



# MENZIES COLLEGE

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**11 August 2017**

## From the Principal's Desk

### Kia ora

Next Wednesday, 16th August from 3.30pm, we will be hosting our Open Night with about 60 families coming through the school to consider what Menzie's College can offer in the way of quality education for the next seven years. It is at this time that we can reflect on who we are as a school and consider how well we are achieving our vision for a learner at Menzie's College. A number of essential characteristics make up Menzie's College:

- We accept all students irrespective of their academic, culture or behavioural background and do an outstanding job in trying to make school enjoyable, successful and consistently safe for them.
- Staff regularly inquire in to how and what they are teaching. We have a curriculum that allows us, as a small rural school, to meet the needs of students so they are prepared for their best vocational pathway on leaving school. Over the years we have established some important partners who assist our programmes.
- Our 2016 NCEA roll based results are excellent. Those students, who should have passed well, did so and many other students got across the line through hard work from both themselves and our staff.
- We have spent a significant amount of money on making computers easily accessible to all students in all classes and have seen the lift in learning engagement that has taken place.
- Students get to experience all the cultural, sporting or academic opportunities a school of our size could possibly provide and we have a reputation for doing remarkably well for 320 students. This demands a lot from a good number of students of all ages but in the end builds well-adjusted and skilled young citizens. Our relationship with our parents and caregivers has assisted greatly in our ability to deliver so much.
- With a modern technology block, including our recently upgraded music suite, computer rooms and the community pool and gym facilities, our buildings, resources and grounds are in very good condition. Students appreciate the environment in which they learn.

As Principal I often reflect upon the fantastic support provided to us by our parents/caregivers and the wider community and through the relationships formed with Whanau, we can collectively bring so much more to the development of our future citizens. At times, our size is a drawback but the benefits of everyone knowing who everyone is, far out-weigh the benefits of being a huge school. When we host an open night, have visitors or represent the school there is no reason not to be proud of Menzie's.

### PB4L

#### Achievement Draw - 4 August

Congratulations to Taylor Stewart, Naam Whan Panto, Hannah Wallis, Sarah Andrews and Mrs Gibbs for winning the achievement draw for the week ending 4 August. Hannah received hers for excellent effort in presenting to a Year 9 and 10 assembly and the others for consistent effort and great work ethic.

#### Achievement Draw - 11 August

Congratulations to Baylee Wilson, Aisla Cranston, Martin Masmela, Jake Kiernan and Mr Lambert for winning the achievement draw this week. All these four received theirs for excellent effort in class and showing respect and focus in everything they do. Well done to all the recipients, your canteen vouchers can be collected from the office.

Gerry Ward  
Principal

**TEXT 'follow themenziesway' to 8987 for information updates**

## Careers Department

### Otago Polytechnic

The Otago Polytechnic will be holding Occupational Therapy information evenings at the Dunedin Campus on Tuesday 26 September, 7.00pm – 9.00pm. This month 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.

### Important Dates

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

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.

*Stuart Clark & Barbara Williams  
Careers/Transition/Gateway Team*

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## Art Department

A huge congratulations to Becky McEwan and Naam Whan Panto whose work was selected for the ILT Art Awards exhibition in Invercargill. Both works are portrait based and are of a very high quality. Their work will be on display at the City Gallery in Invercargill until the 2nd of September. This exhibition was open for national entries and the quality of work on display is a very high standard. It is very exciting to see our students making the most of opportunities available to them. Comments from the selection committee indicated that the calibre of the work entered was very high and only a small percentage of entries were included in the final exhibition. Well done girls, this is a real honour!

### Tutorials

The Art tutorials this term are every Thursday until 5 pm. However, the tutorial on 31st August will go until 7pm.

*Bianca Gibbs  
Art Teacher*

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## NZQA Reminder

### Payment of NCEA fees

These are due to the school office on or before **Friday 25 August**. The cost is \$76.70. You may apply for Financial Assistance if you have (or qualify for) a benefit, have a community services card, and/or have more than one child sitting NCEA this year. If you are unsure please contact either Judy Gould or Pete Wilkinson at school. There are forms available from the school office and online at [www.nzqa.govt.nz/assets/qualifications-and-standards/qualifications/ncea/Application-For-Financial-Assistance.pdf](http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/assets/qualifications-and-standards/qualifications/ncea/Application-For-Financial-Assistance.pdf)

This decreases fees from \$76.70 to \$20 for one student or \$30 for two. If you do not pay by the due date there is a \$50 late fee. Although fees are collected by the school the money is forwarded to NZQA on the due date.

### Student NZQA Login

If you do not know your username or password you can go online and do a re-set password (use your NSN number as your username – you can find your NSN number on the Edge parent or Student portal). You can also ring NZQA 0800 697296 and they can reset your login for you. Credits are updated on to the internet at the beginning of each month. Check online to see that you are correctly entered in your subjects and standards (both on NZQA and on Edge to see that they match up). Students have been shown this process many times. If there are any who need more help ask them to see their Whanau teachers or Mr Wilkinson.

