



Glen Eden Primary School Newsletter

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Week 7 | Term 4

Kia Ora GEPS Whānau

Nau mai haere mai Misha

We are now hurtling towards the end of the year and still have LOADS of exciting things ahead. There is still plenty of learning happening, and teaching and learning programmes will continue till the end of the year too.

Thanks so much to our community for your amazing fundraising efforts. We absolutely appreciate every single dollar and look forward to putting that money back into our kura for the tamariki. I half hoped we would not reach the target but had to stick by my word and entered the slime pit with Mrs Fakalata and Mr Balthrop-Lee yesterday because we have raised over \$15K! The fundraising part closes on Friday which is when the prize portal will open.

Please note that we have postponed the colour run to Monday 24 November. More details will be sent home later this week.

Many of you will have seen the news items about kinetic sand. We have two spaces in our school that had some of this in it, neither are full time classrooms. The sand has been taken for testing and both spaces have been closed until we get results. We have followed all MOE guidelines and precautions.

Last week Kiwi team had a wonderful time at Kiwi Valley Farm. We had such an awesome whānau turn out. Thanks to Mrs Bergs and the Kiwi teachers for organising this trip and to all of the people who came and helped out.

On Friday all of our older students got to experience athletics at The Trusts Stadium. It was such a neat day with lots of fun, chanting and games combined with some keen competitive spirit. Thanks to Mr Shouaib for all of the work it took to put the event together and to all of the helpers who monitored groups, stations, events and joined in on the fun. We really love giving our students opportunities - in the case of athletics it may be one of the only times they get to experience running on a real track.

For those of you who are planning to attend, prizegiving is on Friday 12 December at 11 am. You will be notified earlier if your child will be receiving a prize and/or a certificate this year.

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Kairangi



Whanaungatanga



Manaakitanga



Ako

Happenings

T4 WK7/8 2025

DATES	HAPPENINGS
Tuesday 18 November Lunch – Meatball Pasta with garlic bread	
Wednesday 19 November Lunch – Chicken Korma with rice & roti	
Thursday 20 November Lunch – Lasagne & mixed veg	
Friday 21 November Lunch – Pizza with moogurt, carrot sticks & pineapple	
Monday 24 November Lunch – Hoisin Meatballs with rice, coleslaw & orange	Colour Fun Run @ 2pm
Tuesday 25 November Lunch – Spaghetti Bolognese & garlic bread	Interschool athletics BOT meeting @ 6pm
Wednesday 26 November Lunch – Chicken Noodle Salad	Junior athletics on field
Thursday 27 November Lunch – Sandwich with fruit & anzac biscuit	OOZ enrolment ballot for T1 2026 @ 2pm
Friday 28 November Lunch – Chicken Burger with pineapple & brownie	Monitors trip to Parakai Netball prizegiving in hall from 3.30-5.00pm
NOTES: Term 4 finishes Term 1 2026 starts	Tuesday 16 December 2025 Tuesday 03 February 2026



