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24 February 2017

From the Principal's Desk

Kia ora

What a great day we had on Wednesday at our school athletics. The weather played its part and more importantly so did our students. They competed in a serious nature whilst still getting into the House spirit that makes the competition so enjoyable and a number of very exciting athletes were revealed.

Big congratulations go to Micaiah Johnston-Brown (pictured) who broke the Under 15 boys discus and javelin record on the day. We still have a couple of track and field events to finish over the next few lunch hours and then final results and age group champions can be announced at our assembly next Wednesday. My thanks to our parents/caregivers and community members who attended/volunteered on Wednesday. Your presence not only helped us on the day but it also sent a positive message of support to your child and our staff. Mrs Keil has written a full report on the event and details of the Southland sports are further on in this newsletter.

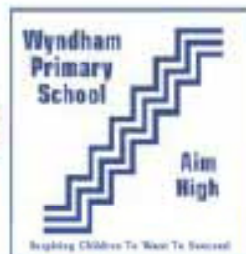


Staff are extremely pleased with how the students have settled into the new school year. We have put two camps and our athletics day behind us in the busy first four weeks. The school timetable is pretty much complete now after a few teething problems while we switched over to a new Student Management System. Mr Wallace has done a great job with this. Our students seem to be following rules and systems extremely well as we progress with uniform standards, punctuality and positive school behaviour. The general comments I'm hearing are about how well the students have commenced their learning and extra curricula activities and shown good management of themselves as we transition into the new year.

Many thanks to all the parents/caregivers who attended our BBQ lunch last Friday. This was simply an opportunity to meet with you in a less formal setting and for you to gain an understanding of what Whanau group is all about. It was great that the weather was kind to us and I am very proud of the senior students who assisted on the day. These times with parents/caregivers are essential to keep communication open between the school and home and I'm sure both parents/caregivers and staff appreciated the opportunity to meet face to face. We appreciate the support of your child's education.

Gerry Ward
Principal

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Community College of Learning

Newsletter Release Three

Our Community of Learning is made up of Wyndham Primary School, Glenham Primary School, Tuturau Primary School, Edendale Primary School and Menzies College. Together the schools have developed an Achievement Plan that includes a vision, goals and achievement challenges.

To support the implementation of the Achievement Plan nine fixed term Community of Learning positions have been appointed from across our schools. They are:

Expert Principal :	Kim Scott (Wyndham)
Within School Teacher:	Sue Bousfield (Wyndham)
Within School Teacher:	Laura Carruthers (Wyndham)
Across School Teacher:	Jenny Coyle (Edendale)
COL Lead:	David McKenzie (Edendale)
Within School Teacher:	Carl Lambert (Menzies)
Within School Teacher:	Sally Robertson (Menzies)
Expert Principal :	Rebekah Prattley Tuturau)
Within School Teacher:	Athena Kent (Tuturau)

Our Community of Learning is the first in Otago/Southland and these eachers and Principals are the first in Otago/Southland to take up these roles, shape them and make them work. Their main role is to support the schools in our Community of Learning (Glenham, Edendale, Wyndham, Tuturau and Menzies College) on our three achievement challenges which are:

Mathematics - Being good at maths helps us with so much of our life. We are targeting this area and are aiming for at least 85% of our Year One to Eight students to be meeting the National Standard for their age and stage of schooling.

Writing - Being able to communicate with others using the written word helps our children engage in this language rich world. We are aiming for at least 85% of our Year Five to Eight students reaching the National Standard in writing.

NCEA Level 2 - We want as many of our senior students as possible to get NCEA Level 2 as this opens up a wide variety of career pathways for them. We are aiming for at least 85% to get this qualification before they leave Menzies College.

Science Department

Fonterra

We have had a great start to the year welcoming new staff Julie Johnstone, Alice Cade and Allan Porter to the department. This week we had a visit from Fonterra who have gifted us new safety glasses for all our science labs! THANKS FONTERRA! Students from 9LM are pictured wearing the glasses.



Big Science Competition – Australian Science Innovations

The science department will provide an opportunity for students to challenge themselves in the 'Big Science Competition'. This 50 minute international competition is open to students of all abilities at four different levels: Year 7, 8, 9 and 10.

Questions test students' critical thinking and problem-solving skills as well as their science knowledge. Each student who takes part will receive a certificate as well as detailed feedback on their performance in the competition. They also go into a draw to win cash prizes. Our school will receive a comprehensive report for each paper level showing how each student performed on each question, the percentage of students in the cohort who answered correctly, and a comparison with the national results. The Big Science Competition will be held in school between 17 and 24 May 2017.

The Big Science Competition organised by Australian Science Innovations is an independent not-for profit organisation committed to contributing to building Australia's scientific community through inspiring and developing our best science students. For more information visit www.asi.edu.au

A parent/caregiver information sheet can be collected from the school office. The cost of this competition is \$10 per student. If you have any further questions please contact Margaret Dale.