**NOW IS THE TIME TO CHECK THAT YOUR INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL ENTRIES ARE CORRECT.**

### Driver Licence Credits

Forms are available at the school office to get your licence added to your record of learning. You get 2 credits at Level 1 for holding a learners licence, 4 credits at Level 2 for restricted and 2 credits at Level 2 for full. It is a good idea to get this added to your record of learning even if you do not need the credits to pass NCEA Level 1 or 2. Once the form is completed take it to Mr Wilkinson to enter your credits.

### EDGE Update

At our last assembly students were shown the EDGE APP. Parents and students can download the app for free, for Android or Apple. Search Musac Edge and select the purple app with the letter 'e'. The first time you log in to the app you use the email and password that you have for the student or parent portal. You then get to select a four digit pin that you can use for future log ins. At present the app shows student caregiver information and subject timetable. Soon there will be the ability to view student credits and attendance through the app. The future plan for the Edge App is to be able to do 80%+ of everything that you can do and see on the Edge portals.

*Pete Wilkinson  
NZQA Liaison*

## Menzies College Netball Club

The Menzies College Netball Club would like to thank the following businesses for their netball camp sponsorship:

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## Gamers Battle

On Tuesday a bunch of likeminded students got together to battle each other in the first ever Menzies gaming event. The event was facilitated by James Ward, a gaming enthusiast and entrepreneur from Gore. James intends to run a gaming event at the same time and place each fortnight at a cost of \$10 per player, if there is a demand for it. He is planning to run similar events at St Peter's and is hoping to get a Southland Secondary Schools competition running in the near future. Games will be notified in advance, parental permission is required and there will always be a teacher or teacher aide in attendance.

*Kath Luoni  
Teacher in Charge*



## Timetable

Option Booklets for the 2018 Level 1, 2 and 3 NCEA courses will be available near the end of the term (around the same time as senior exams). This year these will not be printed, but will be available for download on the school website. If internet access is an issue, students can go to the office to request a printed copy. We are also looking into students entering their choices on-line. We will be educating students around how to do this closer to the time. This is a new feature of the Edge system and will require students to login to the student portal. Any senior student who needs help with logging in should see Mr Wilkinson or Mr Wallace.

## Important Dates

<b>August</b>	14	Incubator
	16	Open Evening 3.30pm - 7pm (parents are asked to be present before 6pm at the latest)
	20-21	Three Rivers Girls' Soccer Tournament
	27-28	Three Rivers Girls' Soccer Tournament cancellation date
	31	Board of Trustees meeting
<b>September</b>	4-8	Tournament week
	8	Workday
	11-15	Green week
	14-19	Senior Exams
	20	Whanau Conferences ( <b>please note change of date</b> )
	21	Option Evening 7pm in school hall
	22	Sports photos
	25	HPV Vaccinations
	29	Last day of Term 3
	16	First day back Term 4
<b>October</b>	23	Labour Day
	30-3 November	Green Week
<b>November</b>	8	Last day for senior students
	9	NCEA Exams begin
	24	New enrolments open day
	27-30	Year 10 camp at Mavora
<b>December</b>	4-6	Menzies Activity Days (MAD)
	7	Senior Prize Giving
	8	Junior Prize Giving (afternoon)
	11	Teacher Only Day (with call back for selected students)

## Community Notices

### Edendale Netball Club

Prize giving will be held on Friday 18th August at 5.30pm in the Christian Activity Centre, George Street, Edendale. Come along and celebrate the netball players and thank the coaches. Players - please bring your uniforms.

### Wyndham District Community Pool

The AGM is being held on Thursday 24 August at 7.30 pm in the Menzies College staffroom. All welcome. Please come along and support this awesome facility. Apologies to wyndhampool@gmail.com

# INTER-WHANAU COMPETITION WHO IS THE BEST?

**Get your team  
of 4 organised  
for the days  
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**Competitions  
during  
Whanau Time  
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**ALL COMPETITIONS IN  
THE HALL AT WHANAU  
TIME**

**Monday - Year 7/8**

**Tuesday - Year 9/10**

**Wednesday - Seniors**

**Thursday - Your Whanau's Best**

## **Menzies College Rugby**

### **End of Season Break-Up**

To celebrate our rugby players, the committee are holding an end of season break-up on Friday 15 September in the school hall starting at 7pm. We will start with thank-you speeches and announce our award winners concluding with supper. We ask all players to attend and families/caregivers are also welcome. Please bring a plate of finger food to share and return any rugby club gear you have.

### **End of Season Rugby Trophies**

It is that time of the year again where we need to ask players to return any trophies they received at last year's end of season break-up in readiness for this year's prize giving. If you could return these as soon as possible to the school office it would be greatly appreciated. Thank you for your assistance.

