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22 February 2019

From the Principal's Desk

Kia ora

Today we hosted our G F Walker Awards where we celebrated the success of our NCEA students and recognise the school leaders for 2019. It is always enjoyable to recognise the student's achievements in NCEA exams but unfortunately we made a major mistake in recognising a number of students in their Merit and Excellent subject endorsements. This isn't acceptable and I apologise to the students and families concerned because these grades were outstanding. We have immediately rectified the problem, reprinted those student's certificates and these will be presented next Friday morning at assembly and parents/caregivers are more than welcome to attend. Overall course endorsements and the Principal's Cups were not affected by this error.

A number of students were recognised for leadership positions within the school and we wish them well as House leaders, Committee members, PB4L and Peer Support leaders. With a large group of seniors in the school we have a wonderful opportunity to run some great activities for the students this year.



Receiving the Principal's Cups for 2018 L to R: Olivia Wallace (represented by her sister, Kendal), Sarah Andrews and Sophie Johnston

> Our three Committee Leaders L to R: Taylor Stewart (School Community), Erin Norman (Sports), Paphitchaya Panto (Arts and Culture)



We are extremely pleased with the way our students have settled into the school year. We have our timetable finalised with a fully staffed school and an extended curriculum. Two senior camps at Edenview and Hope Arm have been completed, peer support has started for our younger students and Whanau groups are up and running, making the most of those good weather days. Next Wednesday we will be holding our House Athletic sports where all students are expected to participate fully by entering plenty of events and giving nothing but their best.

Gerry Ward Principal

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Student Profiles

Name: Marina Ferguson

Position Held: Totara House Leader

Year: 13

Subjects Studying: English, Maths, Chemistry, Physics, Biology

Academic Achievements: Excellence Endorsement NCEA Level 1 & 2, Application Award & Runner-up to

General Excellence Level 1

Sports: Enjoy all sports but particularly netball and athletics

Interests/Hobbies: Sports, Piano, Reading, Baking **Currently Reading:** Grace of Lineage by Francine Rivers

Ambition: To study at Otago University and become a Physiotherapist

Best About Menzies: I enjoy the positive atmosphere surrounding the school. I love walking through the school and being able to interact with students across any level of the school sharing a laugh and encouraging great behaviour. I like how I can trust the

teachers. They really try to help us to get the best grade we deserve or want and they give up their own time for us.

Name: Zayden Moir

Position Held: Rimu House Leader

Year: 13

Subjects Studying: PE, Digital Technololgy, Wood, Metal, BCITO, Graphics

Academic Achievements: Level 1 Merit Endorsement, Diligency Award, Rex Hohepa Maori Award

Sports: Rugby, Soccer, Basketball

Interests/Hobbies: Working hard to play hard

Currently Reading: Maori Study **Ambition:** Architectural Draftsman

Best About Menzies: How happy everyone is - always feeling safe and involved

Name: Tyla Adams

Position Held: Rata House Leader

Year: 13

Subjects Studying: Physics, Biology, Chemistry, Calculus, Home Economics

Academic Achievements: NCEA Level 2 Merit Endorsement

Sports: Soccer, Athletics

Interests/Hobbies: Soccer, Running, Cooking **Currently Reading:** Me Before You by Jojo Moyes

Ambition: To get a US Soccer scholarship and also to study first year Health Science

Best About Menzies: Rata House

Name: Micaiah Johnston-Brown
Position Held: Matai House Leader

Year: 12

Subjects Studying: Digital Technology, Finance, Hospitality, PE, Outdoor Education

Sports: Rugby

Interests/Hobbies: Lift weights, hang out with mates and play PS4

Ambition: Make it to a higher level of Rugby and attend U18 Highlanders camp

Best About Menzies: The friendly vibes





Congratulations to the following students and staff member for winning the first achievement slip draw for this term: Kahu Sutherland, Harry Rhind, Micah Karamaena, Jodi Power and Mrs Lee.

Your vouchers can be collected from the office. It is good to see so many achievement slips coming in! Next week we will have the senior draw.

Leaving School Grounds

If students need to leave school at interval or lunchtime they must have a note from home and must sign out at the office. The office will give you a permission note to show any teacher or Year 13 who is on duty (yes - Year 13 students are on duty this year!) We do not give permission for students to go to the dairy at lunch time as we have a canteen on site.

