



# MENZIES COLLEGE

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**28 August 2015**

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

### **Kia Ora**

We were all saddened to hear of Jayne Diack's passing last Friday. Our thoughts and prayers are with Hugh and the family at this very sad time. Jayne taught a number of our students when they attended Edendale Primary School and she engaged with many more at Menzies through her supportive roles and willingness to contribute wherever she could. She was a model of motherhood, of strong Christian faith and equality for all. We will miss you dearly, Jayne.

Senior students have just completed practice exams this week in preparation for NCEA exams. Some students have come well prepared and completed reasonably good papers while others have struggled to write answers of quality. It is important that the final NCEA exams are prepared for and that students take a positive approach towards the opportunity of passing external papers. NCEA starts for most of our students on Monday 9 November so to assist in preparing for exams or completing internal standards, all students are expected to be at school and in class working. Tutorials are available and should be attended and both parents/caregivers and students should meet with the teachers when interviews are held on 21 September (senior students only). For the sake of 11 weeks of solid work, the rewards of passing or gaining endorsements will be a whole lot sweeter and a success that no one can ever take away from you.

All the very best to our sport teams heading off for tournament week on Sunday. Our Senior 'A' Netball team will play Aorang Park in Timaru participating in the South Island Secondary School's tournament. In Nelson, the U15 Boys rugby team take on the other co-ed schools in a tournament that Menzies have historically done well in. At Turnbull Thompson Park in Invercargill, the Girls soccer team will be attending their national tournament and this side will want to show everyone how much they have improved over the past few years. We remind all students attending tournament week that they have a responsibility to represent the school to the best of their ability in all situations. Good luck and enjoy the experience.

### **Senior Uniform 2016**

Thank you to everyone who completed the uniform survey. From next year, all Year 11 and 12 students will wear the new senior uniform and Year 13 students will have the option of the new or existing uniform. Final details will be announced soon. The blazer will be optional and the final tie and blouse details will follow.

### **Workday**

A reminder that Monday 31 August is Work Day and all students should have found work for the day. The school is not open for instruction.

### **PB4L**

Congratulations to Tomazina Koppen-Pavlovich, Joe Natakalevu, Bobbie Nicholson, Caitlin de Haas and Mrs McKelvie for winning the achievement draw this week. Joe received his for 'Striving for Excellence' by working diligently and completing an assessment before the due date.

*Gerry Ward  
Principal*

## Careers Department

The Menzies College Careers Department would like to promote the following event .....

### ***Find better ways to connect with your teenagers by 'pushing the right buttons'***

Learn how to:

- talk to people in a way that makes them want to listen
- relate to others by seeing things through their eyes

One of New Zealand's most popular speakers, (3x Public Speaker of the Year Recipient) Allison Mooney, will be in Invercargill on Wednesday, 23 September at the Ascot Park Hotel from 7pm-8pm to entertain and educate parents with her presentation 'Pressing the Right Buttons'.



The Careers and Transition Education Association (CATE), welcomes Allison and her fun, fast-paced presentation to the province. She is guaranteed to have participants engaged, challenged and abuzz with new methods to improve the way they relate to the young people in their lives. Allison is a humorous, highly passionate and energetic speaker. Funded by the Careers and Transition Education Association (CATE) and the ILT, this free presentation is one not to be missed. For more information visit [www.allisonmooney.co.nz](http://www.allisonmooney.co.nz) or contact the school.

*Mrs Barbara Williams & Stuart Clark  
Transition/Careers Department*



## Transition Department - Gateway

Jamie Van Der Kemp is currently on a work placement with Hamish's Vehicle Services in Gore. He attends his work placement every Wednesday. This opportunity is giving him a genuine understanding of the requirements and expectations of an employer in the automotive trade. After completing 10 weeks Jamie has decided to stay in this placement as he is now confident that he wants to serve an apprenticeship as an automotive technician.

During his time at work Jamie has been given the opportunity to work on a number of different tasks such as general servicing and more complex repairs to motor vehicles. Jamie has also become very good at grooming and preparing vehicles for sale. These experiences are going to provide Jamie with a head start when it comes to securing an apprenticeship.

