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12 June 2015

# From the Principal's Desk

### Kia Ora

School reports have been mailed today and should arrive during next week. This is just the first step in the reporting process with parent/caregiver interviews to be held on **Thursday 2 July**. Please take the time to discuss this report with your child and ensure you make a booking online or through the office. This process will be available from Monday. It is crucial that teachers, students and parents/caregivers discuss the progress being made and have clarity around the next steps in learning. We would like to see all families attend these meetings as they show they are one of the best steps taken to improve learning outcomes.

Congratulations to the senior students who organised yesterday's 'Students Against Dangerous Driving' modelling of the car crash and follow up activity at assembly. This was extremely well presented to the school but the most important point is how well we receive the message. As adults we can tell our children and their friends those important things they need to know, yet they can still get it wrong at times. Driving however, often doesn't allow second chances and as a school we probably have students driving further at a higher speed than most, because of our location. The law of averages tells me that one day we will have a fatal car accident involving our students or members of our school community. That's the hard fact. All we can do is respect the right to hold a licence and apply all the education we know about that responsibility at all times. Again, well done to the SADD Committee. There is an article about this further on in the newsletter.

Last night Mrs Cowley started the 'Reading Together' programme and I wish to express my thanks to her and the families that attended this. There are two other programmes set up in our area and families are welcome to join at any stage. This is not about poor reading, it is how we can maximise those moments of reading and get more from shared reading experiences. Contact Mrs Cowley if you would like to join for the next three weeks.

All the best to our Year 7 and 8 students and parents/caregivers heading to Deep Cove starting next week. This is a truly magnificent part of our country and I hope you have a fantastic time, some good weather and you come away with some really neat memories.

### PB4L

Congratulations to Georgia Rhind, Kirsty Panirau, Sam Bee, Lachie King and Miss Burgess-Heald for winning the achievement draw this week. Sam received his for 'getting on with his work without interacting with others'.

Gerry Ward Principal

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## **Mathematics Department**

#### **Australian Maths Competition**

Any student from Year 9 and above who wishes to enter the Australian Maths Competition, please see Mr Wallace by the end of Monday 15 June, or send an e-mail to brendon.wallace@menzies.school.nz. The cost is \$7 per student. The competition date is Thursday 30 July during class time. Practice questions will be available for those who request them. The AMC is a long-running competition that is aimed at challenging students in Mathematics. This competition traditionally has a strong focus on logical reasoning and using skills and knowledge to solve problems. This is excellent practice for achievement in Mathematics.

Any questions please e-mail me on brendon.wallace@menzies.school.nz

## **English Department**

#### **English 101 Assessment dates**

AS90854 – Form personal response to independently read texts, supported by evidence - Response # 6 – Wednesday 1 July, period 4

Ms Sonja Swale Head of Department - English

## **Science Department**

#### **Year 12 Chemistry**

Year 12 titration day - Wednesday 17 and Thursday 18 June, all day based in Lab 1 - four internal credits. This will not be offered at another time so attendance is a must! Any questions or concerns see Mrs Dale as soon as possible.

## **Careers Department**

## **Matagouri Club**

Matagouri Club (Rural Health Professional Students from Otago University) are visiting us with current medical, physiotherapy, pharmacy and dental students. The Matagouri Club aims to promote rural health and this year is sending us a group of students to deliver an informal and hands on presentation to our students to encourage them to consider health sciences as a career. The presentation covers university life, halls, scholarships, the health sciences courses and what subjects to do at high school. This session is open to students from all year levels and is on **Tuesday 23rd June, 1.20 – 2pm in the library.** 

### **Transition - Gateway Placement**

Samuel Johnston (pictured) is currently on a work placement with Redan Valley Engineering. He attends his work placement every Wednesday which continues for ten weeks. This opportunity is giving him a genuine understanding of the requirements and expectations of an employer in the engineering trade. Once he has completed his ten weeks he will be in a position to decide if engineering is a trade that he would like to pursue as a career pathway. During his time at work Samuel has been building a crate to carry his dogs safely on the back of his farm truck. Samuel has enjoyed this project and his workmanship has proven to be of a high standard.

Samuel and the Menzies College Gateway team are very appreciative of the opportunity that Redan Valley Engineering has given him and their ongoing support of our Gateway programme.

Mrs Barbara Williams & Stuart Clark The Gateway Team



## **Important Dates**

June	14-16	Tautuku Pre-camp
	15-18	8BY & some of 8CL - Deep Cove camp
	17-18	Year 12 Chemistry - Titration Day
	18-21	8VW & some of 8CL - Deep Cove camp
	21-24	8KH & rest of 8CL - Deep Cove camp
	25	Incubator visit to hospital
		Board of Trustees meeting
	23-26	Year 9 Tautuku camp
July	2	Parent Teacher Interviews
·	3	Haka and Waiata competition
		Last day Term 2
	20	First day Term 3
	24	School Ball - Teacher Only Day
	30	Board of Trustees meeting

## **Menzies College Soccer**

#### Kelly Irwin First National Real Estate Menzies continue to improve

The boys travelled into town to play SBHS and were very competitive in their game up to half time, when they found themselves down 2-6. Lachie king scored a couple of crackers in the first half to keep Menzies in, plus Campbell Heads was outstanding in goal making a number of saves. In the second half the SBHS team over ran the Menzies team and ran away with the game. Well done to Lachie king for scoring a hat-trick of goals, that gives Lachie five for the season so far. Player of the match went to Campbell Heads for his fantastic display in goal.

