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20 October 2017

From the Principal's Desk

Kia ora

Welcome back to Term 4 which is only eight weeks in duration yet it may well be the busiest school term of the year.

Our Year 11 to 13 students will break in three weeks on 8 November to start their NCEA exams. I wish all students well for this important period in their academic journey and given the positive feedback from the practice exams last term, I'm confident they will approach them with the right attitude. Learning does not finish for our seniors because exams are on. Staff have made themselves available for tutorials up until exams, giving students the opportunity to complete standards that are still ongoing.



Five of our Year 13 students have received outstanding financial scholarships to assist with their tuition and accommodation fees for next year. Hannah Fotheringham and Ally Gutsell both received a University of Otago 'Māori and Pacific Peoples' Entrance' Scholarship which is worth \$12,000 each. Summer Smith and Kelsi McLellan received the University of Otago 'Leaders of Tomorrow' Scholarship which is worth \$6,000 each. Joseph Ferguson has received \$6,000 from Canterbury University as an 'Emerging Leaders' Scholarship. Brilliant!

L to R: Ally Gutsell, Hannah Fotheringham, Joseph Ferguson, Kelsi McLellan, Summer Smith

Two of our former students, Doug Fotheringham and Jordan Stuart were awarded their Gold Duke of Edinburgh Hillary Awards in a ceremony in Dunedin during the first week of the holidays. These were presented by the Governor General Dame Patsy Reddy. Though both boys are now at University most of the tasks for this prestigious award were accomplished while being a student at Menzies and they both deserve this recognition.

Next Thursday night Campbell Heads and Joseph Ferguson will receive YouthMark Awards in Invercargill. There are 50 of these distributed annually to students who have contributed positively to school life and both students have a wide range of involvement in academic, sporting and cultural activities at school and beyond.

A big congratulations to all the students who represented the province in a sport over the holiday period. We had a number of girls playing age group football, boys in age group rugby teams, Beth Scott again represented the province in Ice Hockey and Levi Dickey played Under 15 Hockey at the National tournament. From the feedback I have received, they all played very well and were most deserving of their place in those squads.

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Achievement Slip Draw - Congratulations

29 September - George Shead, Brittany Tiller, Michael McKay and Mr Dakin. Michael achieved his for managing himself and settling into work straight away.

20 October - Emma Pope, Ethan Read, Logan Andrews, Baylee Wilson and Mr Lambert. These students earned their slip for a range of things from being considerate to others and producing some excellent work. Well done, your vouchers are at the office.

*Gerry Ward
Principal*

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Careers Department

Important Dates

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

General SJS Description

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

Mathematics Department

In the last week of Term 3 the annual SMAC Maths competition was held at James Hargest College. This year Menzies had 4 teams competing – 2 Year 7 teams, a Year 8 team and a Year 9 team. The event is always positive and competitive with between 25 to 33 teams entered in each year level. This means that well over 400 individual students from all over Southland participated. The Menzies teams finished well inside the top half in all divisions, with the Year 8 team doing particularly well. As expected, our students conducted themselves extremely well and were excellent ambassadors for the school. We look forward to next year's event and improving our placing. An honourable mention to the Year 9 team who had to compete with 3 members – 1 less person makes a massive difference in a competition like this.

A huge thank-you to Mrs Lee for organising the Year 7 and 8 teams and to parents who helped out with transport. The students who competed were:

- Year 7: Team 1:** Lucy Mann, Hunter Richards, Chloe Laurie, Emma McEwan,
Team 2: Sophie Ferguson, Josie McLellan, Tony Gourlie, Liana Gaudie
Year 8: Arin Read, Brooke Loveridge, Logan Andrews, Tom Ayers
Year 9: Brianna Ferguson, Ryan Smith, Garoth Van Der Straaten



L to R: Arin Read, Brooke Loveridge, Tom Ayers, Logan Andrews



L to R: Garoth Van Der Straaten, Ryan Smith, Brianna Ferguson

Maths Tutorials

Maths tutorials for senior students are being held on Thursdays in Room 8 from 3:30 – 4:30pm and will continue until seniors leave.

*Brendon Wallace
Head of Department - Mathematics*

School Board of Trustees Election

Declaration of Student Election Results

At the close of voting I hereby declare Rhiannon Gorman duly elected.

*Ginny Winefield
Returning Officer*

Options

A reminder that students in Years 10-12 should have entered their option choices for next year via the student portal on EDGE. If not, this needs to be done urgently as today is the final day for entering on line.

