



MENZIES COLLEGE

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12 September 2014

From the Principal's Desk

Kia Ora

Last Friday, I announced to the staff the changes that would be taking place in the senior leadership team for next year. Our Deputy Principal, Mrs Kath Luoni has been fortunate to receive a TeachNZ scholarship for 2015. This is a fantastic opportunity for Kath to continue with extramural postgrad studies in educational leadership through Massey University. As part of the award Kath will need to be in school for the first month of the school year before receiving 32 weeks of leave and returning again in the last 4 weeks of the school year. I will be looking to fill this position internally with current staff having the opportunity to gain experience in the senior leadership team.

Our Assistant Principal, Mr Brian Coyle has accepted a permanent position for 2015 in the technology department at James Hargest College where he previously taught before joining our staff in 2008. His departure also opens up a vacancy for a Head of Department in the technology area next year and this is currently being advertised. We will say more about the role Brian has played in the school in the final days of the school year but his enthusiasm for our students learning and completing property projects will be sorely missed.

Recently, Miss Bianca Burgess-Heald, Miss Georgie Gardyne, Miss Katie Hall and Miss Nicola Speakman were appointed to permanent positions at Menzies College and I am sure the staff and students are as excited as I am to have all 4 of these young teachers on our permanent staff.

From a quick count up I consider there to be only 34 school days remaining before NCEA exams begin, (about sixty days altogether). Time to fully engage in study is now crucial and it has been noted that a number of students have taken up the opportunity with staff to attend tutorials or seek one on one help. It is really essential that parents/caregivers support the student at this time, encouraging them in their revision processes and availability for classes outside normal school hours. Staff support is available for all students as we endeavour to get the best possible result for all. This may require a focus on select NCEA papers at the expense of others or the late modification of courses. Parent interviews are coming up on Tuesday 23 September and I urge that parents/caregivers and students attend these so we can again work with teachers to give momentum to what is an important part of student's schooling.

Enrolments are open for 2015 and we appreciate all those families who met the deadline so we can start working on the transition steps that are needed to make the shift to secondary school as seamless as possible. Enrolments are still being accepted.

Thank you to the community, our families and especially the students who supported our workday last Friday. The total as at 12 September is \$5,800. Well done!

*Gerry Ward
Principal*

English Department

Level One English Assessment Dates

Assessment dates for AS90854 (Personal response): ENG101 and ENG102

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

Assessment date for AS90855 (Visual text): ENG101

Thursday 16 October, Term Four, Week One, period 5

Assessment date for AS90855 (Visual text): ENG102

Thursday 16 October, Term Four, Week One, 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

*Ms Sonja Swale
Head of Department - English*

Personal Response – The Charge of the Light Brigade

Written by Ally Gutsell, 10NS

Title: The Charge of the Light Brigade

Author: Alfred, Lord Tennyson

Text type: Narrative poem

Date read: September 2014

'The Charge of the Light Brigade' is a poem about a light brigade in the 1850's by Alfred, Lord Tennyson. The 'Charge of the Light Brigade' was a charge at the Battle of Balaclava during the Crimean War. This poem tells of the brigade's experience in the Crimean War.

The different language style used within this text makes me stop to think about the meaning in each line. The way Tennyson has written the poem gives me a clear image of what it was like for the six hundred men who went to battle. An example of this is near the end of the third stanza: "into the jaws of death, into the mouth of hell". These two lines form a very dark image in my head where all the men who fought got chewed up. It tells me this war was extremely violent and messy. Another example is in the fifth stanza: "cannon to the right of them, cannon to the left of them, cannon behind them". I can easily see that the brigade has walked straight into a trap where they are cornered and I can then see, before it happens, that it will not end well for these men. I personally love texts where I can picture everything in my head. I believe Tennyson's choice of language is what gives me the deep image.

