



# MENZIES COLLEGE

*we pride ourselves on being a community school big enough to match the best - small enough to care*

**24 April 2015**

## From the Principal's Desk

### Kia Ora

Today we held a very special assembly to commemorate ANZAC day with a focus on Gallipoli. It was student dominated with our Year 9ED Social Science class presenting a verbal account from their class work on this topic, followed by presentations from Sam Moncur, Rose Beker and our Kapa Haka group. We had a special reading from the diary of Ms Youngson's great grandfather, William Fraser of the Otago Mountain Rifles as they prepared for the 1915 Battle of Chunuk Bair. It would be nice to think that most students make an effort to attend the ANZAC service near their home on Saturday morning. Times of the services are as follows: Wyndham 8am; Edendale 9am; Tokanui 9.30am; Gore 6.30am; Gorge Road 9am and Mataura 7am.



This term we welcome two new staff members. Mr Steve Chernishov will be our new Foods Technology teacher and Mrs Lesley Lee will be teaching a group of our year nine students who need a boost in Maths, English and Social Sciences, for the next two terms. We welcome them both to the school and I hope they find the teaching experience here at Menzies an enjoyable one.

In the second last week of term 1 we held our Literacy Day with a shared lunch by the whanau groups, house plays and impromptu speeches. My thanks to the staff and senior students who made this such a great day. I would like to especially recognise the work of Mrs McKelvie and Mrs Knapp for ensuring everything went smoothly and selling the concept so well to our students.

On the last day of Term One we held our Shear Excellence competition at Peter and Carole Bee's property. This year the Matt Kingsbury Memorial Trophy for 'Quality Shearing' was taken out by Jorge Story. Congratulations, Jorge. The school award was won by Aparima College. A big thanks to Chas Tohiariki, the Bee's and Bruce Lamb for their great support in making this happen.

Today we welcome back to school our 53 senior students and the group of parents who have been in Australia for the last 11 days. By all accounts the tour was a great success both on the court and field as well in in the malls and at the popular tourist sights. It's been a huge undertaking, something we do every three years so all students have the opportunity to attend and a big thanks must go to Carole Bee and the parent committee who enabled it to eventuate. A full report can be included in our next newsletter updating games and a summary of their trip.

### PB4L

Congratulations to Kieran Coyle, Beth Scott, Brittany Tiller, Katelyn McEwan and Mrs Dale in the office for winning the achievement draw for this week. Beth received hers for being extra helpful and reliable in Agriculture classes.

*Gerry Ward  
Principal*

## Programme Incubator

This session was held on Monday 16 March and was attended by eight students. The guest speaker was Lewis Marshall, Social Worker, Gore Health with Jan Tait, RN, Co-ordinator Programme Incubator and Katie Hall, Careers Advisor from school, as supporters. The session commenced with an instrument card sorting game whereby students are divided into groups and have to match metal surgical instruments with their name and use.

### Career Talk

Lewis Marshall is a Social Worker who is employed by Gore Health. Lewis went to University from school and gained a Bachelor of Arts degree from Otago University. After being out in the workforce for a few years he went back to study and did postgraduate study to gain a Social Work qualification. Lewis currently works in a part time position at Gore Health, 30 hours a week with patients of all ages. A large part of his work is listening to people, to help them gain insights and solutions to their problems. With the aging population Lewis finds he spends a great deal of time with the elderly and their families sorting out living arrangements particularly if the person has had a health challenge. Lewis particularly enjoys listening to peoples' stories, where they have been, what they have done in their lives, it helps him to understand them and their needs and also helps the person sort out what they want to do in the future. The options for study to become a social worker are to attend University fulltime or study part time via distance learning with Massey University.

### Activity

Jan then talked with students about brain injury and how health professionals in the acute phase need to assess the persons level of consciousness and pupil response as this can indicate deterioration in the person's condition. The students were all given a pencil torch and shown how to do a pupil check on each other. They were then asked to record this information on the observation chart.

*Report by Jan Tait*

*Programme Incubator Coordinator, Southland*

### Health Careers

Programme Incubator, are again planning a Health Careers Expo for Southland secondary schools on Tuesday 19 May in the Community Services Building, Lecture Theatre, Southland Hospital. This is offered to interested Year 10 and 11 students and any parents/caregivers that want to come along. Letters and permission forms will be sent home shortly and it would be appreciated if these could be returned promptly to the office with payment.