Jamie and the Menzies College Gateway team are very appreciative of the opportunity that Hamish's Vehicle Services have given him and their on-going support of our Gateway programme.

*Mrs Barbara Williams & Stuart Clark  
Menzies College Gateway*



## Science Department

### Level 2 Agriculture

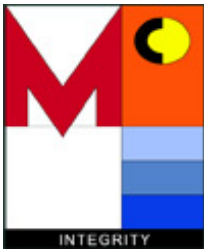
Last Thursday our Level 2 Agriculture class spent the day improving their understanding of tractor handling and operation. Tractor pre-checks and demonstrating sound knowledge of all the controls was the main focus. It was great to see some students who hadn't driven a tractor before, build confidence throughout the day and become comfortable in operating both the older and newer technology in the two tractors. Students are currently working towards gaining 5 credits for this unit which involves them displaying competency and logging a total of 10 hours driving time.



Many thanks to Allan and Linea Winter for the use of their land and tractor and also David and Margaret Dumbleton for the use of their Massey Ferguson.

*Tim Landreth  
Agriculture Teacher*





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**Entries Close**

**3pm  
Friday  
25th September  
2015  
(Payment &  
registration form)**

**Playing dates:**

**Term 4  
October:  
12th, 19th, 26th**

**November:  
2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd,  
30th**

**December:  
7th**

# Menzie's Summer Socca 2015



**Works out to  
about \$1.00  
a week for  
great social  
fun!!!!**

**Mixed Junior Teams: \$40.00**  
(5 a side: 5 members)

**Mixed Adult Teams: \$100.00**  
(7 a side: 10 members)

- 9-13 years: 10-15 mins each way
- Kids can enrol and be placed in a team (\$8 per player).
- 14 years & up: 15-20 mins each half.

Funds raised by this event will go towards helping the Menzie's College Girls 1st XI to travel to Tournament in 2016.

Entry forms are available from Menzie's College Office or email below.

**Enquiries: email [clambert@menzie's.school.nz](mailto:clambert@menzie's.school.nz)**

**Phone: 03 2064979 or 027 8174081**

## Mathematics Department

On Open Night we ran a competition in Room 1 where students estimated the size of an area we marked out on the floor. Students were able to use a 1m<sup>2</sup> board as a guide. It was interesting to see the different ideas, methods and strategies used to make estimates. Most were pretty close, but one stood out as almost perfect! The prize was a package of assorted lollies, which has been dispatched to Peyton Dickson at Edendale Primary School. We hope he enjoys sharing his prize with family and friends. The area was 4.56 m<sup>2</sup>, and Peyton's estimate was 4.55 m<sup>2</sup>. Congratulations Peyton!

*Brendon Wallace*  
Head of Department - Mathematics

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## Important Dates

<b>August</b>	31	Catch-up - Senior examinations <b>Workday - Teacher Only Day</b>
	31-4 September	Tournament week
<b>September</b>	13	Ski trip to Coronet Peak
	15	Senior reports posted
	16	Photos: Sports/Committee etc
	21	Parent/Teacher interviews (Senior students only) 3.45-6pm
	24-25	School Production
	24	Board of Trustees meeting
	25	Last day of term 3
<b>October</b>	12	First day of term 4
	26	Labour Day Observance (school closed)

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## Host Family Required

From the beginning of 2016 we have the company of a Year 12 male Japanese exchange student for three terms. We are seeking interest from potential host families for the duration of his stay. All expenses are covered including a hosting allowance. Hosting an exchange student can be a truly rewarding experience. It allows a family to experience a foreign culture first hand, be exposed to a new language and pass on some of our own culture. They might even become a friend for life! This student is part of a project where his school are sending their entire Year 12 cohort to New Zealand for 12 months to experience another culture.

For further information please contact the school.

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## Tutorial

### English 01

There are no set tutorial times but students can see Ms Swale at interval and/or lunchtime each day. There will be NO afterschool tutorials. When students go on exam leave in November, they will be able to come for a tutorial when they would normally have their ENG101 class.

