



Glenbrae School

2024 August Newsletter

***See how we grow, believe and
succeed!***

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Dear Whānau, Parents and Caregivers,

Mālo ni, Fakaalofa lahi atu, Kia orāna, Tālofa lava, Mālō e lelei, Talofa, Noa'ia, Ni sa bula vinaka, Mauri, Tēnā koutou katoa and warm greetings to you all.

Term 3 has started, and it feels a lot colder! Fortunately, there is plenty of warm uniform stock in the office available for purchase.

I would especially like to thank our attendance officer - Sio Pome'e for all her regular phone calls to families when we are following up absences. I would also like to thank our families for calling in and leaving us a message and letting us know if their child is home sick. Please keep this number on hand should your child be sick - 09 528 5025. This teamwork has been helping our attendance statistics and it's so important to remember that every day at school helps with your child's learning and their future!

While our school has been celebrating Cook Island Language Week this week, we are also excited to also celebrate Tongan Language Week this month as well. - Don't forget to come to our Cook Island Language Week Assembly

Our 3 way conferences were a great success last week, and our teachers really enjoyed collaborating with families and our students to create learning goals for the rest of the year.

Keep warm, keep safe and keep attending school each and every day! I hope you enjoy this month's edition of the Glenbrae Newsletter, and we all continue to Grow, Believe and Succeed every day!

Ngā mihi nui

Robbie Perreau
Principal

Farewell

Last term we bided farewell to our Part Time Reading Recovery Teacher, Jane Reading, who has taken an exciting opportunity at Selwyn College - we wish you all the best! We also farewell our Social Worker - Murray Te Huki, who has taken a role closer to his home in South Auckland.

Basketball Tournament

Our students had a great time at Bruce Pullman Park, in Takanini, participating in the cluster basketball tournament. Well done!



Attendance Officer

Please meet our lovely attendance officer - Sio Pome'e, who calls every morning and sometimes does house visits to connect with our families who aren't at school. If you are wondering who's on the end of the phone - here is our lovely Sio!



School Student Leaders' Trip to Town Hall

Our school leaders had an exciting visit to Town Hall on the day of our 3 way conferences - we were hosted by Cr Josephine Bartley. We also met the Mayor Wayne Brown and Deputy Mayor Cr Desley Simpson, CEO of Auckland Council Phil Wilson, and attended the Governing Body Debate, where they were discussing the future of our Council run pools. It was a great day for our school leaders!



Progress of Senior School Classroom Renovations

Rooms 7 and 8 have now moved into their fully refurbished rooms - Room 11 and 12. The library has been temporarily set up in Room 10, and now works continue in Rooms 7 - 9 and the old library. Things are moving at great pace!



Birthday Celebrations:

Happy birthday to these lovely children:

Rm 1 - Jayme-Rose	09-07
Nasir -	28-07
Rm 2 - Emanuel -	14-07
Rm 3 - No bdays	
Rm 5 - Isabella -	16-07
Rm 6 - Vaiana -	09-07
Vashanti -	26-07
Rm 11 - Jillian -	07-07
Rm 12 - Joelle -	31-07
Alapasita -	29-07
Daniel S -	27-07

If we have accidentally left your child off the birthday list, please let us know and we will add them to our next newsletter!

Welcome to our new students!

Jeziah, Sophia, Sohana, Jayme, Nasir, Masud, Jeffrey, Azahn and Somiya

Auckland Philharmonia Orchestra

Mariam from the Auckland Philharmonia Orchestra came to visit Glenbrae School for a cool session with our Year 3-5s. Thanks for coming!



Attendance at School

Success in school begins with showing up. Your attendance shapes your academic journey. Check out these facts:

If your child misses:	That equals:	Which is:	And over 13 years of schooling, that is:
1 day every 2 weeks	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1.5 years
1 day per week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2.5 years
2 days per week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years
3 days per week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years

Whānau Attendance Statistics

We continue to publish school whānau attendance statistics to help encourage our students to attend school regularly - this will help their school whānau earn points towards the end of year whānau cup!

Week 2 Attendance Statistics

Kauri 84.83%
Kowhai 85.69%
Nikau 84.83%
Rata 85.33%

Important Upcoming Dates

Friday 9th August	Cook Island Language Week Assembly 12pm
Friday 16th August	Assembly - Hosted by Room 6 - 2pm
18th - 24th August	Tongan Language Week
Friday 30th August	Teacher Only Day

Updated Cell phones in School Policy

In line with new requirements, our cell phone policy at school is still the same - away for the day! Here is our formal policy regarding cell phones and personal digital devices:

Glenbrae School does not allow students to bring personal digital devices to school. These are not necessary to have during the day.