Wyndham students - If they want to go home at lunch time to have lunch they still need to sign out. We will give them a 'lunch pass' (a laminated card) that they keep on them to show when requested. This means they will not need a note from home each day. All they need is to bring a letter from home asking that they be given a lunch pass so they can go home for lunch.







2018 Course Endorsements

Year 11 Level 1 - Excellence

Sophie Johnston Art, Science, English 101 and Mathematics 101

Kendal Wallace Food Technology Sophie Kingdon Geography

Nadine Martin Science and Food Technology

Tiyla McNaught English 101 Georgia Walker English 101

Year 11 Level 1 - Merit

Bethany Loveridge Art and Digital Technology

Emma Porteous Art

Gabbie Shirley History, Science and Food Technology

Georgia Walker Geography

Rhylee McGregor English 101, Mathematics 101, Geography, History, Physical Education, Science

Tiyla McNaught History and Science

Zayden Moir English 101 and Physical Education

Sophie Kingdon English 101, Science and Physical Education

Sophie Johnston Physical Education

Jaime Ross Science

Steven Watkinson English 101 and Science
Maximus Ashman Science and Mathematics 101

Rachael Kane English 101
Nadine Martin Mathematics 101
Kendal Wallace Science and English 101

Year 12 Level 2 - Excellence

Sarah Andrews Art, Biology, English, Mathematics, Physics and Chemistry

Gabrielle Knapp Accounting and History

Shazarna Harvey Art and English

Taylor Stewart Chemistry, English, Mathematics and Physics

Paphitchaya Panto Art

Marina Ferguson Chemistry and English

Rebecca McEwan English

Erin Norman English, Geography and History

Allynah Paderanga English

Luke Goatley History and Physics Caeden McGregor Physical Education

Year 12 Level 2 - Merit

Hayden Stuart Accounting, English, Geography, Mathematics and Physics

Erin Norman Accounting

Taylor Stewart Biology and Digital Technology Shazarna Harvey Chemistry and Mathematics

Shayla Hill Chemistry

Caeden McGregor Chemistry and English
Gabrielle Knapp Chemistry and Mathematics

Luke Goatley English, Mathematics and Geography

Marina Ferguson Mathematics and Physics
Maria Lindsay nglish and Mathematics

Brodean Greenem English Luke Humphries English

Beth Scott Geography and History

Year 13 Level 3 - Excellence

Marina Ferguson Physical Education

Year 13 Level 3 - Merit

Olivia Wallace Biology, Calculus and Chemistry Rhiannon Gorman Chemistry and Physical Education

Luke Goatley Chemistry
Tane Carney Chemistry
Hannah Wallis Chemistry

Lauren Story Chemistry and Physical Education

Samantha Cahill English

Endorsed with Merit - NCEA Level 1

Bethany Loveridge Rhylee McGregor Tiyla McNaught Zayden Moir Emma Porteous Gabbie Shirley Georgia Walker Kendal Wallace Steven Watkinson

Endorsed with Excellence - NCEA Level 1

Sophie Johnston Sophie Kingdon Nadine Martin

Endorsed with Merit - NCEA Level 2

Tyla Adams Maria Lindsay Rebecca McEwan Caeden McGregor Beth Scott Hayden Stuart

Endorsed with Excellence - NCEA Level 2

Sarah Andrews Marina Ferguson Luke Goatley Shazarna Harvey Gabrielle Knapp Erin Norman Taylor Stewart

Endorsed with Merit - NCEA Level 3

Tane Carney Olivia Wallace

Meet the Teachers Tuesday 12th March

There is an opportunity to meet your child's teachers on Tuesday 12th March. Please attend with your child. Information will be shared about what subject teachers expect of students in their class and how home/school communication will work. By the end of February you should have had emails from all the subject teachers and have access to your child's Google Site to check individual comments the teachers are making. If you haven't accessed your child's Google Site please check that you can do this (make sure your child has shared it with you first). This is the perfect opportunity to be involved in your child's educational success and ask questions about changes in reporting. See you there.

