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**16 May 2014**

## **From the Principal's Desk**

### **Kia Ora**

Twenty three of our senior students attended the Open Day on Monday at the Otago University/Polytech and the day itself is often quite a daunting one for all students in attendance. The campus is a vast area with thousands of people going about their business, but the feedback would indicate most students gained something from the day and a few have quite good ideas about what they would like to pursue. The observations I made in relation to my last open day visit a couple of years ago, were nearly every student in the library used a personal laptop to record notes and do research. Students looked far more organised and focused on their study with minimal conversation in the library and other study areas. Good use was made by students in study group areas and collaborative learning processes looked well established as were sound skills as independent learners. I hope our students also observed this and consider how well they are working towards applying such skills here at school so they are partially ready for the transition to tertiary education.

Another observation made was the number of students who attended with a parent/caregiver as support. They seemed to be asking more relevant questions, had more confidence in moving around the campus without getting lost and on the surface, a better idea of what they were wishing to gain from the day. The majority appeared to be from Dunedin schools but I would like to think next year we could invite parents/caregivers to attend with us or provide another opportunity this year for those Year 13 students looking seriously at attending Otago.

In a March newsletter, I outlined in one of our strategic goals, the use of Learning Logs by students. For each class the nature of these will differ but by now, students should be conferencing with their teachers about their learning. This could be in the form of personal notebooks, a comments section with feedback about work, reflective journals or similar documents. The challenge is for staff and students to focus on the immediate learning needs of the student with clear goals to assist understanding. This also enables open communication, for staff to be reflective of their teaching and assumptions about students learning. Rather than being about general goals for improvement, the challenge is to improve on the most important need and parents/caregivers can also assist with this through their conversations at home and with teachers.

*Gerry Ward  
Principal*

## Mathematics Department

### PISA

There is one question to go in the series of PISA sample questions. Below are the answers to the last question and the question for this week.

#### Last week's Question

Level 5 – New Zealand 15 year-olds ranked 15th in the OECD with a success rate of 15%.

#### Climbing Mount Fuji

Mount Fuji is a famous dormant volcano in Japan.

The Gotemba walking trail up Mount Fuji is about 9 kilometres (km) long. Walkers need to return from the 18 km walk by 8 pm.

Toshi estimates that he can walk up the mountain at 1.5 kilometres per hour on average, and down at twice that speed. These speeds take into account meal breaks and rest times.

Using Toshi's estimated speeds, what is the latest time he can begin his walk so that he can return by 8 pm?

**Answer:** Toshi needs to leave by 11 am.

#### This week's Question: Level 6

Gerry has just got a new bike. He loves his new bike. It has a speedometer which sits on the handlebar. The speedometer can tell Gerry the distance he travels and his average speed for a trip.

#### Question

Gerry rode his bike from home to the river, which is 4 km away. It took him 9 minutes. He rode home using a shorter route of 3 km. This only took him 6 minutes.

What was Gerry's average speed, in km/h, for the trip to the river and back?



*Brendon Wallace  
Head of Department - Mathematics*

## English Department

### Level One English Assessment Dates

#### Assessment dates for AS90854 (Personal Response): ENG101 and ENG102

Response #3: Monday 26 May, period 2

Response #4: Monday 30 June, period 2

Response #5: Monday 11 August, period 2

Response #6: Monday 15 September, period 2 (final cut-off date for all submissions)

#### Assessment date for AS90852 (Connections): ENG102

Thursday 12 June, Term Two, Week Six

#### Assessment dates for AS90052 (Creative Writing): ENG101

3rd portfolio submission – Thursday 5 June, Term Two, Week Five, period 5

Final assessment – Thursday 26 June, Term Two, Week Eight, period 5

#### Assessment dates for AS90857 (Oral Text): ENG101 and ENG102

Thursday 7 August, Term Three, Week Three

ENG101 will be out of timetabled classes all day

ENG102 will have their assessment during periods 4 and 5, normal timetabled periods for ENG102

#### Assessment date for AS90855 (Visual text): ENG101

Thursday 18 September, Term Three, Week Nine, period 5

#### Assessment date for AS90855 (Visual text): ENG102

Thursday 25 September, Term Three, Week Ten, period 5

#### Assessment date for AS90053 (Formal Writing): ENG101 (an optional standard)

Thursday 30 October, Term Four, Week Three, period 5

#### Assessment date for US1273 (Story Writing): ENG102 (a discretionary standard)

Thursday 30 October, Term Four, Week Three, period 5

## Careers

The careers room will be open at lunch times every Tuesday and Thursday if students wish to carry out career research or seek some guidance. Mr Clark will be available to assist. Please take advantage of this. Check out the school Careers Page at <https://www.facebook.com/menziescollegecareers> for updates on University Liaison visits, Scholarships, STAR Courses, Work Experience, Gateway and Hokonui Tertiary High School.

