



# Glendowie School Newsletter

## Term 4 Week 7

Friday, 1 December 2017

IMPORTANT DATES: TERM 4, 2017		
Monday	4 December	Deadline for Intermediate Yearbook orders
Tuesday	5 December	Rainbow's End Road Patrol Trip - Year 6 selected students - 9 am - 2.45 pm
Wednesday	6 December	Pre-school Visit - 8.55am - 10.30 am - First Cohort
Thursday	7 December	Year 8 Leaving Assembly - School Hall 1.30 pm
Tuesday	12 December	Triathlon - Year 4 - 9.00 am - 10.30 am
Tuesday	12 December	Board Meeting - 6.00 pm
Monday	18 December	Mufti Day - Last Day of School - School Finishes at 2.00 pm
Wednesday	24 January	School Office Re-opens
Wednesday	24 January	Class Lists on Display - Boardroom Window
Wednesday	31 January	First Day of School for 2018
Sunday	18 February	Weetbix Tryathlon
Friday	23 February	P.A. Welcome Back Picnic

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### Message from the Principal

"Wow! A supercalifragilistic day of fun". That's what comes to mind when thinking back at the spectacular school fair we experienced on Saturday. The organisation was first-class, from all the wonderful stall leaders and helpers, the energetic parking attendants, and the many magnificent volunteers that helped with the tents, cooking & serving food, helping in the kidszone, sorting and selling the toys, books, and white elephant items. We also would like to say how much we appreciate all our parent community and sponsors for their countless donations and support over the past year. Too numerous to mention everybody individually but a very sincere and immense thank you to you all. However, there is a very special acknowledgement to the core fair Committee group for the many months of hard work and incalculable hours given towards to fair. Their commitment and perseverance to get through the enormous amount of organisational details that had to be planned and implemented, and their unbelievable stamina right up to the final clean-up on Saturday evening . . a HUGE thank you! We express our gratitude to the perfect dream team: dynamic leader **Jane Somerville** and **Kate Mawson, Steph Watson, Catherine Duffy. \$71,000 was raised - Whoo Hoo!**

A final word from a Year 7 student *"It was really entertaining and exciting how all the stalls were different and I could walk around with friends doing awesome activities. It was a bright and happy day"*, Helena.

### Cohort Entry

Earlier this year the Board of Trustees passed a policy on allowing cohort entry in 2018. They consulted widely with the community and have put in place the appropriate procedures. You will have seen in the media that the government intends to introduce an amendment that will restrict cohort entry to children over 5. The law hasn't been amended yet and we have received no communication from the Ministry of Education about this. This means we will continue our plans to introduce cohort entry as previously advised, starting on 31st January 2018 and allowing entry for children before they turn 5 provided their birthdays fall within the dates below. We will advise you as soon as there is any change.

2018 Term	Start Date	Who can start
1	31/01/2018	Children with birthdays between December 2012 up to and including 19 <sup>th</sup> March 2013
2	30/04/2018	Children with birthdays between 20 <sup>th</sup> March 2013 up to and including 10 <sup>th</sup> June 2013
3	23/07/2018	Children with birthdays between 11 <sup>th</sup> June 2013 up to and including 2 <sup>nd</sup> September 2013
4	15/10/2018	Children with birthdays between 3 <sup>rd</sup> September 2013 up to and including 11 <sup>th</sup> December 2013

### Board Meeting

Our last board meeting for the year will be held on **Tuesday, 12th December** at the earlier time of 6.00 pm. A copy of the agenda will be available from the school office after 3pm on the Friday before the meeting.

### Staffing

As mentioned in our last newsletter, we will sadly be losing several teachers for 2018 as they have made difficult decisions to move away from Auckland.

**Mr Allan Whatt** has been teaching at our school for nine years, mostly in the year 5 and 6 area of the school. Mr Whatt and his family are relocating to New Plymouth. We thank Mr Whatt for his commitment to our school, in particular the extra hours he has put into our sports programmes, often out of school time. We wish Mr Whatt and his family every happiness as they start their new life in Taranaki.