Year	Year 7 & 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11 - 13	
Level					
2.30pm	Parents and				
2 3pm	students from				
	each class meet				
	in their home				
	room.				
	8CL Room 1				
	8BY Room 2				
	7LL Room 5				
	7ER Room 6				
3pm ☑	The whole school and parents of Y7-9 students go to Whanau Time to meet with whanau				
3.15pm	teachers to find out more about how Whanau's operate and what to expect with conferences.				
3.30pm		Parents and			
- 4pm		students from each			
		class meet in the			
		following rooms:			
		9FE Room 7			
		9SR Room 9			
4pm ₪			Parents and students		
4.30pm			from each class meet		
			in the following		
			rooms:		
			10KL Music Room		
			10PW Graphics		
			Room		
			10SU Room 8		
5.30pm				Meet in the hall at 5.30pm.	
?				A short welcome is	
7.30pm				followed by the six	
				timetabled classes senior	
				students attend. Each class	
				is 15 minutes long. There	
				will be a bell at the	
				beginning and end of the	
				15 minutes. Time is	
				allowed for moving	
				between classes.	
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Important Dates

February	26	Primary School Athletics
	27	Manzies College Athletics

Menzies College AthleticsMenzies College Athletics cancellation day

March 1 Primary School Athletics cancellation day

4 Auckland University Liaison visit 1.20pm

6 Year 12 Gateway Health & Safety

8-10 Paddles Up

12 Meet the Teachers -this is for all students not just new entrants (see page 3)

13 Year 12 First Aid

15 Southland Athletics

18 Otago Liaison visit 2pm

21 School photos

25-28 Year 12 & 13 Adventure Experience Wanaka Camp

28 Otago Polytech Liaison

29-31 South Island Primary School Athletics30 Southland Primary School Athletics

Trip to Australia

Next month Lisa Yorke in Year 10 will be heading to the Gold Coast with Koro Care for nine days. This organisation supports students with varying health conditions and it is an opportunity for them to become more independent regarding their individual health needs. Experiences such as this also compliment efforts towards education and personal development.

We hope Lisa has a fantastic time and we look forward to hearing about the trip when she returns.



English Department

Congratulations to our senior students who achieved amazing results in the external examinations last year. Once again, our Department produced a raft of Excellence and Merit results with correspondingly high numbers of Course Endorsements. This is testament to the effort put in by the students throughout the year and also the excellent teaching they have received not only in the year of the actual exams but in the years preceding. I would like to thank the English Department teachers for their willingness to embrace change, offer new and exciting texts from which to base programmes of learning and for embedding so many key skills which are used by all curriculum areas.

As a Department we are focused on using New Zealand text where at all possible this year. Students from Years 9 - 13 will all benefit from the short text anthologies purchased last year and we look forward to bringing this aspect of New Zealand taonga tuku iho to our students. Amongst a raft of New Zealand literature, we are also introducing: Marveling at Marvel (Level 2), Jasper Jones (L1), The Outsiders (L1). Shortly, we will be calling for students who might like to enter the ICAS (International Competition and Assessments for Schools) English competition. This is a wonderful opportunity for students to pit their minds and skills against students across Australasia.

Level Focus

The Level Three class has embraced the revised timetable structure and now has all four of our English classes on Friday. It is taking a little to get used to, but the class and their teacher have embraced the chance to study in a slightly different format. The content being taught at the moment revolves around Music Video Theory and students are currently learning four new critical theories which they can apply to a text of their choice. The class have also decided to widen their written skills by picking a genre of writing currently unfamiliar to them (for example poetry or creating a short story), upskilling in order to find out the baseline requirements, reading some examples of writing from their chosen genre and then (finally) writing. It's a fun process which gives the students autonomy and freedom of choice. We look forward to sharing some examples of their writing with you in the future.

Housekeeping

We would like to remind our students in Year 9, 10 and also 101 English that the Sigma Action English books are ready and waiting. Please send your payment to the school office as soon as possible so that classes can begin to use these resources. As always, if you have any questions regarding the progress of your son/daughter in this subject please do not hesitate to contact me.

Lucy McKelvie Head of Department - English

HPV Vaccination

A reminder that all Year 8 students need to return the HPV immunisation form urgently. Thank you to those who have already done so. **This form needs to be completed even if you do not wish your child to have this vaccination.** For more information visit:

- www.health.govt.nz/hpv
- contact the HPV Immunisation Team at WellSouth (03)214 6436, 0800 800 249 or hpv@wellsouth.org.nz

Outward Bound

Outward Bound New Zealand is a not for profit organisation offering outdoor experiential learning courses to New Zealanders young and old. Our courses are run from our school in Anakiwa in the Marlborough Sounds.

We have two courses coming up in the April school holidays:

Our School Leaders course is offered once a year to current school leaders aged 16-18 years during the April school holidays. The course is aimed at building teen resilience in a fun and healthy environment and connecting young leaders across the country. Places are limited and potential students need to provide evidence of their leadership position.

