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23 October 2015

From the Principal's Desk

Kia Ora

It has been another busy week which has seen our seniors take one step closer to starting their NCEA examinations. It is great to see students taking advantage of extra tutorials and persisting with their study preparation.

Our juniors had Life Education Bus lessons this week, which always brings about some great discussions. Year 10 students are away to camp at Mavora in Week 8 with Integrated Curriculum running in the last week of school. This is where learning is taken outside of a normal classroom environment and offers learning in a fun, unique way. Students have been given a booklet with all information around the range of activities offered and they need to return the permission slip to secure their spot on an activity. There are fundraising opportunities offered with some activities to help with costs. Please have a discussion with your child around which activity they would like to do, the cost involved and any gear needed over the three days.

Congratulations to Tyrone Braven who has been selected for the South Island Under 18 Maori rugby team. Last weekend he travelled to Christchurch to trial for the team. Tyrone was one of seven selected to trial after the Under 18 Southland tournament in the holidays. The first day involved drills and skills with the second day seeing trials all day. He was trialling for the position of half-back. The tournament is next year in Rotorua and Tyrone is waiting to see if this will take place. There were three others in the Southland team that were also selected.

Caleb Young who received a Youthmark Award last week, found out yesterday that he has been selected in the Southland Men's Sevens Squad – another outstanding achievement and we are all very proud of his efforts.

Year 8 student Rhylee McGregor was picked to attend a talent camp held in Auckland recently, by English Premier League football club West Ham United. She may get the chance to travel to the club's football academy as part of a combined side from New Zealand and Australia next year. Well done Rhylee, this is amazing!

On Monday night we held the option evening for our Year 10, 11 and 12 students and their parents/caregivers. The purpose of this evening is to help with senior subject choices for 2016. Thank you to all who attended and we hope your questions were answered with one on one discussions with staff. A reminder that option sheets are due back at school before **Friday 30 October.**

PB4L

Congratulations to Shinea Braithwaite, Jamie Ranstead, Henry Tapiata, Ritchie Paderanga and Mrs Williams for winning the achievement draw this week. Henry received his for excellent focus in class.

Mrs Alice Cade Acting Deputy Principal

Careers Department

Community Trust of Southland - School Leaver Scholarships

If you are committed to achieving an overall excellence endorsement in NCEA Level 3 for the 2015 academic year, then our School Leaver Scholarship valued at \$2,000 could be for you. To be eligible you will need to have achieved NCEA Level 3 with an overall excellence endorsement, be a NZ Citizen or permanent resident, be residing in the CTOS area and have done so for three years or more. For detailed information, including eligibility visit www.ctos.org.nz or call 0800 500 185. Applications close 31 March 2016.

Southland FGW Trust Study Grants

Grants up to \$2000 are available to female students undertaking full-time degree or post-graduate level study in 2016. Applicants will have the potential to succeed and be able to demonstrate financial need. For an application form email glenda@glendagraham.co.nz or text 027 228 3919. Applications close on 1 February 2016.

FMG Scholarships

New Zealand's leading rural insurer FMG is offering two scholarships to students wanting to study agriculture or agribusiness degrees at Lincoln, Waikato or Massey Universities in 2016. The scholarship pays \$5000 towards fees for each year of the recipient's undergraduate degree. For more information or to apply online – go to www.fmg.co.nz/scholarships. Applications close 5 December 2015.

> Stuart Clark Careers Advisor

Mathematics Department



Shayla Hill

9PW Maths - Probability Experiment

We are currently investigating Probability. This gives us a great excuse in Mathematics to stretch our legs and get in to the great outdoors and run practical trials. On Wednesday we were experimenting what happens when we take off our shoe and throw it on the ground, like we do when we get home from school or work. Students in 9PW each had to throw their shoe 100 times and record whether it landed on it's side, sole up, or sole down. At the time of writing this article we are yet to analyse the results. We have definitely seen a difference between the types of shoes thrown and that some bedrooms are not big enough for the type and intensity of throw used in the experiment.



L to R: Jack Barnfather, Nathan Geldenhuys & Josh Le Gray

Pete Wilkinson Teacher

Go Kart Competition

Transition Department

This year in the engineering course at the Hokonui Tertiary High School, in three groups of five students, we made themed go karts.

