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27 March 2015

From the Principal's Desk

Kia Ora

This week we have had the company of the Education Review Office for four days looking at how we teach and progress learning at Menzies College. ERO will report back to the Board of Trustees on Tuesday evening advising their findings and what next steps need to be implemented to raise achievement further.

South Island Athletics

Congratulations to Hayden Stuart, Jordan Stuart and Tyla Adams who were very successful last weekend at the Otago/Southland athletics at Surrey Park. This weekend they are off to Nelson to compete at the South Island Athletics Championships. We wish them all the best and look forward to hearing of their success. There is another article on our students' successes further on in the newsletter. Also, good luck to the students taking part in the Primary School athletics this weekend.

Shear Excellence

Next Thursday night we will again be holding our Shear Excellence competition. This will be held on the property of Peter and Carole Bee, Leonard Road, Glenham from 6pm. So far, entries have been confirmed from four other Southland schools with another one likely to join. A BBQ will be provided so come out with the family and enjoy the evening.

Australian Sports Tour

From 12 to 24 April we will have 53 senior students and a wonderful group of keen parents in Queensland on a sports tour to the Sunshine and Gold Coasts. After a lot of fundraising and numerous meetings, this trip, that happens every three years, is about to depart. We wish our students and parents an enjoyable time abroad.

Next Thursday will be the last teaching day at Menzies for staff member Georgie Gardyne. Georgie came to us as a first year teacher in February 2014 and has been a most conscientious staff member. She is very capable as a Technology and Science teacher along with her role in leading TGG Whanau group and Totara House to 'world' champions in 2014. Georgie has also been a supportive coach for our netball girls. We wish Georgie all the best in this exciting time of her life as she plans to head away on her big OE.

This will be our last newsletter for the term. Many thanks for your continued support and enthusiasm for our school.

*Gerry Ward
Principal*

Careers Department

Defence Careers Experience (DCE) (13 April -17 April)

This is a five day residential course involving NZDF trade skills, leadership exercises and displays. The Defence Careers Experience (DCE) lets you experience what it is like to be in the NZDF. It will give you a taste of the Navy, Army and Air Force. The Defence Careers Experience is open to secondary school students throughout the South Island. However, it is targeted at Year 12 secondary school students.

*Miss Katie Hall & Stuart Clark
Career Advisors*

English Department

ENG101 assessment dates

AS90854 – Form personal response to independently read texts, supported by evidence -

Response # 3 –Wednesday 22 April, period 4

Response # 4 –Wednesday 13 May, period 4

Response # 5 –Wednesday 3 June, period 4

Response # 6 –Wednesday 1 July, period 4

AS90857 – Construct and deliver an oral text -

Monday 30 March: periods 1 – 5. Please note that students will be required for the whole day.

*Ms Sonja Swale
Head of Department - English*

Science Department

Rural Studies

The students in Year 9 and Year 10 Rural Studies have been studying wood. The photo shows girls displaying their posters of all things made from wood. Students from left to right are Kailey Yeoman, Shaz Harvey, Sarah Andrews, Naam Whan Panto, and Allynah Padaeranga.



Olivia Wallace, Lisa Clark and Rhiannon Gorman proudly show the pumpkin they have carved and have grown in the school garden.



*Mrs Toni Halliday
Rural Studies Teacher*

Special Needs Department

Westpac Trust Helicopter Fundraiser

Hannah Schipper and James Golden are out on their bikes doing laps for the Westpac Helicopter Trust. They plan to do 200 laps... go Hannah and James!

Easter Raffle

Congratulations to the lucky winners of our raffle:

- 1st Raoul Schipper**
- 2nd Rachel Hillis**
- 3rd 'Thommo'**
- 4th James Golden**



Thank to to everyone who supported us. We wish you all a happy Easter.

*Mrs Toni Halliday
Special Needs Co-ordinator*

Important Dates

March	30 - April 2	Wanaka Camp Year 12 & 13 Adventure Experience
April	2	Last day of Term 1
	3	Good Friday
	12-24	Australian Sports tour
	20	First day back of Term 2
	27	ANZAC Day observance
	28	Otago Tertiary Day
	29	CPIT Visit
	30	Year 7 & 8 Parents Presentation
		Board of Trustees meeting
May	4	HPV Vaccination No. 2

Community Notices

Southland Life Education Community Trust AGM

This will be held on Thursday 23 April, 7pm at Windsor North School, Chelmsford Street, Invercargill. New Trustees are required to fill vacant positions so parents, teachers, school principals, past teachers or any interested person please make an effort to attend and support the Trust. Any queries to Val (03)235-8910, all welcome.

Wanted to Rent

Four bedroomed house in Wyndham/Edendale area from 24 May. Phone Theo/Karen on (03) 2066377.