The intended purpose is to introduce students to the:

- Health sector and the myriad of health career possibilities;
- Required courses of study for the different health careers thus assisting with their future subject choices for their senior years at school;
- Incubator Programme and the potential opportunity to participate in the future.
- Seventeen hospital departments are represented and 32 health professionals involved.
- Timeslots are allocated (usually an hour) to provide enough time for students to talk to health professionals, have something to eat/drink and participate in a prize draw.

### Careers Department

The Dunedin Tertiary Information Day is on 28 April and Year 12 and 13 students as well as parents/caregivers are invited. Transport will be by bus at a cost of \$25 per student with parents/caregivers travelling for free. The programme runs from 9.30am until 3.30pm. We will be assembling at school at 6.15am and expecting to be back at school about 6.30pm when students will need to be picked up. Please collect the information letter and permission slip from the office if you wish to attend. For more information go to the websites below and search Tertiary Information Day [www.otago.ac.nz](http://www.otago.ac.nz) [www.facebook.com/otagouniversity](https://www.facebook.com/otagouniversity)

*Miss Katie Hall  
Careers Advisor*

## Science Department

### Rural Studies

On Monday 30 March about 10 students from Year 9 went to Curio Bay. We planted some native trees with students from Singapore who were about our age. The students who went were Brittany Tiller, Maddy Schreurs, Shayla Hill, Micaiah Johnston-Brown, Luke Humphries, Caeden McGregor, William Ranstead, Kaitlen Yorke, Annalie Woodrow and Kobie Todd. Some students had never held a spade before so we had to show them what to do. Kaitlen was very good at digging holes for the trees. They said they would come back in 40 years to see how the trees had grown.



After planting the trees we walked down to see the Petrified Forest. It was a windy day and there were some big waves coming in. It was really good fun. It was really fun on the way back to school; we stopped at a café and had some treats. Mrs McEwan was there playing music with some friends.

Thank you to Mrs Halliday, Mrs Wright and Mr Ward for taking us. We hope we can meet more students from other countries in the near future.



## Special Needs Department

### Entertainment Book 2015-16

This book is now available from our office at a cost of \$60 and entitles the purchaser to hundreds of valuable offers for restaurants, arts, attractions, hotel accommodation, travel and much more, in the Otago and Southland Region. This year there is also a digital membership option for use on Smartphones. This is a fundraising venture for Special Needs students and your support would be greatly appreciated. These books can be used from now until June, 2016. Email enquiries are welcome.

*Mrs Toni Halliday*

*Teacher in Charge - Special Needs*

## English Department

### English 101 Assessment dates

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

Response # 4 –Wednesday 13 May, period 4

Response # 5 –Wednesday 3 June, period 4

Response # 6 –Wednesday 1 July, period 4

### English 102 - Assessment date

AS 90856 - Show understanding of visual text through close viewing using supporting evidence - Friday 8 May, period 1.

*Ms Sonja Swale*

*Head of Department - English*

## Des Hunt visits Edendale Primary

Thank you very much to Jenny Coyle and Edendale Primary School for giving Menzies College the opportunity to listen to Des Hunt, a New Zealand Author speak. We look forward to more of these occasions and to work closely with them in the future.

Earlier this term some Menzies students went into Invercargill to a writing workshop with Des and this was a good chance for those who missed out to go and hear him speak. Students were totally captivated by him and this is some of their thoughts:

*Victoria Kelly 8VW – “He told us he used to be a science teacher and he now uses it in his writing.”*

*Maria Perriam 8CL – “I liked the science experiments he did to explain writing.”*

*Rhylee McGregor 8KH - “He told stories that were really interesting.”*

*Tiyla McNaught 8CL – “He talks about New Zealand native life, and his ‘back story’.”*

*Ethan Read 8KH – “I liked how he made a gun using magnets, ball bearings and broom sticks to show how to plan a story.”*

