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16 June 2017

From the Principal's Desk

Kia ora

The 1st of June roll return to the Ministry of Education was 322 which represents a growth of 59 students for the same Return in 2012. The steady growth in the roll enables us to offer more options, generally have more students to participate in school and extra-curricular activities as well as attracting and retaining staff. We appreciate the support of our community in sending students our way and encouraging them to stay until they have obtained at least Level 2 NCEA or higher.

Late next week we start camps for our Year 7 and 8 students to Deep Cove and on the following Monday our Year 9 students will be at Tautuku. Both these locations, on opposite sides of the South Island are very special in their environments and what they enable our students to participate in. I wish all our students, parent/caregiver helpers and staff the very best for these two excursions and look forward to hearing about those students that challenged themselves and the success and enjoyment this brought them.

Last night we held another school social with the proceeds going towards the Rescue Chopper Fundraiser. Thanks to Mr Wallace, Kelsi McLellan and Summer Smith for organising this and staff who supported the night. The proceeds of this social has lifted the amount raised to well over \$1000. Thank you.



Last week James Wards from Gore Corps Lan Club came to school during a lunch hour to demonstrate multi playing gaming to our students. He spoke to a group of design students about career opportunities in this pathway and 3D modelling. There is a Minecraft Event being hosted at the Round Table Hall in Gore on 17 June and there is more information about this further on in the newsletter.

PB4L

Congratulations to Sam Macdonald, Samantha Cahill, George Shead and Mr Dakin for winning the achievement draw this week. These students received theirs for working hard and being constantly awesome! Well done, your canteen vouchers can be collected from the office.

*Gerry Ward
Principal*

TEXT 'follow themenziesway' to 8987 for information updates

Careers Department

STAR Courses

In conjunction with the Government and 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 28 July
Film Making Level 2 and 3, starting 24 July
Carpentry Level 2, starting 27 July
Electrical and Electronic Principles Level 2 (dates to be confirmed)
Engineering Welding Level 2, starting July (dates to be confirmed)
Introduction to Nursing Level 2 and 3, starting 24 July
Nanny (Childcare) Level 2, starting 24 July
Hospitality Level 2, starts July (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

Security

This is an exciting two day course that is the perfect taster for students wishing to enter the Defence or Police Force or would like to obtain employment in the Security Industry. This is the required mandatory training for the Security Industry and a great way for students to obtain credits at the same time. Level 2 and 3 running 1 and 2 July.

There will be a selection of STAR courses available through Tatatahi Agriculture in Schools and 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.

Otago Polytechnic

The Otago Polytechnic will be holding Occupational Therapy information evenings at the Dunedin Campus on Tuesday 26 September, 7.00pm – 9.00pm. In August they will also be holding a combined Health Careers Evening in The Hub, Dunedin Campus featuring Nursing, Midwifery, Occupational Therapy, Physical Activity & Wellbeing, and Social Services (more information to follow): Thursday 3 August, 5.30pm – 7.00pm

University of Otago, College of Education – Southland Campus

An Information Evening is being held at 7pm on 28 June, 2017 at the Southland Campus, 100 Nelson Street, Invercargill.

A poster for Southern Police Recruitment Day. It features two police officers, a man and a woman, in uniform, standing outdoors. The text on the poster includes: 'DO YOU CARE ENOUGH TO BE A COP?', 'Southern Police Recruitment Day', 'Sunday 2 July 2017 1pm - 3.30pm', 'Come along and find out about the range of exciting career options in NZ Police', and 'Murihiku Marae, 408 Tramway Road Invercargill'.

Important Dates

University of Otago Information Evenings:

Dunedin: Tuesday 27 June 2017 at 6pm in the Castle 1 lecture theatre, University of Otago.

Invercargill: Thursday 29 June 2017 at 7pm Ascot Park Hotel.

University of Canterbury Open Day: Thursday 13 July 2017, 9am to 5pm, Arts Road, Ilam, Christchurch

Career Fest 27 - 28 July 2017 (Public session Thursday 5pm to 8pm), Stadium Southland, Invercargill.

University of Otago Liaison Visit (Course Planning): Monday 14 August 2017, at school.

Massey University Open Day: 2 August 2017

Victoria University of Wellington Open Day: Friday 1 September 2017

Southern Institute of Technology Open Night: Tuesday 17 October 2017, 4:30pm to 6:30pm, Main Campus, Tay Street, Invercargill.

Southern Institute of Technology Open Night: Tuesday 7 November 2017, 5pm to 7pm, Main Campus, Tay Street, Invercargill.