We discuss the school rules about personal digital devices at the beginning of the year, and throughout the year as needed. Any changes to our school rules are communicated to students and our school community.

Parent/Caregiver and student responsibilities

If a parent/caregiver needs to contact their child urgently during the day, they should call the office.

If a student brings a personal digital device to our school, the following guidelines apply:

- The school does not accept responsibility for lost, damaged, or stolen personal digital devices brought to the school but investigates any issues as appropriate.
- Should a student bring in a personal digital device, they must hand in their device to the office or their teacher at the beginning of the day, and can collect the device at the end of the day.

Personal digital devices may not be taken on EOTC events.

Students are expected to follow our **Digital Technology and Online Safety** policy when using personal digital devices on school property or the school network.

Inappropriate use

If we see a student using a personal digital device inappropriately, we confiscate it. After the student locks the device, we place it in the office to be collected at the end of the day.

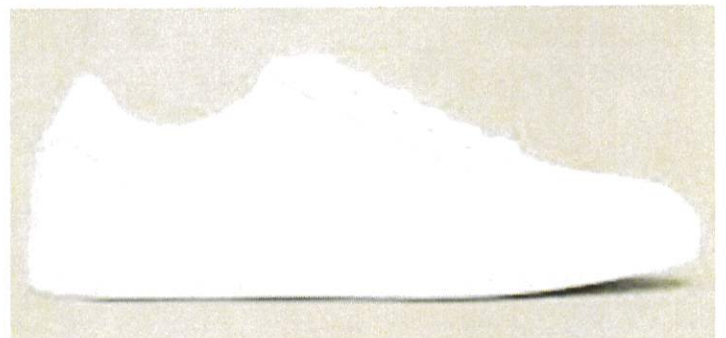
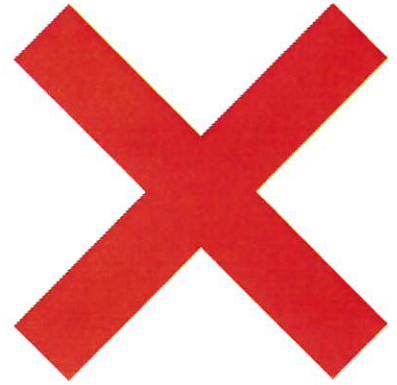
School Shoes - What is and isn't allowed!

Here are some shoes which are great for school



https://www.numberoneshoes.co.nz/kids/school-shoes?_sl=2
<https://www.thewarehouse.co.nz/c/clothing-shoes-accessories/school-uniforms-accessories/school-shoes>

Here are some shoes which are NOT allowed at school



Ongoing Key Reminders and Notices

Valuables/money/phones that get brought to school and get lost are completely the child's responsibility and the school will not search for or be responsible for these lost items if they are brought to school!

Students are not permitted to bring mobile phones/smart watches to school. If they bring one, they need to hand it to their teacher to look after during the day.

Vaping or smoking on school grounds is completely unacceptable at Glenbrae School. Students who bring these items to school will face the consequences for doing so.

Glenbrae School has a uniform which is available for purchasing at the office. The correct school uniform needs to be worn every day, which includes a Glenbrae School hat during Terms 1 and 4.

If you have changed any of your contact details please keep the office informed. We need to be able to contact you in an emergency and these details are vital to be kept updated!

All of Glenbrae School's Policies and Procedures are available for viewing at anytime at www.glenbrae.schooldocs.co.nz. The username is **glenbrae** and the password is **glenbrae123**.

Absences - please call the office on 09 528 5025 if your child is not coming to school that day. If we do not hear from you, we will txt you and after numerous days away, we may have to place a referral to our attendance service for follow up.

OPEN DOOR POLICY Our school runs on an "Open Door Policy". This means that should you have any questions or concerns about anything please do not hesitate to contact us. Don't be a stranger, but pop in anytime you can. We'd love to see you! If at any time you wish to see any of your child's teachers about something specific please telephone the school to organize an appointment. At times there are bound to be issues that crop up and we encourage you to air your concerns but ask that you speak to the person involved first. If you have done this and feel there has been no success, you are more than welcome to see the relevant senior staff member or myself. If you are wanting information on your child's progress, it is advisable to book a time to see teacher. This will enable the teacher to give you the time you deserve to have the proper conversation. Classrooms are busy places in the mornings before school and immediately after, and it is not always possible for the teacher to give full attention to your queries if you do not book in advance.