I enjoyed the way Tennyson made the soldiers full of courage. It does not speak of the soldiers wanting to give up or back down. The writer describes the soldiers as heroes, "While horse and hero fell". A hero is said to be a man who is admired for doing something brave or great. Showing bravery and courage is a strong theme of this text. By telling us how brave these men are, I now have great respect for them and honour them. I am not a very brave person as the thought of war terrifies me and even though I greatly admire the Light Brigade, I could not be so courageous and proudly parade into battle.

I like this poem because it is significant to all wars, not only the Crimean War. Although this poem talks of one brigade in particular, many other groups experience the same terrors during war. I think Tennyson has not intentionally related it to other recent wars because, of course, it was written before these, but I do like that we can relate to it. No soldier should reply or reason why as it is not their job, "theirs not to make reply, theirs not to reason why". These lines communicate to us that the soldiers had no say during this time nor did any other soldier. If I were in the soldier's place, I would find it hard to not question orders or try to get out of a charge but, at the end of the day, I would not have the right to speak out of order.

In conclusion, I really admire the poem 'The Charge of the Light Brigade' by Alfred, Lord Tennyson because of the way he has written it to put an image in our head, made the soldiers heroic and I can relate it to all wars. Overall, it was an enjoyable poem which I would recommend to readers who like to imagine the setting and digging deeper into the metaphors within the poem.

Senior English Term Three: War, international spy agencies and play-doh!

The Level Two and Three classes have been extremely focussed this term and learning about a wide variety of texts and issues.

Level Three English spent the majority of Terms One and Two looking at Music Video Theory. This involved looking at, discussing and analysing a variety of different music videos and 'reading' them using different critical lenses (for example Freudian, Marxist and Feminist theory). From this understanding the class were able to complete two Achievement Standards.

During Term Three our sole focus has been on our external examination and to prepare for this we are studying James Bond. This has involved watching at last three different films (Dr. No, Casino Royale and Skyfall) and again reflecting on them using Freud, Feminist theory and knowledge of the Ancient World. To help with this mammoth undertaking we travelled to Dunedin and Otago University for 2 days of study, reflection and fun. We participated in university lectures and even met with the English department and faculty members for afternoon tea and a Q&A session.

Level Two English have also worked furiously to complete internal assessment and complete a film study thus far. Once again our chosen film was Crash. We have also remembered the start of World War One via a study of War Poetry and discussed the associated issues of war and cruelty. As you can see below, we try to take advantage of a variety of media through which to learn – ranging from the technological (interactive white board) to the more kinaesthetic (making models out of play-doh!). The students have embraced new understandings of World War One and some are now completing a research Achievement Assessment based on war or conflict. We also look forward to hearing some of our students present their oral presentations during Week Ten.



Caleb Young working on the Interactive white-board



*Students creating images out of play-doh
LtoR: Matt Sparrow, Te Rua Fellows, Louisa Schneeberg,
Shinea Braithwaite & Courtney Poole*



Jamie Ranstead and Stewart Phillips mulling over a static image

Next year there's an exciting competition which keen public speakers can enter. It's the RSA speech competition and due to World War One commemorations, all eight regional finalists will travel to Gallipoli. If you are interested in entering this competition, please see Mrs McKelvie for more information. If you have any questions regarding Senior English, please do not hesitate to contact me.

*Mrs Lucy McKelvie
Teacher*

Careers & STAR Courses

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.

*Miss Katie Hall
Careers Advisor*

STAR School Holiday Courses

SIT Invercargill have a range of holiday courses available starting from 29 September.

1. Beauty Therapy is a Level 2 course covering Unit Standard 27641 – Describe the relevance of anatomy and physiology knowledge to beauty therapy practice. Starts 29 September at 9am and finishes 2 October at 4:30pm.
2. Engineering is a Level 2 course covering Unit Standard 21684 – Use a MIG welding plant in the motor industry. Starts 29 September at 9am and finishes 2 October at 4:30pm.
3. Audio Production is a Level 2 course covering Unit Standard 12824 – Describe the operation of public address and recording systems for a performing arts situation. Also Unit Standard 26687 (Level 1) – Demonstrate and apply knowledge of sound technology for a performance context. Starts 29 September at 9am and finishes 2 October at 4:30pm.
4. Film and Television Foundation Skills is a Level 2 course covering Unit Standard 10198 – Edit video. Starts 6 October at 10am and finishes 10 October at 2pm.
5. Journalism is a Level 2 course covering Unit Standard 10820 – Write short news stories. Starts 29 September at 9am and finishes 2 October at 4:30pm.