**Miss Courtney Dixon** will be leaving us after three years teaching in year 7 and 8. Miss Dixon has taken up a position on the North Shore which is closer to her home. Miss Dixon has also been active with our sports programmes and we will really miss her exciting and innovative ideas and support for our intermediate students.

**Miss Sarah Griffiths** is a teacher in year 2 who has been with us for two years. Miss Griffiths is moving to Wellington where she has bought a house - very exciting! We thank Miss Griffiths for her great contribution in year 2 and for the wonderful care and support of our students.

**Mrs Tara Gray** joined us this year in a year 4 class. Mrs Gray and her husband are venturing to India where Mrs Gray has secured a teaching position - exciting and challenging times ahead! Thank you Mrs Gray for all that you have given to our school and to your students in room 1.

**Miss Emily Critcher** has been working in year 1 since term 2 on a fixed term contract. Miss Critcher will be taking up a teaching role at another Auckland school. We thank Miss Critcher for giving our room 8 students such a great start to their schooling and we wish her well for the rest of her time in New Zealand.

We are very pleased that we have appointed replacement teachers for all of our classroom teachers - no mean feat given the very difficult employment situation in Auckland. We will welcome the following teachers in 2018:

**Mr Charles Liu** is a hugely experienced New Zealand trained teacher who will be taking up the position as year 3-4 syndicate leader. Mr Liu has strengths in Maths and IT and is also a fluent speaker of Mandarin.

**Miss Ashlea Lockett** is moving from Australia to join us. Miss Lockett is also a very experienced teacher who has strengths in English, Maths and PE and is thrilled to be joining us.

**Mrs Sian Strachan** has been working as a day reliever at our school this year and is very excited to be taking up a full time teaching position.

**Miss Hazel Fowler** is an Aucklander who has strengths in English and Maths. Miss Fowler also has a strong affiliation with Girl Guiding NZ and is looking forward to joining our team at Glendowie.

**Miss Helen Ball** is a UK trained teacher who has been teaching at an international school in Thailand for the last eight years. Miss Ball is looking forward to moving to New Zealand to be with her partner.

**Mr Thomas Pavletich** will be moving up from Dunedin to join us at Glendowie. Mr Pavletich is a keen sportsman who is looking forward to sharing his passion for rugby, touch and cricket.

**Miss Kelsi Butler** is originally from Havelock North and is also moving to Auckland for next year. Miss Butler is very excited to be coming to Glendowie and sharing her passion for learning and teaching.

**Ms Rachael Hobbs** will be joining the Montessori classes. Ms Hobbs is a New Zealand trained teacher who is currently at Orakei School.

#### **Important Dates to Remember**

School closes for the year on **Monday, 18th December at 2pm**. You are all welcome to join us as we say our final farewells on the field from 1.30pm.

The school office will re-open on **Wednesday, 24th January 2018**. If you have any urgent enquiries before then, please e-mail the school office [office@glendowie.school.nz](mailto:office@glendowie.school.nz) as e-mails will be checked and responded to regularly.

Class lists for next year will be on display in the boardroom windows from **Wednesday, 24th January 2018**.

School starts on **Wednesday, 31st January 2018**. Please line up on the courts in room order before the 9am bell and Mrs Biggs will welcome everyone back. Parents and caregivers are very welcome to stay for a cup of tea in the mini-hall once the children have been settled in the classroom.

#### **Mufti Day - Monday, 18 December**

On the last day of school please bring a non-perishable item of food for the Glenn Innes Food Bank for their Christmas Appeal. Breakfast cereals, pasta, tinned food etc.. **Extra Option** - If you wish to contribute a small gift to a child in need, we will also be collecting Christmas gifts that will be distributed by Salvation Army. They can be wrapped or unwrapped gifts, suitable for girls or boys of any age.

**Stationery for 2018** Your child's school stationery list will be coming home with their school reports, you will then be able to place your 2018 stationery orders online through Office Max.

