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7 September 2017

From the Principal's Desk

Kia ora

This afternoon our tournament teams will be making their way home from their respective events. All three teams have acquitted themselves extremely well and can feel proud of their achievements. Our girls football team won on penalties 5-4 this morning gaining fifth place and our netballers are in a play-off against Buller High also for fifth place.

We will be running our third conferencing session for the school year on 20 September. The code for online bookings is 6m3t5 and will be live from Tuesday 12 September for bookings. This remains an important process in students' learning and sharing in the feedback that comes from these meetings. We want students and parents/caregivers to be able to talk openly and honestly about their learning so better outcomes can be achieved.

Senior exams start next Tuesday and the full time table is included overleaf. These are extremely important, especially if we require the grade achieved in the event of an unforeseen circumstance that prevents a student sitting an end of year NZQA exam.

Tomorrow is workday and there is an expectation that all students make a genuine contribution towards this. The money raised this year goes towards the new sound system in the hall and the mountain bikes purchased earlier for our outdoor activities. All students have been provided with a card at whanau time and these need to be returned as soon as possible. An average of \$20 per student would raise \$6,000 which goes a long way towards the cost of the fore mentioned assets.

PB4L Achievement Draws

1 September - Luke Humphries, Brittany Tiller, Amy Porteous, Josh Read and Mrs Matthews for winning the achievement draw for Week 6. Amy received hers for striving for excellence in Maths.

7 September - Steven Watkinson, Levi Smith, Emma McEwan, Maximus Ashman and Mr Dakin for winning the achievement draw for Week 7. Steven achieved his for striving for excellence in mapping tasks and Levi for having an excellent attitude to learning and focussing on tasks. Congratulations, your canteen vouchers can be collected from the office.



Nadine Martin (right)

*Gerry Ward
Principal*

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Whanau Conferences – Wednesday 20 September

The second Whanau Conference about student learning is on Wednesday 20 September from 9.00am – 7.00pm. 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 that 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 is included in this newsletter if time off work is required. If you are unable to attend, Whanau teachers will arrange another time to meet with you.

*Kath Luoni
Deputy Principal*

Timetable

The senior course booklet will be published next week and will be available to download from the school website. This is an important document for our Year 10-12 students as it provides essential information about courses offered next year. Senior choices need to be in the system (through the Student Portal of Edge) by the end of the first week back next term. This allows students time to talk to their subject teachers, Whanau teachers, deans and caregivers about their pathway through school. Current senior students will also have feedback from their school exams to help with this process.

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 eldest 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 hosting this information evening after Whanau conferences on Wednesday 20 September at 7pm in the hall. Those attending may wish to try to make Whanau conference appointments closer to this time.

It is essential that course selection is taken seriously as we always attempt to build best possible timetable to cater for student needs. We can only do this with information that is as accurate as possible. The more effort and thought that goes into this process now, the more students will be able to access the courses they need.

*Brendon Wallace
Timetable Co-ordinator*

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. It is now possible to view student credits and attendance through the app. (You will need to make sure you have the latest version). 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.

Workday 2017

A reminder that tomorrow (Friday) is Workday. Students need to return their completed Workday card with the money on Monday or by the end of the week at the latest. House points are up for grabs so make an effort and get the money in quickly!

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

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*

2017 SENIOR EXAMS TIMETABLE

		TUES 12 SEPT	WEDS 13 SEPT	THURS 14 SEPT	FRI 15 SEPT	MON 18 SEPT	TUES 19 SEPT
9AM - 12PM 3 HOURS	LEVEL 1	HISTORY 19	ACCOUNTING 6 Taylor ACC.CORR	SCIENCE 37	MATHS 30	ENGLISH 30	ECONOMICS 14
		Hayden/Tyla GEOGRAPHY	GEOGRAPHY 17				
	LEVEL 2		MATHS 12	GEOGRAPHY 2	BIOLOGY 11	CHEMISTRY 17	ENGLISH 7
			HISTORY 1				
	LEVEL 3	Joseph/Mina PHYS.CORR	STATISTICS 8	GEOGRAPHY 10	ENGLISH 11	HISTORY 9	CHEMISTRY 13
				Joseph CALC.CORR	Hannah HISTORY	BIOLOGY 8	
1PM - 3PM 2 HOURS	LEVEL 1			GRAPHICS 11 GRAPHICS ROOM	FOOD 28	103 ENGLISH ROOM 3 102 ENGLISH ROOM 2	ART ART ROOM
	LEVEL 2			GRAPHICS 9 CR1	FOOD 8		ART ART ROOM
	LEVEL 3			DTG 5 CR1	FOOD 11		ART ART ROOM