Katie Keil
Careers Advisor

Mathematics Department

Australian Mathematics Competition

The Australian Maths Competition is an internationally significant competition that has been running since 1978. It is a competition that sets out to challenge students and reward them with a certificate which shows the achievement level compared to other New Zealand students in the same year level. The challenge is open to all year levels (there are 5 different age group categories) and set out in a way to make it achievable yet challenging to all participants. The competition will be run in school time (60 mins for the Primary sections, 75 mins for Secondary).

The cost is \$7.00 per entry and entries are due back to the school office by the end of school on Friday 23 June 2017. Payment is also due at this time. The competition date is in late July – students who enter will be sent a reminder closer to the time and will have access to prior questions for practice. Any interested student can talk to their Maths teacher about the competition. Any further enquiries can be e-mailed to brendon.wallace@menzies.school.nz

Brendon Wallace
Head of Department - Mathematics

Social Science Department

Year 10 Business Studies

On Wednesday 5 July (the last week of term) the Year 10 Business Studies class will be having a Market Day at school. It will be held in the school hall at lunchtime from 1.20pm until 2.00pm. Please come along and support our students as they endeavour to be young business people/entrepreneurs. There will be a variety of food stalls, products, and competitions.

Lincoln Joyce
Teacher

Science Department

Year 13 Chemistry

Last week (6-7 June) the Year 13 Chemistry class travelled to the Chemistry Department at the University of Otago. Students completed the practical aspect of their 'Practical Investigation' worth 4 internal credits by investigating how the tidal exchange effects salinity levels in rivers. University staff were very impressed with the independence our students showed and how they worked as a team, compared to other schools they have worked with. Because students had great time management skills they also completed a bonus practical making silver mirrors using Tollens Reagen. This was in preparation for the Organics external examination at the end of the year.

Margaret Dale
Acting Head of Department - Science



Year 13 Chemistry class



Kallen Egerton & Campbell Heads



Michael Moncur & Sam Bee

Library News

If you're on Facebook, have a look at the 'Menzies College Library' page. There are lots of new posts about books recently purchased for the library and these are posted weekly. We are currently having a book sale which will continue until Wednesday 21 June due to the cold weather we have been having. It is only \$5 for a bag of books OR make an offer. Plastic grocery shopping bags are supplied to keep the wet out. We have adult, teen and children's fiction and nonfiction - some old, some new. If you come to the library please remember to sign in and out at the school office. Rug up and keep warm!

Eileen Barnett & Barbara Williams
Librarian & Teacher in Charge - Library

Board of Trustees Report - May

The last Board of Trustees meeting was held on Tuesday 25 May.

This meeting saw an overview of the school EOTC (Education Outside the Classroom) procedures which was presented to the Board of Trustees by Mrs Alice Cade. The aim of the presentation was to give the Board a better idea of the systems staff undertake when planning and proposing activities before they reach them for permission and approval. The Guidance team of Megan Lindsay and Pete Holden then presented to the Board information regarding their role in the school and the methodologies they use within school. The Board recognises that we are privileged to have an experienced and effective guidance team at our school.

The Principal's report was presented by Gerry Ward. In the report Gerry detailed that the school roll is continuing to slowly grow. We have 312 students on our roll which is up from previous years. Our School Charter has been accepted and approved by the Ministry of Education. It has been upheld as an exemplary model and we would like to congratulate Gerry and the staff for the work that has been put into this.

We are excited to have appointed Mr Kit Hustler to the position of Head of Science Department. He will begin at the start of term 3. Kit is an experienced HoD and formerly led the Biology department at Northcote College in Auckland.

We were sad to see Melissa Clark leave us after filling a long term relief role within the school. We would like to thank Melissa for her work and wish her all the best in her future endeavours.

We would like to welcome Carolyn Morris and Joss Bradley to the teaching team. Carolyn is covering the Foods and Nutrition position while Mrs Katie Keil is on leave. Joss is teaching Foods and Nutrition, Agriculture and Mathematics.

On Thursday 8 June the Heads of Departments reported to the Board on the success of their departments and this was an enjoyable evening. Student progression in learning is clearly visible through the data and achievement with subject endorsement continuing to grow within the senior school. The departments all have clear goals and pathways forward to continue student success.

We are pleased to announce that the wireless system has recently been upgraded with work now having been completed. The school has also purchased a new 'CoW' (Computer on Wheels) which holds another 16 Netbooks. We now have three 'CoWs' in operation in excess of the two computer rooms. This means that there is excellent coverage of technology across the school and that technology is accessible to all students.

The student report indicates that there is a strong study drive in the school. The school Ball was a successful event and the Ball Gown Parade which was run by the Netball Development team was a successful evening.

Finally, we would like to wish the students, staff and volunteers who are about to venture into the great outdoors on Tautuku and Deep Cove camps all the best for these exciting adventures.

The next Board meeting will be held on 29 June in the Transition Room at Menzies College at 7pm.

