

GLENITI



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FROM THE SWIVELY CHAIR

Kia ora e te whānau,

Welcome back to Term 2! We hope you managed to enjoy some lovely time with your tamariki during the holiday break after a busy first term. It was exciting to cap off a great 11 weeks of learning in Term 1 with Rippa Rugby teams competing in the regional Subway Cup finals (huge congratulations to our Year 7&8 team who won the competition!) as well as send a group of students to Christchurch for the GRIP Student Leadership Conference - ngā mihi nui, a big thank you to Mrs Evans for her work leading this fantastic big day out.

Just nine weeks long, Term 2 is shorter than normal this year but with a focus on Science & Technology under our 2025 Kotahitanga overarching theme we know it will contain lots of great learning. Matariki, Cross-country, Jump Jam and Life Education are all things to look forward to alongside literacy, numeracy and topic studies. The school-wide whakatauki for this term is "Mā te kite ka mōhio, mā te mōhio ka mārāma." (Seek and discover, discover and know, know and become enlightened.) Some great guiding wisdom as our tamariki investigate Kitchen Chemistry, the water cycle and senior students begin to prepare for their projects for the Science Fair.

Road Safety Week (12-18 May) is just around the corner, and this year our House Leaders are excited to be working with Timaru District Council on a special Active Transport competition to encourage ākonga / students to 'park and stride' in the lead up to, and following, this week. Gleniti School has a great Active Transport plan that we will be sharing with you during this time. The plan includes a range of excellent options within 5-10mins walking distance of the school (Poplar St, Murchison Drive, Maryburn Place - through the park etc). We know that being active and movement is important to our mental and physical wellbeing, so as we head into winter please be encouraged to consider and support this student-led competition and alternative option to dropping off your tamariki at the school gate.

As the normal routines of school and work resume, we are looking forward to a great term ahead. Ngā mihi maioha - thanks for your support and partnership. It is appreciated!

Mark Creba

Tumuaki / Principal

OVERDUE PAYMENTS

We currently have a number of invoices outstanding for items that are not classed as donations.

The following payments are now overdue and we would appreciate these accounts being settled as soon as possible.

- Math Badges
- Science Badges
- IXL,
- Reading Eggs
- Math Mates
- Year 7/8 Technology
- All sports fees

If you have anything owing, you will receive a statement in the coming days.

If you are having difficulty paying these accounts, please contact the office.

PINK SHIRT DAY

Children are invited to wear pink on Friday the 16th of May in support of Pink Shirt Day. There is no donation required on this day.



ARRIVING LATE & EARLY PICKUPS

If your child arrives late for school or is being collected during the school day for an appointment or other reasons, you must let the office know so we can sign your child in and out. This is extremely important in case of a fire, lockdown or other emergency that may occur during school time.

WELCOME

Welcome to the following students who have recently started at Gleniti: Josef Negre R1, Jack Bartlett R17, Theo Ivey R3, Ajla Seferovic R4 and Hasan El Hendawi R16



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CROSS COUNTRY

GLENITI SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY 2025

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Weeks 4 and 8 of Term 2 see the return of our annual Year 5-8 and Year 0-4 Cross Country events.

	Year 5-8	Year 0-4
Date:	Tuesday 20th May	Thursday 22nd May
Postponement Date:	Tuesday 27th May	To be advised
Time:	1.30pm - 2.45pm	1.00pm - 2.45pm
Venue/Course:	Ashbury Park	Gleniti School

PARENT HELP NEEDED

Due to the large scale of these events we require a substantial number of parent helpers to act as marshalls, especially for the Year 5-8 event. Please remember these events can only go ahead with your support.

If you are able to help please either:

a) fill in and return the parent help slip below to the school office,

or

b) DM or text Nic Parmenter on **0211130687** with your name, the event you can help with and the day(s) you are available

Thank you,
Nic Parmenter.

Gleniti School Cross Country Parent Help information.

I am able to help with the:

- ☐ **Year 0-4 Cross Country: Thursday 22nd May (1.00pm - 3.00pm)**

I am able to help with the:

- ☐ **Year 5-8 Cross Country: Tuesday 20th May (12.00pm - 2.45pm)**
☐ **Year 5-8 Cross Country: pp. Thursday 27th May (12.00pm - 2.45pm)**

Name: _____ Phone number: _____

Childs name and Room number: _____

(Please return to the school office or respond by next Wednesday 7th May)



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KISS & GO AT THE P5!

As we head into Winter and wet weather ahead, a reminder that most parks on Heath St outside of school are 5 minute parks: between 8.30am-9.15am in the morning and at the end of the school day from 2.45pm-3.15pm.

It's not legal (or helpful to others) to remain on these parks for longer than 5 minutes during the morning school drop-off time.

We strongly encourage parents to 'Kiss and Go' when dropping off tamariki from your car if you choose to use these car parks in the morning.

If you would like to walk them into school in the morning - this is warmly welcomed, but please use the parking options further down Heath St, on Poplar St, or via Spring Rd, Murchison Dr, Maryburn Place etc.

Thanks for your support in this matter in consideration of others, and as we manage student safety at the school entrance.

It is not our desire or preference, but follow up action will be taken if needed for vehicles not meeting the P5 requirement.



OUR EXPECTATION FOR STUDENT ATTENDANCE

Regular attendance at school is important to your child's success and there is a clear connection between going to school regularly and doing well in the classroom. Making sure students attend and engage in learning is a shared responsibility. As a parent/caregiver you are responsible for making sure your child attends school every day.

If your child is going to be absent for any reason it is essential that you let us know as soon as possible. It is important that you phone us/send us an email/message us on Skool Loop or through the Parent Portal to confirm your child's absence and provide us with the reason.

