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Upcoming Events:

- Mon 24th Otago Uni Open Day
- Tues 25th Tekapo Cottage Meeting / Open Day
- Wed 26th Rugby Exchange
- Thurs 27th Aoraki Cross Country / Fairlie Cottage Meeting
- Wed 2nd June House Singing
- Fri 4th Whole School Conferencing / Prom



Principal's Message

Tēnā koutou katoa, greetings to you all (the formal version)

We're two Cottage Meetings down with two to go! A big thanks goes out to all who have attended so far. The honest feedback of our community is highly appreciated. With this information, we can continue to grow the school's successes and make Mackenzie College genuinely responsive to the needs of our community. I believe this is well summarised in the wha-katauki (proverb): He waka eke noa (we're all in this boat together).

The feedback from these meetings will be published in the next two weeks - keep an eye out in the following newsletter. If you haven't been able to attend meetings and have some important feedback for the College, do not hesitate to make an appointment to meet with me.

If you're curious about how Mackenzie College has got to be so awesome, pop into our Open Day on Tuesday next week (see the times and location later in this newsletter). We look forward to seeing you.

Ka kite anō au i a koe, see you later

Jason Reid
Principal





Student Learning Conferences

10am to 5pm on Friday 4th June 2021

Dear students and parents/caregivers

You can book your conference online at <https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/code?z=TP89C1>
from Friday 7th May. (Booking code: **uamdd**)

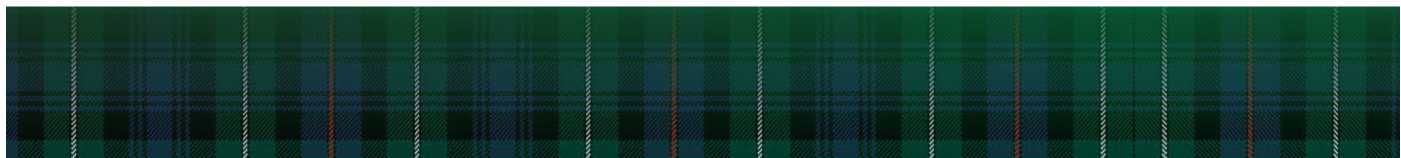
To make a booking:

1. Click on link.
2. Insert code.
3. Complete boxes for email, parent name and student name.
4. In subject box choose **Conferencing** from drop down box.
5. Choose the teacher's name from the name you were given at the top of first conferencing email you received.
6. Choose a suitable time for your appointment.

For parents who have not yet made appointments, please do so by Monday May 24th. For those who haven't made appointments, we will be allocating times and emailing these out to you. You will be meeting with your student's form teacher / Dean (see original email sent about Conferencing).

We look forward to seeing you on 4th June. If you need any further help, or have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Denise Dooley





PB4L Assembly

Recent recipients of PB4L Awards:

Manaakitanga

Amy Hay
Melissa Smith
Olivia Ineson

Aspire

Hannah Bates
Hope Herrick

Grit

Gracie Hellmrich
Lilley Johnson
Rekko McCambridge
Sam Mehrstens
Taane Gosling

Integrity

Archie Waymouth
Blake Jordan
Lexie Biggs
Cass Willetts
Gracie Hellmrich
Rekko McCambridge
Riley Slade
Sam Wansbrough
Thomas Mehrstens
William Gorospe
Liam Brown (first Year 7 to be awarded a badge)





Cottage Meetings

'Cottage meeting' is Mackenzie College's name for our *annual community consultation*. This involves meetings where we discuss things that the school is doing well, areas we've identified for improvements and where we seek our community's ideas, concerns or praise. We will also be asking each group their opinion on key events or initiatives planned for the future.

We have had two successful Cottage meetings so far this week with two more to follow next week.

25 May - **Tekapo** at Pip and Phil Robinson's place

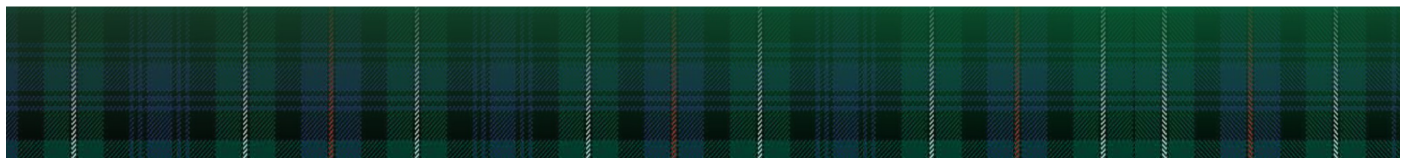
27 May - **Fairlie** at the Mackenzie College Soft Tech block.

If you can not make these meetings but want to contribute your ideas, remember our door is always open (during office hours). Your opinion counts, make sure that it is heard.

BYOD - Important Notice

A few students are having trouble remembering to charge (or bring) their devices. School Chrome-books will no longer be made available to students who repetitively require a loan machine due to less than awesome organisation skills.

However, if your child has a device that is in need of repair, then parents can let the office know and we'll arrange a short-term loan. Also, we still have a small number of inexpensive second-hand machines available for purchase. Contact the office if you require one.





MACKENZIE COLLEGE

ARA O TE TIKA - THE PATHWAY TO WISDOM

Your Award Winning School

South Canterbury and Oamaru are privileged to have some of the top achieving secondary schools in the country. Mackenzie College has been competitive with the best. We proudly present the following 'Awards' comparing us to the fourteen local secondary schools over the last 3 years:

2018 - NCEA Achievement (Level 1)	Bronze
2019 - NCEA Achievement (Level 1)	Bronze
2020 - NCEA Achievement (Level 1)	Gold
2019 - NCEA Achievement (Level 2)	Bronze
2018 - NCEA Achievement (Level 3)	Silver
2019 - NCEA Achievement (Level 3)	Gold
2018 - University Entrance Achievement	Gold
2019 - University Entrance Achievement	Silver

Come to our Open Day to see how a small rural school can compete so effectively with the other top schools in the country.