Fizzy drink, lollies, chocolate, chewing gum etc are a big NO NO at school. If found, they will be confiscated and returned at the end of each day. We look forward to your support on this. We supply free lunches so there is no need to drop off lunch if you child has forgotten it that day!

Keep it named! Please name every piece of uniform your child has. This makes it so much easier to find when your little one may have left something behind.

All visitors to the school must sign in at the office upon arrival. This includes your high school aged students who return back to school!

Uniform Reminders

Please ensure your child is wearing black shoes to school please. This is our school uniform. Please see some examples on what black school shoes are acceptable. Glenbrae School's uniform is the same for boys and girls, with girls having the option of wearing shorts or the skort. We encourage parents to purchase at least two school uniform T-shirts which have the school logo and a school uniform blue jumper which has our school logo on it. The black school shorts are to be worn in the summer months. Plain black trousers/long pants can be worn during the winter terms which are Term 2 and Term 3.

School Board Updates

The 2024 board meeting dates are as follows, at 4pm.

Wednesday 7th August
Wednesday 25th September
Wednesday 6th November
Thursday 12th December

Lateness

Please remember our start time every morning is 8:55am. Repeated lateness may result in your child losing their morning tea or lunchtime - please avoid this by getting up early, and on the road in time for the morning ball!

2024 Curriculum Overview

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Duration	Module	Learner Profile	Curriculum Focus	Big Idea
3 weeks	Ko wai tātou? Who are we? GBS values What does it look like?	Students contribute to a better world.	Social Sciences: Culture and Identity	Through our shared GBS values we are connected to each other, to the community and to the wider world.
4 weeks	Te whakapuaki i ahau Expressing myself	Students are empowered. Students are creative.	Visual Arts	Visual Arts is an effective way of expressing my culture and identity.
7 weeks	He kaupakihi matou We are entrepreneurs	Students contribute to a better world. Positive digital citizens.	Technology Mathematics	An entrepreneur identifies a need in the market and realises the opportunity.
6 weeks	He aha kei waho i te waahi? What is out there in space?	Students actively participate in the wider world.	Science: Planet Earth and Beyond	Curiosity is a strong driver to explain the unexplained about the solar system and beyond.
5 weeks	Te whakapuaki i a tātou ano Expressing ourselves	Students are empowered. Students are creative.	Performing Arts	Performing Arts is an expression of how people see and celebrate the world.
5 weeks	Te tinana me te hinengaro taurite Balanced body and mind	Students are empowered. Students contribute to a better world.	Health and PE: Personal Health	Leading a balanced life empowers us to enhance our personal wellbeing.
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5 weeks	Te mahi a nga hapori How Societies Work	Students actively participate in the wider world. Students are positive digital citizens.	Social Sciences: How societies work	If a society has not been conquered / colonised, how might they have evolved and developed?
4 weeks	Te whakaoti i ta tātou ako Wrapping Up Our Learning	Students are creative and empowered	Vi si on: Grow, Believe, Succeed	We show our school values through our learning to Grow, Believe, Succeed

Room 1

Our children in Room 1 are enjoying school after the two week break. They are also looking after and taking care of our little new children that have come in this term. Our various activities such as Kiwi Can in which the children learn good social skills and Kelly Sport in which our children learn good sporting skills is still continuing. Our children look forward to these activities and are enjoying practising these skills.



Room 1 is also making good progress with their BSLA programme which is reading, blending and sounding out words. With writing they are practising writing their names and learning to write simple sentences. With maths they are now learning to count and in 2's and 5's and group things in 2's and 5's. Also to recognise numbers before and after a number.



They are also having fun in class by interacting with each other playing a game of musical teddy.



We currently have a student teacher Miss Sophie Eaton in Room 1. This is what she thinks of Room 1. "I am thoroughly enjoying my time in Room 1 as a student teacher, learning from both Miss Ripata and Miss Naidu. The children are amazing and are showing great respect for learning. I love seeing the students learning and growing and wish I could spend longer than 5 weeks with them. After I complete placement I will be returning to Auckland University to continue my studies and will miss spending time with the students."