Wyndham Community Pool

The pool will be closed for the season from Friday 3 April and all keys will be deactivated. Keys can be returned to the Menzies College office. The \$10 bond will be refunded for all keys returned by Friday 22 May 2015. Alternatively, you are welcome to keep your key for next season. This will be reactivated on receipt of the appropriate subscription when the pool re-opens. The committee would like to thank the community for the fabulous support we have received in the operation of the pool this season. It has been exciting to see people enjoying and respecting this great facility.

Edendale Netball Club Trials

The Edendale Netball Club will be holding the final trial for all players at the Edendale Netball Courts on Sunday 29 March - (Year 3 and 4 - 2 pm); (Year 5 and 6 - 2.30 pm); (Year 7 and up - 3pm). All interested players are asked to attend. Failure to attend may result in players being graded incorrectly. Registration would be appreciated prior to these trials and can be completed through www.sportsground.co.nz/edendalenetball. All enquiries to Belinda on 021 1712144.

Senior/Social Players

A get-together and registration will be held for all interested senior/social players on Monday 30 March, 7pm at the Edendale Netball Courts. Any enquiries or if unable to attend but keen to play, please contact Nicole on 027 3950020.

Menzies College PTA AGM

This will be held Tuesday 28 April, 7pm in the Menzies College Staffroom followed by a general meeting.

The PTA support the school through second hand uniform sales, some fundraising, hosting relevant evenings for parents, and providing assistance at school prize giving and other events. If you would like to make a difference for your school, by being a part of the PTA, we would love to see you at this meeting. Apologies to Lois on (03) 206 6057.

Menzies College Rugby

Please remember that subs are due. A reminder that players going on the Australian sports trip must pay their subs before departure. Please check with your managers with regard to payment.

The 1st XV had a pre-season game at Menzies last Saturday against James Hargest, resulting in a 45-5 victory. It was a great start to the season and apart from the rain, everyone enjoyed seeing how far the team has grown already this year.

The Year 7 and 8's have a pre-season day in Gore on Sunday 29 March. The team is asked to assemble at the show grounds at 11am, with the first game to start at approximately 11.30am. There are four teams playing on the day, with 2 x 30 minute games for each team. This will be a great chance for the coaches to see where their teams and players are at and should be a fun day for the players.

The next committee meeting is 7.30pm, Tuesday 14 April in the school Library.

*Bob Wallis
Secretary*

'You Make The Call' - Rugby Referee Course

Another 'You Make the Call' course is scheduled to be held during the school holidays this year.

Where - Rugby Park Stadium, Invercargill

When - Wednesday 15 April from 9am-3pm

Plus Wednesday 8 July (to complete course and sign off on the NCEA credits)

The main objective of this course is to increase the pool of referees available to referee rugby in Southland. Participants must be capable of refereeing 'A' Grade (Under 13) rugby and above. Suitable participants may referee at Under 14 and above levels depending on their ability. The course for 2015 will be held over 2 days – one in each school holidays. During term 2, participants will be required to actively referee a minimum of six games in order to attend the second day of the course and sign off on the NCEA credits. Lunch will be provided for all candidates, along with a Referee polo. At the completion of this course, successful applicants will receive NCEA credits.

Course background

The course is designed specifically for teenagers and involves a combination of both theory and practical based training sessions. Nomination forms need to be at Rugby Southland by Monday 30 March 2015. There is no cost to participants. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact Kirk Rae, Referee Education Officer at Rugby Southland on (03) 216 8694 (Ext 816).

Menzies College Soccer

Soccer Subs 2015

These are \$40 per player which covers entry fee and administration costs. Payment can be made immediately and cheques are to be made payable to Menzies College. Other costs that could occur are transport if we do not have enough parents to help out and in these instances, students will be asked to make a contribution towards travel. A letter has been sent home about helping with transport and if you can assist, please fill out the details and return this to Mr Lambert. This will help keep costs down.

Soccer Playing Equipment

Players will need soccer boots and shin-pads (\$5 to \$6 at The Warehouse) for the coming season. If you need boots we do have some second hand ones for sale at very cheap prices. Players will be provided with a playing shirt and they will also need black shorts and socks which can be ordered if needed.

EOTC Permission Form (Very Important)

This form must be signed and returned to Mr Lambert as soon as possible.

Ordering Menzies College Soccer Gear

Players can order hoodies (black and green) and we also have a polo shirt that can be worn to games. There is also a warm-up jacket, black shorts and socks available. **Any orders must be given to Mr Lambert not the office.** Please remember orders must have the money attached before they will be placed.

Trainings

This year training for girls will be on a Wednesday during Term 1 from 3.30pm to 5.00pm. In Term 2 the following changes will occur:

1st XI Girls	Tuesday from 3.30pm to 5pm (Term 2)
Development Team	Thursday from 3.30pm to 5pm (Term 2)
1st XI Boys	Thursday from 3.30pm to 5pm (Term 2)

Team Officials

1st XI Girls	Mr Lambert (Coach), manager TBA
Development Team	Mr Lambert (Coach), manager TBA
1st XI Boys	Mr Landreth (Manager), coach TBA

Up Coming Dates

1 April	Training
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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'. If you need any more information please contact me here at Menzies College - Carl Lambert (03) 2064979 or email clambert@menzies.school.nz

Quiz League!