#### **Uniform**

A reminder that wearing a school hat or cap is compulsory in Term 1 and Term 4 as part of our sun-sense policy. These can be purchased from our uniform supplier if you are ordering other items, or from the school office. Caps are \$12 and bucket hats are \$15.

#### **Intermediate Yearbook**

Each year, the intermediate students publish a yearbook celebrating the different activities and events completed during Year 7 and Year 8. This yearbook book is now available for intermediates to purchase.



## - THE - **INTERMEDIATE YEARBOOK HAS ARRIVED**

Order now on Kindo for \$12.00 by December 4th 2017

Yearbook made by the **MEDIA TEAM**

#### **Bluelight PCT Challenge**

Recently a team of four Year 7s competed at the 2017 Bluelight PCT Challenge. **Daniel, Amy, George and Hollie** competed in the competition which involved them completing the actual physical competency test that all New Zealand Police Officers are required to complete every two years, a police car push and a press up challenge. They placed 7th out of 17 schools and represented our school brilliantly, showing great teamwork and respect to the other teams and organisers. A big thanks to **Natalie Hanna** who managed them for the day.

#### **Art Competition**

Congratulations to our students who were prize winners in the recent art competition organised by St Heliers library. **Zakk** - 1st in year 7 & 8 category, **Mahalia** - 2nd in year 7 & 8 category (although she should have been in year 6!) and **Sienna** - highly commended in year 7 & 8 category. Fabulous results from our very talented students.

We also congratulate **Zakk** for his work with the Glen Innes Business Association. Zakk was inspired initially by a year 8 exhibition idea and wanted to use his artwork to somehow benefit the community. He was commissioned by the Business Association to turn one of his art works into a small painted mural, which can be seen beside the City Mission in Mayfair Place. His work was so impressive that he has now been commissioned to create another larger work to be painted in the Glen Innes town centre. This is part of their initiative to combat graffiti in the area. What a wonderful honour for Zakk, and a great recognition of his creative talents and hard work. We look forward to seeing the finished product.

#### **Epro8 Finals**

Well done to our Epro8 teams who competed in the Auckland semi-final last week (week 6). The teams had 150 minutes to design and build a number of machines in order to gain points, including a wind powered crane and a pinball machine. All teams displayed excellent collaborative and problem solving skills, finishing just outside the placings. We'd like to particularly thank **Sharon Walshe** and **Jackie Dale** for taking the Year 5/6 teams.

Cerebral Cortex: **Abhi, Danielle, Erica, Akasha.** Nerdz: **Mylo, Ella, Blair, Aidan.**

Sparks: **Joshua, Fraser, Jina, Alyan.** Brainy Bunch: **Grace, Regan, Kellan, Aidan.**

**Drink Water!**

We are **Elle, Demi and Emma** from year 8 and for exhibition we have been looking into the amount of sugar children are consuming. We have found that children are consuming way too much sugar and one of the reasons is because they are drinking so many fizzy drinks. We decided to make an advert for Glendowie students, promoting drinking water instead of fizzy drinks. You can check it out on the Glendowie Intranet or by following this link: <https://youtu.be/zx9NAgiV89k>

### The Twelfth Night

Many congratulations to our Arts Councillors and their dedicated team of intermediates who put on an amazing adaptation of Twelfth Night in the school hall on Tuesday. This project was completely student led: writing the scripts, casting, directing, creating props and costumes.

Directors - **Abhi and Ayane**

Actors - **Danielle, Erica, Monty, Hannah, Emma Rose, Maddy, Annabel, Phoebe, Rosie, Valentin, Abhi, Gia, Brianna, Michaela, Nathan, Helena, Grace and Jessica.**

Script Writers - **Nathan, Abhi, Jessica, Erica, Annabel, Gia, Valentin, Brianna**

Costumes - **Caitlin, Lara, Sophie, Abhi, Isobel, Erin**

Props - **Maya, Amelia, Aimee, Nathan, Louise, Hannah, Emma, Hamish, Samuel, Aidan**

Publicity - **Abhi and Ayane**

Media - **Jodie, Georgia and Sara**

### Otago University Maths Challenge

Congratulations to five of our most able mathematicians in Years 7 & 8, **Annabel, Luca, Ruby, Brianna and Maya**, who were invited to enter Otago University's Final Challenge based on their performance in the problem solving challenges during terms 2 & 3. A special mention to Annabel who came fourth overall in New Zealand and will receive a voucher for her accomplishments.

