



Glen Eden Primary School - Newsletter

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Nau mai haere mai Destiny,

Like everyone, our thoughts are with all of those affected by last Friday's tragedy. We started our week with a minutes silence, lowered our flag to half mast and joined together in waiata as a kura. The importance of living our school values of manaakitanga and whanaungatanga is highlighted by these recent events.

At GEPS, we practise lock down drills and hope that we never have to use them. However, we are trained in what to do in an emergency and regularly go over our systems for this.

In any emergency, it is important that all of your contact details are correct. Thank you so much to everyone who has taken the time to ensure details were updated last week. We do appreciate this. Apologies to some whānau as only one ethnicity was printed by our student management system. Please know that we do have all details that you filled in on enrolment for your tamariki.

Last week, some of our students got to go to Polyfest and see the kapa haka stage and the diversity stage in action. Miss Toluaki, Whaea Monica, Mrs Chettiar and Grant were all super impressed with our students. A comment from one staff member mirrored that of one student when they simply said "Best day ever!"

From Tuesday to Friday, Kathryn Arbon, Lana Aitken and I are attending a conference in Melbourne about teaching and learning. Alana McKenzie will be Acting Principal in our absence.

A reminder that all out of zone enrolments for Term 2 need to be in by April 5.

Finally to our Muslim whānau - Assalaamu 'alaikum wah rahmatullahi wa barakatuh. You are us.

Ngā mihi mahana

Donna Soljan

Last week's proud pupil pizza prize winners were Ezrah, Miakoda, James and Zymus who saw that the scooter monitors were away, so quickly stepped in and got the job done.



Dates for your Calendar 2019

Friday 22 March	2:15pm Assembly R5
Wednesday 27 March	6:30pm Parent Camp Meeting in the Hall
Friday 29 March	2:15pm Assembly R6
Monday 1 April	6:30pm Board of Trustees meeting in Staffroom
Tuesday 2 April	Interschool Cross Country
Wednesday 3 April	R14 Bush Camp day trip
Thursday 4 April	R10 Bush Camp day trip
Friday 5 April	R8 Bush Camp day trip Out of Zone Enrolments for Term 2 close - Ballot held 2:15pm Assembly R14
Tuesday 9 April	R3 Bush Camp day trip
Wednesday 10 April	R7 Bush Camp day trip
Thursday 11 April	6:30 Camp parent helpers meeting
Friday 12 April	Last day of Term 1
Monday 29 April	First day of Term 2
Wednesday 1 May - Friday 3 May	Tui Camp
Friday 10 May	9:15am Pōwhiri 2:15pm Assembly R8
Friday 17 May	2:15pm Assembly R16