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### 25 August 2017

## From the Principal's Desk

Many thanks to all the students and families that helped support our Open Night last Wednesday. We had about 40 prospective students and their families visit on the night and early indications show there should be about 50 new students arriving at the college in early 2018, lifting our roll to approximately 330 students. For those families that were not able to make it on the night, feel free to contact the school and arrange a walk through while classes are in action. A prospectus can still be collected from the office during school hours. Enrolments are due in by 27th September.



Recently our girls sports teams have been performing exceptionally well. Our Senior 'A' and 'B' netball teams won their competitions and the Development and Green teams finished third in their respective grades. The Senior 'A' team lost the final of their pool in the secondary school's competition where they have had some outstanding wins over teams playing in the higher grade. Also, our soccer girls are thrilled to be runner-up in the schools competition and winning the Three Rivers Tournament. The quality of play in this tournament which was held at Menzies, has improved out of sight over the six years we have hosted it and our teams play a very structured style of soccer. Lets also not forget the three girls that played in the combined Eastern School's team that made the rugby final against Southland Girls' High School last week.

All the very best to the boys Under 15 rugby team, all those who have made representative teams and our netball and soccer teams in their upcoming tournaments. We also have a pleasing number of students in representative sports teams about to participate in South Island tournaments over the next month and we wish them all the very best as well.

Today, we farewell Mrs Sally Robertson as she goes on maternity leave. This is a particularly exciting time for the Robertson family and we wish them all the very best at this time.

#### **PB4L Achievement Draws**

**18 August -** Marina Ferguson, Breana Harvey, Sota Akino, Ra-Tahi Hook-Robertson and Mrs Knapp. All four students received the reward for excellent effort in class and helping others.

**25 August -** Caleb Reiri, Tony Gourlie, Braden Poyntz-Roberts, Ellie Sisley and Miss White. Tony received his for great participation in group work. Well done to everyone, your canteen vouchers can be collected from the office.

#### **PB4L Badges**

At assembly on Wednesday Sophie Johnston (Year 10) and Ellie Sisley (Year 7) were presented with their badges as the first part of the PB4L programme, for receiving 25 achievement slips this year. This is well deserved and a 0great effort from these students who are the first to receive this accolade. There are several students who are very close to achieving their badge so remember to hand in the achievement slips to the office as soon as you receive them.



Gerry Ward Principal

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#### **NZQA Reminder**

#### **Payment of NCEA fees**

Today was the last day for payment of NZQA fees. Please contact the office if you have not yet paid as a \$50 late fee payment may apply. 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
This decreases fees from \$76.70 to \$20 for one student or \$30 for two. 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

#### Save the Date: Whanau Conferences

The next Whanau conference is scheduled for Wednesday 20 September. Conferences will run throughout the day from 9am – 7pm. Students are only expected at school when they attend their Whanau conference. The conferences are 20 minutes long and involve a discussion about the learner as a whole, information will be shared from subject teachers and student reflection, as well as data on 'Attendance', 'Managing Self' and 'Relating to Others'. There will be an opportunity to discuss student learning as a whole and set goals and the Whanau teacher will help the student monitor as the year progresses. If there is a need to meet with a particular teacher this can be discussed at the Whanau teacher conference. A letter to employers and detailed instructions about booking the conference will be included in the next newsletter. If you are unable to attend, Whanau teachers will arrange another time to meet with you.

Kath Luoni Deputy Principal

#### Accounts

The school accounts are now being emailed. If you have not received any or if you prefer to have accounts posted, please advise the office. Thank you.

#### **Student Representative - Board of Trustees**

Nominations are invited for the election of one student representative to the Board of Trustees. A nomination form can be obtained from the school office. Nominations close at noon on 6 September and should be accompanied by the candidate's statement. These can be handed in to the office or given to Mrs Winefield.

Ginny Winefield Returning Officer

#### **Mathematics Department**

A huge thank you to the students who participated in last week's Maths Week Challenges. Participation was extremely high and the competition fierce. On Monday through to Wednesday Whanau competed against each other in a series of Kahoot! quizzes (ask your child what this is!) On Thursday each Whanau was given a series of problem solving questions to answer with a set time limit. After four competitive sessions, TSW reigned as the unofficial Menzies World Maths Champions. RED deserve an honourable mention as overall second placegetters. The competition was for House points and every bit counts! We look forward to next year's challenges during Maths Week.