*Rachael Kane 8KH – “He has a great imagination”.*

*Leevi Wilson 8KH – “The metaphor he uses with his ray gun, telling us that once you have finished a story you have to take your ‘ray gun’ to it which means; go over it again.”*

*Sophie Johnston 8CL – “I liked his back story which was where he told us about himself and his pets Poofy and Puku.”*

*Kendal Wallace 8CL – “I enjoyed how he tied in science to his stories.”*

*Daina Stevenson 8CL – “I really liked how all his books are New Zealand based”.*



*Miss Katie Hall & Carl Lambert*

*Teachers 8KH & 8CL*

## 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 Heads on (03) 206 6057.

## Year 7 Screening

- Vision screening for all Year 7 students will take place on **Friday 8 May**. (Please Note: Your child will not be screened if he/she is under the care of a specialist and /or optometrist)
  - Colour Vision for Year 7 male students
  - Parents/caregivers will be notified if further assessment is required by an Optometrist
- If you do not wish your child to be screened, please notify the school.

## Blanket Consent Forms

**All new students to Menzies College have been given a blanket consent form to fill out and return to the school office.** It would be appreciated if these could be returned urgently if you have not already done so.

*Mrs Alice Cade*  
*EOTC Co-ordinator*

## Westpac Chopper Appeal

On Friday 8 May, 60 riders will bike from Queenstown to Invercargill (via Five Rivers, Mossburn, Nightcaps) covering a distance of 250km. This is happening to raise money for the local Rescue Helicopter Trust. Mr Wallace is one of the riders this year. The riders start at 6am (what!?) in small groups for a leisurely ride (in the dark) to Kingston. After re-grouping, the whole group then travels south together, with a few stops along the way to spread the word and collect donations from schools and businesses. The aim is to reach the Don Street branch of Westpac at around 5.30pm.

The aim of this event is to raise money. Menzies is getting behind this cause (and Mr Wallace) by having a Mufti Day on Friday 1 May. We are asking for a gold coin donation from students for this. Up until this day, we are also running another fundraiser – “Clown for the Day”. Between now and then, students (plus staff and parents/caregivers) will be able to “vote” by donating for their teacher of choice. The teacher with the largest amount by 3.30pm on Thursday 30 April will be the “winner” and will teach the full Mufti Day dressed like a clown.



*Dumbo the Clown aka, Pete Wilkinson*

Each teacher has a donation bucket – these have been in the canteen this week but next week the Community Committee members will be roaming with them at interval, lunchtimes and at Whanau time. The teachers who have put their name forward as candidates are: Mr Mark Kerslake, Miss Bianca Burgess-Heald, Mr Pete Wilkinson, Mr Wallace and Mr Simon Wilkinson.

Because we are a rural community, the importance of a rescue helicopter is vital. While we hope to never need one, the reality is that when something goes wrong, the time saved through the use of a helicopter saves lives. Whether it is a search and rescue operation, or an option to get sick or injured people to hospital more quickly, the benefits are huge. An accident on the Hope Arm camp last year resulted in a helicopter rescue from Bicycle Ridge – evidence that this cause is both important and relevant for our community.

If you want to donate, you can either drop your donation in to the school office or donate on-line at [www.fundraiseonline.co.nz/westpacsouthlandbikeride](http://www.fundraiseonline.co.nz/westpacsouthlandbikeride) You can follow progress on Facebook – search “The 2015 Qt2inv Chopper Appeal Ride Friday 8 May” to find it. If you have any questions about this event, please contact Mr Wallace at the school.

# Help raise money for our local chopper



*including Mr. Wallace*

On Friday 8th May, 60 Southerners will cycle 250km from Queenstown to Invercargill (via Nightcaps) to raise funds for our local Chopper trusts. Please support our riders by pledging or donating at [fundraiseonline.co.nz/WestpacSouthlandBikeRide/](http://fundraiseonline.co.nz/WestpacSouthlandBikeRide/)

All funds raised by **MENZIES COLLEGE** will benefit our local rescue chopper services.