Leaps & Bounds is the ultimate shared adventure for parents/caregivers and their teen (13-15 years). The 8 day course provides a challenging but supportive environment for teens and their parents to develop and strengthen their relationship without any of the usual digital distractions. To find out more go to outwardbound.co.nz or talk with our friendly team on 0800 688 927

Irlen Glasses

If you have Irlen glasses that need to be updated please be aware that due to an illness the Invercargill business has been sold and a new diagnostician is to be trained shortly. Beaumont & Bridgmount Optometrists in Dunedin are the nearest Irlen-trained diagnosticians to us.

The librarian, Mrs Barnett, is a certified Irlen screener and available at Menzies College to do free screening assessments for pupils.

Community Notice

Wyndham & Districts Community Rest Home Gala Day

Saturday 9th March - 1.30pm to 3.30pm. Garden walk, Devonshire tea, sausage sizzle, stalls, children's activities, decorated novelty garden container competition. All funds raised will be put towards a new mobility van for our residents. Everyone Welcome. Enquiries please phone (03) 2064901.



Menzies College Athletics 2019

This year the athletics will be held on Wednesday 27 February all day. As in previous years, in order to ensure that we can run the programme in one day the 1500m, 3000m and Triple Jump will be run at lunchtimes during school time. Students will need to listen closely to the notices as to when this will occur. We welcome any parents/caregivers who wish to come along and support their children on the day. All entries are have been completed during school hours. Students will receive a paper copy of the timetable on Monday prior to athletics sports, this timetable will also be available on the school facebook page.

Age groups:

Age groups will be taken from 1 January 2018. It is the same for both boys and girls. Age groups are U12, U13, U14, U15, U16 and U19.5

Events:

U12/U13 are allowed to participate in 100m, 200m, 400m, 800m, 1500m, shot, discus, long jump, high jump NO JAVELIN U14/U15/U16/U19.5 are allowed to participate in 100m, 200m, 400m, 800m, 1500m, shot, discus, long jump, high jump, javelin Open Events - 3000m open to all, Triple jump is open to Year 9 to Year 13 students

Hurdles are run at southland champs on the Friday night, you need to see Mrs Keil when Southland entries are being done if you wish to enter in this.

House points:

Students will receive points for their Houses for participation and for placings in the finals of the events.

It is encouraged that students dress up and support their House. Students often choose to do this by dressing up in their House colour. There is to be NO paint on the school grounds.

The house colours are as follows:

Rata = Yellow Rimu = Blue Totara = Purple Matai = Orange

Exchange Programmes

Student Exchange Australia New Zealand Ltd

Opportunity for students to experience another culture, make new friends and improve their language studies at home

Student Exchange Australia New Zealand is a not-for-profit organisation that is registered with all state and territory Departments of Education around Australia and with the Ministry of Education in NZ. We are the first and only secondary exchange organisation in Australia and New Zealand to be certified to ISO 9001 (Quality Management System) and we ensure the highest standards of care and support to our participants. You can find out more about our organisation by visiting www.studentexchange.org.au

In April, May, June, July and August, we will be receiving exchange students from France, Denmark, Finland and Germany. Our new arrivals will live with a host family and attend a local school for 3, 5 or 10 months. As we plan for their arrival, we are keen to hear from suitable families who might be interested in hosting a student.

Hosting an exchange student can be a truly rewarding experience. It allows a family to experience a foreign culture first hand, be exposed to a new language and pass on a bit of our own culture. All students have at least basic levels of English, would attend a school in your local area and live the life of a local. Below is a sample of students who will be arriving.

Anna is a 16 year old student from Denmark. She tells us she is looking forward to experiencing a different culture, meet new people and see how they live while in New Zealand. Anna describes herself as quiet at first, happy and adventurous. In her spare time, Anna enjoys skiing, playing games, sleeping out in nature and hanging with her friends. At home, she helps with the grocery shopping, vacuuming and cleaning the house.

15 year old student Lene is a student from Germany who is also learning Spanish. Her main hobby is hockey which she plays once a week and also teaches younger children to play. Lene is looking forward to learning more about the culture, people and language while in New Zealand. She also hopes to speak fluent English by the end of her exchange. Lene describes herself as curious, social, responsible, adaptable and willing to help out when needed. She helps at home by cleaning her room, doing the dishes and hanging out the washing.