#### **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**

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

#### Science Department Level 2 & 3 Agriculture



The Level 2 and 3 Agriculture classes have been busy helping Pete and Karina Clement with calf rearing duties on the Menzies farm during the last few weeks. We have been able to pop over for at least a lesson a week and get 'hands-on' with tagging calves, feeding and weighing, which the students are getting very confident with. Some students have also been out over recent weeks with the Clements to Knapdale for the day where they were able to assist in vaccinating and administering copper bullet capsules. This will enable them to gain 6 credits at Level 3 for a cattle handling unit standard. Both classes have also been out to try their hand at constructing a sheep netting fence at the Landreth property. There is still a few days work to do on this, but it is coming together nicely and will also allow students to attempt 4 credits at Level 3 for a fencing unit standard.

Tyla Adams assisting Allan Winter with fence straining

Level 1 Agriculture have also organised to have local homekill specialist Nigel Loveridge in to show them practical skills around knife work including sharpening methods, knife safety and the likes, which everyone is really looking forward to.

Many thanks to Pete and Karina Clement and Loveridges for giving their time and sharing their expertise with our students. We would also like to thank Fonterra for sponsoring us with a huge amount of gumboots, overalls and safety glasses to be used in the Agriculture and Science departments.



Tim Landreth Teacher

L to R: Nathan Ballantyne, George Shead & Hikurangi Whale modelling the new gear kindly donated by Fonterra

#### **Important Dates**

	August	31	Board of Trustees meeting
			School Social
	September	4-8	Tournament week
		8	Workday
		11-15	Green week
		14-19	Senior Exams
		20	Whanau Conferences
		21	Option Evening 7pm in school hall
		22	Sports photos
		25	HPV Vaccinations
		29	Last day of Term 3
	October	16	First day back Term 4
		23	Labour Day
		30-3 November	Green Week
	November	8	Last day for senior students
		9	NCEA Exams begin
		24	New enrolments open day
		27-30	Year 10 camp at Mavora
	December	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)

#### **Timetable**

As things are starting to heat up for seniors, we are also starting to cast an eye towards next year and how the timetable will be structured. The most vital information for this comes from the students who are at the centre of the puzzle. It is important that we do everything we can to allow students to make informed and positive choices that are focussed on what is best for their learning and future career path. Seniors should be having discussions with their teachers about continuing in that particular subject and starting to form ideas about their option choices for 2018. Year 10 students are about to enter a whole new world where they will have more options to choose from (only English and Maths are compulsory at Year 11) and are likely to need to learn more about the NCEA system. Parents/caregivers with their oldest child about to enter Year 11 may also be wanting to learn about this system. With this in mind, we have an evening coming up for students and parents/caregivers to come along and learn about the NCEA system and also to talk to staff around option choices for next year. This evening is compulsory for current Year 10 students and highly recommended for senior students. To reduce the number of evenings that parents/caregivers have to attend, we are looking at incorporating this presentation into the time allocated for Whanau conferences. The date and time will be advised before the next newsletter but will be either Wednesday 20 September or Thursday 21 September.

Brendon Wallace Timetable Co-ordinator

#### **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.

#### **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 breakup 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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#### **Representative Rugby**

Congratulations to the following Menzies rugby players who were selected for Southland in their respective age groups:

**U48kgs:** Logan Andrews, Stirling McKelvie

**U13:** Harm Davers **U14:** Coebie Symes

**U16:** Arese Poliko, Brian Tyrell, Caeden McGregor, Joshua Read, Kyle Gardyne, Micaiah Johnston-Brown

**U18:** Devon McLeod

Katrina Read Secretary



#### **Menzies College Soccer**

#### Walker Mowers Menzies wins Three Rivers Cup for 2017

The Walker Mowers Menzies Girls 1st XI won the 2017 edition of the Three Rivers Cup Girls Football Tournament. This is the third time the team has won the tournament in its six year history. The team came through the qualifying stages with four wins against Fiordland College, Northern Southland College (NSC), St Peter's College and Waiau College. In the semi-finals, Walker Mowers Menzies faced Central Southland College (CSC) and at full time the teams were locked at one all so we went to penalties, which resulted in the Menzies team winning 3-2 on penalties. In the other semi-final Waiau defeated St Peters 2 – 1. In the final, Walker Mowers Menzies played Waiau and both teams were locked nil all at halftime, but in the end Walker Mowers Menzies found a way through the Waiau defence and won 4- 0.



