



Glenbrook School Newsletter



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Well here we are at the start of Term 4. I do hope all of you had an enjoyable time with your children over the term break. Now it is back to work with a very busy term ahead of us all.

Principal Awards

Congratulations to the following students who have been awarded a Principal's Award for the last week of Term 3.



Room 1: Samara Bloomfield

Room 3: Susatina Tuitavuki

Room 4: Jade Walters

Room 6: Kyla Fraser

Room 7: Luke Edgecumbe

Room 8: Fein Morison

Room 9: Josh Atwal

Room 10: Joshua Hopkins

Room 11: Grace Benefield

The Wild Olive Award goes to: Samara Bloomfield

Newsletter Format

As you can see the newsletter cover has arrived and this wonderful coloured cover will now be the basis for our newsletter. Please support the sponsors who have advertised on the back of this cover as they are the people who made this lovely cover possible.

Calf Club

Keep thinking positively about the weather and we will have a fine day on Friday. We are looking forward to this event.

Grandparent's Afternoon

A new initiative for Glenbrook School is to celebrate 'Greats and Grands' month by holding an open afternoon for the grand parents of our students. The date we are holding this is **Thursday 24 October from 1.30-2.45pm.**

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We will begin the afternoon with a welcome and a few items in the hall and then the students will take their grandparents to the classrooms. Afternoon tea will then be provided for them also. Next week's newsletter will have a return slip for you to indicate if your child's grandparents are able to attend.

School Uniform

One more term and the uniform will be compulsory to wear. The students who are already wearing their uniform look really great. The colour makes the uniform very smart.

Hats – the slouch hat style is required to be worn for term 4 also. Please ensure your child wears a named slouch hat please. Our sunshade will be up this week – hopefully – weather permitting.

Assembly

Because of Calf Club Day this Friday we will hold assembly on Thursday afternoon. All are welcome.

Bus Travel

I know many of you have just paid Term 3's bus invoices, however we need to send out Term 4's invoices out now.

There will be a two week timeframe for these invoices to be paid and as soon as the invoice is paid a pass will be issued to your child. They will need this pass with them daily for travelling on the bus. Should your child need to travel on the bus for a one off trip there is a charge of \$1 and this **MUST** be paid at the school office, with a note explaining the necessity of travelling on the bus. We have to be aware of loading on the buses so the one-off trips must be for special circumstances.

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Dates for your diary

Date	Event
9 October	Manual for Year 7/8's
12 October	Calf Club Day
16 October	BoT meeting
24 October	Manual
25 October	Grand parents afternoon

Please remember – if you have any queries re your child at school do not hesitate to contact the school to make an appointment to see the class teacher or myself – we are here to work in partnership with you.

Have a good week.

Kind regards,

Janice Mackay
Principal

Dragon Rider. Part 2.

He sprinted towards the gate and slipped under it, just like in one of those action films.

“Now what’s going to happen?” he thought - but he didn’t take any chances. As soon as he was on the back of Jade they were off flying out of the hole and over the terrifying rapids and half way towards the evil dungeons of Kingsley where Nesta was being tortured to tell the truth about the whereabouts of the ‘Stone of Glory’. Bayley and Jade swooped down towards the great black gates of Kingsley. With a soft bump they landed. Bayley crawled off the back of Jade. It was just like a ghost town here. The icy wind whistled through the statues wearing silver armour. All he could hear was the armour banging gently, his footsteps against the pavement and his heart pounding rapidly against his rib cage. In the distance Bayley heard a high pitched scream for help. He raced towards it. It must have been Nesta he had heard before, but there was more urgency in this scream. Bayley stopped - the sight he was seeing made his body freeze. Nesta was huddled in the corner with the guard’s sword close to her heart. He knew what he must do, but, he had to do it quickly and silently. Bayley got out the ‘Sword of Glory’. He tapped the metal gate between Nesta and himself. It opened. Bayley prayed to God that his sword

would not miss and hit Nesta. He took aim, took a deep breath and threw the sword. It spun through the air like a hot knife through butter, and with a soft thud it hit the guard squarely in the back. It looked like it was happening in slow motion. The guard hit the floor.