When – Monday 4th, 11th and 18th of May

Where – Three Rivers Hotel

Time – 7pm start

Cost - \$5 per person. Teams of 4 (\$20) each night.

Entry – Please register your interest to Victoria Clark 0279619840 – victoria.clark1997@icloud.com or Carl Lambert 0278174081 – clambert@menzies.school.nz

At the conclusion of the quiz league an overall prize will be given to the team with the most points from the 3 nights combined generously sponsored by The Three Rivers Hotel.

Raffles will be drawn throughout the evening in between rounds and we will also have a grocery raffle for sale over the three nights as well.

Please come along and support our 1st XI Girls soccer team so we can go to the National Tournament in Ashburton



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Otago/Southland Athletic Championships

The following students competed:

Under 14 Girls

Tyla Adams; 100m and 200m
Gabby Knapp; Discus Throw
Kailey Yeomen; Javelin Throw

Under 14 Boys

Hayden Stuart; 800m

Under 15 Girls

Naam Whan Panto; Javelin Throw

Under 16 Boys

Joseph Ferguson; 400m and 800m

Under 16 Girls

Rebekah Kingdon; Shot Put

Senior Boys

Jordan Stuart; Triple Jump

With a very cold and early start to the day at Surrey Park in Invercargill on Saturday 21 March, eight Menzies College students headed down to compete, as well as Sue Dynes, myself and our two student helpers; Sam Macdonald and Olivia Wallace (who were completing some of their Duke of Edinburgh Award Community Service hours).

Tyla Adams was first up in her 100m heat. With a quick start out of the blocks this looked like a promising race for Tyla. However, unfortunately her time did not qualify her for the final. Her next event was the 200m heats in which she pulled a third place and this time she was a competitor in the finals. Tyla had another quick start out of the blocks and was leading the field around the bend, when they hit the final 100m and the field lined up Tyla was easily in the top five. She came across the line with a close fourth place qualifying her for the South Island Championships next weekend. Well done Tyla.



Joseph Ferguson

Joseph Ferguson was next up on the track in the Under 16 Boys 400m. He ran a massive effort against some very well trained Otago runners. Joseph also competed in the 800m run later in the day, keeping with the leader group of the field, with a sprint to the finish Joseph came in 7th place. Great effort Joseph.

Hayden Stuart was a prospect for the South Island Champs from the moment he started warming up. He showed focus and dedication and on this very cold and wet day warmed up accordingly. With a very anxious support crew on the fence line Hayden had a confident start to his race, keeping to his race plan and pacing himself around the 800m. A strong finish and sprint down the final 100m burning off the challengers so desperate for a spot in the top five saw him finish in fourth place and secure his trip to Nelson next weekend for the South Islands. Inspirational run Hayden, well done.



Rebekah Kingdon

Competitors in the field events who gave it their all in between the rain and huddling under the cover of the marquees were Rebekah Kingdon in the Under 16 Shot Put, Naam Whan Panto in the Under 15 Javelin and Gabby Knapp in the Under 14 Girls Discus. Well done girls.

Kailey Yeomen was competing in the Under 14 Girls Javelin, the first season she has ever competed in this event. She pleasantly surprised herself by qualifying in the top eight to continue the competition and have a final three throws. As the competition came to a close Kailey threw consistently and with the technique of a professional. She pulled a fifth placing which also qualifies her for the South Island Championships. Awesome work Kailey.



Kailey Yeoman

With the day coming to a close it was finally time for Jordan Stuart to hit the Triple Jump. With a reasonably relaxed attitude to the start of the day, helping upstairs entering results, Jordan's hunger to qualify for the South Islands soon kicked in and after seeing brother Hayden as well as other Menzies students qualify, his mind was set on securing himself a position as well. The rain didn't let up all day even for the final events and after some big jumps, a very drawn out event as well as proud Mum, Dad and brothers on the fence line Jordan finally came over to put everyone out of their misery; fourth place and a spot at the South Islands. Congratulations Jordan.



Gabby Knapp & Jordan Stuart

Menzies College and Fiordland College were on 'hosting the event' which consisted of data entry, taking results at the finish line, providing and taking round morning and afternoon tea to the officials. Menzies was well represented and took over with the help of our athletes and parents to have a very successful day. Thank you to all the support over the weekend and especially to Sue Dynes for all she has done in making the day run smoothly. It was awesome to hear all the comments from the organisers and Fiordland College about our kids being polite, confident, reliable and always checking if there was something else they could be doing to help. Top effort all round and a very proud moment for Menzies College. Congratulations competitors and thank you.

Good luck to Hayden Stuart, Jordan Stuart and Tyla Adams who are off to Nelson this weekend for the South Island Athletics Championships.

Miss Katie Hall
Sports Co-ordinator

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