#### MLT Menzies hit in form SGHS team

MLT Menzies played a vastly experienced SGHS team at Menzies on Wednesday and went down 6-0. After two wins in their opening games in the league, MLT Menzies faced a SGHS team with current New Zealand Secondary Schools squad member Sammy Murrell and Queenstown Rovers Federation Premier League player Megan Walker, playing in the centre of their midfield, to name a few. All of the Girls High team play in the Senior Women's competition on Sundays as well. For MLT Menzies this was going to be a real test as a team to see how good they could put a performance together. In the first 15 minutes of the game MLT Menzies conceded two goals from mistakes by their own players but displayed the work ethic to hold SGHS for the rest of the half and were able to effect at least four opportunities to score themselves but unfortunately could not convert.

In the second half, SGHS displayed their experience of training and playing together on a regular basis, by keeping procession of the ball for long periods and scoring four more goals in the second half. For MLT Menzies it was a good performance but it did highlight the areas that need to be worked on at training. Players to stand out were Katelyn McEwan who continues to grow with confidence as goal keeper and had another good game. In defence, Victoria Clark and Pania Rayner held the back four together directing the players when to pick up and move up - great work girls! In the midfield, Summer Smith, Rhylee McGregor, Holly Smith and Tyla McNaught worked hard all game. Also well done to Georgia Walker and Leah Maxwell. Keep it up girls, you are not far away from making the starting XI. Players of the match were (Girls 1st XI) - Pania Rayner, Menzies (Dev Girls) - Emma Porteous, Menzies (Boys 1st XI) - Campbell Heads

#### **Results**

MLT Menzies (Girls 1st XI) 0 – 6 SGHS 1st XI (Div 1) Menzies (Dev Girls) 0 – 13 SGHS 2nd XI (Div 2) Menzies (Boys 1st XI) 3 – 14 SBHS (Div2) Scorer - Lachie King (3 goals)

#### Draw - 17 June

(Girls) MLT Menzies 1st XI NO GAME (Girls) Menzies "B" NO GAME (Bye)

(Boys) Kelly Irwin First National Real Estate Menzies vs Central Southland 4pm (at Winton)

#### Important upcoming dates

16 June NO TRAINING17 June League Games(Girls) No Games

(Boys)1st XI vs Central Southland 4pm (at CSC)

18 June
23 June
24 June
(Girls) MLT Menzies
Boys Training
Girls Training
League Games
No Game

(Girls) Menzies Dev vs James Hargest "B" 4pm (at Menzies)

(Boys) Kelly Irwin First National Menzies vs Verdon 4pm (at Menzies)

25 June Boys Training
30 June Girls Training
1st July League Games

(Girls) MLT Menzies vs SGHS 4pm (in Invercargill) (Girls) Menzies Dev vs Verdon 4pm (in Invercargill)

(Boys) Kelly Irwin First National Menzies vs Waiaru 4pm (at Menzies)

#### **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.

Check out our Facebook page 'MENZIES COLLEGE SOCCER' put it into search engine on internet and it will appear. If you need any more information please contact me here at Menzies College - Carl Lambert (03)2064979 or clambert@menzies.school.nz

## **Menzies College Basketball**

Mens 'E' Grade - Monday 15 June, Menzies v Blue Mountain White at 6.10pm.

Please let Mr Scarth know how you will be getting to Gore for the game. Practice in the gym Monday at lunchtime.

Mens 'C' Grade - Wednesday 10 June, Gore High v Menzies at 6.10pm Duty for the Menzies team at 5.20pm.

Please see Mr Ward to organise duty and transport.

## **Menzies College Rugby**

#### Results - 6 June

Preston Russell Law 1st XV	V	James Hargest High School - win 24-0. A game of 2 halves, consistency required.
Titiroa Transport U16	V	James Hargest High School - loss 22-23. Gut wrenching loss, the team deserved the
		win and played very well.

Tisbury Wools U14 v DLS Midlands Blue - win 19-14. The team is back on track.

Vetco Menzies A Grade U13 v Albion Excelsior Bulls - loss 0-100. A set back, but this is a good young team that is

getting better all the time.

Draw - 13 June (Club Day)

Preston Russell 1st XV v SBHS Red at Menzies 1-1.15pm
Titiroa Transport U6 v SBHS Red at Menzies 2 - 1.15pm
Tisbury Wools U14s v SBHS Red at Menzies 1- 11.30am

Vetco Menzies A grade U13 v Albion Excelsior Rams at Menzies 2 -11.30am

Saturday is Club Day. This will give us a chance to thank our sponsors and give the community an opportunity to see our guys play. The tournament U15 team will be running a fundraising BBQ, so please come along, grab a sausage and support our boys. Games start at 11.30am.