## "CLOWN FOR A DAY" CHOPPER APPEAL FUNDRAISER

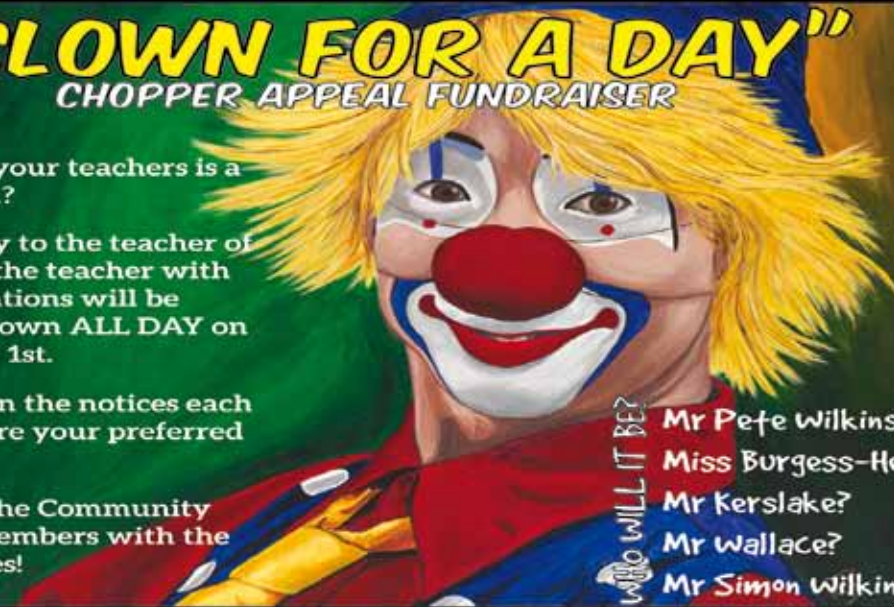
Think one of your teachers is a bit of a clown?

Donate money to the teacher of your choice - the teacher with the most donations will be dressed as a clown ALL DAY on FRIDAY MAY 1st.

Keep an eye on the notices each day - make sure your preferred teacher wins!

Look out for the Community Committee members with the donation boxes!

WHO WILL IT BE?  
Mr Pete Wilkinson?  
Miss Burgess-Heald?  
Mr Kerslake?  
Mr Wallace?  
Mr Simon Wilkinson?



## Sports Department

### South Island Athletics

Congratulations to the following students who represented Menzies College at the South Island Secondary Schools athletics in Nelson at the end of last term.

Tyla Adams - 6th Under 14 Girls 200m

Hayden Stuart - 7th Under 14 Boys 800m

Jordan Stuart - 8th Senior Boys Triple Jump

It is such a huge achievement to qualify for this event and to come in the top 10, they should be very proud of themselves.

Hayden Stuart represented Southland at the Interprovincial athletics championships in Hamilton in the school holidays. He competed in the 1500m, 800m and 400m achieving personal best times in all his events. Hayden has made excellent progress in athletics this year and is training hard for a successful future in his field. Well done Hayden.



All tracksuits and singlets should now be returned. If you still have one at home, please return as soon as possible. Thanks.

*Miss Katie Hall  
Sports Co-ordinator*



### Secondary School Bowls

On 23 March Vinnie and myself went to Invercargill to compete in the secondary school outdoor bowls. We both entered the singles, Vinnie playing on points and myself playing on qualifications. Vinnie ended up getting 3rd and I managed to qualify into the finals where I played against a girl from Girls High. It was all even last end which meant we had to play an extra end where I came out on top and won the girls singles. I now have the opportunity to head to zones and nationals later on in the year.



*Pania Rayner - Year 13*

## Menzies College Rugby

The draw starts this weekend, so it will be interesting to see how everyone's hard work at training has gone. Thanks to all the coaches and managers for their work so far and good luck as we move into the competitions.

### Draw 25 April

U14 Tisbury Wools v Verdon/Aurora at Aurora 1 - 1pm

U16 Titiroa Transport v Wakatipu at Menzies 2 - 1.15pm

Preston Russell First XV v Wakatipu at Menzies 1 - 1.15pm

(Students playing against Wakatipu this Saturday are required to bring a plate please).

### Draw 2 May (Duck shooting weekend)

A Grade a bye

U14 Tisbury Wools v Te Anau at Menzies 1 - 4.15pm on Wednesday 29 April. (Players are asked to bring a plate for speeches at the Edendale Clubrooms immediately after the game).