Host Family Required

We are looking for a family to host a Japanese girl who will be enrolling at Menzies College in January. There will be some financial compensation for the family. She will be in Year 12, will be with us for 10 months and is allergic to dogs. For further information or enquiries please contact Sharee Knapp at school.

Important Dates

October	23	Labour Day
	26	Board of Trustees meeting
	30-3 November	Green Week
November	8	Last day for senior students
	10	Fireworks Extravaganza
	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 (evening)
	8	Junior Prize Giving (afternoon)
	11	Teacher Only Day (with call back for selected students)
2018		
January	26	Teacher Only day
	29	Senior Interviews - all staff present
	30	Year 12 & 13 students only attend
	31	All students attend
February	6	Waitangi Day

End of Year Prizegiving Trophies

It is that time of the year again when students need to return any trophies they received last year in readiness for this year's prizegiving. It would be appreciated if they could be returned as soon as possible. Thank you for your assistance.

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Community Notices

Vetco - Wyndham and Districts Pet Day

The Vetco Wyndham & Districts Pet Day Committee held their AGM last month and the elected committee members remain the same as last year. A general meeting was also held. Thank you to those of you who attended the meeting to show your support and help get this year's Pet Day under way.

This will be held on Tuesday, 7 November at the Wyndham A & P Showground and the theme for 2017 is 'Cattle'. Now is a good time to start thinking about entries and further information will go out in the first week of Term 4. There are the usual categories including: Animals (NB: Dogs Years 3-8 only); Fancy fruit/vegetable; Sand saucer (preschool and Year 1-2 only); Floral Art; Needlework; Science invention/model; Baking – no-cook baking, muffins (all age groups), Large Cakes and Biscuits (Years 3-8 only). Please note that only one entry is compulsory and a second is optional. We hope to make Pet Day a fun, family day so bring on the great weather! If you are able to help judge at Pet day, we would love to hear from you. Any enquiries please get in touch with Bathen Muir (President).

Wyndham Community Pool

The pool is now open for the season. Keys can be purchased or renewed at Lee's Dairy and Menzies College office (EFT POS available). Inquiries to wyndhampool@gmail.com



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A Fireworks Extravaganza

At
The Wyndham Racecourse
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(Postponement Saturday 11th November)
\$5 per head for entry, pre-schoolers free

Gates open 7:00pm with entertainment from 7:30pm

Fun for the whole family

Food for sale

Cash Only

Entertainment while we wait for the dark and the fireworks!

Bring your family and friends to enjoy a relaxed evening culminating in a huge pyrotechnics display

PLEASE NOTE:

This is an alcohol free,
family friendly event

Postponement will be
announced on Hokonui
Radio and Menzies
College website and
Facebook page



Sports Department

Volleyball

The mighty Menzies volleyball teams played another round of games this week. These teams and sport in general at Menzies, is going from strength to strength this year. This term we have backed up the coaching team (Sione) with a management team to support him. Kelsi McLellan has volunteered to step into this role and based on this week's performance she will add an extra edge to the teams. Results for this week were a win and a loss for the boys team and two losses for the other team. Training might be a bit tougher next week after some losses!

A reminder for current players that practices are every Monday at lunchtime in the gym. Any new players are more than welcome to come along and try this great sport!

Brendon Wallace

Teacher in Charge - Volleyball

Menzies College Rugby

The Rugby Committee AGM and General Meeting are being held on Thursday 9 November 2017 in the school library commencing at 7.30pm. If you wish to be on the rugby committee for 2018 please attend. All Welcome.

Menzies College Soccer Annual Players Awards 2017

Come along and celebrate the achievements of our Soccer Teams and the individual awards voted on by their fellow players. Awards and then Disco until around 11.00pm
Ticket's available from the Menzies College Office
only **\$5.00 each.**



**CELEBRATE WITH US!
FRIDAY 20TH OCTOBER
DOORS OPEN 6.30 PM**



Menzies College Hall

QUIZ NIGHT FOR LEUKEMIA

**When? Saturday 14th and 21st
October**

**Where? Grace Church East Gore
(30 Hamilton street)**

Quiz starts at 6:30

\$25 a team of up to 6 people

Snacks provided

Entertainment on the night

Money raised will go to Ethan Kitto-Smith and family as he fights leukemia and half will be donated to Leukemia and blood cancer NZ.



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For each Battle lost.
For those still Fighting,**

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BAND MONIUM

2017



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