- All exams are in the hall (except for Graphics, DTG, Art, and 102/103 English – rooms for these exams are listed)
- The number listed beside each exam is the number of students sitting the exam
- You must be in full school uniform when sitting an exam

ALL NZQA EXAM RULES APPLY – in particular:

- Students must stay in their exam for the first 45 minutes and cannot leave in the last 15 minutes
- No spare paper or devices are to be taken into the exam. You may hand your device to the exam supervisor for safe keeping when entering the exam room
- You must not communicate with any other student in the exam room. If you require assistance, put your hand up and the supervisor will come to you
- When you are not sitting an exam you are to be in class
- Those that stay until the end of a morning exam may have from 12 to 12.20 to have something to eat and a break before period 4 begins
- If you are not at school on the day of your exam please contact the school office so that alternative arrangements can be made



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Can anyone stop him? Will his best friend forgive him for his betrayal? Is marriage guidance the answer or is this the end for Macbeth and his lady? All will be revealed in the fullness of time.

MENZIES COLLEGE PROUDLY PRESENTS “MACBETH”

****** Change of Plans ****
(There will be no Theatre Restaurant)**

**WEDNESDAY 27TH SEPTEMBER and THURSDAY 28TH SEPTEMBER 7.30PM
COFFEE AND CAKE AVAILABLE AT INTERVAL at \$5 PER PERSON
AND ICE CREAMS WILL ALSO BE AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE**

Adults \$15 - Children \$5 - Families \$30 - Senior Citizens \$7

(In the interest of comfort we recommend patrons bring a cushion)

English Department

We would like to extend our congratulations to Maddix Dinan from Edendale Primary who won a copy of 'Billionaire Boy' by David Williams at our recent Open Night. Well done to all those who took part in our 'Four Letters' competition – Maddix managed to create an incredible 23 words before he was timed out.

If you are not familiar with this app, 'Four Letters' is a game whereby the player is given four random letters from which they make a word. Each time a new set of letters is displayed, the player has 10 seconds to create a word. If the player is unable to create a word and the time runs out, the game is over. It's a fun way for students to learn word patterns and families.

The average number of words created by Year 6 students who visited the English Department on Open Night was 15 words, so well done Maddix! Mrs McKelvie will deliver your book to you at school.

Lucy McKelvie
Head of Department - English

Sports Department

Southland Squash Competition



Menzies College entered two teams in the Southland Squash competition at ILT Stadium Southland on Friday 1 September 2017. The first team consisted of Jonas Lindsay, Zac Egerton and Garoth van der Straaten. They played Aparima College first and lost 1-2. They went on to play Southland Boys' High in their second pool game and won 2-1. They finished second in their pool and in the cross over, played off for third and fourth position against Fiordland College which Fiordland won with a final score of 2-1. The boys played really well and for a few of them it was their first game of squash which involved learning a lot of rules on the day. Well done team!

L to R: Zac Egerton, Sebastian Wood, Connor Poyntz-Roberts, Lachlan Stewart, Jonas Lindsay and Garoth van der Straaten

Menzies 2 team consisted of Lachie Stewart, Sebastian Wood and Connor Poyntz-Roberts and they won their pool beating both Southland Boys' High 3-0 and Fiordland College 2-1. Finishing first in their pool they crossed over to play Aparima College in the final for first and second. The boys put up a good fight but it was evident that Aparima had more experience. The final score was 3-0 to Aparima meaning our boys were second overall. This was an outstanding effort boys!