### Available to pay on Kindo - see link on our website under student services

Voluntary Donations	All Year Levels
Intermediate Year Book	Years 7 & 8 only
Rainbow's End Road Patrol Trip	Year 6 - selected students
Frosty Friday Punch Card	Parents Association Tab
Kaboodle Swim Bags	Parents Association Tab

### Road Safety

**Travelwise awareness** Never stop on yellow lines or double-park around the school. Parking like this can block the view of children and motorists.

**Park safe and protect our children.**



### Sports News

**Bay Suburbs Athletics** Well done to all the Year 5 & 6 children who competed at the recent Bay Suburbs Athletics Tournament, and congratulations to the following children who placed 1st, 2nd or 3rd.

**Yr 5 Girls** - Long Jump - **Rosie** 2nd, High Jump - **Rosie** 2nd, Softball Throw - **Laura** 1st, 100m Sprint - **Rosie** 3rd, 800m **Lucille** 3rd, Relay Team 1st - **Natalia, Rosie, Hope and Sophie.** **Yr 5 Boys** - Long Jump - **Solomon** 3rd, 200m Sprint - **Solomon** 3rd, 100m Sprint - **Solomon** 3rd. **Yr 6 Girls** - Long Jump - **Gemma** 2nd, High Jump - **Antonia** 2nd, Girls Relay 2nd - **Eden, Zadie, Gemma and Brook.**

**Eastern Zone Athletics** - Well done to all our Year 7 & 8 children who represented our school at Eastern Zone Athletics. They took part and had a great day. Congratulations to those who placed 1st, 2nd or 3rd.

**Year 7 Girls** - Relay Team 3rd - **Hannah, Elise, Leah, and Ruby.** **Year 8 Girls** - 100m - **Lizzie** 3rd, 400m - **Emma** 3rd, 800m - **Gia** 3rd, Long Jump - **Tracey** 3rd, High Jump - **Emma** 3rd. **Year 8 Boys** - Long Jump - **David** 2nd.

**Cricket - School Cluster** - Last week the Year 7/8 boys and girls cricket teams, along with the Y3/4 boys team, competed at the annual 6-a-side cricket tournament. The venue was Colin Maiden park, the weather sunny, and the breeze balmy. A great day to be out amongst it. The girls team had two very solid victories to begin

with. Boundaries were abundant and much excitement experienced. The boys 7/8 team faced tougher challenges, but managed to secure a victory. In the end they crunched out another victory in the afternoon session. The Y 3/4 boys team enjoyed a huge win first up, and then encountered sterner tests of their cricketing skills. All up a great day, with a huge amount of fun and experience garnered!

**Auckland University Cricket Club Tournament** - Last week **Miss Moyle** took three cricket teams to participate in the Auckland University Cricket Tournament at Colin Maiden Park. Each team played three games against other local schools, before competing in a final match after lunch to determine their place within their competition. All of the students represented our school with pride and displayed an I Care attitude.

**The Year 3 and 4 girls team** played superbly, winning all 3 of their pool games before facing St Heliers School in the finals. The girls had a great game, and they placed second overall in their competition. The team was coached by Miss Dixon and consisted of **Ariane, Sophie, Dinykah, Kate, Amber, Maddie, Celia and Olive.**

**The Year 5 and 6 girls team** won 2 of their 3 pool games, and played off against Point England School in the final to place 4th overall in their competition. Well done to **Zadie, Lily, Non Sone, Mahalia, Grace, Moya, Antonia and Paige.**

**The Year 5 and 6 boys team** won all 3 of their pool games and played Churchill Park School in the final. The boys played very well, and placed second overall in their competition. This is a great result, well done boys! Congratulations to **Oliver, Ryan, Oliver, Angus, Liam, Aidan, Finn and Liam.**

The day reflected all the hard work the students put into training over the last two terms. A huge thank you to all of the parent helpers and parents who came along on the day and supported.