Last Friday we travelled to Dunedin to race our go karts in a competition held on Saturday. The other teams included students from schools throughout Otago and Southland.

There were three parts to the competition: the slalom race, the time race and the team race. Our team (which included two Gore High School students, one St Peter's College student, Liam Parish and myself) was awarded a prize for the outstanding appearance of our go kart.

The competition was a great way to end the Tertiary High School course. I have really enjoyed going up to the Gore campus of S.I.T. each Friday to participate in the engineering course. This course has been my favourite subject this year. I would recommend that Year 11 students who are interested in engineering have a look at this course in Year 12.

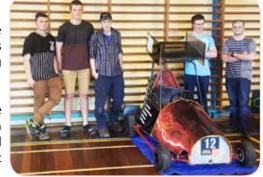


Photo from L to R: Liam Parish & Thomas Macdonald with team members from other schools



Library News

We want you reading over the summer break!

Reading packs will be given out and students need to keep a log. At the end of the programme, bring us your logs and win prizes!

Express your interest through our Facebook page, talk to us in the library, send an email ebarnett@menzies.school.nz or message us on Facebook.

We need an indication of how many bags to prepare.

Mrs Eileen Barnett Librarian

Important Dates

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October	26	Labour Day Observance (school closed)
November	2 3 5 6 9-3 December	Gore Rotary Club. Young Achievers Awards – Year 8 students Pet Day (Year 7-8) Science Road Show - school hall Last day of school for senior students NZQA Examinations
December	1-4 4 7-9 9 10	Year 10 Camp at Mavora New Entrants Day Integrated Curriculum Senior Prizegiving Junior Prizegiving Last day of school Teacher Only Day

NCEA Explained

For any parents that are unsure how NCEA works go to www.youtube.com and search 'NCEA how it works'. The presentation is approximately 5 minutes long. This is the full web address for the video https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eGEV6ZLoNkU

University Entrance

If you are unsure exactly what is required to gain University Entrance go to www.nzqa.govt.nz and type University Entrance in to the search function. The second item looks something like this: University Entrance » NZQA. Select it to look at what is required. You can also use this link http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/qualifications-standards/awards/university-entrance/. Please note that some tertiary courses have specific requirements in addition to what is listed.

Pete Wilkinson Assistant Principal

Tutorials

English 101

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.

Art

Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 3.15pm to 5.30pm.

Maths

Every lunchtime in Room 8 (except for Mondays) until the end of Week 4.

School Jackets

We now have a new supply of various sizes of school jackets available for purchase at the office at a cost of \$100. There has been an increasing number of students wearing non regulation jackets and hoodies which is unacceptable. Now there are jackets available for purchase the wearing of non regulation clothing will not be tolerated. If for some legitimate reason a non regulation jacket is worn, the students must get a note from the Deputy or Assistant Principal.

Menzies College PTA

Christmas Raffle

The eldest child in every family will receive the Menzies College PTA Christmas raffle tickets which we would love you to support. We are asking each family to sell 5 tickets at \$2 each or make a cash donation. We also ask that you donate non-perishable grocery items for the Christmas hamper. Please return all ticket butts/money and grocery items to the school office. If you feel you are able to sell more raffles please pick up extra cards from the school office. Any unsold tickets need to be returned to the office please. The raffle will be drawn at the Menzies junior prizegiving on 10 December.

Thank you for your support. Any inquiries to Lois Heads on (03) 2066057.

Mavora Camp - Year 10

Expressions of interest are invited from parents/caregivers of Year 10 students who are interested in attending the Year 10 camp at Mavora from 1 to 4 December. We also need four-wheel drive vehicles for this camp so if any parents/caregivers who attend have one that we could use, we would be very grateful. Camp information has now been sent home and spare copies are available at the office. Please return the permission slips by 1 November. If there are any queries concerning payment, please speak to Mrs Gould in the office.

Matt Cook & Miss Nicola Speakman Year 9-10 Deans

End of Year Prizegiving Trophies

Thank you to the families who have returned their trophies. There are still a large number to come in and your assistance in this matter would be appreciated. Thank you.