U16 Titiroa Transport v Te Anau at Edendale Rugby ground - 4.15pm on Wednesday 29 April

Preston Russell First XV v Waikiwi at Menzies 1 - 1.15pm

***Menzies Rugby would like to acknowledge the generous support we receive from the following:***

***Preston Russell, Haakman Bulbs, Vetco, Titiroa Transport, Tisbury Wools,  
JJ's Gore Ltd, Aon NZ, Lees dairy, MLT, Donald Engineering, AB Lime,  
Mainland Minerals, Rodgers Garage***

***Please support the businesses who support our rugby.***

The next committee meeting is 7.30pm, Thursday 14 May in the school Library.

## Menzies College Netball

The meeting that was to be on Monday 27 April has been changed to Monday 4 May at 6pm in the staffroom. All welcome. Apologies to Sue Shaw 0272924412.

## Menzies College Soccer

### Friendly Games organised for Wednesday 29 April

On Wednesday next week we will be taking both girls teams into Invercargill to play the two James Hargest girls soccer teams. We need help with transport so if you can help, please let Mr Lambert know as soon as possible.

Menzies 1st XI vs James Hargest 1st XI (Girls) 4pm kick-off

Menzies Development vs JH Development (Girls) 4pm kick-off

### Soccer Subs 2015

These will be \$40 per player which covers entry fee and administration costs. Other costs that could arise are transport if we do not have enough parents to help out. Students will then be asked to help with those costs.

### League Start dates

Girls 1st XI Team; Premier Competition starts 27 May

Girls Development Team; Division Two Competition starts 13 May

Boys 1st XI Team; (to be confirmed - waiting on Southland Football to get back to us)

### EOTC permission form (very important)

This form must be signed and returned to Mr Lambert as soon as possible. Payment can be made immediately with cheques payable to Menzies College. A letter has also been sent home regarding transport. If you can help out with this, please complete the details and return the form to Mr Lambert. This will help keep costs down for the players.

### 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.

### Training

Training will take place on Tuesdays from 3.30pm to 5pm for girls and Thursday from 3.30pm to 5pm for boys. Girls can attend the boys' training if they cannot attend on Tuesday.

### Important up coming dates

28 April	Training 3.30pm to 5.00pm
29 April	Games vs James Hargest (1st XI & Development ) in Invercargill
4 May	Quiz Night 7pm, Three Rivers Hotel
5 May	Training 3.30pm to 5pm
6 May	Game vs CSC (to be confirmed) (1st XI) 4pm
11 May	Quiz Night 7pm, Three Rivers Hotel
12 May	Training 3.30pm to 5pm
13 May	Development Team, 1st league match
18 May	Quiz Night 7pm, Three Rivers Hotel
19 May	7 a-side Tournament in Lumsden
20 May	Development Team, 2nd league match 1st XI vs CSC 4pm (to be confirmed)
26 May	Training 3.30pm to 5.00pm
27 May	1st XI, 1st league match Development Team 3rd League match

If you need any more information please contact me here at Menzies College - Carl Lambert (03) 2064979 or email [clambert@menzies.school.nz](mailto:clambert@menzies.school.nz)

Check out our Facebook page 'MENZIES COLLEGE SOCCER' - put it into search engine on internet and it will come up!



At the end of Term 2 (23 to 26 June) Year 9 students will be going on camp to the Tautuku Outdoor Education Centre. This camp is a good opportunity for 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 a small group. Some of the activities are kayaking, abseiling, confidence course, bush navigation, nature walk and a flying fox.

The cost of the camp is \$140. If you would like to come along as a parent/caregiver help could you please contact the school and leave your name and contact details and if you are able to take a vehicle or not. If you would like to set up an automatic payment to pay for the camp the details are: 03 0962 0044848 000 (Wespac Bank). Please enter the student's surname followed by their initial or first name. Payments can be made weekly, fortnightly or monthly depending on your circumstances.

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 Nicola Speakman (Year 9 and 10 Deans) at school on (03) 206 4979.