*Mrs Margaret Dale
Acting Head of Department - Science*

Careers Department

Defence Careers Experience (DCE)

This year Southern Recruiting will be offering a Defence Careers Experience specifically for young women interested in a career in the New Zealand Defence Force. Details for this event are yet to be confirmed, however it is likely to occur mid-year and be conducted at Woodbourne Air Force Base in Blenheim. The DCE will be a great opportunity to gain an insight into life within the services, gain valuable teamwork and leadership skills, learn about career opportunities, and interact with other women currently serving in the Defence Force.

We are also intending to conduct a second DCE later in the year which will be offered to Year 11-13 students. This will most likely occur in September and be conducted at Burnham Military Camp in Christchurch. Further details and information regarding the application process for both DCE's will be released once we have confirmed these events. Those students who may be interested in attending a DCE should 'like' our Christchurch Defence Careers Facebook page in order to receive updates, information and the link to the online application form. If you would like further information about these two opportunities please see Mr Clark in the careers office.

STAR Courses

In conjunction with the Government, secondary schools, polytechnics and other training providers are helping young people identify their vocational pathway by offering STAR courses which allow students to study programmes not available through their secondary school. This offers an opportunity for students to have a clear pathway into tertiary programmes or to achieve vocational credits alongside their school qualifications.

What is STAR?

A Secondary Tertiary Alignment Resource (STAR) course introduces secondary school students to training for a specific career or study at tertiary level. STAR courses are short and are only available through polytechnics and private training organisations. Students participate in short-term programmes or 'taster courses' for a few days at a time, or one day per week for several weeks.

The following STAR courses are available at the Southern Institute of Technology (SIT)

Fashion Level 3 starting 5th May and 28th July
Film Making Level 3 and 2 starting 27th March and 24th July
Carpentry level 2 starting March and July (dates to be confirmed)
Electrical and Electronic Principles Level 2 (dates to be confirmed)
Engineering Welding Level 2 starting March and July (dates to be confirmed)
Introduction to Nursing Level 2 and 3 starting 24th July
Nanny (Childcare) Level 2 starting 24th July
Audio Production Level 2 starting 5th May and 28th July
Barista Level 2 (dates to be confirmed)
Hospitality Level 2 starting 20th March and 31st July
Music Level 2 starting 10th March and 16th June
Floristry Level 2 (dates to be confirmed)

The following STAR courses are available at the New Zealand Institute of Sport (NZIS)

Sports, Fitness and Recreation Level 2 (20 credits) first week of each term holiday break
Sports Coaching and Officiating Level 3 (20 credits) second week of each term holiday break

There will be a selection of STAR courses available through Tatatahi Agriculture in Schools, these will be advertised as they come in. There are other providers and these together with the above will be advertised during the year. If you see a course that you might be interested in please call into the careers office and see either Mrs Williams or Mr Clark.

Important Dates

Health and Safety, Gateway – 01/03/2017 (all day)
University of Canterbury liaison visit – 02/03/2017 (10am)
First Aid, Gateway and Year 12 – 14/03/2017 (all day)
Otago Polytechnic liaison visit – 21/03/2017 (2pm)
Ara Institute of Canterbury liaison visit – 22/03/2017 (2pm)
University of Otago liaison visit – 29/03/2017 (1pm)
University of Auckland liaison visit – 05/05/2017 (8:50am)
Otago Tertiary Open Day Dunedin – 08/05/2017 (all day)
Ara Institute of Canterbury Open Day – 15/06/2017
IPU New Zealand Tertiary Institute liaison visit 23/03/2017 (1:20pm)

*Stuart Clark & Barbara Williams
Career Advisors/Transition Department*

Sports Department

Athletics Day

Congratulations to Menzies College students, house leaders, teachers and supporters for a fantastic day on Wednesday 22 February. Even the weather played the part! Thank you to everyone for all the support and help on and before the day.

Some school records were broken in the process:

Micaiah Johnston-Brown took records in the U15 Boys Javelin and Discus – congratulations Micaiah. He took Rod Rarere's discus record from 1999 of 31.62m with a throw of 32.55m. In Javelin Micaiah threw a huge throw of 38.76m taking Lachlan Martin's 1996 record of 32.06m. Wow!

There were some stand-out runners on the track - Jordan Medley, Logan Andrews, Hayden Stuart, Max Bryson, Dylan Adams, Kyle Gardyne, Caeden McGregor, Levi Smith to name a few and from the girls - Tyla Adams, Marina and Brianna Ferguson, Rhylee McGregor, Summer Smith, Arin Read, Sophie Shaw and Lauren Story.