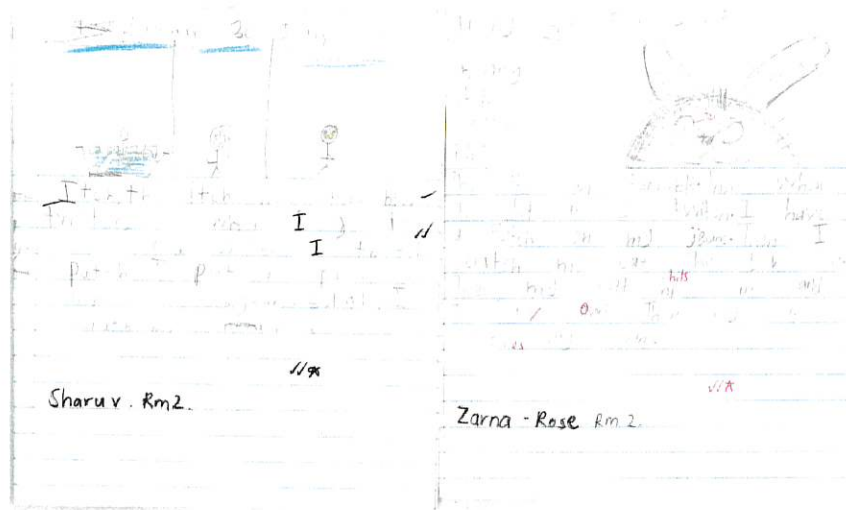


We also have a new teacher aide, Miss Harmony Tauriu who is looking after the children in room 1 really well. This is what she thinks of Room 1. "I am so excited to join room 1 and the Glenbrae whanau and I can't wait to meet you all."

Our children are very focussed and are doing well following all classroom instructions and routines. We are looking forward to having a great Term 3 with our children in Room 1.



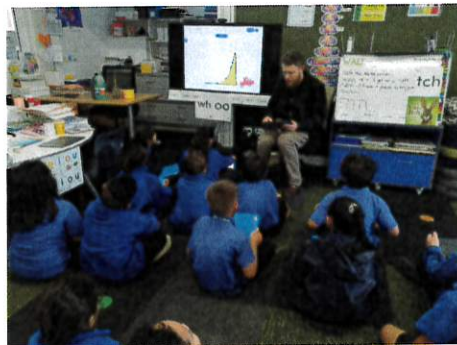
ROOM 2



Welcome to Room 2's newsletter! Let's start off with showing you all how amazing our writing is! We have enjoyed learning about trigraphs and digraphs. This term we are looking into doing split digraphs! It is important for us to understand split digraphs because they improve our reading fluency and help us pronounce words correctly.



In Maths, we have started a new unit focused on multiplication and division. We are enjoying working collaboratively and solving problems as a team. Our focus is on learning how to use grouping strategies to solve addition and multiplication problems without counting each object individually. This approach is important because it helps us solve problems faster!



We have enjoyed our in-class support sessions with Mr Goodwin. He is teaching us how to use basic features on our iPads so we can create and share our work! How exciting!

LIFE IN ROOM 3

This term, our young mathematicians began their journey into the world of multiplication and division. They've been working hard to understand these new concepts and are making fantastic progress!



Here we have Ngareta and Ezra teaching us.

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

AYVA



I HAVE ENJOYED LEARNING ABOUT MULTIPLICATION AND USING DIFFERENT NUMBERS AND WAYS TO SOLVE PROBLEMS.

DI



SOMETHING THAT HAS MADE ME HAPPY THIS TERM IS BEING BACK AT SCHOOL AND LEARNING A LOT IN CLASS.

TEINA



MY HIGHLIGHT SO FAR HAS BEEN WRITING AND ALSO DANCING DURING LUNCH TIME FOR COOK ISLAND DANCE PRACTICE.

ZAYN



MY HIGHLIGHT HAS BEEN PLAYING WITH MY FRIENDS AND LEARNING ABOUT MULTIPLICATION AND DIVISION.

CUT HERE

RIDDLE TIME!

THE FIRST STUDENT TO RETURN THIS SLIP TO MRS TINO WITH ALL 3 ANSWERS CORRECT WILL GET A PRIZE

RIDDLE 1: I have keys but no locks. I have space but no room. You can enter, but you can't go outside. What am I?

RIDDLE 2: I speak without a mouth and hear without ears. I have no body, but I come alive with wind. What am I?

RIDDLE 3: I have cities, but no houses. I have mountains, but no trees. I have water, but no fish. What am I?

Room 5

Kia Orana, dear parents and guardians! 🌸 This week, we are thrilled to celebrate Cook Island Language Week! Our classroom is buzzing with excitement as we immerse ourselves in the rich culture and language of the Cook Islands. Let's dive into what we've been up to and what's coming next!



