



# Glen Eden Primary

## Team Newsletter, Term 4, 2019



### Nau mai, haere mai! Welcome to Term 4!

#### Curriculum Focus Area

This term, the whole school will continue to focus on creativity in both The Arts and Technology with a minor focus on manaakitanga and ways we can give back as a group. How this looks will vary across classes and levels throughout the school. Term 4 is always an exciting and incredibly busy term and we hope to be able to open the swimming pool once the weather warms.

#### "Genius Hour, Personal Project, Curiosity Hour"

This term Tui team classes are continuing with their genius hour. Students will get an hour a week this term to explore and learn something that they are interested in - whether it be learning another language or learning to play an instrument, e.g. ukulele as an example. Whatever the new skill is that they choose to learn, at the end of the term they will be given a chance to share this learning with a group of their peers and teachers.

#### Pasifika, Choir and Kapa Haka performing at Kelifest

Our Pasifika and Kapa Haka groups have been working hard over the past few terms to prepare for their performance at Kelifest, which is being held on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October (Term 4, Week 2) at Kelston Intermediate. Our groups are performing between 1:30 & 2:00pm. Choir have also been learning and practising their songs all year in preparation for their choir festival which is held at the Town hall later this year. Choir will also perform at Kelifest with Kapa Haka and Pasifika. All Kelifest performers will have a dress rehearsal on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October, during Assembly time.

#### Health & PE Focus:

##### Athletics

For the first 5 weeks of Term 4, we will be focusing on Athletics in preparation for our Senior Athletics day which is on Friday in Week 5. The focus will be on Sprints, Relays, High jump, Long jump technique, Shot put and Discus. Each class will be going out twice a week, and practice two different activities each session.

##### Swimming: Skillz4Life

In Week 6 of this term the pool will open and we will begin with two weeks of Skillz4Life lessons with Swimming Instructors. We are fortunate to have these instructors come in and work with our students, at no cost to our families, as they are in high demand and the progress we see with our students over these two weeks is impressive. It is important that students remember their togs so that they can make the most of the lessons. If you do not want your child to swim because of illness or injury, please write a note to your child's teacher or pop in and let them know. Swimming happens approximately 4 times a week for each class. It is a fantastic opportunity for all involved.

### Schoolwide Important Dates

#### October

21<sup>st</sup> - Class and Individual photos  
28<sup>th</sup> - Labour Day - no school

#### November

8<sup>th</sup> - Last day for reports to go home  
14<sup>th</sup> - School discos:  
Kiwi @3:15-4:00pm  
Takahe - 4:15-5:00pm  
Tui - 5:15-6:15pm

#### December

5<sup>th</sup> - Mayow Fun Day at school  
12<sup>th</sup> - School Prizegiving Assembly @11:00  
13<sup>th</sup> - Last day of school for the year - school finishes @12:00

### Year 6 Dance

This year we are again having a “leaving dance” for the Year 6 students. We have booked professional tutors to teach the Year 6 students how to do dances such as the foxtrot, samba, hip-hop and the like throughout the term and these are the dances performed on the Year 6 Dance night. These lessons and the Dance night are only for Year 6s.

More information has gone home with the Year 6s in a separate newsletter.

### Garden to Table:

Garden to table continues again this term and the region being studied this term is Australasia. The Year 5/6 classes will get two rotations with their own class and each Year 5 class group will buddy up with a class of Year 4s for a session to introduce them to the programme in preparation for next year, whilst the Year 6s are at their dance lessons. We are **always** 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! There has been a change of time this term for Garden to Table = the sessions will be on a Monday and Thursday from 11.20am until 12.50pm. Just a reminder - it is really important that all students wear covered shoes for Garden to Table, preferably old ones that don't matter if they get a little muddy and have long hair tied back. A jacket is always a great idea at this time of the year as it can get a little chilly and wet down at the gardens.

If you are keen to come and have a look or help out, please leave a message at the office with your name and number for Julie or Margaret. Any help is gratefully appreciated! Our programme runs on a Monday and Thursday from 11.20am-12.50pm.

### Term 4 sessions:

*This is just a guide and may change if necessary.*

	Monday	Thursday		Monday	Thursday
1	R3	R7	2	R8	R10
3	Labour Day	R14	4	R3 Y5s & R2 Y4s	R3
5	R7 Y5s & R5 Y4s	R7	6	R10 Y5s & R11 Y4s	R8
7	R8 Y5s & R9 Y4s	R10	8	R14 Y5s & R13 Y4s	Mayow Fun Day

That's all from us for now.

Nga mihi nui,



Ms Casey Bellingham (Room 3 Teacher)  
 Whaea Monica Topia (Room 7 Teacher)  
 Mr Francis Paopao-Brown (Room 8 Teacher)  
 Mrs Mariah Chettiar (Room 10 Teacher)  
 Mr Leonard Davids (Room 14 Teacher)  
 Mrs Alana McKenzie (Assistant Principal and Tui Team Leader)

### Tui Team important dates and reminders:

#### All term

*Monday and Thursdays*  
 Garden to Table sessions  
 (see timetable)

#### *Friday mornings*

Chocolate bars for sale  
 outside the staffroom  
 8.30-9.00am  
 (until sold out)

#### October

25<sup>th</sup>

9:15am - Pōwhiri for new students and whānau

2:15pm - Kelfest performers school assembly

25<sup>th</sup> - Kelfest at Kelston Intermediate school

30<sup>th</sup> - Girls interschool Soccer

31<sup>st</sup> - Boys interschool Soccer

#### November

5<sup>th</sup> - 9:00-12:00pm Year 6 GEIS orientation day

7<sup>th</sup> - Interschool Tag competition

15<sup>th</sup> - Senior School Athletics day

18<sup>th</sup> - Skillz4life swimming lessons begin

25<sup>th</sup> - Choir @ dress rehearsal at Townhall

#### December

3<sup>rd</sup> - Interschool athletics

4<sup>th</sup> - 7:00pm Year 6 Dance

6<sup>th</sup> - Monitors trip