Bianca Gibbs
Staff Representative - Board of Trustees

Important Dates

June	18-20	Tautuku Pre Camp (Year 13 Adventure Experience)
	22	Incubator
	23-2 July	Deep Cove Year 7 & 8 camp
	26-29	Tautuku Year 9 camp
	29	Board of Trustees meeting
July	7	Last day of Term 2
	24	First day back Term 3
August	7-11	Green Week
	14	Incubator
	20-21	Three Rivers Girls' Soccer Tournament
	27-28	Three Rivers Girls' Soccer Tournament cancellation date
September	4-8	Tournament week
	11-15	Green week
	22	Sports photos
	29	Last day of Term 3
October	16	First day back Term 4

Sports Department

Skiing

With a bit of chill in the air, we start to think of short daylight hours, warm and waterproof jackets and lots of mud. While winter can be a bit of a downer, there is a silver lining to every cloud and for you, that lining could actually be white – as in WHITE SNOW!

As in past years, we will be organising skiing trips on Sundays during Term 3 (or earlier if there is a big dump early in the season). These trips are open to ALL YEAR LEVELS. We usually travel up and back on the one day in vans. This means that we can be first up the mountain and often last off! Trips cost \$110 and include travel, ski/snowboard rental, a lesson and lift pass. This is a fantastic deal that the skifields offer, as last year's pricing was \$90 just for a lift pass. We usually have room for parents/caregivers and/or friends of students and are happy to take anyone aged 10 or above. At this stage we just want to let people know that these trips are coming up so that people can start to budget if necessary. We understand that skiing is not the cheapest pastime and try to keep prices down so that as many students as possible can experience a day up the mountain.

There is some specific gear needed to remain comfortable on a mountain. Over the years we have been collecting ski gear so that we can loan it out. Students simply need to be organised and let us know what they need. If anyone has any ski gear (pants, jackets, gloves, hats, goggles) that they no longer use and wish to donate to school for future student use, please just drop it in to the office. A huge thank-you to the families who have already done this! More information will be in future newsletters, but in the meantime – start saving and watching weather for snow on the mountains!

*Brendon Wallace
Organiser*

Southland Cross Country - Volunteer Support

The Lower Mataura Valley Zone (Wyndham, Glenham, Edendale, Tukurau and Menzies) are responsible this year for the running of the Southland Cross Country. At this event hundreds of athletes come together from their zones across Southland, to compete at a provincial level. It is being held on Friday 23 June at the Waimumu Field Days site and involves a commitment of time in the morning and early afternoon.

We are a small zone with a big responsibility. We want it to go well and so we need the support of our communities especially in the area of marshalls for parking and on the track itself. Should you be able to help please e-mail admin@edendaleps.school.nz or phone 03 206 6959 with all your details. Together our zone, with the support of communities, can make this a real success for our province.

*David McKenzie
Edendale School Principal*

Menzies College Rugby

Eastern Junior Rugby Representative Trials

Congratulations to the following Menzies rugby players selected to trial for Eastern Rugby.

- U38kg (weigh in at 12.30pm) - Levi Smith, Max Bryson, Jack Ramage.
- U48kg (weigh in at 12.45pm) - Dylan Adams, Braden Poyntz-Roberts, Hunter Richards, Connor Wilkinson, Stirling McKelvie, Logan Andrews.
- U65kg (weigh in at 1pm) - Jacob Reiri, Brooklyn Milligan, Tom Ayers, Jesse McGrouther, Peyton Dickson.
- U14kg (weigh in at 1.15pm) - Aaron Ross, Garoth Van der Straaten, Ben Gauldie, Nathan Rhind, Travis North, Sebastian Wood, Floyd Kerr, Keegan Knapp, Tai Reiri, Ryan Smith, Jonas Lindsay, Connor Poyntz-Roberts, Zac Egerton, Dontay Fusitua-Joass, Ethan McLellan, Ezekiel Johnston-Brown, Coebie Symes

Trial date: Sunday 18 June at Pioneer Rugby Club. Players to bring own shorts/socks and mouth guards are required.

Bromsgate College: Host families required to billet players

Dates: Monday 10 – Wednesday 12 July 2017

From 10 - 12 July, Bromsgate College are visiting Menzies to play rugby against our 1st and 2nd XV (consisting of players from the U17 Eastern Black and White teams (including our Menzies players playing for these two teams). We are seeking families to host these boys. On Tuesday evening following the games, there will be a dinner provided for the Menzies and Bromsgate players and the host families in the school hall. Details will follow. If you are able to billet players, please contact Katrina Read on 021464932 or email cody.katrina@vodafone.co.nz.

Rugby committee meeting

The next meeting is Thursday 6 July, Menzies College Library at 7.30pm. All Welcome.