CPIT are having their Open Day on 19 June. For further information contact either Stuart Clark or Katie Hall.

### Liaison Officer Visits

**Otago University** - 27 May at 1pm in the Library.

**P.I.H.M.S.** - 30 July at 2:15pm (Hotel Management) in the Library.

### University of Otago - Information Evening

This is being held on Tuesday 27 May from 7-8.30pm in the Waiiau Room, Ascot Park Hotel, Corner Tay St and Racecourse Road, Invercargill. Hear about entrance, accommodation at Otago, course planning, loans and allowances, courses available, being a successful student and support services. All enquiries to [liaison@otago.ac.nz](mailto:liaison@otago.ac.nz) (03) 479 8247. General University enquiries call 0800 80 80 98 | [www.otago.ac.nz](http://www.otago.ac.nz) txt 866 | [university@otago.ac.nz](mailto:university@otago.ac.nz)

Following the Tertiary Information Day in Dunedin on Monday, any students and parents/caregivers that were unable to go and would like the opportunity to engage with key staff from the Polytechnic and the University academic divisions, you are invited to attend presentations followed by 'open-floor' question and answer sessions at Stadium Southland on Wednesday 30 July.

### CareerFest

CareerFest will be held in the new ILT Stadium Southland from Thursday 31 July to Friday 1 August. Menzies will be taking Year 12-13 students at 11am on Thursday 31 July. There is also a community session on the Thursday night from 5- 8pm if parents/caregivers are wanting to take their students along.

*Miss Katie Hall  
Careers Advisor*

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## Year 10 Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award Tramp: Luxmore Hut

On Sunday, 11 May, 13 Year 10 Duke of Edinburgh students and four adults including three parents and Mrs Cade, started a Bronze Award tramp at Te Anau on the Kepler Track heading towards the Luxmore Hut. We started at 9.20am and tramped for five hours with regular breaks. We arrived at the hut at 3.30pm and attempted the walk to the summit, but due to high winds we had to turn back about a quarter of the way up. In the evening we visited the Luxmore Cave - it was a tight squeeze but very exciting. We stayed one night at the hut, cooking our own tea and breakfast that we had planned and taken with us. The next morning we were away by 8.40am and arrived back at the carpark at 1.30pm. Over all I found the tramp awesome, it was a challenge but we all pulled through and accomplished it as a team.

On behalf of the Year 10 Bronze Duke of Edinburgh students I would like to thank the three parent helpers - Mr Ferguson, Mr Geerlings, Mrs Parkinson and our teacher, Mrs Cade who gave up their time to assist us on the tramp. I would also like to thank Miss Hall for organising the tramp and making it possible for us to attend.

*Hannah Fotheringham  
Year 10*

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## Canteen - Price Increase

Please note the cost of Cordon Bleu is now \$2.80 and sour cream or chilli sauce is now 50 cents per topping. Thank you.



At the end of Term 2 (24-27 June) Year 9 students will be going on camp to the Tautuku Outdoor Education Centre. The camp is a good opportunity for the students to experience and practise what they have learnt in class over the course of this term. The activities are undertaken in small groups and are an ideal way for them to practise working co-operatively in small groups. Some of the activities are kayaking, abseiling, confidence course, bush navigation, nature walk and a flying fox.

The cost of the camp for the students will be around \$140. If you would like to come along as parent/caregiver help, it would be appreciated if you could please contact the school and leave your name and contact details and if you are able to take a vehicle as well.

Thank you for your continued support, without which, camps would not be able to go ahead. If you have any questions, please contact either Matt Cook or Alice Cade (Year 9 & 10 Deans) at school on (03) 2064979.

