



# Glen Eden Primary School Newsletter

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Week 4 | Term 2

## Kia Ora GEPS Whānau

A reminder that we serve breakfast in the wharekai every morning. As the weather gets a little colder, we will be doing toast and baked beans on some days in addition to the weetbix that we have every day.

Last week, our Year 6 students got to have an intermediate experience at Kelston Intermediate School. I know that they had a fabulous time. Again we had really good feedback about our students from KIS who commented on how great GEPS tamariki are.

Last Friday, Teuila and Whaea Monica took a netball team to Puni Reo - a netball competition where Te reo is expected to be used all of the time on court. It was a wonderful day with reo flowing and heard all day. A bonus was that our team easily won all of their games in the process. Ngā mihi to all who attended. Ka mau te wehi.

This week, we will share reports with whānau. Unlike other years you will be able to access these online through HERO. As you will be aware, significant changes are being implemented, at an unprecedented pace, across our education system. Whilst the changes are intended to improve outcomes for learners, the changes are causing significant work for teachers, school leaders and the communities we serve. There are new objectives, new levels and new sequences of learning. Instead of a curriculum level spanning 2 years, there is now an end of year expectation for every year level which sits within a 'phase' of learning. Phase 1 = Years 0-3, Phase 2 = Years 4-6, Phase 3 = Years 7 and 8. Students will have three years to master phases 1 and 2 and two years to master phase three.

The expectation of achievement has become significantly higher (more in some places than others). This means it may appear that some students' levels of achievement may appear to have dropped. This is unlikely to be correct: they will most likely have improved, but the goal posts/expectations have changed. As part of these significant changes to our education system, the Ministry has also announced that they are developing a new assessment tool, which all schools will be asked to use in 2026 to measure student progress against the revised curriculum. As our teachers are becoming familiar with the revised Mathematics and English curriculum, making judgments to communicate with whānau is a "work in progress".

Making accurate judgements against the revised curriculum is going to take time and will undoubtedly need some tweaks along the way. The link to the parent portal can give you some insight into the changes and indicate where your child sits. Here is the link: <https://www.education.govt.nz/parents-and-caregivers/schools-year-0-13/parent-portal/guide-for-the-new-zealand-curriculum-years-0-to-8>

We envisage that all reports will be "live" on HERO by the end of the week at the latest.

*Donna Soljan*

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Kairangi



Whanaungatanga



Manaakitanga



Ako

# Happenings

## T2 WK4/5 2025

DATES	HAPPENINGS
Tuesday 20 May Lunch – Chicken parma, garlic bread & fresh fruit	Interschool Rippa Rugby BOT Hui @ 6pm
Wednesday 21 May Lunch – Chilli & corn chips with fresh fruit	
Thursday 22 May Lunch – Teriyaki Chicken bowl with fresh fruit	School leaders @ Leadership day @ KIS
Friday 23 May Lunch – Pizza with fresh fruit, carrot sticks & moogurt	
Monday 26 May Lunch – Chicken Katsu, rice, coleslaw & orange wedge	R15 Assembly @ 2pm
Tuesday 27 May Lunch – Mac n Cheese & garlic bread	
Wednesday 28 May Lunch – Butter Chicken, rice, roti & pineapple	
Thursday 29 May Lunch – Lasagne with a side of veg	
Friday 30 May Lunch – Chicken Burger with a slice of brownie	
NOTES: Monday 02 June	Kings Birthday Holiday – NO school

# the SCIENCE ACADEMY

\*  
skids

Step into the lab with Professor Beaker  
for a wild science adventure!



## EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Get hands on with crazy experiments
- ✓ Make predictions and record your findings
- ✓ Earn stickers to track your progress



## CRAZY CHEMISTRY

Wednesday  
14 May



## EDIBLE SCIENCE 101

Wednesday  
21 May



## THE EARTH LAB

Wednesday  
28 May



Get ready to **EXPLODE** with knowledge!  
SCAN TO BOOK NOW







# Rise then Shine is operating at Glen Eden from Term 1, 2025!

Join us at sKids from **7:00am - 8:30am** for **Rise then Shine** as part of our Adventure Programme! Children can choose from seven Adventure Categories which offer a holistic approach to play based learning and development.

Breakfast provided!







*Did you know...*

**New OSCAR thresholds from April 1st!**

## Get up to 50 Hours of Free Holiday Care at sKids\*

You may be eligible to receive 50 free hours of Holiday Care through the OSCAR Subsidy. Terms and Conditions apply.

### How It Works

1. Check your OSCAR eligibility.
2. Complete and confirm your Holiday Programme booking
3. Apply for the OSCAR Subsidy: Families must complete the application process and be approved by WINZ to receive the subsidy.
4. Get up to 50 hours of free care: enjoy quality care for your child this School Holiday.

If you're already receiving the OSCAR subsidy, you can email us to find out how many hours of care you can receive for free.

\*Free 50 hours apply to eligible families receiving the highest OSCAR Subsidy threshold.



Scan this QR Code to find out more and book sKids Holiday Programme!

  
**sKids**



# Public Health Nurse

Kia Ora Whanau

A school public health nurse is available to discuss any concerns about your child's health, growth and development. This includes health assessments, health promotion, immunisation and home visiting. They are also able to help with skin and ear infections, asthma and eczema, bedwetting and soiling, hearing and vision concerns, linking to health and social services and advice about any other health concerns.

They can be contacted via [childandfamilywest.wth@waitematadhb.govt.nz](mailto:childandfamilywest.wth@waitematadhb.govt.nz).