Community Notices

Wyndham Community Pool

The pool is now open and season keys are available from Lee's Dairy and the Menzies College office at \$80 (plus \$10 bond for those without a key). We would like to thank everyone that assisted with our recent lamb tailing fundraiser. Your support is very much appreciated. Make a note in your diary of our Fireworks Extravaganza being held at the Wyndham Racecourse on Friday 13 November.

2016 Southland District Council Holiday Programme

The Southland District Council will be holding their annual holiday programme at Menzies College on Wednesday 20 and Thursday 21 January 2016. The programme runs from 10:00am - 3:00pm and caters for children from the age of five and above. Children under the age of five can join in the fun too if a parent or caregiver stays with them. There are games, activities, arts and crafts and so much more! They promise to bring their parachute along too! Only \$6.00 per child for a fun filled day of excitement!

This year they have introduced an online registration option. Registration forms are still available from your Southland District Council Area Office, the Invercargill i-SITE or register online at www.sdcholidayprogramme.co.nz

Sports Department

Volleyball

On Wednesday night we travelled to Stadium Southland for another round of volleyball in the Southland-wide competition. Our students did very well this week, with only one loss recorded from the five games. Players of the day for each game were: Breana Harvey, Gabby Knapp, Hannah Wallis, Tomazina Koppen-Pavlovich and Campbell Heads. A special mention to Crisian Ajon for his enthusiasm and ability to get his team excited about playing! A huge thank you to Mrs Halliday who drove the students in the van to Invercargill and back safely.

Volleyball Southland's world class coach will spend time with students next Friday with a focussed coaching session for the players during lunchtime. Hopefully we will get more coaching in the future so we can take volleyball at Menzies to the next level.

The final round of the Wednesday competition is next week.

Brendon Wallace Teacher in Charge

Menzies Netball

- (a) **Coaches -** We are seeking coaches for the 2016 season for teams from Years 9-13. Teams play in the Eastern Competition, Gore. Please forward expressions of interest to Sue Shaw, secretary at rb.sishaw@woosh.co.nz or 0272924412.
- (b) **Meal** This will be at the Howl at the Moon, Gore on Wednesday, 28 October at 6.30pm for a fun get together and to thank Year 13 players. Everyone is welcome including coaches, managers and other players. Please get back to Sue on 0272924412 by 22 October with numbers attending.

Menzies College Soccer

Awards Night is a huge success

On Saturday 17 October the very first Players Awards were held at the Menzies College Hall. The awards were attended by over 120 people. We have to acknowledge the support of our sponsors of the event - MLT, Kelly Irwin First National Real Estate and Walker Mowers, for their support of our teams and providing the trophies for the overall winners for 2015. The overall trophies are worked out by adding all the votes the players received from their peers and totalled together from the season and competitions they took part in e.g. Three Rivers tournament, College Football League, etc. The overall winners were:

Walker Mowers Girls 2nd XI Team

Walker Mowers Top Goal Scorer - Nadine Martin Walker Mowers Most Supportive Player - Sophielee Richardson Walker Mowers Most Improved Player - Tyler Cameron Walker Mowers Most Valuable Player - Paris Pickett

Kelly Irwin First National Real Estate Boys 1st XI Team

First National Top Goal Scorer - Lachie King First National Most Supportive Player - Jarrod Irwin First National Most Improved Player - Ryan Smith First National Most Valuable Player - Campbell Heads

MLT Menzies Girls 1st XI Team

MLT Top Goal-scorer - Rhylee McGregor MLT Most Supportive Player - Pania Rayner MLT Most Improved Player - Leah Maxwell MLT Most Valuable Player - Summer Smith

The winners of the awards from the different competitions are listed on our facebook page 'Menzies College Soccer'.

MLT Summer Socca Draw - Monday 26 October

Kids League

Please note NO kids league games on 26 October. The next games are on Monday 2 November.