*Matt Cook & Mrs A Cade  
Teachers in Charge*

# PB4L - Positive Behaviour for Learning

Our focus in term one was **Feeling Safe**. Below are some thoughts by our students on how they felt safe throughout the term:

When the senior students look after the smaller kids

I felt safe in the class because people showed me respect

I feel safe when my friends are at school

I feel safe on the bus and in my whanau class

My impression is that this is a great value and I have felt safe

I feel a lot safer in all of my classes because all the teachers make me feel safe

I feel safe in my outdoor class

I have received achievement slips and won the Friday canteen draw

Someone being nice and showing compassion

People were supportive when others were performing on stage

I felt safe when I did peer support

# Magazine Writing Competition

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Entries must be received before Friday, July 4th 2014 (end of term 2) and include the authors name, age, year level and school.

Please email entries to [andie@marketsouth.co.nz](mailto:andie@marketsouth.co.nz).

Winners will be notified by email and their work will be published in Edition 2 of *The Life*, due out November 2014.

Authors of published entries will receive two copies of *The Life*, and 10 copies for their school.

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## poetry corner

### The fruit of the spirit

Joshua Thomas, 11  
Southland Boys' High School

True LOVE comes from the heart and never fails,  
Pure JOY overcomes all sad and stormy gales,  
Perfect PEACE will bring calm when assailed,  
LONG SUFFERING was seen in him whose hands were  
pierced with nails,  
Love like GENIENESS's will flow though evil prevails,  
Abounding GOODNESS is sown by him, who the  
atmosphere of heaven inhales,  
Sincere HELPH moves mountains on life's trail,  
MEERNESS and humility covers the life whether on a  
mountain or vale,  
TEMPERANCE and self-control will prevent all ills  
May the fruit of the spirit hit you and all else pale.

### Anzac

Paige Ogilvy, 16  
Gore High School

Smoke is rising from the battle ground,  
not one peep, not one sound;  
heads are missing,  
people lost,  
hard decisions,  
worth the cost?

Agony shatters like broken glass,  
hidden behind the country's mask,  
fighting for one's right to stay,  
begging this war might go away.

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...years were of course  
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...long the river herald of life



### Late Summer Trout

Cirque Gammelin, 15  
Gore High School

My feet swiftly carry me through the  
tall, golden summer grasses. I reach  
the quiet grove of cottonwoods, it's  
not far now and the evening caddis  
hatch has already begun. I can see  
the shimmering creek and I drop to  
my knees. I silently stalk the pool,  
wriggling through the sunset lit  
undergrowth. When I reach the eroded  
bank, I sit up behind the cover of the  
old willow. I exhale slowly, absorbing  
the colourful evening. The fantasia lit  
through the canopy, tossing down out  
shadows through the low light.  
I quietly slip the line through the  
slim guides, attach my lure, and



## Ball Season is Approaching

Belinda Redpath from Belle Bridal Boutique in Invercargill will be coming to school with a selection of ball dresses on Wednesday 21 May from 10.45- 11.20am in the school hall. With the up and coming school ball it would be a great opportunity to view some dresses and also discuss hair and makeup options for the big night. Parents/caregivers are welcome to come along and have a look as well.

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## Menzies College Soccer

### Subs

The Menzies College Girls 1st XI soccer team and Development team subs were due on Tuesday 6 May. The boys 1st XI soccer team subs of \$40.00 are due by Tuesday 27 May.

### Soccer Gear Orders

Any players requiring gear (shorts or socks) are asked to see Mr Lambert as soon as possible for an order form.

### Girls 2nd XI Team Formed

Menzies will have two girls teams playing in the league this year. Because we have 26 players the decision has been made to enter a development team in the competition.

### Country Schools 7 A-side -Tuesday 20 May

Mixed teams will be sent with one team from Years 7-9 and another from Years 10-13. See Mr Lambert if you would like to play. (Please note students playing soccer this year get first option).

#### \* Year 7-9 Mixed Team

Katelyn McEwan, Rhylee McGregor, Nadine Martin, Sarah Andrews, Levi Dickey, Shae Lines, Maximus Ashman, Luke Humphries, Caeden McGregor.

#### \* Year 10-13 Mixed

Tomazina Koppen-Pavlovich, Justine Winn, Erin Perry-Tutty, Victoria Clark, Cameron Wylie, Kyle Martin, Josh Sutherland, Jack Simmons, Jarrod Irwin, Lachie King.