Nesta stood up and ran towards Bayley. She flung her arms around his neck, her soft brown hair slid across Bayley’s face. Her eyes glistened with tears.

“You saved me. How can I ever repay you?” she said as she looked into Bayley’s black eyes.

He knew exactly what to say. “You can tell me where the ‘Stone of Glory’ is?”

Bayley said. He hoped she would, she did say she would do anything for him.

“Sure” she pulled something out of her pocket and showed it to Bayley.

“The Stone of Glory!” he gasped “How did you get it?”

“See that mirror over there,” she said as she pointed to the far corner of the room.

Bayley’s mouth dropped open. It looked like a normal mirror – just like one you would have in your room.

“When a person who knows where the ‘Stone of Glory’ is kept looks into the mirror - the stone will appear in their pocket,” she said.

“Right,” Bayley said surprised, he was still trying to get his head around it all. “Well, we had better get going.”

As they were climbing on to the back of Jade, Bayley thought to himself ‘it was all too easy.’ At that very moment the huge army of Kingsley appeared in the valley below them. Arrows were shot up at them as Jade flew high above the army. Finally they were safe. Slowly the village of Lansa came into view. A moment later they touched down on the cobbled courtyard of the castle. The king sat on the stairs of the castle waiting for them.

Bayley presented the King with the ‘Stone of Glory’ – the stone that held Peace for the world.

“Thank you Bayley. Tomorrow afternoon you shall be ‘Knighthood’. Soon you will be Sir Bayley Mekia.”

The End

By Kimberley James

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CALF CLUB NEWS

Indoor Exhibits

This year all students will be taking part in the indoor exhibit section of Calf Club. The exhibits will be **created at school on Thursday 11th October** by the children. All children have been advised (either verbally or by notice) what they are creating and what they need to bring on this day. The exhibits will then be displayed in the classrooms and judged. When the classrooms are opened at 10.30am on Friday morning, children and family members are welcome to come and view all the exhibits.

Helpers Wanted

Helpers are needed this Thursday morning for packaging sweets for Calf Club. If you are available please meet Jane McGregor in the hall kitchen on Thursday 11th October at 9.00am, or let Jane know on 235 3539.

GARDENING GROUP

This group meets tomorrow at 9.00am for a Calf Club Day spruce up. All are very welcome.

WAIUKU ATHLETICS CLUB REGISTRATION

Date: Monday 15th October and Monday 29th October

Time: Between 5.30pm and 6.30pm

Venue: Waiuku Rugby Club

The prices remain the same as last year. Two to five year olds compete on the small track, and six to fourteen year olds compete on the big track. If you have any queries please contact Stuart Walters on either 235 8404 (home) or 0274 218 179.

GARDENING GROUP

This group meets tomorrow at school at 2.00pm. All welcome.

GLENBROOK KINDERGARTEN RECIPE BOOKS FUNDRAISER

Available from the Glenbrook School office at a cost of \$10.00 each and are full of Glenbrook families best recipes. They would make great Christmas presents!

WANTED TO BUY

A Video 8 to VHS cassette so that Video 8 films can be seen on TV. Please contact Marjan Coers at school.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD BOXES

If you requested an Operation Christmas Child Box/Boxes at the end of Term 3, the filled Boxes can be returned to the school office this week. Many thanks to all who took part in this worthwhile cause.

GLENBROOK SCHOOL ATHLETICS

If your child/children are seven years old as at 1st October 2007 they will be involved in the School Athletics Day, which is to be held on Thursday 1st November 2007 with the saving day on Friday 2nd November 2007.

Parent support is needed on this day please to **assist** with field events or judging of track events. If you are able to help please complete the form below and return to the school office or Marjan Coers, Room 7. I would really appreciate your assistance to make this day a success.

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Glenbrook School Athletics Day Helper's Slip

Yes, I am able to assist on: Thursday 1st
November / Friday 2nd November

I would like to help either with field events:
(please circle)

Discus / Long Jump / Shot Put / any event

Or track judging: 1st / 2nd / 3rd

Name: _____

Sign: _____

Telephone Number: _____