

NEWSLETTER

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Monday 16th April - Friday 27th April - School holidays

Term 2 - Monday 30th April



Principal's Message

Dear Students, Parents, Staff and Community

You may have noticed the Mackenzie College Open Day is on the school calendar for the first Thursday back next term. Our open day is designed to offer a view of the college on a typical working day - or as close as we can get to normal with tours passing through classes!

Mackenzie College has not traditionally run open days, but a number of parents have commented that they are aware of what happens in our extracurricular activities (camps, sports, trips), but not so much when it comes to school lessons and facilities. Therefore, here is the chance for parents (no matter what age of your children), grandparents, and exstudents (no matter what age), to see what learning at Mackenzie College looks like in 2018.

We plan to give a glimpse of what occurs in a normal school day, a view of the practices that contribute to our outstanding NCEA results and an excellent ERO report.

There is no need to book, just turn up to the school office for the start of the tours at 9.15am, 11.35am and 2.15pm on Thursday 3rd May. We look forward to seeing anyone who is curious to experience Mackenzie secondary schooling in action.

Jason Reid - Principal



Len Smith Scholarship Applications

This fund is available for any Mackenzie College student, or group of students, to apply for financial assistance for an academic, sporting or cultural activity they are involved with.

Details are outlined on the application form, with the closing date being the 31st May 2018.

Application forms are available at the school office.



Lost Property

Black & white spotted hairbrush

Green drink bottle

Black Schooltex shorts size 14

Grey hoodie Size XL

Two pots returned from Yr 9 Camp

Red white and black bike helmet

Icebreaker grey long sleeved top

One black and white Allstar sneaker

Light coloured towel

Fairy down puffer jacket Size 8

Grey jersey size 14

Black swimming goggles

Clear plastic lunch box

Necklace with silver pendant





SCPS Swimming Champs

The SCPS Swimming Champs were held on Thursday 29th March at C-Bay, Timaru. Mackenzie College had amazing individual results which was then topped off by a win in the 11 years' relay.

Results:

10Yr Boys - Luke Tompkins - 2nd in 25m Breast, 2nd in 25m Backstroke, 3rd in 25m Freestyle, 3rd in 50m Breaststroke, 3rd in 50m Freestyle.

11yr Boys - Cale Tompkins - 1st in 25m Breaststroke, 2nd in 50m Breaststroke, 2nd in 50m Freestyle.

- Kaleb O'Neill 2nd in 25m Freestyle, 3rd in 50m Freestyle.
- Luke Jordan 2nd in 25m Backstroke, 3rd in 50m Backstroke.

11yr Girls - Kaia McKenzie - 1st in 50m Breaststroke, 3rd in 25m Breaststroke, 3rd in 25m Freestyle, 3rd in 50m Freestyle.

1st in the 11yr Relay - Cale Tompkins, Kaia McKenzie, Ceara Harris, Kaleb O'Neill.







Autumn Working Bee

Thanks so much to all workers at the college working bee last weekend.

We managed to replant the garden behind the library and the new garden both sides of the refurbished rooms 11 and 12, and the rest of the garden along to room 7. The new plants are going to need lots of water as they get established in a dry environment.

More plants are going in during the holidays and we look forward to more colour and texture in the spring and summer months.

Sue Mitchell

Yr 11-13 Learning Conferences

Our Term 2 reports for Year 11-13 are presented in Learning Conferences held from 2-7pm on Wednesday 30th May. You will be asked to make an appointment for a 15 minute conference with the conference teacher and your student. Bookings will open next term. We will also publish a parent reflection sheet ahead of the conferences, in which you can raise any concerns that you want to have discussed.

We urge you to make time on the conference day and to get in touch if this day cannot work for you, so we can arrange an alternative time.

Sue Mitchell



PTA & Cottage Meetings 2018

All parents are welcome to attend any PTA meeting, with the next meeting to be held Monday 7th May, 7.00pm in the College office boardroom. It is a great way to be involved in your child's education, to get to know new people and to support the fundraising that benefits all Mackenzie College students. With help from everyone, the fundraising is not difficult or time-consuming. Being part of the PTA also gives parents an insight into how the school operates and a lot of laughs are had along the way. Minutes of each meeting will be available on the new College website and will be emailed to the primary email contact.