### Trainings and Games for the Season

At this stage, the Girls 1st XI train on Mondays from 3.30pm to 4.45pm and games take place on Wednesdays. The Boys team train on Wednesdays from 3.30pm to 4.30pm with game dates to be arranged.

### Facebook Page

Menzies College Soccer have a facebook page which has match reports, important dates and other information. Just type in 'Menzies College Soccer' and then click on the 'LIKE' icon. You can also find the link on the Menzies College website in the sports section or do a search in google 'Menzies College Soccer'.

### Important Dates

19 May Monday	Game - Menzies 'A' vs Northern Southland College (Girls) at Menzies 4pm (Girls)
20 May Tuesday	Country Schools 7-A-side Tournament in Lumsden
21 May Wednesday	Game - Menzies Development vs James Hargest 'B' (Girls; Development ) in Invercargill 4pm Training 3.30pm to 4.30pm Boys team
26 May Monday	Game - Menzies Development vs Menzies 'A' at Menzies 4pm (TBC)
27 May Tuesday	Boys 1st XI Soccer team subs \$40 due

Carl Lambert  
Organiser

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## Menzies College Netball

### Draw -10 May

Team	Opposition	Time	Court
Senior A	SMEG	1.20pm	1
Senior B	St Peters Green	12.25pm	3
Development	St Peters 10B	10.35am	1
Junior Mixed	Gore High 10C	9.40am	1

### Junior Netball Tournament in Christchurch during July School Holidays

Year 9 and 10 girls who would like to be part of the Junior Netball Tournament in Christchurch from 6-10 July, have an opportunity to trial on Tuesday 27 May at 3.30pm. The team will be coached by Marama Braven and managed by Lois Heads. All Year 9 and 10 girls are eligible to trial accept those already in the Senior A team. Ten girls will be selected for the tournament.

Mrs Kath Luoni  
Teacher in Charge - Netball

# Menzies College Rugby

## Subs for 2014

Year 7 & 8, U14, U16 - \$30 (if not paid by 31 May, increases to \$45)

First XV - \$150 (if not paid by 31 May, increases to \$175) this includes jersey and socks

Money for subs and gear (may be paid together) is to be paid to Lois Heads, left at the school office, given to the team manager or paid by internet banking to account No. 03 0962 0066078 000 with your name as a reference.

## Rugby Meeting

There is a meeting in the Menzies College staffroom on Wednesday 21 May at 7.30pm. Please attend.

## Results - 10 May

Menzies Preston-Russell Law 1st XV beat St Kevins 16-15

Titiroa Transport U17 beat Verdon 21-19

Tisbury Wool U14 lost to Verdon 0-77

Advance Ag Year 7 & 8 beat Pioneer 73-5

## Draw - 17 May

Menzies Preston-Russell Law 1st XV v Southland Boys High at Centrepoint 10 - at 1.15pm (**note change of venue**)

Titiroa Transport U17 v SBHS at Centrepoint 10 at 2.30pm (**note change of time**)

Tisbury Wool U14 v SBHS White at Centrepoint 10 at 12pm

Advance Ag Year 7 & 8 v Matura at Matura at 10.30am

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*Peter Bee  
Chairperson*

## Sports Notices

### Winter 7's Tournament

This will take place at Northern Southland College on Tuesday 20 May and we will have approximately 80 students attending this event, along with staff and parent helpers/coaches. Thank you to these people for their support and all the best to our students taking part. A reminder that students need to pay \$20 transport cost to the office before the trip. The bus will leave at 8:15am and return by 5pm.

### Menzies Cross Country

This event is to be held on Wednesday 21 May at the Wyndham racecourse. The first event will start at 1:40pm

*Tim Landreth  
Teacher in Charge - Sports*

## Important Dates

<b>May</b>	20	Winter 7 A-Side Tournament at Northern Southland College, Lumsden
	21	Menzies College Cross Country
	27	HPV Vaccination - No. 2
	30	Teacher Only Day
<b>June</b>	2	Queen's Birthday Observance - school closed
	13	Primary Schools Cross Country
	15-17	Year 13 Adventure Class - Tautuku Pre-camp
	19-20	Year 13 Chemistry Trip
	24-27	Year 9 - Tautuku Camp & Year 13 Adventure Experience
27	School Reports posted	
<b>July</b>	3	Parent/Teacher Interviews
	4	Last day of Term 2
	21	First day of Term 3
	25	School Ball

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