**Weetbix Tryathlon** - Registrations are now open for next year's Weetbix Tryathlon. We encourage as many students to enter from our school, it is such a fun event and it is awesome to see so many of our students taking part. The Central East Auckland event date is **Sunday, 18<sup>th</sup> February, 2018** at Pt England Reserve! For more details please call **0800 WEETBIX (9338 249)** or **(09) 531 5080**. When entering online, please ensure that you link your student with Glendowie Primary School. [www.try.weetbix.co.nz](http://www.try.weetbix.co.nz) **Early Bird Discount Ending Soon.**

#### **Enviro News**

The Enviro Counsellors and Leaders have been working on creating an Enviro Vision for Glendowie School. There has been consultation with staff, students and the community and we are pleased to share with our community the vision:

"Glendowie School is a safe, clean and welcoming school that cares for and respects the environment and is inclusive of cultural perspectives related to our environment." This is achieved by:

- Students and adults learning about how the environment works and why we need to care for it. (Learning for Sustainability)
- Students and adults being encouraged to take action when solving problems. (Empowering Students)
- Promoting sustainability in our community. (Sustainable Communities)
- Recognising bicultural practices of our ancestors and our current community (Maori Perspectives)
- Everyone caring, embracing and respecting the importance of the environment in different ways (Respect for diversity)

The next step has been to identify some actions that will happen in 2018. Each year level is committing to one action through a Unit of Inquiry so we hope to give you updates of these as they progress next year. Many of the ideas our community have suggested will be included in a design plan for our 'Nature Area' behind the buildings. Watch this space!

It was great to see the use of recycling bins for our fair on Saturday and save landfill by recycling and composting. Thanks to the PA for allowing this to be part of the Fair and supporting our Enviro Vision even before it was published!

There are a number of seedlings and trees that are for sale which were left over from the Fair. They will be available on Fridays after school. Available are: tomatoes, lettuce, parsley, thyme, chillis, native trees, and air plants - come take a look and make a donation!

#### **Yummy Stickers**

Keep munching those apples! Please continue to fill in your Yummy Sticker Sheets and return completed ones to the office. Spare sheets for single stickers and cut-out labels are available from the office.



## Parents' Association:

**New Book Covers** - The PA have partnered with [www.timesix.com](http://www.timesix.com) (Love These Covers) to bring you NEW designs and reusable, heavy duty book covers for your children's school books for 2018. A flyer will be coming home with their school report and stationery lists in the coming weeks, with a selection of designs to view. You can see and touch the covers at the school office, or on the courts in the morning from next Monday. We make a small percentage each time you select our school when you order online.

**New Appointments and Changes** - I, **Jen Coxhead**, leave the PA after 4 years and have really enjoyed being part of a great team of parents who have a laugh and work hard to organise fun events and fundraise for our kids. We would also like to say a huge thank you to **Jane Somerville** who is also leaving the PA after 7 years. We have very much appreciated her hard work, dedication and communication throughout the years on many events and she will be missed. Both us will be a part of the Friends of the PA in 2018. We would like to congratulate our new Chairperson **Lynne Filmer-Birch** and our new Deputy Chairperson **Liz Jacobs**. They are both current members of the PA, and we can't wait to see what events they have in store for us next year!

**Thank You** - The Parents Association would like to say a huge thank you to our sponsors, suppliers, and Friends of the PA who have all helped us to fundraise this year. We are finalising our accounts and reconciling our cash flow following the Calendars, Frosty Friday and of course the Fair.

Look out for our report in the first newsletter next year for the final figure raised and what it was allocated to. We would also like to say a very special thanks to **Peter Kloppers** who does a huge amount of work behind the scenes for many of our events, and also to his helpers. Thanks also to **Miss Matos** who still has a smile on her face no matter how many times we pop in and out of her office for her assistance with events. We really appreciate your patience!