If you are interested in any of these courses please see Mr Clark in the careers office for further information and enrolments.

*Stuart Clark
Careers Advisor, Gateway & STAR Liaison*

Mathematics Department

As the 101 Maths class have their Algebra CAT (FINAL Assessment) at 1:10pm on Tuesday 16 September, the following extra tutorials are available:

Friday 12 September 3:15pm – 4:30pm (Room 8)

Sunday 14 September 1pm-4pm (Library)

Monday 15 September 3:15pm-4:30pm (Room 8)

It is hoped that students are willing (and able) to attend these tutorials so that the most can be made of this assessment opportunity. Many students have already been attending out of class tutorials which is brilliant to see. Depending on exam schedules, staff may be available to help at other times as well – please see Mr Wallace to arrange a different time.

There is an opportunity for a final revision session on Tuesday morning from 9:50am at the discretion of the timetabled class teacher. Please see Mr Wallace if you have any questions, or e-mail brendon.wallace@menzies.school.nz

*Brendon Wallace
Head of Department - Mathematics*

Art Tutorials

With external assessments for Art due in the first few weeks of next term, tutorials are being held every Tuesday and Wednesday after school until 5pm. Lunch time tutorials are also available. As this deadline is looming and time is flying, it is advised that each senior art student attends at least one tutorial each week.

Miss Bianca Burgess-Heald
Teacher

Board of Trustees Report - September

- As of Thursday 21 August the school roll was sitting on 286.
- We predict a roll of 300 in 2015.
- Our sports teams had a successful week away on tournament.
- The technology block upgrade plans, continue to be modified in order to try and get the best outcome the funding available.
- The pool committee are working hard towards their intended opening date in October.
- The new paint work in the school is looking very smart.
- We received letters of thanks from the tenants of 2 school houses for home improvements.
- We have parent/teacher interviews coming up on 23 September.

Keep up the awesome work.

Victoria Clark
Student Representative

Young Farmers Teen Ag Club

We have had Jamie Callahan, a member of the local Wyndham Young Farmers Club come on board to help run a Teen Ag Club at Menzies This will be a great opportunity for our students to go on field trips, learn some extra agriculture skills and hear from people working in the industry. We are looking at running this club once every 2 weeks on a Tuesday lunchtime, or Tuesday after school if a trip is planned. This is open to all students. There may be some transport costs from time to time if we take a van but we hope we can get by with a couple of parents taking cars.

The first trip will take place this coming Tuesday from 4pm-5:30pm. We are planning on taking anyone interested to visit the farm of regional Southland Young farmer champion Dean Rabbidge. A notice will go home about this trip, so keep an eye out for it.

Tim Landreth
Teacher

Menzies College Rugby

On Wednesday 17 September at 1.15pm in the school hall, the rugby teams end of season prizegiving will take place and the 1st XV will be presented with their rugby jerseys. All rugby players are to attend. All jackets must be handed in to team managers before this date.

Sports/Cultural/Team Photos

Photos are now on display in the office foyer. These prints are 13 x 18cm and cost \$12. Envelopes are available from the office. Orders close 19 September.

Tournament Week

South Island Secondary Schools Tournament

Netball

On Sunday 31 August we left Menzies College at about 3pm for a leisurely drive to Ascot Park. As one of the 'local' teams, our first job was to deliver home baking to visiting teams to make them feel welcome. We did a fabulous job of this!

On Monday we played Hillmorton High School from Christchurch in our first game. It was a nervous start for both teams but we eventually won 33-28. In the afternoon we met Mount Hutt College from Methvan. We worked hard on defence but nothing was going our way on attack. We eventually lost 39-23 having made the decision to give some key players a rest in the final quarter.