### **Thank you to our Coaches and Managers**

The season seems to have flown by this year. It is very important for the club to sincerely thank all the parents/caregivers, friends, sponsors, teachers and supporters of our club for all the fantastic support this season. We have a very young club and numbers are always an issue for us. We work hard to give our players the opportunity to do their best, be safe and enjoy themselves. To make this happen we rely on a group of awesome coaches and managers. We are extremely lucky to have a devoted team who has put in so much time and effort. They have done well and their efforts are building an exciting future for Menzies Rugby - thank you!

### **Thanks to our Generous Sponsors**

The committee also wishes to thank our sponsors for their fantastic support. Please support the businesses who support our club:

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*Katrina Read  
Secretary*



**Menzies  
Rugby**



**Invite Expressions of Interest for  
COACHES  
of the  
Menzies 1<sup>st</sup> XV  
For the 2018 Season**

**Contact**

Email your interest/application to [menziesrugbynz@gmail.com](mailto:menziesrugbynz@gmail.com) or leave at the Menzies College School Office in a named envelope for "Menzies Rugby"

If you have any questions contact Neville 0272294540 or Katrina 021464932

**Closes 31st August 2017**



## Menzies College Soccer

### Menzies Girls Southland College Football League Runners-up for 2017

Walker Mowers Menzies College Girls 1st XI played in the final of the Southland Girls competition on Wednesday. Playing against an unbeaten James Hargest team, Menzies was able to apply pressure early in the game which resulted in Menzies scoring from a Rhylee McGregor corner, which was placed into the net by Sarah Andrews. Menzies held their own for a while but James Hargest were able to score through Taylor Evans and level the match 1-1.



Just before half time, James Hargest were able to take the lead with a chipped ball that deceived goal keeper Katelyn McEwan and take the lead 2 -1 before half-time. In the second half both teams played attacking football and created a number of opportunities until around the 50 minute mark, James Hargest won a free-kick 20 odd meters from the Menzies goal. The free-kick was placed top corner which was a very special piece

of skill and put James Hargest ahead 3 – 1. To the credit of the Menzies girls they did not give up and fought till the final whistle.

Congratulations to James Hargest for winning the title and a lot of credit to the Menzies team making the final for the second year in a row and playing so well. We need to make a special mention of Katelyn McEwan who was outstanding in goal and also Maria Perriam who had an outstanding game in the first half as the centre of the defence. To our Co-Captain Summer Smith who has played her last game for Menzies in the College Football League, thank you for all your hard work over the years - you will be missed.

### Players Reach Milestones

During the season we have had our players reach milestones in terms of games played for the Menzies Girls 1st XI. The following players have reached 50 games for the school:

Sarah Andrews (60 games), Rhylee McGregor (53 games), Tyla Adams (51 games), Katelyn McEwan (50 games)

Also, we must congratulate our Co-Captain of the Girls 1st XI Summer Smith. She has reached 100 games for Menzies and joins her sister Holly Smith and Pania Rayner who have played over 100 games for the school. Summer will hold the record for games for the 1st XI with Menzies by the time the season finishes - 116 games and 19 goals so far.

Carl Lambert  
Organiser

## Sports Department

### Moffett Cup

On Friday 4 August, two Year 7/8 Rugby and Netball Teams ventured into Invercargill to compete at the oldest trophy on offer in the Primary School Sport Calendar, the Moffett Cup.

Menzies Netball were defending champions and after strong round robin play we managed to have a team secure a spot in the final. After a hard fought game the scores were tied and extra time had to be held – Menzies triumphantly came out on top and once again secured the Year 7/8 Moffett Netball Cup for another year.

In rugby the two teams fought hard in the round robin, coming up against some larger than life Year 8 students from Ascot. Both teams performed well with their fitness and tenacity to keep running hard right until the end of the game. In the end they saved the best for last, playing off against each other for third and fourth place.

Many thanks for all the support we received from the coaches and the countless parents/caregivers who turned up on the day to watch. Special mention to Michael Moncur, Mr Heywood, Caeden McGregor, William Ranstead, Alex Guthrie, Gabby Knapp and Maria Lindsay who all gave up a school day at this busy time of the year to be umpires for the day.

Mark Kerslake  
Organiser

## Ski Trip

The next ski trip is to Coronet Peak on SUNDAY 20 AUGUST and is open to all Year Levels. The cost of Ski Trips is \$110 and covers travel, ski/board hire, a lesson and lift pass. We leave very early on Sunday morning and return just after dinner time the same day. If anyone would like to go on this trip and has not yet returned their permission slip they are to contact Mr Wallace immediately. Numbers will be confirmed on Monday with the skifield and for the van hire. The next planned trip is to Coronet on 26 August. Permission slips for this will be available on Monday and due in by next Friday (August 18th). If you have any other queries about Ski Trips, please contact Mr Wallace – brendon.wallace@menzies.school.nz

Brendon Wallace  
Organiser



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