Field events were dominated in the boys by Jack Ramage, Ezekeil Johnston-Brown, Micaiah Johnston-Brown, Kyle Gardyne, Caeden McGregor, Jordan Medley, Tane Carney. In the girls, Hannah Wallis, Gabby Knapp, Bethany Loveridge, Kailey Yeoman and Kaitlen Yorke were outstanding.

All students need to be congratulated for their participation, effort and for getting in to the spirit of the day. In particular, well done to Bella Ranstead in the finals and results room for all her help; Aaliyah Wilson, Jordan Hook-Reti and Kieran Coyle for going above and beyond helping at the Discus. Also our house captains Hannah Wallis, Campbell Heads, Kelsi McLellan and Summer Smith for outstanding effort and organisation.

The 1500m, Triple Jump and 3000m will be held next week at the following times:

Monday 27 February - 1500m 1.20pm on the field at the start/finish line

Tuesday 28 February - Triple Jump 1.20pm at the east pit

Wednesday 1 February - 3000m 1.20pm at the start/finish line

Southland Athletics

Students who were in the top three of their events will qualify for the Southland Secondary Schools Athletics Championships on Friday 10 March. There will be a sign-up sheet at the office next Thursday once all the events have been run. This is for U14 age group upwards.

The Southland Otago Championships are the top six from the Southlands which is in Invercargill this year on 24 and 25 March.

The South Island Championships are the top six from Southland/Otago championships and are in Dunedin on 1 and 2 April.

The Southland Primary Athletics are on 8 April for U12 and U13 students and they can sign up for this closer to the time.

*Mrs Katie Keil
Sports Co-ordinator*



Hockey

Any parents/caregivers wanting to coach a Menzies hockey team, please get in touch with either Mrs Katie Keil or Mrs Sue Dynes at school. We have a few students interested in playing but don't have a coach. Games are played in Invercargill. There will be more information to come.

Mrs Katie Keil
Sports co-ordinator

Menzies College Rugby

Rugby Training - Year 7 & 8

The first practise is on Wednesday 1 March at 3.30pm on the primary school field. A boot swap will be going for a few weeks so bring your old boots to swap. Contact: Maria Davers on 027 688 6913 (Manager).

Under 14

The first practise is on Wednesday 1 March 3.30pm on the Primary school field. Contact: Nardine Rhind 027 2433607 (Manager).

HPV Immunisation

A reminder to all Year 8 students to return the consent forms for the HPV Immunisations. **Even if you do not wish your child to have this vaccination, the form needs to be completed in the appropriate space and returned to school.** For more information visit:

- www.health.govt.nz/hpv
- contact the HPV Immunisation Team at WellSouth (03)214 6436 or 0800 800 249

Second Hand Uniform

We are in desperate need of summer skirts and PE tops. If you have any for sale or would like to donate them please drop them in to the school office. Thank you.

Important Dates

March	1	Year 12 Gateway (Health & Safety)
	2	University of Canterbury visit - 10am
	10	Southland Athletics
	11-12	Paddles Up
	14-15	Sexwise Presentations
	14	First Aid - Gateway & Year 12
	21	Otago Polytechnic visit - 2pm
	22	ARA Insitute of Canterbury visit - 2pm
	23	IPU New Zealand Tertiary Institute visit -1.20pm
	24-25	Otago/Southland Athletics
April	27-31	Green Week
	29	Otago University visit - 1pm
	1-2	South Island Athletics
	3-6	Adventure Experience Wanaka Camp (Year 12 & 13)
	8	Southland Primary Athletics (Year 7 & 8)
May	13	Last day of Term 1 (day before Good Friday)
	1	First day back Term 2

Wyndham & Districts Community Rest Home



Gala Day

Saturday 25th February
1.30pm to 3.30pm



Garden Shed Opening 2.30pm

Garden Walk, Devonshire Tea, Children's activities, Sausage Sizzle, Stalls,
Scarecrow Competition