We went into Tuesday morning thinking a win would give us a place in the top 16 for the next round of play. We played Collingwood Area School from the Nelson area and won 31-26. However, Mount Hutt lost to Hillmorton and there was a 3-way tie for first. Placings were then decided on goal differential. Our goal differential was the lowest so we moved into the bottom 16 of the competition for the next round. In the afternoon we played MacKenzie College from Fairlie which we won 30-22. We then headed for Oreti Beach for a dip in the sea to help recovery. We had our team meal at the Cabbage Tree that evening and set our sights on winning the Plate competition.

On Wednesday morning we had a must win game against Hurunui Combined, a team made up of several schools in the Hamner Springs area. Nerves got the better of the team in the first quarter. They fought hard to come back but lost 19-25. We were very disappointed but needed to lift our game against Queens from Dunedin in the afternoon. This was another hard fought match with tired bodies giving their all. We lost 21-23. The team had food challenges that evening to initiate the new players. After lots of laughs the pain of the day was forgotten and we were ready for a good sleep.

Thursday was 'finals' day. This didn't get off to a good start when we couldn't find the van keys. Thankfully we were well organised with plenty of time up our sleeves to shuttle players. We played Tokomairiro from Mosgiel in the morning. This was a fantastic match up with tired bodies straining to every last bit of advantage. Luck was not with us and we lost 28-29. Our final game was against Riccarton High School from Christchurch, in the play off for 27th and 28th. We played well and won 24-20, a great way to end the tournament. All up, we had 4 wins and 4 losses. Two of these were narrow losses. We enjoyed fabulous support from spectators and had a wonderful experience.

Thank you to Melissa Rodgers who gave up her time to coach the team.

*Mrs Kath Luoni
Manager*



Rugby - Top Eight Finish In South Island Competition

The Menzies College Under 15 team went to the South Island rugby competition that was held in Queenstown and returned with a great top 8 finish and the team were the highest ranked Southland team in the competition. There were 24 schools represented from all over the South Island, from Motueka (Tasman) to James Hargest (Southland) and from Greymouth (West Coast) to Rangiora (Canterbury). The rugby on display from all teams was stunning and the conditions that the matches were played in were fantastic.

The Menzies boys played some magnificent rugby and gave their best in every game. The competition was split into 2 parts. The first part was a group system, 6 groups of 4. The teams were then split into 3 divisions of 8, Divisions 1, 2 and 3. Play-off games were then played to rank the teams from 1 to 24.

On a very frosty spring morning Menzies played their first game of the competition against Kavanagh College, Dunedin. The game was a hard fought encounter with Menzies overcoming a spirited opposition by 33 – 5. The opening try scorer for Menzies was Kallen Egerton and he was followed with tries being added by Cameron Parkinson, Nic Michaels and Devon McLeod with 2. Devon also landed 4 conversions. The next game, later that day, was against Greymouth College and the Menzies boys cruised to a victory by 31 – 17 and they never looked troubled by the opposition. Try scorers in this match were Oliver Woodrow, Henry Tapiata, Jordan Medley, Devon McLeod and James Phillips who scored the best try that the Menzies team put together in all 5 of the matches played. At the end of day 1 Menzies had played 2 and won 2.

Day 2 was an early start with the first match, against Lincoln High School, kicking off at 9:30am. The Menzies boys started really well and were very competitive for two thirds of the game. We lost the game 41 – 7 with an Oliver Woodrow try and a Devon McLeod conversion being our contribution to the scoring. The group games were now over and Menzies had the eighth best record of the twenty four teams and so we made the division 1 pool.

In the quarter final we played St Andrews College from Christchurch, the number 1 ranked team. The Menzies boys performed admirably and if the game had been played as a ten man game we would have been close to a win as the Menzies forwards dominated their opponents. St Andrews had a winger with devastating speed who scored 4 tries and so there was no real way of combatting this.

In our final game, for 7th or 8th placing, we played Rangiora High School from Christchurch. The squad had been ravaged with injuries and so we were beaten 34 – 0 but we still endeavoured to the end.