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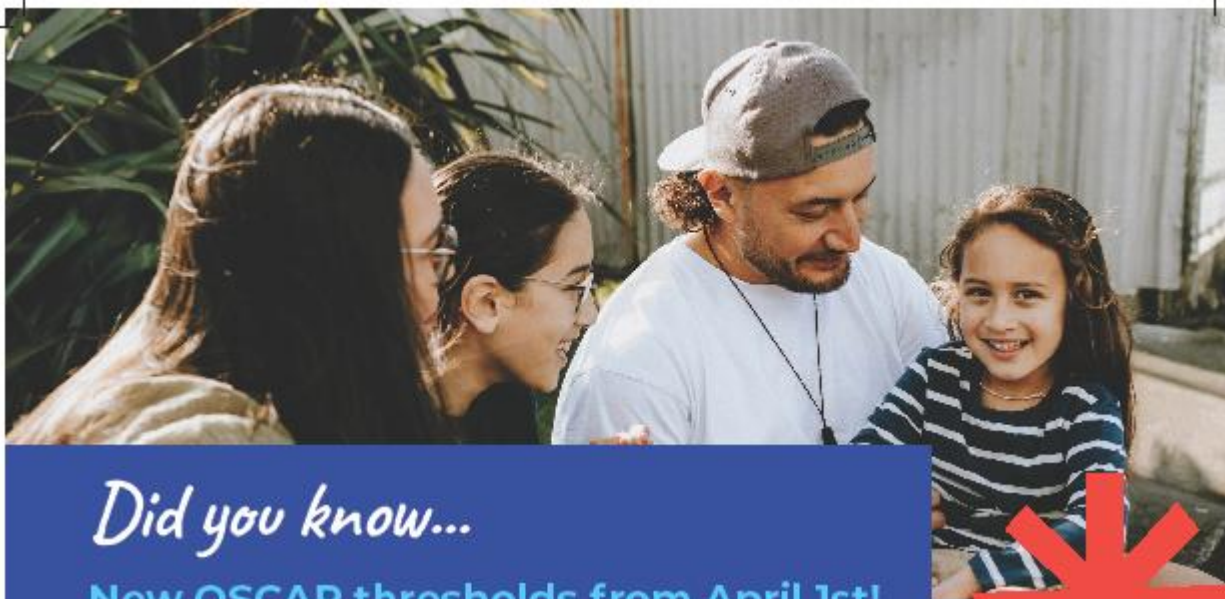
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3.00 PM - 7.00 PM
SAT, 22 NOVEMBER 2025

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BLOCKHOUSE BAY CHRISTMAS MARKET

**SATURDAY
22 NOV 2025**



05:00PM- 08:30PM



**Blockhouse Bay
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FRIENDS OF ARATAKI KIDS DAY!

Sunday 7 December 2025

11am - 3pm

Arataki Visitor Centre, 300 Scenic Drive, Nihotupu



Join us for the annual Friends of Arataki Kids Day!

- The Amazing Bug man
- Fire brigade and displays
- Face painting
- Roskill Rovers marshmallows
- Bouncy Castle
- Sausage sizzle (cash only)
- The Eel Whisperer
- Waicare water monsters... and more!

Parking: Kids Day parking is at 221 Scenic Drive with a free shuttle running to and from Arataki. Thanks to Montana. Parking is limited, please carpool when possible.

For more information visit facebook.com/aratakivisitorcentre



**You're
Invited**



Glen Eden Community House

Prospect Park, 13 Pisces Road, Glen Eden
www.GlenEdenCommunityHouse.co.nz

Saturday | 20 December 2025 | 9am - 12pm

Nau mai, haere mai!

Join us @ Glen Eden Community Market

Haere mai (come along) for a morning packed with kōrero (conversation), whakawhanaungatanga (building relationships), and creativity! Whether you're tamariki, rangatahi or pakeke (adults), there's something for everyone:

9:00 AM	Set Up of Activities	Car Boot Market Hand Crafted Goods Second-Hand Treasures Delicious Foods Hot Drinks Sugary Treats Great Vibes Awesome People
10:00 AM	Fire Truck Visit (10am) Dependant on no emergencies Sausage Sizzle Water Balloon Fight DIY Christmas Coasters DIY Christmas Crackers Hato Hone St Johns—Learn CPR Toddler Play Room Colouring in	
11:00 AM	Popcorn the Clown Magic Show	
12:00 PM	Event Ends	

Bring your whānau (family), hoa (friends), and tāngata noho tata (neighbours) – let's celebrate kotahitanga (unity), manaakitanga (respect), and vibrant hāpori (community) vibes. We look forward to seeing you there – ka kite koe i reira! (see you there!)

Flip over for Map and Parking

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.

Nga Mihi

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Mob. **021 242 3051 – Change of number**
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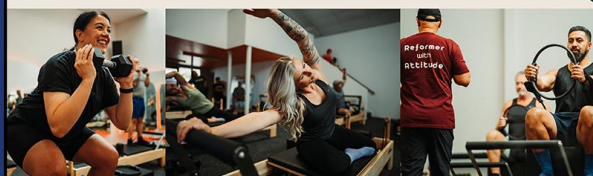
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