**Fundraising Ideas** - We would love to hear from any parents that have some great ideas for fundraising events, perhaps something that was successful at a prior school. Please send any ideas to Lynne at [brentlynne@xtra.co.nz](mailto:brentlynne@xtra.co.nz).

**Welcome Back Picnic - Friday, 23rd February 2018** - The PA will welcome all our families to our school picnic with a bbq, Mr Whippy, ice blocks, games and music. Camp night will be a separate event in March.

**Fair Update** - A huge thank you to our wonderful school community who turned out to support the fair on Saturday. It was a beautiful day and a lot of fun was had by all who attended. The clean up is now finished and I know you are all excited to hear how much we raised! Firstly can I please acknowledge our two primary fair sponsors – **Alison Jackson-Mee** from Ray White who has been so supportive throughout the year and produced all the signs for the stalls and the furniture for the café. **Kristin Edgeworth Travel** donated the two amazing travel prizes which, combined, raised over \$11,000. Kristin Edgeworth Travel is a local travel consultant who can help you with all your travel needs – small or large – and is located in Esperance road, Glendowie.

A massive thank you to all the parents who turned up to help on Friday night to set up, on Saturday to help in the various stalls and those that stayed behind after the fair to help with the pack up. We wish we could thank you all personally, but, as you are aware, the success of the fair relied heavily on many helpers.

The fair proceeds are to go toward to development of the nature trail located behind the school. This will be a huge project and one that the Board of Trustees are also committing funds toward for the planning and development over the next two years. The fair committee are truly delighted to announce that we will be able to contribute **\$71,000** toward this project. We look forward to seeing it come to fruition!

**Jane Sommerville, Kate Mawson, Steph Watson and Catherine Duffy – the fair committee.**

## Glendowie OSCARS

For more info about our out of school care services, please contact: **Che: 021 367 243** or email [che@oscars.co.nz](mailto:che@oscars.co.nz) **LIKE us on FACEBOOK for updates and news**

## Community Notices:

- **After-School Coding Courses in 2018** Is your daughter or son interested in computer programming? Code Champions is running after-school coding courses at St Heliers School and Churchill Park School in 2018. Whether they're new to coding or have some experience, this is a great opportunity to

develop this important digital skill. Our aim is to expose students to the main elements of computer programming. As they learn and advance, the work gets progressively more complex. Classes are small and grouped by age/ability. In Term 1, the courses will last seven weeks (one lesson per week, one hour in length) and cost \$175, which includes the use of a computer during class time. The course is aimed towards Year 5-8 students. We're currently gauging demand and determining the most appropriate day(s) to run classes. If you'd like to register your interest, please follow this link and enter your details: <https://codechampions.nz/shs> For more info please contact Greg Adams at [info@codechampions.nz](mailto:info@codechampions.nz)