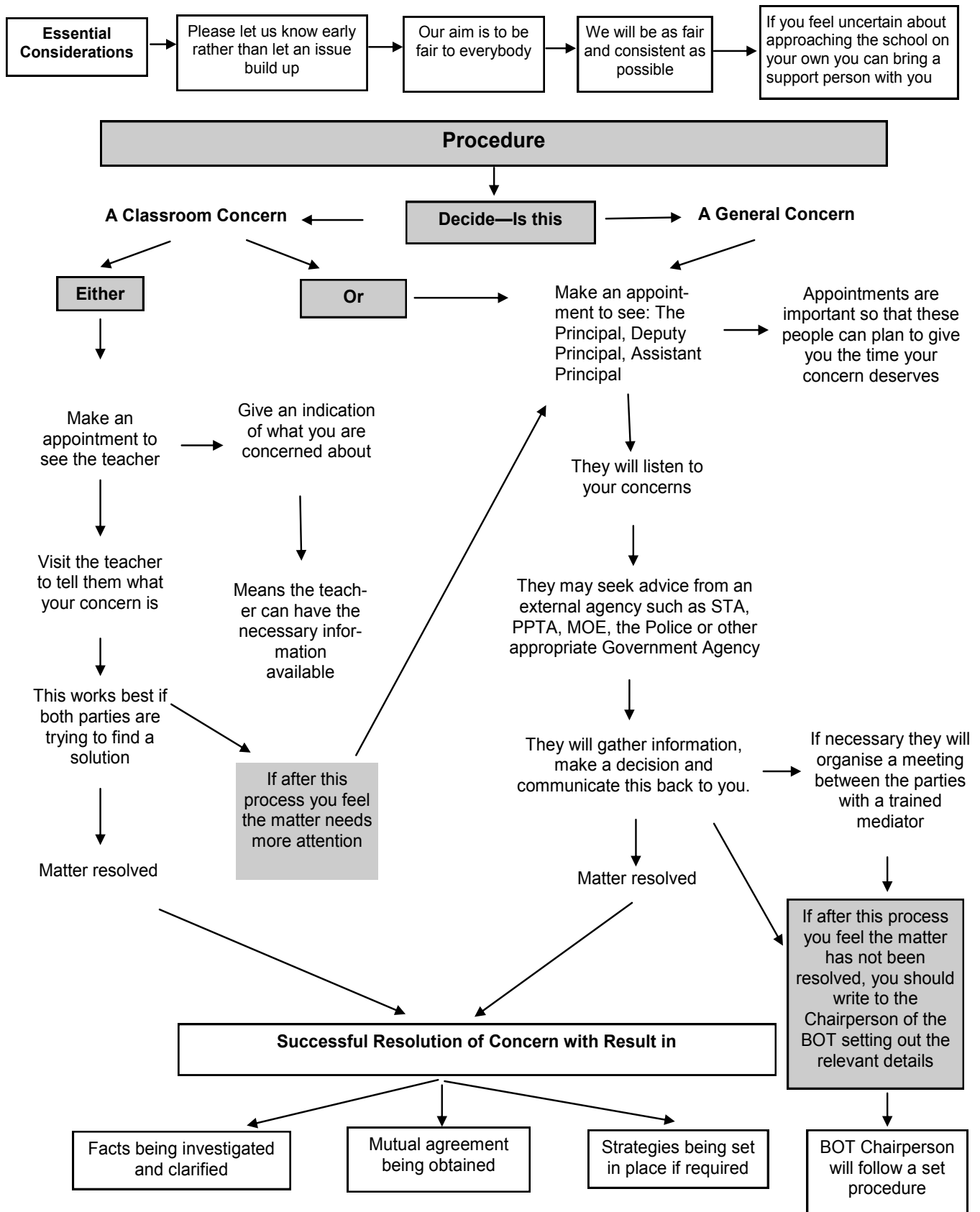
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Everyone Welcome



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Spaghetti Toastie	\$ 2.00
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American Hot Dog	\$ 3.00
Apricot/Chicken Wrap	\$ 4.50
Cordon Bleu	\$ 3.00
Pork Riblet Wrap (Hot)	\$ 4.00
Bacon & Egg Wrap (Hot)	\$ 4.00
Chicken Burger - with/without free salad	\$ 4.00
Burgers - Lamb, Beef, B&E, Hawaiian, Chicken & Bacon	\$ 4.50
Chicken Rolls	\$ 2.00
Cheese Roll	\$ 1.00
Garlic Bread	\$ 1.50
Hash Brown	\$ 1.00
Wedges	\$ 2.50
Sour cream/relish/chilli sauce (each)	\$ 0.50
Doritos/Corn Chips	\$ 2.00
Waffles	\$ 1.00
Cookie Time	\$ 2.00

Drinks/Icecreams

Water - Pump	\$ 3.50
Slurrrpas	\$ 1.50
Milkshake	\$ 3.50
Milkshake with icecream	\$ 4.50
Calci strong milkshake - carton	\$ 2.00
Mill Orchard (Juice) - 400ml	\$ 3.50
Coke Zero	\$ 3.50
E2 -small	\$ 3.50
E2 -large	\$ 5.00
A range of ice creams/ice blocks available from \$1.20 - \$3.50	
Iced Tea	\$ 3.50
Chocolate Brownie/Slices	\$ 2.50

Daily Specials

(Check the board)

Butter Chicken	\$ 4.50
Macaroni Cheese	\$ 3.50
Chicken Fettucine	\$ 4.50
Enchilladas/Taccos	\$ 3.50
Sausage Rolls	\$ 4.00
Meatball Subs	\$ 4.00
Fried Rice	\$ 4.00
Beef Noodles	\$ 4.50



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