Adults League Games

(Pool A) Round 5 - Avengers vs The Offcuts 5.30pm, The Wolf Pack vs ILumaniti 6.00pm, LOL vs Completely Stuffed 6.30pm, The Offcuts vs Completely Stuffed 7.00pm

(Pool B) - The Monsters Minions vs Level One Barbarians 5.30pm, Expendables vs SRB 6.30pm, SRB vs The Monster Minions 7.00pm Over the Hill - a bye

Results

Kids League

Round 3 - Galanetis Dinosaurs 2-1 Edendale Bulldogs, Edendale Magpies 2-0 DILLIGAF Crusaders 0-9 Gladiators, Classified 5-1 Wyndham

Round 4 - Galanetis Dinosaurs 1-2 Classified, DILLIGAF 7-0 Edendale Bulldogs

Adults League

Round 3 & 4- (Pool A) The Offcuts 0-3 LOL, Completey Stuffed 5-0 ILumaniti, The Wolf Pack 1-0 Avengers, LOL 4-1 The Wolf Pack Avengers 2-0 ILumaniti

Round 3 & 4 - (Pool B) - The Monstar Minions 0-1 Over the Hill, Level One Barbarians 2-0 SRB, Over the Hill 4-1 Expendables **Please note adults league DO have games on Monday 26 October.**

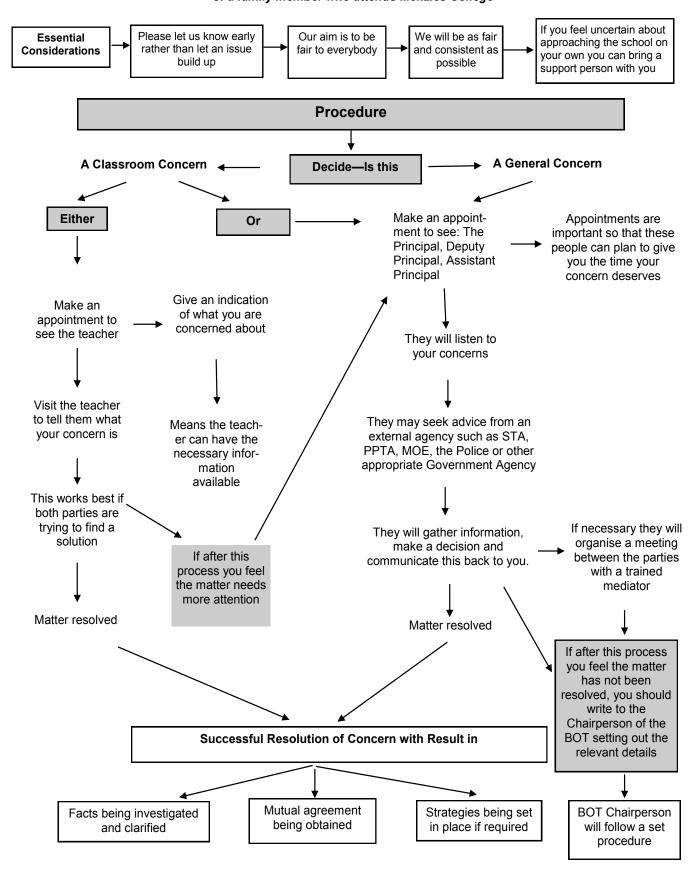
Keep up to date with our Facebook page 'MENZIES COLLEGE SOCCER' put it in to the search engine on internet and it will appear. If you need any more information please contact me at Menzies College - Carl Lambert (03) 2064979 or clambert@menzies.school.nz

Important up coming dates

26 October
28 October
Girls 1st XI vs Teachers/ Parents kick-off 1.30pm
MLT Summer Socca Adults & Kids Leagues
9 November
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Please follow this procedure if you have a concern regarding the schooling of a family member who attends Menzies College



Other Government Agencies STA Principals Council of PPTA SPANZ employment award Ministry of Education appropriate Seek advice from: Refer to Police Disciplinary action if necessary of the issue and Inform Principal a process to resolve it If the Principal is directly relevant information Discretely gather implicated **Board Chairperson Procedure to Deal with Parental Concerns** Resolution between the parties is achieved necessary and on legal their satisfaction and if If gross misconduct BOT resolve issue to advice, hold a formal meeting of BOT call a special hearing BOT is informed on a need to know basis in "committee" if staff names are used Written complaint received by BOT Chairperson If gross misconduct is involved by a staff member School management discretely but with the involved, collect further information as necessary to clarify the situation knowledge of those involved on the staff as soon as possible achieve a resolution including a specific If the Principal is not Inform those directly implicated Draw up a plan time frame to Inform Principal Other Government Agencies Resolution between the PPTA Ministry of Education parties is achieved Seek advice from: STA avenues to seek Advise staff of Police help

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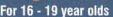


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