The boys had a great day out and would like to thank Mr Kerslake for organising the teams for practises and the champs. They would also like to thank parents Carlyn Stewart and Tracy van der Straaten for transporting the teams and supporting them on the day. The students thoroughly enjoyed their day learning a new sport and recommend it to anyone who is thinking about giving another sport a go. They are keen to continue playing to improve themselves and would like more competition at Menzies College.



L to R: Sebastian Wood, Lachlan Stewart, Connor Poyntz-Roberts

Ki O Rahi Southland Championships

On Tuesday 29 August a team of 12 students attended the Ki O Rahi Secondary School Championships in Invercargill. Because of the poor weather a decision was made to host this annual event indoors at Stadium Southland. Menzies arrived and were greeted by a powhiri and then quickly all participating teams were into their first games. It was great to see Shontelle Dixon present and umpiring. She is the person responsible for sharing Ki O Rahi with Menzies a few years ago.

The first game against Aurora College, 'All Stars' ended in a loss 24-20. With the first game under their belt and students once again familiar with the game and quickly working out tactics, we encountered Te Whare Kura in our second game. The champions from last year proved challenging but we were up to the task. We narrowly lost 12-9. Afterwards Shontelle Dixon, our umpire, commented on how intense the game was and that the level of play was similar to games she had seen at the nationals. Our third game against Central Southland College proved to be more successful with us winning 20-14. Interestingly, in both pools, three teams had equal number of wins and losses indicating how close the competition actually was. Going to points scored and against, we ended up facing Aurora College Academy for third and fourth. This being our final game for the day saw some of the best action from the team securing a good win 29-20 to finish third overall. With the team consisting of mainly Year 11 and 12 students I eagerly await next year.

My thanks to the team for their effort and the way they conducted themselves on and off the field. Many positive comments were made to me regarding their sense of belonging as a team and their sportsmanship during the games. The team included William Dickey, Courtneah Mitchell, Arese Poliko, Nic Nunez, Nic Winn, Micaiah Johnstone-Brown, Kyle Gardyne, Josh Reid, Beth Scott, Meriana Fellows, Caitlyne Yorke and Erin Norman.

Mark Kerslake
Head of Department - Physical Education & Health

Soccer - Staff v Students

Teachers continue winning run!

The teachers' pulled off a 4-0 victory over the students in their annual State of Origin match at Menzies College on Wednesday, 30th August. The teachers team took a while to settle with the students complaining that they had no goal keeping gloves and might break a nail, but once this was sorted, the game got in to high gear with end to end attacking. Eventually the teachers started to put some passes together and scored first through Lawrence 'White Lightning' Haywood to take the lead. Then in another sweeping pass 'Skippy the Kangaroo' let rip from 5 yards out and tucked the ball into the corner of the goal to double the teachers' score. Half time: Teachers 2 - 0 Students; Scorers: Lawrence Haywood 1, Mark Kerslake 1

In the second half, the teachers, after some motivation from their coach Kelsi McLellan, stepped up and scored again through Sione the 'Tongan Terminator' and Carl 'Old and passed it' Lambert.

Final Score: Teachers 4 - 0 Students; Scorers: Lawrence Haywood 1, Mark Kerslake 1, Sione 1, Carl Lambert 1

Tournament Week – Lotto Sportswear Tournament Invercargill

Good luck to the MLT Menzies Girls 1st XI at tournament next week. The girls are looking forward to playing against opposition from outside the Southland area.

The tournament team is: Katelyn McEwan, Taurus Harden, Sophie Johnston, Maria Perriam, Kayla Henderson, Laura Gargiulo, Rhylee McGregor, Summer Smith, Tyla Adams, Sarah Andrews, Bethany Loveridge, Brooke Loveridge, Nadine Martin, Sophielee Richardson, Leah Maxwell and on stand-by, Emma Porteous.



Draw (first two days of tournament):

Monday: Round 1 – Bye, Round 2 – vs St Hildas 1.00pm kick-off

Tuesday: Round 3 – Dunstan High 11.00am kick-off



Southern Cross Cup 2017

The Kelly Irwin First National Menzies Boys 1st XI will travel to Te Anau on Monday 11 September for their annual tournament. So far Menzies College, Fiordland College and Northern Southland College will take part with other schools who have yet to be confirmed. The tournament team is: Campbell Heads, Dylan Adams, Caeden McGregor, Kieran Coyle, Jarrod Irwin, Courtneah Mitchell, Maximus Ashman, Josiah Ashman, Zayden Moir, Ryan Smith, Keegan Knapp, Ethan Read, Raydon Todd and Jack Simmons.