# 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](mailto:victoria.clark1997@icloud.com) or Carl Lambert 0278174081- [clambert@menzies.school.nz](mailto: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 1<sup>st</sup> XI Girls soccer team so we can go to the National Tournament in Ashburton**



## Important Dates

<b>April</b>	27	ANZAC Day observance - school closed
	28	Otago Tertiary Day Attitude Presentation Year 9-11
	29	CPIT Visit, 1pm
	30	Year 7 & 8 Parents Presentation Board of Trustees meeting
<b>May</b>	4	HPV Vaccination No. 2
	6	School Cross Country (Period 5)
	13	Southland Cross Country
	19	7-a-side Health Careers Expo Year 10-11
<b>June</b>	1	Queen's Birthday observance - school closed
	3	Junior Tabloid sports
	14-16	Tautuku Pre-camp
	25	Incubator visit to hospital
	23-36	Year 9 Tautuku camp
	23-2 <b>July</b>	Year 7 & 8 Deep Cove camp
<b>July</b>	3	Haka and waiata competition
	20	Last day Term 2 First day Term 3

## Ex student graduates with Honours

Congratulations to ex student Raoul Schipper who was capped recently at Canterbury University. Raoul has graduated with a Bachelor of Engineering (Mechanical) with 2nd class honours - 1st Division. Raoul left Menzies College in December 2012. Congratulations Raoul.

## Community Notices

### HPV vaccination survey – participants wanted

Parents and caregivers of children and young people aged 9-23 years are invited to participate in a survey investigating knowledge and attitudes around HPV vaccination. The survey is anonymous and should take 5-10 minutes. Please access the online survey at

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/9K657Z7parents caregivers> or request a hard copy by

calling 04 979 3106.

The researcher is a PhD candidate at the Centre of Public Health Research, Massey University. For further information please go to <http://publichealth.massey.ac.nz/home/research/recruiting-projects/hpv-human-papillomavirus-vaccination-study/> or contact [k.page@massey.ac.nz](mailto:k.page@massey.ac.nz).

### Wyndham Community Pool

A reminder that pool keys can be returned to the Menzies College office for a \$10 refund until 22 May. You also have the option of keeping your key until next season. The pool is now closed. A very big thank you to everyone that supported the pool this season.

### Southland Ski Club - Ski Week applications 2015

Applications are now being taken for Ski Week camps in the July school holidays staying at the Southland Ski Club Lodge on Coronet Peak, Queenstown. Ski Week camp package includes a 5 day lift pass, lessons twice a day (Mon-Fri), accommodation and meals, suitable for ages 11 – 18 yrs. Choose to ski or snow board - awesome opportunity to learn or upskill. Week 1: Sun 5th - Sat 11th or Week 2: Sun 12th - Fri 17th. Applications are taken on a first in first served basis so apply now to avoid disappointment. Applications can now be completed via our website [www.southlandskiclub.org.nz](http://www.southlandskiclub.org.nz) If you have any further queries contact Vicki Murphy (03) 2361059 or [svmurphy@velocitynet.co.nz](mailto:svmurphy@velocitynet.co.nz)

### Gore Multisports Complex

The Gore Multisports Complex invites interested people/teams to participate in a 9 week canoe polo programme starting 6 May till 1 July from 7.30-9pm. All equipment is provided. To register, email [grassroots@invercargillcanoepolo.org.nz](mailto:grassroots@invercargillcanoepolo.org.nz) (Registration is required as the programme will not run without a minimum of 30 people). Cost is \$30 plus pool entry.

