

Kia Ora GEPS Whānau

Nau mai haere maiZyl

Talofa lava GEPS aiga

Welcome to Samoan language week. The theme for 2025's Samoan Language Week is 'la malu lou sā. Folau i lagimā', which means "A well-grounded self is a successful self" Over 20% of our students identify as Samoan at GEPS. This week we will learn more about Samoa, the language, the traditions and our families at GEPS.

Last week our leadership team attended a two day conference in Hamilton. It was new learning for all of us on certain aspects of communication and it was powerful to learn all together. Huge thanks to Monica Topia and the rest of the GEPS team who kept the waka travelling in our absence. We are lucky to have such depth in our team with so many experienced and talented kaiako and staff.

On Friday, several students traded their full "kairangi card" for an ice cream sundae. Every student in the school has a kairangi card with several empty squares on it. Students can get their squares filled in by any member of staff when they are seen to be doing great things - this can be anything from writing an amazing story to helping someone in the playground. Once a card is full they can choose to use it to get a reward from the prize box or save it for ice cream day. There were over 70 students with filled in cards. Huge thanks to Almee Clunie who was a necessary helper with the dishing out of ice cream on the day. There will be another ice cream day towards the end of the term. Ask your tamariki about how they are going with their current kairangi card and how they got their ticks.

This coming Friday we are again having a lockdown drill with Harrison Tew. We have these at least once a year so that we are well prepared for if we ever have to do it for real. We tell students that the reason we may have to go into lockdown may be because of a dog on the loose or a swarm of bees as examples. You will get texts if and when this happens, including for a drill.

We send our best wishes to Mrs Thorby who is recovering in hospital after recent surgery. We look forward to welcoming her back to GEPS once she is 100% better.

Despite what the weather may bring this week we look forward to another week of learning at GEPS. Manuia le vaiaso!

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Manaakitanga

Ako

Happenings

T2 WK6/7 2025

DATES	HAPPENINGS
Tuesday 03 June Lunch – Spaghetti Bolognese with garlic bread	Samoan Language Week
Wednesday 04 June Lunch – KFC Lunchbox with a slice of pineapple	Kiwi Team @ MOTAT
Thursday 05 June Lunch – Sandwich with fresh fruit & anzac biscuit	
Friday 06 June Lunch – Pizza with fresh fruit, carrot sticks & a moogurt	
Monday 09 June Lunch – Chicken Katsu, rice, coleslaw & orange	Assembly R9 @ 2pm
Tuesday 10 June Lunch – Mac n Cheese & garlic bread	
Wednesday 11 June Lunch – Butter Chicken, rice, roti & pineapple	
Thursday 12 June Lunch – Lasagne with a side of veg	OOZ enrolment ballot for T3 @ 2pm
Friday 13 June Lunch – Beef Burger with pineapple & brownie	
NOTES:	



Make a Difference in Glen Eden! Join Our Committee

Are you passionate about hapori (community) development and eager to contribute your skills to a meaningful kaupapa (cause)? Glen Eden Community House is looking for dedicated individuals to join our komiti (committee) and help shape the future of our whare hapori (community house)!

About Us:

Glen Eden Community House is a welcoming wāhi (space) that fosters whakawhanaungatanga (connection), learning, and support within our hapori. We run various hōtaka (programs), hui (meetings), and kaupapa designed to empower and enrich the lives of our whānau (residents).

The Role:

As a komiti member, you'll play a vital part in guiding the rautaki (strategic) direction of our whare hapori. Responsibilities include attending hui, contributing whakaaro (ideas), supporting decision-making, and assisting with hapori initiatives.

What We're Looking For:

Enthusiastic and hapori-minded individuals.

Willingness to contribute time and mātauranga (knowledge).

Team players who value manaakitanga (care and respect) and mahi tahi(collaboration).

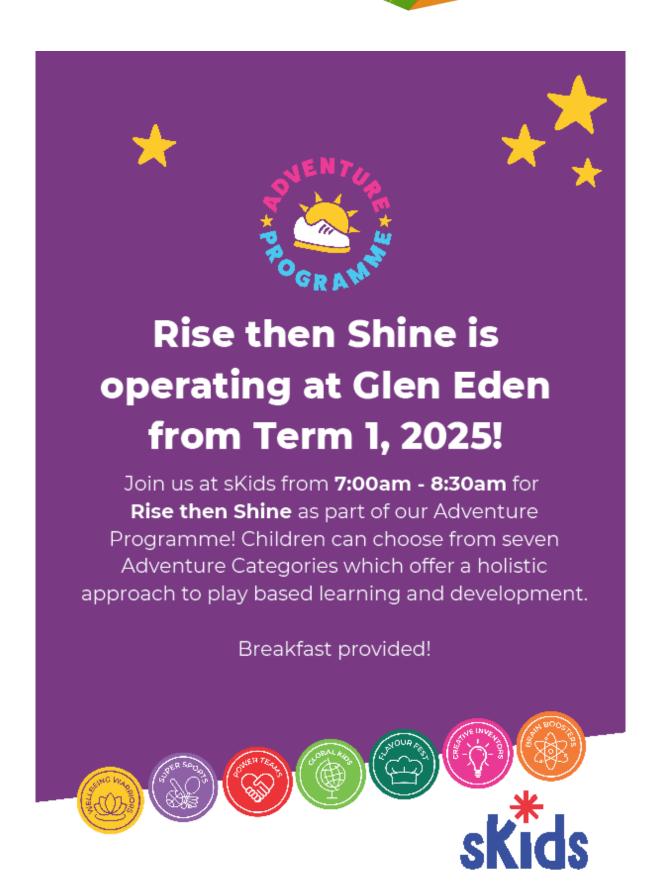
Experience in governance, pūtea kohi (fundraising), or hapori engagement (a bonus but not essential!).

Why Join?

Make a meaningful impact on your hapori. Connect with like-minded individuals. Gain valuable governance experience. Be part of exciting kaupapa and initiatives.

If you're interested in joining our komiti, we'd love to hear from you! Reach out to us at manager@glenedencommunityhouse.co.nz.

Together, we can make Glen Eden an even stronger, more connected hapori!





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Kia Ora Whanau

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They can be contacted via childandfamilywest.wth@waitematadhb.govt.nz.

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Public Health Nurse
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Level 1 Snelgar Building
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Dear parents and caregivers

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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 or call 0800 TALK TEETH (0800 825 583).



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13 Pisces Road, Glen Eden

Phone: 09 818 2194 / 021 133 0358 osc@glenedencommunityhouse.co.nz www.glenedencommunityhouse.co.nz

Pisces Road Playgroup

Monday, Wednesday & Friday

9.15 to 11.30am during school terms Where: Glen Eden Community House

13 Pisces Road, Glen Eden

Costs: \$2 per family per session. Concession Cards Available

- · We are a local group who meet so our children can interact and the parents/caregivers can socialise
- · We have a paid suprvisor who plans our activities and leads each session

Phone: 09 818 2194

Email:piscesplaygroup@glenedencommunityhouse.co.nz





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Thursday Night Club Night - Jokers Wild, Monster Meat Raffles, Quiz Night & more Friday Nights - Karaoke • Sky Sports on our big screen TVs • Meat Pack Raffles

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