Last week some of our class used their skills in sport to represent Glenbrase School in basketball. During this tournament our girls team went unbeaten.

Our Year 4 students have been hard at work mastering multiplication and division. It's amazing to see their confidence grow with each problem they solve! Meanwhile, our Year 5 students are delving into the world of percentages and decimals, making connections between fractions and real-life applications.

In Inquiry, we've embarked on a fascinating journey to Slovenia! The students are exploring its geography, culture, and history, and they are eager to share their newfound knowledge with you.

Get ready for an inspiring event in Week 5! We are hosting our United Nations Assembly, where students will showcase their understanding of global issues and celebrate the diversity of our school community. It's an event you won't want to miss!



ROOM SIX - NEWSLETTER!

Welcome back everyone! We have had a great start to Term 3 and the children have been engaged in some exciting learning. We are continuing to develop our Glenbrae School Values across all areas of the school day - please continue to support this at home with your children.

This term our key areas of learning includes the following:

Writing	Descriptive writing - including similes, metaphors and personification etc and using their senses. Plays - learning to perform and create plays to share with others. Speeches - creating a speech that can be shared with others.
Reading	Continuing to read a range of texts and develop reading skills and strategies around reading. Sharing their knowledge and understanding of what they have read through a range of reading tasks. To read/be read to for pleasure to support reading including visits to the school library and Waka Library throughout the term.
Maths	Continuing to build on number knowledge - basic facts and multiplication and division. Multiplication and division - focusing on strategies to help solve problems. We will follow this on with a unit on Space and Shape.
Inquiry	We have started off the term by looking at 2 United Nations Andorra and Paraguay. Learning about the cultures and traditions and then creating a 'performance' item which we hope to share with you in Week 5.
The Code	Continuing to develop the learning and use of spelling in the classroom through a range of spelling tasks and online materials to help with this learning. This will help improve spelling across the class and assist students with the use of this over other subjects as well.
Fitness/PE	What helps us to keep fit and why is it important? We are doing a number of activities both inside and outside (weather dependent) to help to improve fitness in the class. We have had some great sessions with the Kiwi Sports team coming in weekly to help with skills and facilitating games that use these skills
Cybersmart	As part of Cybersmart awareness in our class Mr Goodwin is coming into support in Room 6. Throughout this term he will be sharing a range of topics to enable Room 6 to become more confident, assess sites and work safely in the classroom.

Assemblies - will continue to be held fortnightly in the hall from 145pm to about 235pm - please feel welcome to come to any of these. If your child is receiving a certificate Mr Te Aotonga will aim to be in contact with you before Friday's Assembly to let you know should you also wish to attend.

Just a few reminders:

- School starts at 8.55am. It would be great if we could see as many children here on time or at school before the bell goes so they have time to settle and prepare for the start of the school day.
- If your child is late to school, absent or needs to go home before the school bell at 2.45pm please let the Office know.
- Chromebooks - we ask that if your child owns a chromebook they charge it at home the night before so they can use it throughout the school day.
- Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions or would like to share something that your child has been doing outside of school hours.

Ngā mihi nu

Andrew Te Aotonga, Kris Sheath and Room 6

Andrew Te Aotonga andrewt@glenbrae.school.nz Kris Sheath kriss@glenbrae.school.nz

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What's happening in Room 11?

Kia ora Room 7 Whānau!

We have settled into term 3 well, kicking start the term by moving into our newly renovated classroom and getting to know each other. Here is a preview of what we have been getting up to:

In maths, we have been learning about decimals and percentages. We have linked our fraction knowledge, showing how they can be converted to decimals and percentages. We have also begun working on speeding up our multiplication and division recall to help us solve more complex mathematical problems.

In writing, we have been working on our descriptive language. We've started by exploring the use of sensory phrases and figurative language. This will help us create some great setting descriptions.

This term's inquiry project will see us learning about performing arts in Sri Lanka. We have embarked on our journey by researching Sri Lankan culture and discussing performing arts. We've also begun research on Raksha and Sanni Mask. I can't wait to see how this learning develops.



We are working hard on our relationships with each other. Making sure we are kind and respectful to each other at all times.