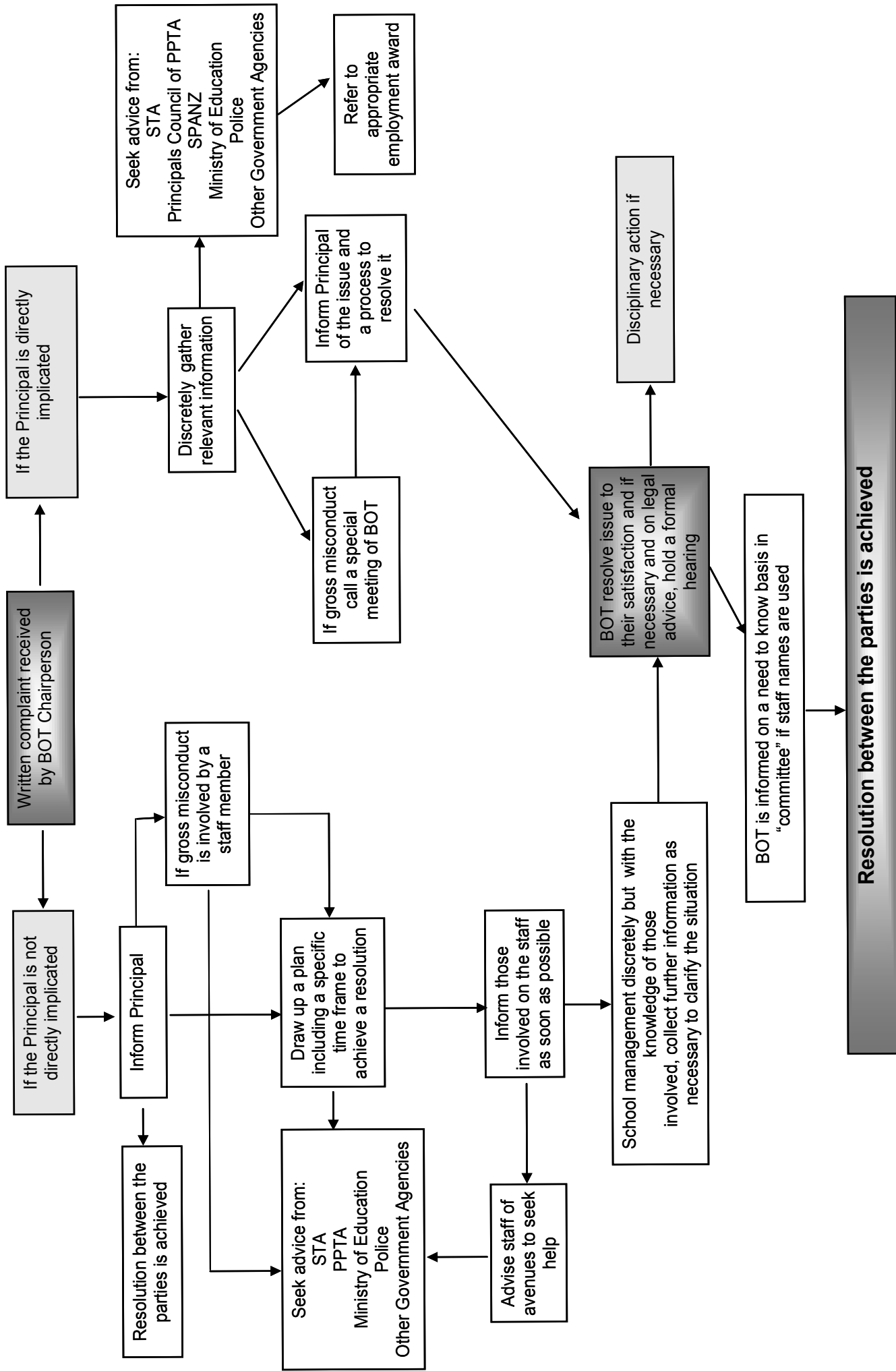
### Wyndham Town & Country Club Bowls

Anyone interested in playing indoor bowls in the area are welcome to attend on a Thursday night, 7pm start, at the Wyndham Town and Country Club. All ages welcome, coaching provided on the night. Don't be afraid to have a go and bring a friend.

### Duck Shooter Widows Shopping Day

Edendale Presbyterian Church, Brydone Street, Saturday 2 May, 10 am to 2pm. With over 15 stalls offering something for everyone. Don't let the men have all the fun on opening day!

