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Dear Parents / Caregivers / Friends of the School

School Policies and Procedures go to:
<http://glenoroua.schooldocs.co.nz/>
Username: glenoroua
Password: policies

Ko tatau

This is us.

Congratulations to all students who represented our school at the Te Kawau Cluster Athletics last Monday. The level of effort was really excellent. The following came from the organiser - *"Whilst the weather was not ideal, we managed to get through all the events and the students seemed to enjoy the day! I particularly enjoy witnessing the camaraderie that has developed between the schools, from the bonds formed as the children interact at many of their sporting endeavours over the years. I was really impressed with the sportsmanship".*

TE KAWAU CLUSTER ATHLETICS

I held my head down lower trying to avoid the rain bucketing down on top of me, my feet went tap, tap, tap as I scuttered down the long concrete case of stairs. They lead to an athletics track, all the stations were set up perfectly, I predicted the event was going to be cancelled, or just high jump and long jump were going to be held off but no, the day still went on. I viewed the Glen Oroua School marquee and walked toward it excitedly. Everyone was there. A cold wind blew through our tent and made me shiver, this drizzly day was not going to clear. I removed layers of clothes to prepare for my 400 metre race, my arms and legs were polka-dotted with tiny bumps. I began warming up by jogging lightly around the course. As I took a deep breath in I felt the frozen-ness of the wind crawl down my throat and burst in. My stomach turned into thousands of cold butterflies, developing nervousness. I was now nervous, and cold. I approached the track positioning myself in lane four; my right foot back and the left forward. I was eager for this race. The starter began speaking, TAKE YOUR MARK, SET, BANG - the gun fired off generating smoke in the air. I jolted forward and began to run.

By Kearney

Making Kawakawa Balm

When I got to school and walked into class I thought of the completely normal day ahead of me. But then, a smell wafted out from the techroom. "Um, kawakawa?" I thought, then remembered we were making kawakawa balm today. I walked to the techroom and there were buckets of kawakawa leaves we had gathered previously, yesterday. The bell rang and we all gathered in the techroom sitting in the groups (tahi, rua and toru), that we had been sorted into by Mrs Mullin. She gave out the three buckets for each group with a tin bowl. We were told to start ripping up the leaves into little bits and to make sure that we didn't put any stems in. Once we had done, three people in each group poured a whole bottle of olive oil into the bowl with the ripped leaves. I looked at the mixture of ripped leaves and the thick, yellow olive oil. The ripped leaves began to sink, slowly, in the yellow liquid. Then we had one person from each group, cut up some beeswax and put it into the mixture. We then put it over a pot of boiling water that was cooking on the stove. It turned out really well!!

By Delta

Congratulation to the Holtslag and Pedley families who attended the Manawatu A & P Show last Saturday. Between them they were placed second in the Lamb and Calf Competition.

Rongotea Christmas Parade 2019

4 sleeps until the Christmas Parade which will be held on Sunday 17th November in the Rongotea Square! Our set up place is outside the Merchant's Daughter. Items like flippers, beach balls, towels, boogie boards, a light BBQ or a small blow up pool could add to our theme, which this year is a Kiwi Christmas Choir, to make the most of our beautiful singing voices you would have heard at the Performing Arts Showcase. Students can wear summery clothes, and add a santa hat, or reindeer ears or nose if they wish. As always donations of tinsel/crepe paper, or cardboard boxes (by Fri) to make into props. Any new ideas or offers of help would be appreciated. We will be running a Christmas Parade workshop for part of Friday 15th December, in Rooms 1 & 4. Many thanks to Andrew Pedley for providing the truck for our float.

On the day, we will need families to help out decorating our truck from 11am, and all students coming on the float will need to be there by 12 noon. Judging starts at 12.30 and the parade itself at 1.00pm. Please make sure your children are well-sunscreened before they come. Food will be available at stalls around the Square to purchase for lunch if you wish. Any changes on the day, due to weather etc, will be posted on our school Facebook page.

Any questions, suggestions or offers of help would be gratefully appreciated. Please see Francie at school, or contact 0211709878.

Wanted

Does anyone have any small pottels at home that can be donated to the school for the students to grow sunflowers in.

If so can they please be dropped off at school by Monday.

Any questions please contact Andy on 021 645 138.

Term Events

- Thursday - 14 November - Manual
- Wednesday - 20 November - BoT Meeting Strategic planning
- Friday - 22 November - Assembly
- Thursday - 28 November - Manual
- Thursday - 5 November - BoT Meeting
- Friday - 6 November - Assembly
- Friday - 6 November - Hangi
- Tuesday - 10 December - School Treat
- Thursday - 12 December - Prizegiving - Glen Oroua Hall - 7pm
- Friday - 13 December - School Finishes for 2019 - 12pm finish

Friends of the School

Jingo Tickets will be available at the school office for sale from this Friday.
Tickets are \$10.00 each.