Nga Mihi

Public Health Nurse  
Child & Family West  
Level 1 Snelgar Building  
55-77 Lincoln road, Private bag 93-115  
Mob. **021 242 3051 – Change of number**  
[childandfamilywest.wth@waitematadhb.govt.nz](mailto:childandfamilywest.wth@waitematadhb.govt.nz)



Dear parents and caregivers

The Auckland Regional Dental Service (ARDS) is a Te Whatu Ora-operated service, which provides FREE dental care to children across greater Auckland. In order to prevent any eligible children missing out on receiving free dental care, ARDS is cross-checking their own records with school rolls.

For our children's better oral health and wellbeing, our school roll will be shared with the service as required. To find out more information about ARDS, please visit [ards.co.nz](http://ards.co.nz) or call 0800 TALK TEETH (0800 825 583).



**Visionwest's  
Foodtogether Fruit  
& Vegie Pop-Up**

**Every Friday, 12pm – 2pm**

Visionwest's Food Together Fruit and Vegie Pop-up store is open to anyone. Purchase around \$30 worth of fruit and vegies for \$15.

You must order in advance.

**To pre-order go to:**  
[www.foodtogether.co.nz/products/vision-west-pop-up](http://www.foodtogether.co.nz/products/vision-west-pop-up)

*Come along to 97 Glendale Road  
between noon and 2pm on your  
chosen Friday to collect your  
fruit and vegies.*





## OUR COMMUNITY CONTACTS

 <p><b>Glen Eden Community House</b></p> <p><i>We offer:</i> Before &amp; After School Care School Holiday Programmes Van pickup and drop off to GEPS MSD Approved for OSCAR Subsidies</p> <p><i>Affordable, caring, committed and experienced staff Small numbers allows for a friendly environment</i></p> <p><b>13 Pisces Road, Glen Eden</b> Phone: 09 818 2194 / 021 133 0358 osc@glenedencommunityhouse.co.nz www.glenedencommunityhouse.co.nz</p>	 <p><b>Carmel Sepuloni</b> MP for Kelston</p> <p>09 818 4131 kelston.eo@parliament.govt.nz 200C West Coast Road, Glen Eden, 0602</p> <p>/CarmelSepuloniLabour @CSepuloni</p> <p></p> <p><small>Authorised by Carmel Sepuloni MP, Parliament Buildings, Wellington</small></p>
<p><b>Pisces Road Playgroup</b></p> <p><b>When:</b> Monday, Wednesday &amp; Friday 9.15 to 11.30am during school terms</p> <p><b>Where:</b> Glen Eden Community House 13 Pisces Road, Glen Eden</p> <p><b>Costs:</b> \$2 per family per session. Concession Cards Available</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We are a local group who meet so our children can interact and the parents/caregivers can socialise</li> <li>We have a paid supervisor who plans our activities and leads each session</li> </ul> <p>Phone: 09 818 2194 Email: piscesplaygroup@glenedencommunityhouse.co.nz</p> 	<p><b>FREE</b> INTRODUCTORY LESSON / ASSESSMENT 3rd FAMILY MEMBER FREE TERM DISCOUNTS APPLY</p> <p><b>All Ages 3 Months to 80 plus BEGINNER AND ADVANCED CLASSES AVAILABLE 7 DAYS</b></p> <p>Monday to Friday 3.30pm to 6.00pm Saturday and Sunday 9.00am to 1.30pm Classes for all ages from 3 months also available 7 days</p> <p><b>Waterhole Swimming Centre</b> Parrs Park, West Coast Rd, Glen Eden Phone 09 818 2312 www.waterholeswimcentre.kiwi</p> <p></p> <p><b>SPECIALS OFTEN AVAILABLE</b></p>
<p> <b>RSA GLEN EDEN RSA</b></p> <p>www.glenedenrsa.co.nz • Ph: 818 4219 or see our facebook page</p> <p>Thursday Night Club Night - Jokers Wild, Monster Meat Raffles, Quiz Night &amp; more Friday Nights - Karaoke • Sky Sports on our big screen TVs • Meat Pack Raffles Saturday Nights - Bands/Shows Sunday Sessions - Music 4pm to 7pm • Restaurant opens 5.30pm</p> <p> <b>The Foothills Restaurant</b> <b>All Welcome Great Food Great Prices</b></p> <p>Lounge Hire available for Functions • Yearly membership only \$40</p>	<p><b>JEREMY &amp; Linda MARPLE</b> 021 817 327</p> <p><b>AWARD WINNING TEAM</b> Recognised for exceptional service!</p> <p>Your West Auckland Real Estate Specialists</p> <p><b>HARVEYS</b> REAL ESTATE EST. 1918</p> 
 <p><b>Living life your way.</b></p> <p><b>VILLAS • APARTMENTS ON-SITE HOSPITAL</b></p> <p> <b>GREENVIEW PARK</b> RETIREMENT VILLAGE &amp; TERENCE KENNEDY HOUSE</p> <p><b>www.greenviewpark.co.nz</b></p>	<p> <b>freshchoice glen eden</b></p> <p><b>Proud to support Glen Eden Primary School</b></p> <p>142 West Coast Road, Glen Eden Phone 813 9030 Open 7am - 10pm, 7 days.</p> <p></p> <p><b>YOUR PROJECT IS IN EXPERT HANDS</b></p> <p>satisfaction guaranteed we have full liability insurance get in touch for your quote</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>General Handyman Services • Property Maintenance</li> <li>Painting and Decorating • Carpentry and Joinery</li> <li>Gardening and Landscaping</li> </ul> <p></p> <p>Get your service now and pay later </p> <p></p> <p><b>JULIANO EGYPTO</b> HIRE A HUBBY TITIRANGI &amp; NEW LYNN 021 280 7494 juliano.hireahubby@gmail.com</p> <p><i>No Job is too small, contact me to discuss how I can assist you.</i></p>

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