MLT Summer Socca

The greatest summer competition in the history of Lower Mataura Valley area is coming in Term 4!

Yes, MLT Summer socca is back. Details about entry and other information will be available in the next couple of weeks. Check out the Menzies College Soccer Facebook page where details will be. Please remember you don't have to be a member of facebook to look at the page. Just put 'Menzies College Soccer' in google search and you will be able to look at the posts.

Carl Lambert
Organiser

Year 11 PE - Physical Activity Investigation



On Thursday 31 August our class went to Invercargill for a gym session at Evolve Gym. We were pushed hard doing Tabata High Intensity Training. Nich said he was going 'hundy' for the whole time. The trainers, Mana and Misty, were great at motivating us past our limits. Secondly, we went to Invercargill Yoga Centre where Linda taught us how to do some stretching activities and relaxation and 14 out of 21 students fell asleep at the end. After that we headed to ILT Stadium Southland and did cycling at the velodrome and rock climbing at the Clip and Climb wall. Nic was great at

the helping improve our cycling skills on the track, even though Ricci and Brian both crashed. Benji was an awesome instructor at Clip and Climb, always telling us we can do more. He said that champions do three things - champions always find a way, champions never cheat and champions always have fun!

It was an awesome experience for everyone - lots had sore muscles the next day but were happy to have done it.



Brian Tyrell at Clip & Climb
Pete Wilkinson
Teacher

Year 13 Outdoor Leadership

Last week, Year 13 and three international students went to the Snow Farm near Wanaka for Alpine camp. We did cross country skiing and made snow caves. There were a few experienced cross-country skiing people and everyone was able to arrive at their destination at Meadow Hut, a distance of about 4km. Some people fell over many times! We slept in the snow caves. I was sleeping in an Igloo with Mr Landreth. It was warmer than I thought so I had a good sleep.

We learned about the snow, for example, how to help a person trapped in the snow. I used to do skiing in Japan but not cross country skiing. I have never slept in a snow cave. It was the first time for me - I had a good experience on the Alpine trip.



*Sota Akino - Year 12
International Student*

Community Notices

Edendale Tennis Club AGM & General Meeting

Tuesday 19 September at the Pioneer Tavern, Edendale at 7.30pm. All welcome. Apologies to Sandy Smith 021 147 8646. See our Facebook page 'Edendale Tennis Club' for information about our teams and club.

Wyndham District Community Pool - Volunteers Needed

Wyndham District Community Pool are looking for senior students to help with the following:

Tailing Saturday 13 October (cancellation day Sunday 14 October)

Instructors for Swimming Lessons six weeks in Term 4, 1 night per week, 3.30pm to 4.30pm. Day to be decided, dependent on instructor availability.

If you are interested in either of these please contact Carlyn 206 4373 or email wyndhampool@gmail.com

Important Dates

September		Workday
	8	
	11-15	Green week
	12-19	Senior Exams
	20	Whanau Conferences
	21	Option Evening 7pm in school hall
	22	Sports photos
	25	HPV Vaccinations
	27	School Production - Macbeth
	28	School Production - Macbeth
	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
	9-1 December	NCEA Exams
	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)



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7 September 2017

To the employer

Menzies College are holding Whanau Conferences on Wednesday 20 September from 9am until 7pm. Time off work may be required if parents are unable to secure an appointment outside work hours. We request your support by allowing your employee some time off work to meet with staff at Menzies College.

Whanau Conferences are an important opportunity for parents, students and staff to meet and discuss children's learning goals, current learning and future directions. Conferences run for 20 minutes for each child between 9am and 7pm on the day. There are only four conferences available with each teacher between 5.40 and 7pm in the evening hence the potential need for some parents to take time off work to attend their child's conference.

We very much appreciate your support for this event.

Yours sincerely

Gerry Ward
Principal
Menzies College

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