8th place was a fantastic finish for the Menzies boys.

The squad was composed of hard working forwards, Kallen Egerton, William Pennicott, James Sisley, Campbell Heads, Anaia Johnson, Corbin Smith, Henry Tapiata and Quinn Smith. 'Captain fantastic' was Joseph Ferguson who played every minute of every game and he was ably supported by 'Mr Perpetual Motion' – Cameron Parkinson and the 'go forward' from Oliver Woodrow. The backs were well led by the teams selection as player of the tournament, Devon McLeod who was well supported by Nic Michaels, the versatile Josh Young, James Phillips, Flynn Hartley, Sam Bee, the hard working Jordan Medley, Michael Moncur, Luke Crosbie and Austin McGregor.

The coaches, Craig Marshall and Nathan 'Pies' Sutton are to be commended for their dedication and hard work with the boys and they ensured that all boys had sufficient game time. Ross McLeod was a fantastic manager who was able to find out all the important information and to organise the boys really well. As ever with Menzies College trips the parental support was amazing with the meals provided by parents of the squad and a special mention should be made of Meredith Moncur, Rowena Smith, Steph Egerton and Debbie Sisley for providing transport, encouragement, support, cooking ability and medical attention for the boys so that they felt happy and cared for.

Menzies has improved from 2013 to 2014 and so looking ahead, the 2015 competition is in Nelson. Can we do even better there?

*Simon Wilkinson (Doc)
Teacher*

Soccer - Gary Snowden National Tournament

Menzies College travelled to Christchurch on Sunday the 31 August for the Gary Snowden Tournament. Their first games on Monday were against Kapiti College (Wellington), which resulted in a 0 – 6 loss. In the afternoon they played St Margaret's College (Canterbury) and conceded 2 goals in the first 5 minutes, which knocked back the girls' confidence and resulted in them being down 0 – 3 at halftime. In the second half, the Menzies team pulled together and the second half was 0 – 0, but unfortunately they went down 3 – 0.



On Tuesday they had their final pool game against Villa Maria College (Canterbury). Villa Maria were one of the tournament favourites after attending the National Premiership Tournament and finishing with a ranking of 32nd in the Country. In this game the Menzies team played outstandingly and found themselves only 1 - 0 down with 15 minutes to go, but Villa Maria brought on a number of subs and our girls couldn't keep up the intensity and ended up 0 – 6 loss. We finished in 4th place in our pool which meant we would play-off for 9-16 places at the tournament.

In our first game on Wednesday we ended up playing Buller High School and the girls came out on top 3 – 0 in a very competitive game with our goals scored by Tia Tuhakaraina (2 goals) and Harlee Symes. This meant the team was to play-off for 9 -12 places. In the afternoon the girls played Ashburton College and started brilliantly with a goal in the first 2 minutes of the game through Harlee Symes. Unfortunately they couldn't finish the game off and in a game that was end to end, the difference was Ashburton finished their chances and Menzies could not. The game could have finished 4-4 but with the lack of finish Menzies went down 1-4.

On Thursday we had our final game against Nayland College from Nelson, who are previous winners of this tournament a number of times. Nayland opened the scoring in the first 2 minutes which rocked Menzies back and it took a while for the team to get back into the game. Harlee Symes levelled the scores midway through the first half and then with a curling free-kick, put Menzies 2 -1 ahead going into halftime. In the second half Menzies added another goal through Harlee to win the game 3 – 1 and finish in its highest ever placing since attending National Tournament with an 11th place. The girls did extremely well and were fantastic all week. Thank you to the parents/caregivers that turned up to support the players, the team management appreciated your support.