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## End of Year Prizegiving Trophies

As we start heading towards the end of year and prizegivings it would be appreciated if families could return any trophies that students received last year. Thank you.

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## Community Notices

### Southern Reap School Holiday Programme

- Flax Weaving Fun With Nanny Kay** (8 - 12 year olds). A fun day where students can learn basic flax weaving techniques, practicing these skills by creating their own putiputi (flowers), poroporo (bracelets) and ika (fish). Bring a small plate for a shared lunch. Time: 10am - 2pm on Tuesday 6 October, cost \$10 at Southern REAP Gore Community Room
- Kids Ukulele Jam With Katrina Ferns** (8 - 12 year olds). Learn new musical skills, gaining the confidence to strum, interpret chord chart and three chords which will enable you to play a range of fun songs. Time: 10am - 12 noon on Thursday 8 October, cost \$5 at Southern REAP Gore Community Room.

### Wyndham District Community Pool

The Wyndham District Community Pool Inc AGM will be held on Wednesday 2 September in the Menzies College staffroom starting at 7.30 pm. Please come along and have your input in to this great facility. Apologies to Carlyn on (03) 2064373 or email wyndhampool@gmail.com

## **Menzies College Soccer**

### **MLT Summer Socca 2015 is coming soon!**

Summer Socca is back for 2015 with kids and adults leagues. Look for the flyers out and about and collect your team registration forms from the office or contact me through the email below. The cost this year is junior team (mixed) \$8 per player or \$40 per team. Adult teams (mixed) \$10 per player or \$100 per team. This works out to around \$1 a week to play a fun social sport. Last year we had a total of 18 teams taking part and we look forward to seeing you all again. This is part of the girls fundraising for the 2016 National Tournament to help with travel costs.

### **MLT Menzies games during tournament week**

The Girls 1st XI play in the national tournament in Invercargill this coming week. Their games are as follows:

Monday 31 August	vs	Kavanagh (11am)
	v	Buller (3pm)
Tuesday 1 September	vs	James Hargest (9am)
	vs	Mt Aspiring (1pm)
Wednesday 2 September	vs	Papanui (1pm)
Thursday 3 September	vs	TBC

### **Draw for boys**

Wednesday 2 September - Kelly Irwin First National Real Estate Menzies vs Waiiau Area School 4pm (at Tuatapere)

### **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.

### **Soccer subs are now due**

All students are asked to make sure their subs are paid as soon as possible please. Also, if you owe for any gear purchased (hoodies, etc) can you make sure these are paid as well, as these need to be finalised.

Check out our Facebook page 'MENZIES COLLEGE SOCCER' put it in to the 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](mailto:clambert@menzies.school.nz)

### **Important up coming dates**

30 August	(Girls) Team meet at Menzies at 12.30pm to travel into town
31 August	(Girls) Tournament week
1 September	(Girls) Tournament Week
2 September	(Girls) Tournament Week
	(Boys) Kelly Irwin First National Menzies vs Waiiau at Tuatapere
3 September	(Girls) Tournament Week

*Carl Lambert  
Organiser*

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## **Menzies College Netball**

### **SISS Netball Tournament - Timaru**

All the best to the 'A' Team - Abbey Young, Kaitlen Yorke, Georgia Rhind, Kim Heads, Lilly McKenzie, Marina Ferguson, Shanae Todd, Sophie Shaw, Stephanie Wilson, Tessa Braven and management team - Melissa Rodgers, Nicola Speakman and Sue Shaw. We hope you play hard and do Menzies proud and thoroughly enjoy tournament week. The draw and results can be found on the SISS Netball website.

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## **Sports Notice**

### **Skiing**

The next (and final) ski trip will be on Sunday 13 September at Coronet Peak. The cost of this trip is \$110. Permission slips and information about ski trips in general, are available from the office or can be downloaded from the school website. The conditions for skiing this winter are very good – great for all abilities and ages. If anyone has any questions about these trips, please contact Brendon Wallace at school or email [brendon.wallace@menzies.school.nz](mailto:brendon.wallace@menzies.school.nz)

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