16 year old student Aino from Finland also speaks Swedish. Her hobbies are hiking, scouting, snowboarding, climbing and jogging. Aino describes herself as a happy and helpful person. She is very active and is looking forward to joining in some new activities with her host family and improving her English while in New Zealand. She helps look after the family dog and general cleaning around the home.

You can view more profiles of students arriving soon from our website. Please note that this is just a handful of the students who will be arriving. If families would like a selection of student profiles sent to them to review and decide which student may fit into their family best, please contact us.

If you have any questions about hosting an exchange student or would like to view profiles of students arriving from other countries, call our office on 0800 440 079 or visit our website. Our staff members will be happy to discuss which student might be best suited to their family. No obligation.

Rotary International Youth Exchange Programme Wanted – Secondary School Students To Go On Exchange In 2020

Rotary Youth Exchange is an official programme of Rotary and we are now seeking applications from motivated secondary school students interested in spending a year overseas as part of this long established successful educational and cultural exchange. This is your chance to obtain a Study Abroad "Scholarship" worth about \$30,000 and to immerse yourself in the culture and become fluent in a foreign language in a supportive exchange programme. Become fluent in Swedish, Mandarin, German, French or Spanish.

- Students must be aged between 16 and 18 $\frac{1}{2}$ at departure in January 2020
- Exchange partners for 2020 are: Sweden, France, Germany, Switzerland, Austria, Chile and Taiwan
- No family Rotary affiliation required Applications close 30 April 2020

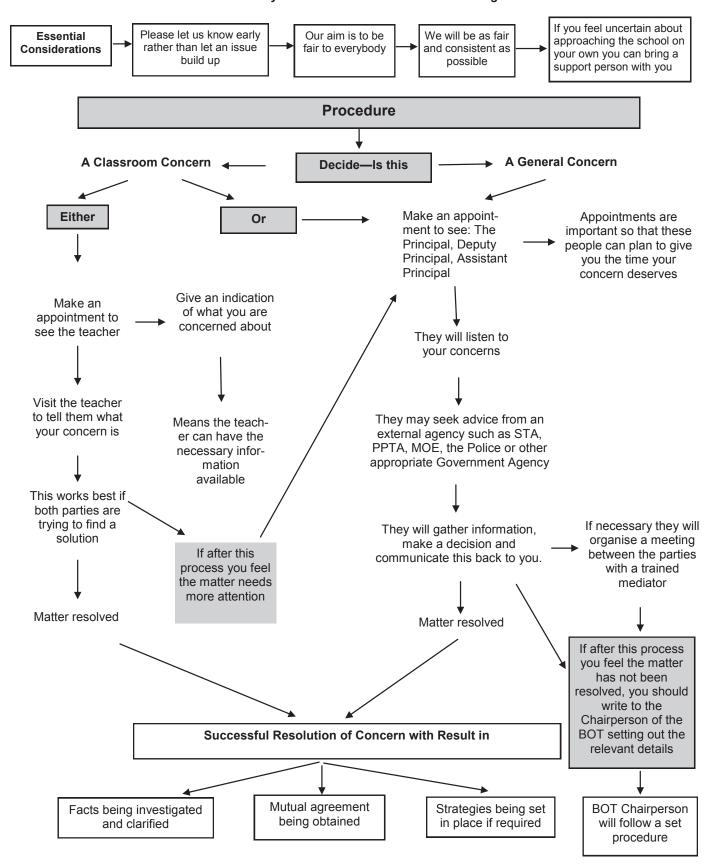
Rotary Youth Exchange offers student training and preparation, a strong student support structure and oversight by a reputable global service organisation. Students attend a local school but stay with several host families for variety and a true cultural experience. The effective "scholarship" is worth about \$30,000, as through RYE there is no foreign student fee or need to pay for accommodation.

Students benefit from personal growth and development, independence and self confidence while making worldwide friendships and learning a new language. If you want to gain a fresh understanding of yourself and others, have fun and a whole lot of new experiences consider being a Rotary Youth Exchange student for 2020. If you are ready for a life changing experience and for the rewarding challenge and the unique and life long rewards that come from living in another country as a RYE student, then check out www.rotaryyouthexchange9980.wordpress.com or contact us for more information and an initial application form.

Contact: Gary Williams, Chair Rotary Youth Exchange District 9980 M: 0274 326 296 E: gmtwilliams@xtra.co.nz

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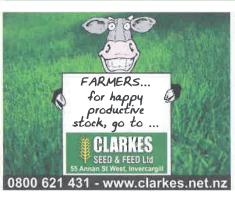
















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