Results

Kapiti College 0 – 6 loss, St Margaret's 0 – 3 loss, Villa Maria 0 – 6 loss, Buller 3 – 0 win (Scorers: Tia 2, Harlee1), Ashburton College 1 – 4 loss (Scorer: Harlee), Nayland College 3 – 1 win (Scorer: Harlee 3)

National Tournament Individual Awards

During the tournament, the teams Menzies played against picked a 'Most Valuable Player' in each game and at the end of the tournament Harlee Symes was awarded Menzies College MVP for the tournament. Congratulations Harlee. Also during the tournament, Harlee became the second Menzies

player to score a hat-trick at a national tournament and most goals ever by a player for Menzies with 5 goals. Menzies players also picked their own player of the match for each game and the results were as follows;

Player of the Match awards: Summer Smith and Victoria Clark (vs Kapiti), Victoria Clark (vs Villa Maria), Summer Smith (vs St Margaret's), Tia Tuhakaraina and Carrie Ann McEwan (vs Buller), Laura Hill (vs Ashburton), Harlee Symes (vs Nayland).

Important Please Note: Summer Socca entries are now being taken

Summer Socca entries are now being taken and are available at the office. Entries will be sent out shortly. If you would prefer an entry form to be emailed, please send your email address to clambert@menzies.school.nz Adult league entries close on 17 September with a start date of 22 September but we will continue to accept entries until the end of the term. Kids league entries are due towards the end of Term 3.

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'. This will also have information while we are away at tournament. So post your messages of support etc.

Important Dates

Wednesday 17 September	Adult Team entries due for Summer Socca 2014
Monday 22 September	Adult League Starts
Friday 26 September	Kids League entries are due

Carl Lambert
Organiser

Menzies Students Excel

SISS Ice Hockey Tournament - Lachlan Scott

Last week, Lachlan Scott attended the SISS tournament in Dunedin as a member of a combined high schools ice hockey team, coming away with the 'B' Grade top goalie award.

As ice hockey is a minority sport just now, the team was made up of players from the Gore club, involving 5 different high schools and was entered through Gore High School, competing as the Gore Grizzlies.

They played in the 'B' grade in a round robin competition against 4 other teams: Kings2, McKenzie, Dunstan and Dunedin Ice Queens. They qualified for the finals having lost only 1 game against Dunstan (6-5). Unfortunately, due to confusion over the rules surrounding the number of schools allowed in a combined team, they were denied the opportunity to play in their grade's final. They still put 'their all' in to the finals games they did play, having a win and coming away with only the 1 loss for the whole tournament. The team can be very proud of themselves both on and off the ice, as they represented our local area with fantastic team ethics, sportsmanship and as ambassadors of high character.



Success at Bowls Tournament - Vinnie Rayner

On 29 August I flew out of Invercargill and headed up to Wellington for the New Zealand Junior singles and the New Zealand Secondary Schools singles for indoor bowls. First we went to the hall in Porirua for the junior singles where we were introduced and presented with a certificate to show what we had achieved. It was a long day for most of us but I ended up qualifying into the next round but was then put out by a girl from Ashburton. The next day was the secondary schools singles and I had 2 wins and 2 losses. Unfortunately I didn't qualify but I then played the plate section and won it overall playing a boy from James Hargest College. I won a silver tray for winning this section.

Vinnie Rayner - Year 11

Cross Country

On Wednesday Menzies held our annual cross country at the Wyndham Race Course. We couldn't have asked for a better day weather wise which made for an enjoyable afternoon. Thanks to the parents/caregivers who came along to support and also to staff who helped with marshalling. Well done to all who participated. Results are as follows:

U13 Boys

1st - Hayden Michaels
2nd - Joshua Read
3rd - Luke Goatley

U13 Girls

1st - Marina Ferguson
2nd - Rylee McGregor
3rd - Brittany Tiller

U14 Boys

1st - William Dickey
2nd - Jordan Medley
3rd - Ricci Paderanga

U14 Girls

1st - Naam Whan Panto
2nd - Lauren Story
3rd - Jade Maxwell

U16 Boys

1st - Doug Fotheringham
2nd - Joeseeph Ferguson
3rd - Nic Michaels

U16 Girls

1st - Sophie Shaw
2nd - Summer Smith
3rd - Holly Smith

Over 16 Boys

1st - Kava Likiafu
2nd - Josh Wilson
3rd - Tyrone Braven

Over 16 Girls

1st - Gabby McCall
2nd - Carrie Ann McEwan
3rd - Tomazina
Koppen-Pavlovich



Tim Landreth
Sports Co-ordinator

L to R: Jeffrey Robinson, Rayden Todd, William Dickey, Summer Smith, Holly Smith, Joshua Young, Thomas Macdonald, Devon McLeod, Sean Wallis, Cameron Parkinson (in wheelbarrow) and Kelsi McLellan