We acknowledge that there are genuine reasons students may occasionally be absent. However, without regular attendance your child will struggle to make progress. If your child is absent regularly, or for extended periods, we will reach out to you to discuss the situation.

We are committed to supporting your child to attend school. If you're having difficulty getting your child to school, you can ask for support by:

- speaking with your child's teacher,
- sending us a message
- calling us and asking to speak to a senior member of staff

We can work with you to develop a support plan that addresses any barriers to regular attendance.

More information on attendance, including your rights and responsibilities as parents or caregivers, is available on the Ministry of Education's webpage: Attendance.

PRINCIPAL AWARDS



Douglas, Carter, Zachary, Suah, Archie, Greta, Evan
Theo, Dean, Toby, Mila, Emily, Tommi



Ryan, Fleur, Pippa



Hadlee, Manaaki, Evie



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IMPORTANT DATES

Monday 12th May - Friday 16th May

Road Safety Week

Friday 16th May

Pick Shirt Day - Wear pink to school - no donation required

Tuesday 20th May (postponement date Thursday 27th May)

Year 5-8 Cross Country

Thursday 22nd of May

Year 1-4 Cross Country at School

Friday 23rd May

Crusaders/Highlanders Non Uniform Day - no donation required

Monday 26th May

Teacher Only Day - School Closed for Instruction

Tuesday 27th May - 6th June

Team Kākano Swimming

Monday 2nd June

King's Birthday - School Closed for instruction

Monday 9th June - Thursday 12th June

Life Education Van - Years 1-3

Monday 9th June - Thursday 19th June

Team Rākau Swimming

Tuesday 10th June

South Canterbury Cross Country

Wednesday 18th June

Matariki Evening at school

Thursday 19th June

Jump Jam

Friday 20th June

Matariki - School closed for instruction

Tuesday 24th of June

Year 5/6 Sports exchange with Waimataitai School

Thursday 26th June

Mid Year Reports emailed home.

Friday 27th June

Last day of Term 2

Teacher Only Days, Student Led Conferences & Public Holidays

School will be closed for instruction on the following days:

Monday 26th of May - Teacher Only Day

Monday 2nd of June - King's Birthday

Friday 20th of June - Matariki

Monday 21st July - Student Led Conferences

Monday 18th August - Teacher Only Day

Monday 27th of October - Labour Day

Monday 10th of November - Teacher Only Day



GREAT KIWI EXAMS

The University of Canterbury is offering your child the opportunity to participate in the KIWI English, Mathematics and Science competitions. These skills-based competitions take place annually and are designed by New Zealand teachers for New Zealand students and closely align with the New Zealand Curriculum. For further information, please consult the CAM website www.canterbury.ac.nz/cam/. The competitions are open to all Year 5-10 students in English, Mathematics and Science. Students can only register for the year level they are currently in. Each student can enter in one or more subject. Each competition will provide parents/caregivers with an individual student report of their child's overall performance. These are available through your school. The supervised online tests will take place in the last 2 weeks of Term 2. The competitions are to be administered at school, under exam conditions and supervised. All participating students will receive a certificate, and a prize will be awarded to the top student nationally in each competition. Entry forms are available from the school office. **Last day for entries is the 7th of May.**

If you have any enquiries, please email Mrs Taylor in the office gillt@gleniti.school.nz





COMMUNITY NOTICES





Consider Others – Park Responsibly

Do Not Park or Stop Your Vehicle:

- On the right-hand side (except in one-way streets).
- Where it obstructs road users, including pedestrians.
- Near corners, curves, or intersections that block visibility.
- On the road if off-road parking is available (without damaging grass/gardens).
- On footpaths, traffic islands, taxi stands, or bus stops.
- Closer than 6 metres to:
 - An intersection.
 - The approach side of a pedestrian crossing.
 - A bus stop.
- In front of or within 1 metre of a driveway.
- Double-parking (alongside another vehicle).
- On no-stopping lines (broken yellow lines).
- In cycle lanes, bus/transit lanes during operational hours.
- On or near fire hydrants (within 50 cm or between hydrant markers)

! ILLEGAL PARKING



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YOU CAN BE FINED OR HAVE YOUR VEHICLE TOWED IF YOU PARK IN PROHIBITED AREAS.





COMMUNITY NOTICES

Seasonal Updates, Anytime



With our Skool Loop app!
Download today to keep up to date with school information. Notices, newsletters, absentee notifications and much more.

Simple free download
Scan the QR code or in Google play & App Store search 'Skool Loop' & choose our school once installed.

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youth week
WHAI WAHITANGA TAKE OUR PLACE

THE Y CENTRAL SOUTH ISLAND & PARTNERS PRESENT


SHOWCASE ON SOPHIA

FRIDAY, 23 MAY 2025 5:30-7:30PM | FREE ENTRY

YOUTH PERFORMERS WANTED

**BANDS | SINGERS | KAPAHAKA | DANCERS
MUSICIANS | POETS | GROUPS | INDIVIDUALS**

12-24 YEARS OLD? HERE'S YOUR CHANCE TO FLEX YOUR TALENT



SCAN TO SIGN UP TO PERFORM
<https://bit.ly/4lmXdi6>

TIMARU DISTRICT COUNCIL **the Y** **Refugee Settlement** **FIRE EMERGENCY** **Healthcare**

For info contact: Jo Skudder | jo@ymcasc.org.nz | 027 619 8379

Thriving with neurodiversity: A strengths-based approach for parents

Webinar - Thursday 7:30pm, May 15th



Anna Mowat



Morwenna Bates-Thornton



real parents

Bookings essential - limited places
<https://events.humanitix.com/neurodiversity>