#### **Walker Mowers Three Rivers Cup Final**

Walker Mowers Menzies 4 – 0 Waiau Area School (3rd & 4th play-off) St Peters College 1 – 0 CSC (5th & 6th Play-off) NSC 2 – 0 KVC (7th Place) Fiordland College 1 – 4 NSC (8th & 9th Play-off) Walker Mowers Menzies "B" 4 – 1 Walkers Mowers Menzies "C"



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#### **Southern Cross Cup Boys Football 2017**

The tournament will be held in Te Anau this year on Monday

11th September. At this stage one boys team will be going to the tournament so the league game between the two Menzies teams (Red and Green) will be used as a trial to select this team. Once this team is selected students will be required to train on Fridays after school from 3.30pm to 5.00pm

#### **Upcoming Dates**

Monday 28th August - Boys League Game - Menzies Red vs Menzies Green 4pm
Tuesday 29th August - Girls 1st XI training 3.30pm to 4.00pm
Wednesday 30th August - Boys League game - Menzies Red vs Fiordland College at Menzies 4pm
Friday 1st September - Boys training 3.30pm to 5.00pm
Sunday 3rd September to 7th September - Girls 1st XI National Tournament
Monday 11th September - Boys Soccer - Southern Cross Cup Football Tournament Te Anau
Term 4 - MLT Summer Socca & 3rd Annual Players Award Night

Carl Lambert Organiser

#### **School Social – Thursday 31 August**

To help with funds towards the newly purchased sound system and to celebrate the success of the Menzies College school bands, we are holding a school social on Thursday 31 August from 7pm onwards. There will be live music from the school bands as well as the staff band. In between there will be the Year 13 students acting as a DJ to provide night long entertainment. A canteen will be open with basic food items.

The cost of the social is \$5. The theme is 'Music' so come along dressed as a crazed rock punk or grab a few mates and dress up as your favourite music group or go really out there - think outside the box and surprise us. Money is to be paid to the school office before Thursday 31 August. **There will be no door sales!** 

#### **Community Notices**

#### **Wyndham Athletic Club AGM**

The Annual General Meeting of the Wyndham Athletic Club will be at 7.30 pm on Thursday 7 September 2017 at the Pioneer Tavern, Edendale. All parents of children interested in coming along to Athletics this summer are encouraged to attend. Apologies to Jane Muir on 03 2066334.

#### Workshop - Building a Positive Relationship Between Coaches & Parents

Coaches and parents are great influencers in young athletes' lives and performance on and off the field. Therefore it is important that parents build a positive relationship with their kids' coaches and vice versa to ensure everyone is on the same page and understands their roles and responsibilities. In this workshop, Wayne Goldsmith will be facilitating an opportunity for coaches and parents to share ideas and discuss how they can better work together, help each other and first and foremost, how to support the athletes/own children in sport to ensure they have positive experiences. Date/Time: Tuesday 12 September, 6pm at ILT Stadium Southland, Legends Lounge 1. This workshop is open to all coaches and parents of young athletes from all codes. Visit www.sportsouthland.co.nz to register.

#### The Story of Workday 2017

Menzies College is again holding a workday as a means of raising funds for purchasing new mountain bikes and a sound system for the school hall. This will ensure that the school production, the three school bands as well as numerous community groups who use the hall, have a quality sound system to use. The mountain bikes will help reduce costs for students who attend camps as well as our senior outdoor classes.

The idea of workday is not for parents/caregivers to be giving a donation but for students to show initiative and find work in the community and earn the money. The work can be completed on Workday itself (Friday 8 September) or on a weekend or a day prior to that day. If students have difficulty finding work and have covered all possibilities please contact the school as we MAY have some work available.

A Work Day card will be given to your son/daughter which needs to be filled out by the student and the employer. The card requires the employer's details and the hourly rate agreed upon by the employer and student. Card and money is to be returned on Monday 11 September.

If you have any questions regarding work day please contact the school. Many thanks for your support of our major fundraising event of the year.

Mark Kerslake & Matt Cook Co-ordinators

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#### MENZIES COLLEGE PROUDLY PRESENTS "MACBETH"

WEDNESDAY 27TH SEPTEMBER 7.30PM - COFFEE AND CAKE AVAILABLE AT INTERVAL●

THURSDAY 28TH SEPTEMBER 7PM - THEATRE RESTAURANT - 3 COURSE DINNER

#### Other Government Agencies Principals Council of PPTA employment award Ministry of Education appropriate Seek advice from: STA Refer to Police Disciplinary action if necessary Inform Principal of the issue and 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 including a specific achieve a resolution If the Principal is not directly implicated Inform those Draw up a plan time frame to Inform Principal Other Government Agencies Resolution between the Seek advice from: STA PPTA Ministry of Education parties is achieved avenues to seek Advise staff of Police help

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