Parent/Teacher Interviews

Booking for Parent/Teacher Interviews Online

23 September - 3:40pm – 5:40pm and 6:30pm – 8:00pm

A link to school interviews is also available through the school website.

Booking for parent teacher interviews online

23rd September 3:40pm – 5:40pm and 6:30pm – 8:00pm.

To book interviews with teachers go to www.schoolinterviews.co.nz which will look like the page below. Type in the code **7ELJS** here and press enter. From here you will be guided through the process of making appointments. school office 03 206 4979 and 5 minute gap between evening. We look forward to

If you are unable to make the appointments online phone the ask the office staff to make appointments for you. Please leave a appointments so we don't get unnecessary delays in the seeing you on the 23rd September in the school hall.



Community Notices

Wyndham Playcentre - Jack 'n' Jill Portraits - \$20 Portrait Fundraiser

This is being held on Saturday 27 September at 15 Raglan Street, Wyndham. Contact Rhonda on 2064837 or 021 0435430 for further information.

Edendale Tennis Club Registration Day

The Edendale Tennis Club are holding their registration day for interested and prospective players for Saturday tennis teams that play in the Eastern Southland competition. (You must attend if you wish to play this season). Also any school aged players keen to learn to play in our practice only sessions. This will be held at the Edendale Tennis Courts on Saturday 27 September starting at 11am with a parents meeting to be held at 12pm. If there are any senior/adult level players wishing to play please also let Lois know so we can pass on to Eastern Southland to gauge the need for a competition. For more information contact Lois Heads on 2066057.

canTeen - Supporting Young People with Cancer

Head Shave and Wax Off - Raffle - Bake Sale - Guess the Lolly Jar

This is being held from 11am-2pm on Saturday 13 September at the YMCA, Tay Street, Invercargill. If you would like to get involved come along and show your support. Luke Barnfather (aged 10) from Mataura will be having his head shaved with proceeds going to this very worthy cause. Contact canTeen Southland on 021 971163 for more information.

Visit www.givealittle.co.nz/cause/canteenSouthland event for sponsoring.

Comand Driving School

Defensive Driving Course to be held in Gore during October. Reduces the time on your restricted licence. Spaces are limited. For any enquiries or bookings please phone/text Gayle Lormans 03-208-0555, 021-2310055, message me through www.facebook.com/comanddrivingschool or email gayle.lormans@me.com to book your space.

Menzies College PTA Theatre Restaurant Fundraiser

Funds raised from this will be put towards the upgrade of the food and fabrics block. If you are able to assist us on Friday 26 September from 4pm onwards, or would like to donate produce or money towards this fundraiser, please contact Carlyn for more information. Phone 206 4373, email redanvalley@woosh.co.nz



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PROUDLY PRESENTS

‘VARIETY IS THE SPICE OF LIFE’

MENZIES SCHOOL HALL

THURSDAY 25 SEPTEMBER 2014

7.30 P.M.

SHOW ONLY

ADULTS \$10 - CHILDREN \$5 - FAMILIES \$25

DOOR SALES ONLY

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**FRIDAY 26 SEPTEMBER 2014**

**7.30 P.M**

**THEATRE RESTAURANT**

**(3 Course Meal and Show)**

**\$40 PER PERSON**

**TICKET SALES ONLY**

**Tickets available at the school office - Ph-206 4979**

**Proceeds to: Food Technology Room upgrade**

## End of Year Prizegiving Trophies

As we start heading towards the end of year and prizegivings we ask families to return any trophies received last year. Your assistance with this would be appreciated. Thank you.

