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Parents and Caregivers of Glenview School
Tēnā koutou, Talofa lava, Kia orana, Talofa ni, Hello, Salaam Alaikum

Malo e lelei, fakalofa lahi atu, bula, namaste and vanakkum,

You will be aware that our teachers and their union the NZEI-Te Riu Roa have been working through negotiations for their new Collective Agreement claim. The rest of our staff: support staff and myself, as principal, are in a similar position.

This message from a principal colleague gives you some idea.

'Contract negotiations
This week our staff are voted on whether to take strike action as a result of the poor offer the Government has made towards settling our contract claims. Unfortunately, the govt. is trying to make out that the teachers and support staff are just being greedy. We are only asking for pay increases that match the rise in the cost of living. Other things we are asking for are more to support your children. Lower class numbers and funded teacher aides for each classroom. The children are at the heart of our claims. Please be aware that the Government spin is to make us out to be unreasonable. My take is that the Government needs to stop prioritising big corporations making money. (Their trickle-down theory doesn't stand up to scrutiny) They need to invest in people.'

Congratulation to our new BOT



Congratulations to all our new Glenview School Board: Josiah Foua, Josh Bruce, Rebekah Lefaoeseu, Mani Saxena, Vai Masau and Belinda Pritchard

Feel free to say 'Hi' if you see them around the playground.

Term 4 Staff Only Day – 28 October

On 28 October (the day after Labour Day) Glenview School will be closed for a staff only day.



This is for the teachers and support staff to do some more training with the new NZ Curriculum in Mathematics.

Please keep your children home for the day.

Swimming Starting in Term 4



School swimming will start again at the beginning of term 4
Remember to bring togs and a towel!

Classes will swim each Monday:

Tui	- 9:30am
Korimako	- 10am
Kahu	- 10:30am
Kererū	- 11am
Lupe	- Split between classes. Children will swim with their age groups

Leadership Awards

Congratulations to Angel Latu-Apineru and Lyrics Masau who received Porirua Leadership Awards last month, presented by Rotary and Mayor Anita Baker.
We are very proud of you both girls!!





Student Appointments

It is much better for our students to go to appointments outside of school time. However sometimes we don't have a choice, and appointments fall during school hours.

If your child needs to arrive late or leave early for an appointment, please call us to let us know.

Children shouldn't need to have a whole day off for an appointment.

Attendance

Please remember to let the office know **by 9am** if your child is away or running late for any reason.



The best ways to contact us is:

- Skool Loop - Use the absentee tab
- Phone - 2377123 and press '1' for attendance
- Txt - 021 08876066
- Facebook - Send us a message

Nga Manu School Trip

Last week we were privileged to go to Nga Manu bird sanctuary. The children were excited, not just to see some of our amazing native birds like the Kererū but they were so excited to see the Tuatara coming out of hiding and showing off!



Dates to Remember:

Friday 19 September	- Last day of term
Monday 6 October	- Term 4 starts
	- School swimming starts again
Monday 24 – Wednesday 26 November	- Year 6 camp





Did you know?

A group of giraffes is called a tower.

I wonder if that is because they are so tall!