WHAT IS HAPPENING IN

5th August 2024 **ROOM 12?**

WELCOME TO TERM 3! OUR FIRST DAY AT SCHOOL BEGAN WITH AN EXCITING MOVE AS ROOM 8 TRANSITIONED INTO OUR BRAND NEW CLASSROOM, ROOM 12. WE ARE FORTUNATE TO HAVE A FRESH LEARNING SPACE WITH NEW FURNITURE. OUR STUDENTS HAVE BEEN DILIGENT IN TAKING CARE OF OUR NEW CLASSROOM, ENSURING IT REMAINS A WONDERFUL ENVIRONMENT FOR LEARNING.

THIS TERM, WE HAVE EMBARKED ON OUR NEW INQUIRY MODULE ABOUT THE UNITED NATIONS, AND ROOM 12'S FOCUS COUNTRY IS AFGHANISTAN. WE HAVE COMPLETED OUR INITIAL WONDERINGS ABOUT AFGHANISTAN AND ARE NOW MOVING INTO THE INVESTIGATION PHASE. STUDENTS ARE RESEARCHING VARIOUS ASPECTS OF THE COUNTRY, DIVING INTO WHAT THEY WANT TO LEARN AND DISCOVER ABOUT AFGHANISTAN!

IN WRITING, WE ARE FOCUSING ON DESCRIPTIVE WRITING, WHERE STUDENTS ARE LEARNING TO PAINT VIVID IMAGES IN THE READER'S MIND BY USING LANGUAGE FEATURES AND INCORPORATING THEIR FIVE SENSES.

IN MATHS, WE ARE LEARNING ABOUT PERCENTAGES AND DECIMALS. STUDENTS ARE FOCUSING ON CONVERTING DECIMALS TO PERCENTAGES AND MAKING CONNECTIONS WITH FRACTIONS. THEY ARE EXPLORING HOW THESE MATHEMATICAL CONCEPTS ARE INTERRELATED AND APPLYING THEM TO REAL-WORLD SCENARIOS. THROUGH VARIOUS ACTIVITIES AND EXERCISES, STUDENTS ARE DEVELOPING A DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF HOW TO USE PERCENTAGES AND DECIMALS IN EVERYDAY SITUATIONS, SUCH AS CALCULATING DISCOUNTS, UNDERSTANDING STATISTICS, AND COMPARING DATA.

IN KELLY SPORTS, OUR FOCUS IS ON RUGBY. STUDENTS ARE LEARNING AND PRACTICING KEY SKILLS SUCH AS PASSING, TACKLING, AND STRATEGIC GAMEPLAY. THEY ARE WORKING ON DEVELOPING THEIR TEAMWORK, COORDINATION, AND UNDERSTANDING OF THE RULES, ALL WHILE BUILDING THEIR PHYSICAL FITNESS AND ENJOYING THE SPIRIT OF THE GAME.



**Thanks for Keeping up with
Room 12!**



Email Addresses of Teaching Staff

Please contact your classroom teacher in the first instance if you have any questions or queries about your child's learning. The teachers will warmly welcome you to a meeting to discuss matters together in a collaborative way.

Room Number	Teacher Name	Teacher Email Address
Room 1	Viena Ripata (DP) and Bashnee Naidu	vienar@glenbrae.school.nz bashneen@glenbrae.school.nz
Room 2	Shadab Ayub	shadaba@glenbrae.school.nz
Room 3	Cardell Tino	cardellt@glenbrae.school..nz
Room 5	Jamin Paramore	jaminp@glenbrae.school.nz
Room 6	Andrew Te Aotonga (DP) Kris Sheath	andrewt@glenbrae.school.nz kriss@glenbrae.school.nz
Room 11	Amy Underwood	amyu@glenbrae.school.nz
Room 12	Shwe Kye	shwek@glenbrae.school.nz
Envirosciences and Release Teacher	Dupendar Nath	dupendarn@glenbrae.school.nz
Reading Recovery and Literacy Teacher	Angela Kelly	angelak@glenbrae.school.nz
Principal	Robbie Perreau	principal@glenbrae.school.nz

Student Support

School's Nurse - Yun He - yunh@adhb.govt.nz

School's Therapist - Marion Gordon-Flower - marion@maurituituia.com

**Contact Details - Required to contact you in times of
Emergency**

Parents please fill in your updated contact details and return this page to the office if any have changed, otherwise please leave blank.

Address where the child lives:

Name of Father / Caregiver:

Mobile Number: _____

E-mail address: _____

Home of father: _____

Name of Mother / Caregiver:

Mobile Number: _____

E-mail address: _____

Home of mother: _____

In case of emergency - contact person:

Name: _____

Relationship with child: _____

Mobile Number: _____

E-mail address: _____