- **The Flash Bang Science Club** - Christmas holiday science workshops (7yrs-12yrs) are open for bookings now and filling fast! Inspire your curious kids with practical, hands on experiments with a Christmas theme these holidays with classes available in Pukekohe and Pakuranga. Learn about all things fizzy in FIZZING FRENZY and electrical fun in ELECTRIFYING SCIENCE. For more information and bookings please check out [www.flashbangscienceclub.co.nz](http://www.flashbangscienceclub.co.nz) or email: [admin@flashbangscienceclub.co.nz](mailto:admin@flashbangscienceclub.co.nz). We are looking for new areas to bring our after-school classes in 2018! If you think your area would be a great idea please let us know!
- **Pform.nz Performing Arts Classes Dance, Drama, Musical Theatre 2018 Bookings Now Open!** Pform.nz classes for 2018 are now available to book online - [www.pform.nz](http://www.pform.nz) to find all of the information that you need or phone us on 0800 PFORMNZ (736 766). We run 38 venues Auckland wide.
- **Bubbledome** - Technology based holiday courses - including junior web design, minecraft adventures coding and more. For more details call 09634 1990 or visit [www.bubbledome.com](http://www.bubbledome.com).
- **The Little Import Company** - for something a little different - Xmas sale on soon - 21 Hannigan Drive, Mt Wellington, Auckland 1072 T: 0064 9 570 4566 F: 0064 9 570 4563 [www.littleimport.co.nz](http://www.littleimport.co.nz)
- **Stow Austin Studio** - Modern jazz, hip hop or contemporary dance class with our experienced dance school based in St Heliers and Epsom for 2018 please see our website [www.stowaustinstudio.co.nz](http://www.stowaustinstudio.co.nz) or ph Kristy 021440088 or Marie 0275456778. Classes are available for students from 4 years and above.
- **Up Front Performing Arts Academy** Epsom Girls Grammar School and Diocesan School for Girls in January. The children will sing, act and dance and work towards putting on a musical show of The Wizard of Oz at the end of the week. **Karin CliffordKids (09) 889 9501** <https://kidsupfront.co.nz>
- **Young at Art** Christmas Art Workshops in the week prior to Christmas for 5-13 year olds in Meadowbank. Also classes in Term 1 on Thursdays. Term 1 always books up fast we recommend booking in early. More info : [www.youngatart.co.nz](http://www.youngatart.co.nz) /email: [admin@youngatart.co.nz](mailto:admin@youngatart.co.nz) or 021 161 6412.
- **The Santa Claus Show** - Live on Stage @ the Pumphouse Theatre, Takapuna - Monday, 11 - Thursday, 21st December. Tickets - 489-8360, [www.timbrayproductions.org.nz](http://www.timbrayproductions.org.nz)
- **Edventure Summer Camps** - WIN A SURFBOARD!!! There are three great camps coming up these summer holidays. 8-13 yr olds, OSCAR available, Free pick up/drop off. Surf Camp - Jan 15-19, Summer Camp - Jan 22-26, Great Outdoors Camp - Jan 29-Feb 2. Contact Mark Bridger [mark@edventure.co.nz](mailto:mark@edventure.co.nz) 02102241576.
- **St Heliers Library** - 'Dare to Explore' starts Saturday, 9<sup>th</sup> December for children 5 – 13 years old. Register in the library or online and collect their booklets of fun activities from St Heliers Library. Auckland libraries encourage children to read over the long summer holiday. It's fun, flexible and free!
- **TAPAC (The Auckland Performing Arts Centre)** has a range of performing arts holiday programmes run by industry professionals, for 5-16 year olds coming up for the January School Holidays. There are 19 programmes (many of which are new) across all performing arts genres; and we guarantee that there is something there for everyone. Enrol at: [www.tapac.org.nz](http://www.tapac.org.nz) or call us on (09) 8450295. Move, act, create. January holiday programmes.
- **Heroes & Heroines** - Childrens activities and picnic festival. Entertainers, bouncy castle, santa, plus much more - 16th & 17th December - Hamilton. Kids \$12/Adults \$15, family \$49. email [events@nzpuretour.com](mailto:events@nzpuretour.com) 07854 9277.
- **Kidactive School Holiday Programmes** A wide range of programmes to suit your child's interests and hobbies - skatepark, riding, tech camps. Visit [www.kidactive.co.nz](http://www.kidactive.co.nz)
- **Schools out for Summer - Accredited Holiday Programmes for girls and boys** Sport, craft, cooking and more - 18-21 December & 8-26 January. Register online at [www.aucklandnetball.co.nz](http://www.aucklandnetball.co.nz)
- **Marist Brothers Rugby Club** - 2 x 3 day programmes in the run-up to Christmas. Monday to Wednesday. \$120 for 2 days or \$45 a day. Includes drop off from 8.30am, and pick up by 4pm. Actual programme 9am-3pm.



- **Kiwi Tennis** - School Holiday Programmes - Glendowie Tennis Club - Dates in December and January  
[www.kiwitennis.co.nz](http://www.kiwitennis.co.nz) - Matt Sawyer 094767261.