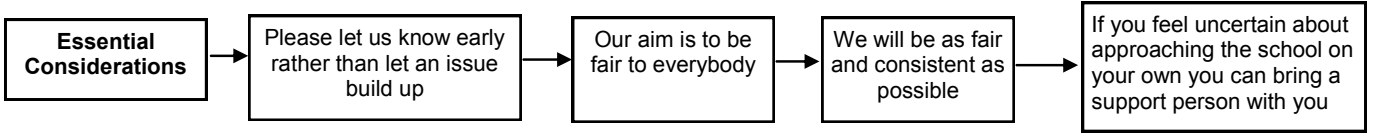
# Board Chairperson Procedure to Deal with Parental Concerns



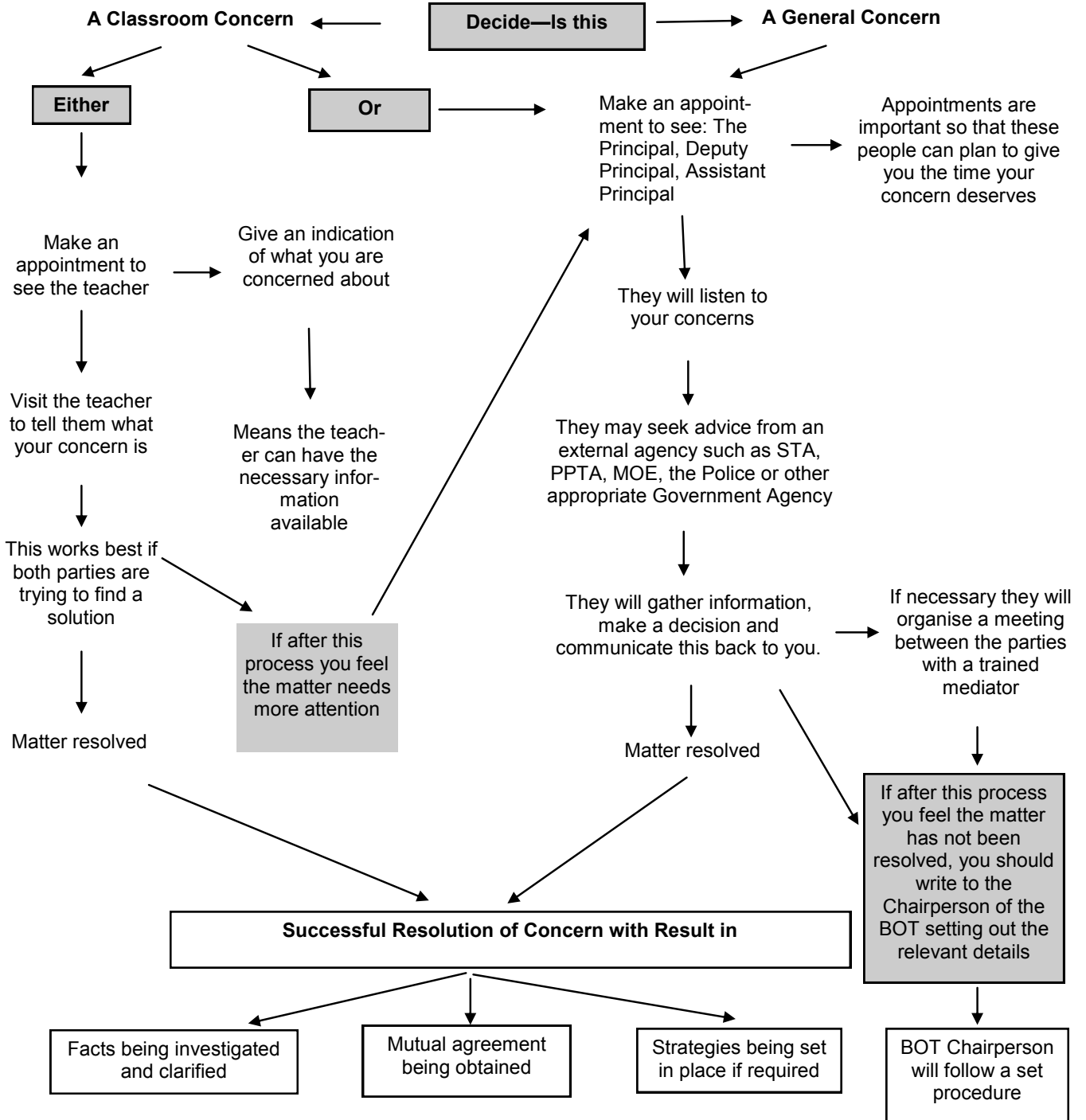


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