basketball Competition
Thursday 10 September	GEPS Out of Zone enrolment close and Ballot takes place
Friday 11 September	No Assembly
Tuesday 15 September	1:30pm Lion King Performance - Matinee
Wednesday 16 September	6:30pm Lion King Performance
Thursday 17 September	6:30pm Lion King Performance
Friday 18 September	No Assembly
Monday 21 - 25 September	Chinese Language Week
Monday 21 September	Rooms 6 & 15 to Stardome Observatory
Tuesday 22 September	Rooms 1, 2 & 12 to Stardome Observatory 6:30pm Board of Trustees Meeting
Thursday 24 September	Last day of Term 3
Monday 12 October	First day of Term 4