A reminder to all supporters that you must stay behind designated barriers erected at the grounds. There are strict rules and your team can and will be penalised if we do not stay behind these barriers. Please keep back!

A reminder that subs are due. Please check with your manager and get any outstanding subs paid.

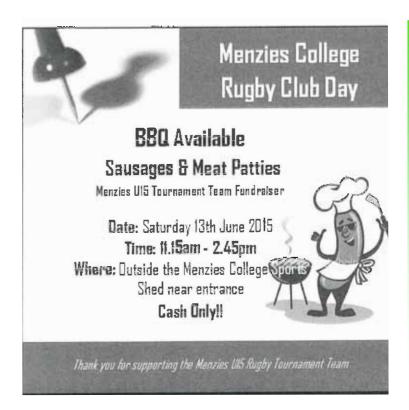
#### **Firewood for Sale**

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Menzies Rugby would like to acknowledge the generous support we receive from the following: Preston Russell Law, Haakman Bulbs, Vetco, Titiroa Transport, Tisbury Wools, JJ's Gore Ltd, Aon NZ, Lees Dairy, MLT, Donald Engineering, AB Lime, Sinclair Contracting, Mainland Minerals, Rodgers Garage

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## **Menzies College Australian Sports Tour**

A general meeting will be held in the school library on Wednesday 17 June at 7.30pm. The agenda will be emailed. A good attendance for feed back and a discussion concerning refunds would be appreciated.

## SADD (Students Against Dangerous Driving)



On Wednesday morning the SADD committee (Students Against Dangerous Driving) staged a car crash outside the school to help make our students more aware of the consequences of dangerous driving. We used a real crashed car and had students who were 'dead', seriously injured and unconscious, to



show the severity of what could happen to anyone driving. We did this to make people aware of the dangers of driving on a learner license, overloading, speeding, distractions, as well as being under the influence of alcohol. We had the support of the Wyndham and Gore Volunteer Fire Brigades, Rob (the local Police Officer) and the Edendale First Reponse team. They helped us show what could occur after a real life accident. We really appreciate the local brigades giving up their time to support the SADD committee.



Thank you to everyone who was involved.

#### 2014 School Yearbooks

We have a limited supply of the 2014 Yearbook available at the school office. These cost \$40 and are a great collection of records and photographs of activities, camps etc that took place during the year.

## **Super Seniors**

### Term Two is positively flying by!

There's so much going on at the senior end of the school, it's sometimes easy for our seniors to forget our 'core' business - which is academic and emotional growth and success. We're at the time of the year when we can literally start to count the 'days left' for our seniors. Which is pretty jolly scary for both them and us! With subject reports being written and parent/teacher interviews on the horizon, now is a good time to ensure that our young people are on the right pathway for their own personal success. This will, of course, differ from student to student. Some will be aiming at Subject and/or Level Endorsements, others will want to gain the required number of credits. Either goal is valuable to us. As teachers, our feelings of success don't only come from those students who do gain lofty results, they're often from those students whom we mentor and coach throughout the year and who gain whatever grades or credits they have aimed for. Therefore, if you would like to discuss any aspect of your son/daughters academic pathway, please do come to the Parent-Teacher Interviews which are being held in Week 11 of this term. If you are unable to make the interviews, then please let us know. We'll do our very best to meet with you at a more convenient time.

This week, as has been mentioned, the SADD committee staged a road traffic accident and we viewed how the rescue services set about dealing with such incidents. We'd like to congratulate the SADD team for their efforts in this. It was a shockingly real portrayal of what happens and was certainly food for thought.

We would like to wish Samuel Moncur and Abigail Visser well in this weekend's Lions Young Speechmaker Competition which is being held in Gore on Sunday. We're sure they will do us proud, good luck!

Recently, our Soccer girls have also been 'in the press' - what a great bunch of athletes they are and what a wonderful team spirit they have!

Caitlin de Haas and Pania Rayner are our representatives on the Southland Lead Lab, which is a Southland District Council initiative where young leaders can meet and discuss issues from around the province. This is a fabulous opportunity for these young ladies and we look forward to hearing about their next meeting very soon.

Good luck to all our Super Seniors who are embarking on the forthcoming camps which support and mentor our younger students. We wish you all safe travels, many adventures and good weather! Please also ensure that you complete any set work as your classroom programmes are likely to keep moving in your absence. Organisation is the key to success.

If you have any questions or concerns about students in Year 11-13, please don't hesitate to contact us at school,

Mrs Lucy McKelvie & Tim Landreth Senior Deans

## **Menzies College Netball**

A reminder about the change of date for our meeting. This is now being held on 15 June at 6pm.

It's time to think about the Menzies Netball Camp. This is being held on 14 and 15 July which is the second week of the holidays and requests for registrations are coming in already! All 'A' and 'B' team members will be expected to be team leaders and stay overnight. Other girls from junior teams are welcome to help out and assist. Parent help such as camp mother, food co-ordinator, sponsorship seeking, first aid and providing food is required. A notice with further details will be out soon.

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