At the PTA's recent AGM, all positions were filled as follows:

Chairperson - Jo O'Neill

Secretary - Louise Holmes

Treasurer - Jackie Phillips

Staff Rep - Sue Mitchell

You may have heard the term 'Cottage Meetings' being talked about. Cottage meetings include an open forum for parents to discuss what works and what needs improvement to best support your child's learning needs. There are four separate evening cottage meetings in Albury, Tekapo, Fairlie and Ashwick or Sherwood. This year's dates will be Tuesday 8th May / Thursday 10th May and Monday 14th May / Wednesday 16th May. If you would like to volunteer to host the meeting in your home, please contact Jo O'Neill. It would also be great if you would email jasonr@mackcollege.school.nz if you have any items that you would like to add to the meeting agenda. It is always beneficial to have an idea of topics so they can be fully discussed at each separate meeting. We look forward to seeing you at a PTA or Cottage meeting.





University Evening

University information evening

The University of Canterbury | Te Whare Wānanga o Waitaha (UC) invites students from our school and their families to attend its South Canterbury Information Evening on Monday 18 June.

The evening is a great opportunity for senior secondary students and their parents to learn more about the range of qualifications UC offers, to hear from leading academics and get key questions answered about:

- Scholarships
- · Accommodation
- · Student Support
- · Degree and course information

Anyone considering university study in 2019 or 2020 is welcome at this free event, so register online to find out everything you need to know about life and study at UC. Register at: www.canterbury.ac.nz/events/tours-and-events/info-evenings/

The UC Information Evening starts at 6pm on 18 June at The Grosvenor, 26 Cairns Terrace, Timaru.

Congratulations

Well done to Olivia Hollows-Booth who worked very hard on her entries for the Mackenzie show this year. Olivia won first equal in the Hobby section for a \$50 prize, and most points in the Arts and Crafts section for a \$15 prize!







Ice Hockey

After the stunning summer, we are hoping for a fabulous winter!

Planning for the ice hockey season is well underway. The Mackenzie Ice Hockey Club has set **Monday 30th April as the opening date for the 2018 season, at Alpine Springs in Tekapo. 5.30pm on the ice!**

If you haven't tried this exciting sport, then we would love to hear from you, and you are welcome to come along and try for yourself. Bring the children and turn up at 4.30pm. We will be there to kit you out.

Over the last few years we have seen increasing numbers on the ice, particularly the younger age groups. These groups bubble with passion, enthusiasm and commitment. This has resulted in an ongoing improvement in ability and many of our junior players have been selected for representative teams and fantastic international trips. This year there will be three age groups, under 12, under 15, and under 18, so lots of 'off ice' opportunities.

The club is very fortunate to have generous sponsorship and funding. This means our fees are very reasonable for both playing and gear hire.

We look forward to seeing all our current players back on the ice and welcoming any new players.

www.mackenzieicehockey.co.nz (registrations open from 1st April.

Prue Blake 027 2103184 (any general enquiries).







Easter Show

It is with great pride that we announce that Mackenzie College was the winner of the Best Promotional Site at the Mackenzie A & P show on Easter Monday!

The PTA, student leaders and fashion students, put a great deal of work into designing, setting up and supervising the tent and its exhibits. They deserve a massive round of applause (when you see them next).

Jason Reid



Tim Preston-Marshall and Harriette Herlund (head students) holding the award with Mr Reid in the background.