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## Use of Library for Seniors

The library will be available for senior students to use at lunchtime as a quiet study space. They are allowed to eat their lunch but are asked to be respectful of this time and place and to leave the library as they find it.

Mrs Eileen Barnett  
Librarian

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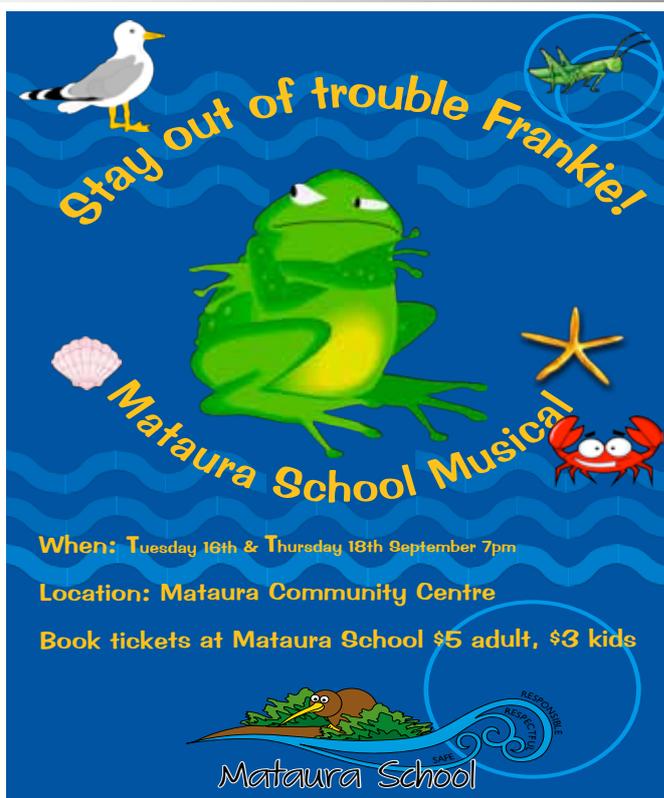
## Cash for Communities

This year, for the first time, PGG Wrightson are running a Cash for Communities programme during spring, giving farmers another opportunity to earn \$\$\$ for Menzies College. Any farmer who purchases Ballance Agri-Nutrients fertiliser on their PGG Wrightson account between 1 September and 30 November 2014, can earn cash for our school. Nominate us at [www.cashforcommunities.co.nz](http://www.cashforcommunities.co.nz) and start earning \$\$\$ for Menzies College.

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## Important Dates

|                  |                      |                                                      |
|------------------|----------------------|------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>September</b> | 11-13                | Year 7 & 8 Science Enrichment camp                   |
|                  | 11-16                | School exams                                         |
|                  | 16                   | HPV vaccinations                                     |
|                  | 23                   | Parent Teacher interviews                            |
|                  | <b>24</b>            | <b>Board of Trustees meeting</b>                     |
|                  | 25-26                | School production ( <b>Note reduction of price</b> ) |
|                  | 26                   | Last day Term 3                                      |
| <b>October</b>   | 13                   | First day Term 4                                     |
|                  | 21                   | Youthmark Awards                                     |
|                  | 23                   | Option evening                                       |
|                  | 27                   | Labour Day                                           |
| <b>November</b>  | 7                    | Last day of school for seniors                       |
|                  | 10-2 <b>December</b> | NCEA Exams                                           |
| <b>December</b>  | 28                   | Senior reports posted                                |
|                  | 1                    | Year 10 Mavora Pre-camp                              |
|                  | 2-5                  | Year 10 Mavora Camp                                  |
|                  | 10                   | Senior Prizegiving                                   |
|                  | 11                   | Last day for junior students                         |
|                  |                      | Junior Prizegiving                                   |
|                  | 12                   | Junior reports posted                                |
|                  |                      | <b>Teacher only day</b><br>LLP Reward Day            |



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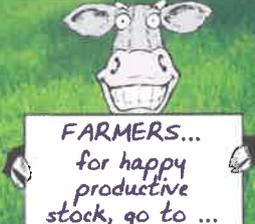
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