U15 Tournament team - player information form

These forms are now due. Please ensure you have handed these in to the school office as soon as possible to confirm players. If you are not playing please inform Katrina Read by email cody.katrina@vodafone.co.nz.

U15 meeting

The next meeting is Tuesday 20 June in the Menzies College Library at 7.30pm. Please send apologies to Katrina Read on 021464932 or email cody.katrina@vodafone.co.nz

Canteen Price List as at 9 June 2017

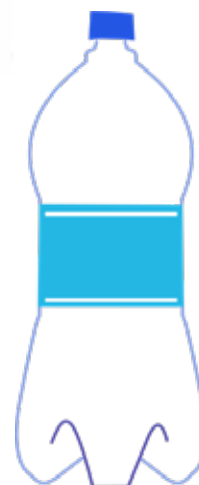
Sandwich	\$ 2.50
Spaghetti Toastie	\$ 2.50
Cheese Toastie/Mousetrap	\$ 2.50
Butter Chicken Pie	\$ 4.50
Mince Pie	\$ 3.00
American Hot Dog	\$ 3.00
Apricot/Chicken Wrap	\$ 4.50
Cordon Bleu	\$ 3.00
Pork Riblet Wrap (Hot)	\$ 4.00
Bacon & Egg Wrap (Hot)	\$ 4.00
Chicken Burger - with/without free salad	\$ 4.50
Chicken Tenders	\$ 1.00
Burgers - Lamb, Beef, B&E, Hawaiian, Chicken & Bacon	\$ 5.00
Chicken Rolls	\$ 2.00
Mega Cheese Rolls	\$ 3.00
Cheese Roll	\$ 1.00
Garlic Bread	\$ 1.50
Hash Brown	\$ 1.00
Wedges	\$ 3.00
Sour cream/relish/chilli sauce (each)	\$ 0.50
Doritos/Corn Chips	\$ 2.50
Waffles	\$ 1.00
Cookie Time	\$ 2.50

Drinks/Icecreams

Water - Pump	\$ 3.50
Milkshake	\$ 3.50
Milkshake with icecream	\$ 4.50
Calci strong milkshake - carton	\$ 2.50
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 - \$4.00	
Iced Tea	\$ 3.50
Chocolate Brownie/Slices	\$ 2.50

Daily Specials (Check the board)

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



EFT-POS IS AVAILABLE AT THE CANTEEN

Community Notices

Hokonui Culture Feast

Come along to the James Cumming Wing in Gore on 7 July from 6.00pm for a night of delicious international food as well as music, dance and workshops with an international flavour. Food stalls (cash required) include Fijian, Turkish, Romanian, Maori and Lebanese and there will be a cash bar on the night. Some of the confirmed acts are Kapa Haka, Fijian dance and a dance workshop for everyone to take part in or to watch. This is a family friendly event, so bring everyone along for a night of fun and flavour. Entry by koha (donation).

An Evening with Chris Bowden

Parents, you are invited to an evening with Chris Bowden: **'Connections Count'**

Supporting vulnerable young people

- Knowing your teen
- Recognising warning signs
- Supporting (tips and strategies)
- Talking to teens
- Helping teens develop coping skills, be solutions-focused

This is being held at the Invercargill Workingmen's Club, 154 Esk St, Invercargill. 7 – 9 p.m 29 June, 2017. Parents/caregivers are asked to let the school office know if they are interested in attending and we will obtain the tickets.



Parental Permission Form

On Saturday June 17th, a 22 player Minecraft event is being hosted at the Gore Round Table Hall, 57 Mersey Street, from 3:00pm until Late.

All ages are welcome, however all participants aged 15 and under will require this Parental Permission form to participate.

Here are some details about the event:

Minecraft has a PEGI age rating for years 7+.

All 22 computers are provided on site, and are networked so all players are playing co-operatively in the same Minecraft world.

Parents are absolutely welcome to investigate the event taking place, and can even jump on a computer and participate in the event also if they wish! I can confirm that there is at least one other parent that has signed up so far to participate in the June 17th event.

Provided there are no hardware difficulties, an audio and visual live broadcast of all the action taking place, including everything happening in the room will be available to view at any time at the following web address: www.twitch.tv/gorecorps

Participants are not required to stay for the entire event, they can leave at any time they wish and their progress will be saved.

There will be a mixture of various ages at the event, however there is an absolute zero tolerance for alcohol, drugs and swearing. There will be a swear jar present on site to eliminate swearing.

If you wish to know any other details about the event, you can call the event organizer anytime you wish:

James Earl Aitken Wards - Gore Corps LAN Club
0273339452

I _____, give permission for _____ to participate in the June 17th Minecraft event. I have also organized a way for them to get home should they stay into the later hours of the event.

Signature: _____

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