ANZAC Service















Effort Grades Week Term 1 Weeks 9-10

Dobson A	Cassie Anderson	Katie-Marie Clarke	Hamish Johnson	William Dobbs
	Olly Holtham	Amber Macquarie	Casandra Pasaol	Eliza Pudney
Dobson B	Cameron Dobbs	Jack Hellmrich	Teniesha Holdem	Maggie Holtham
	Jodi Johnson	Brisea Lagos	Larissa Dodds	Frances Pasaol
	Simon Pasaol	Tim Preston-Marshall	Jourdan Rhind	Mieka Taylor
	Riley Young			
Godley A	Josh Boon	Ceara Harris	Abbigail Murdoch	Isaac Ryall
	Sophie Anderson	Marrek Hignett	Haruki Kawasaki	
Godley B	Talen Hignett	Lachlan Hurst	Meg Murdoch	Chloe Anderson
	Lucy Barnes	Jack Scully	Emma Sheehan	
Macaulay A	Hannah Bates	Hudson Berge	Isamu Edmondson	Millie Howat
	Grace McHaffie	Niall Phillips	Emma Ross	Gemma Anderson
	Nick Brien	Kira Hendry	Zach Mills	
Macaulay B	Hayden Divers	Avish Dutt	Maya Edmondson	Chisa Kawasaki
	Nick Miles	Bella Parke	Nick Anderson	Kengo Edmondson
	Ted Herlund	Lachlan Phillips	Alex Reid	
Tasman A	Poppy Geary	Jamela Gorospe	Mac Holmwood	Cleo Kentish
	Kaia McKenzie	Amber Gallagher	Bea Gorospe	Sam Roy
Tasman B	Breanna Scott	Mackenzie-May Woodrow	Alex Holmes	Ginny Kerr
	Luca Midgley	Brooklyn Scott		

Congratulations to the following students who won vouchers: Dobson: Hamish Johnson, Godley: Haruki Kawasaki, Macaulay: Gemma Anderson and Tasman: Ginny Kerr.



This week in Student Planners

The manuafacturer of your children's planners produces items for parents to consider as they help their child make good use of their planner. Here is one item that relates to what's in the planners over the coming fortnight:

Parent Wellbeing: Gratitude connects you to things outside of yourself, such as others and nature. Describe times you have used gratitude to connect with things outside of yourself. A balanced student lifestyle places an equal emphasis on all of their elements of wellbeing; they work together, like their signature and top supporting strengths as a family, to build the student's wellbeing. To ignore any of these, adversely affects the others. This is particularly so if the Skills and Achievement element is pushed too hard and the Exercise and Health element is not also focused on. Our young people are becoming increasing obese with the onset of diabetes occurring earlier. Active and positive people are more likely to achieve what they set out to do and are healthier. All students' personal timetables should include:

- pulse lifting exercise every day
- quality outdoor leisure activities with friends and family which are light and bright
- frequent opportunities to have fun and laugh with others to experience positive emotions
- plenty of timeout from electronic pursuits; try brain leisure activities such as reading, chess, board games cards, Sudoku

Happy students enjoy and flourish on their school journey

"The three words of success - Care, Share and Dare."

Winter Uniform Changeover

In Term 2 and 3, students are required to wear the correct winter uniform. Students have two weeks for this changeover to occur from the start of Term 2. Students are to wear either the summer or winter uniform in this changeover period, but not a combination of both.

The College uniform and how and when it is worn, is determined by the Board of Trustees. It is a condition of enrolment that it is accepted that the wearing of school uniform is compulsory and that the uniform be worn correctly to and from school, as well as at school and on other occasions.

Students are reminded that the black jacket can be worn but it is <u>not</u> a replacement for the green jersey. It must be worn with the green jersey.

Please see this link for uniform information: https://goo.gl/iqSMbR

Sam Nelson







Aoraki SS Swimming Champs

These champs were held in Ashburton on Tuesday 10th April.

Seven Mackenzie College students competed and a few personal bests were achieved.

Placings for the day went to Molli O'Neill, 2nd in 50m Freestyle and Joe Brien, 3rd in 50m Backstroke.



Naseby 12 Hour MTB Race

An awesome weekend was had in Naseby for the 12Hr MTB race recently. The track was very muddy and wet after rain on the Friday night.

Three student teams and one adult team from Mackenzie competed. Team Mackenzie Uno was placed 7th (15 laps) in the Junior section. Team Mackenzie Tahi were 8th (14 laps) and Mackenzie Jedan were 10th (13 laps).

Thanks to Alistair Holmes and Geoff Slade for helping out and making it a great weekend competing against Mackenzie Uno. The adults took out the title with 15 laps as well.

Teams:

Mackenzie Uno - Angus Neal, Ben Jordan, Alex Holmes.

Mackenzie Tahi - Angus Clarke, Connor Stevens, Daniel Dobbs, Tim Preston-Marshall.

Mackenzie Jedan - Tom Slade, Cale Tompkins, Luke Jordan, Emma Burbery.

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