Open Day - Tuesday, 25th of May
Tours start at 9:15am, 11:35am and 2:20pm





Cross Country

Congratulations to all the students who took part in this week's Cross Country.

Year 7/8 Boys

- 1st Jonny McCabe - 15.59
- 2nd - Will Anderson - 18.04
- 3rd - Toby Linklater - 19.04

Year 7/8 Girls

- 1st - Annabel Geary - 18.46
- 2nd - Courtney O'Leary - 19.09
- 3rd - Jessica Ryall - 19.52

Year 9/10 Boys

- 1st - Tarn Peake - 15.31
- 2nd - Marcus Wilson - 15.34
- 3rd - Jack Cassie - 16.19

Year 9/10 Girls

- 1st - Rebecca Boon - 16.39
- 2nd - Bella Parke - 18.25
- 3rd - Lexie Biggs - 18.37

Year 11-13 Boys

- 1st - Declan Gardner - 14.20
- 2nd - Ollie Nelson - 15.09
- 3rd - Hudson Berge - 15.17

Year 11-13 Girls

- 1st - Maya Edmondson - 16.01
- 2nd = Cassie Anderson - 18.34
- 2nd = Katrina Guiney - 18.34
- 3rd - Kaia McKenzie - 18.52





Student Planner

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

To live a fulfilling and meaningful life, it is important for students to show other people matter by having the courage to apologise to others who they have upset or done the wrong thing by. Similarly, when the shoe is on the other foot, they need to be prepared to forgive others who have upset them. And, also it will benefit their own wellbeing when they forgive themselves for silly things they have done.

It is quite amazing how much emotional energy gets used up every day by people holding grudges. In some ways, this situation is quite understandable, because it takes a considerable amount of courage to open our hearts to say sorry or forgive others who have upset us. The issue can be that others may not be prepared to accept our apology and forgive us, and that's where courage comes in. Making the effort to at least try, will lift a load off our shoulders.

And to do this, students will have to use their character strengths to their fullest. While many students know about and talk about their strengths, they don't often use them. Apologising and forgiving are ideal opportunities for students and ourselves to consciously and deliberately practise using them. And from doing this comes personal growth.

Pie Warmer

The school pie warmer is now up and running for winter.

Students can drop off food that requires heating at the office during the morning to be ready for the lunch break. Please ensure the food is wrapped in tin foil with the student's name clearly written on it.





Year 9 Art

Year 9's have been hand casting. They are learning about Elements of Art and will design a tattoo to paint onto the plaster hand.





Social Sciences

In Year 10 Social Studies, we have been learning about Māori life in NZ, prior to European arrival. We studied topics such as weapons, tools, tattoos, canoe/waka building and cannibalism. Māori used rope for many of their every day activities, so we used a double lesson with Māori to learn about the tikanga of harvesting and using harakeke (flax) and how to make rope from it. Thank you so much to Mrs Linklater for teaching us and to Phoebe for assisting with this.



Students in the Year 11 Commerce class have been working in groups to produce documentaries on the strategies that businesses use to encourage us to buy their products.



Currently in Year 11 and 12 Geography and History, it is a cacophony of doom and gloom. The Year 11's are looking at the effects a volcanic eruption in Auckland would have on the populous and economy. The Year 12's are looking at global spatial patterns of Covid-19 deaths, and how this affects people. Our Year 13 Geography students, on the other hand, are analysing the Mackenzie Highland Show. Our final year History students are looking at the lessons learned from the 1931 Napier Earthquake, in regards to the response to the 2011 Christchurch Earthquakes and it's continuing rebuild. As part of this unit the class spent a day in Christchurch.





Effort Grades Term 2 Weeks 1-2

Dobson	Jack Cassie Phostina Folau Emma Guiney Maggie Holtham Stella Lang Marcus Wilson	Sam Cassie Emily Foote Briannah Hadfield-Broatch Katsuto Ikai Eshaa Pasaol Phoebe Wilson	Thomas Crawford Christopher Guiney Gracie Hellmrich Brisea Lagos Eshee Pasaol
Godley	Lexie Biggs Ciaran Guiney William Heap Olivia Ineson Carys Lloyd-Forrest Meg Murdoch Zak Smith	Rebecca Boon Kieran Harris Talen Hignett Blake Jordan Caleb Marris Eden Prosser Carter Wakelin	Mackai Butt-Bain Amy Hay Jack Ineson Luke Jordan Abbigail Murdoch Hamish Ryall
Macaulay	Elizabeth Bates Avish Dutt Hope Herrick Ananiah Luciano Ashlynn McOsker Ben Slade	Hannah Bates Maya Edmondson Millie Howat Johnny McCabe Isabelle Miles	Hudson Berge Declan Gardner Isabelle Lett Grace McHaffie Molli O'Neill
Tasman	Liam Brown Evelyn Holden Sophie Kerr Cecilia Schaefer Mackenzie-May Woodrow	Annabel Geary Lilley Johnson Charlize McKenzie Isaac Scott	Archie Holden Oliver Jones Kaia McKenzie George Waymouth





Adverse Weather

This winter there is a chance that snow may affect the running of the school. All bus students have received a letter titled Adverse Weather Bus Procedures which details the school's response to severe weather such as snow and gale-force wind. Here is an outline of the school's response to adverse weather for all students of the College:

1. The school is notified by concerned citizens about road conditions in their area. Contact our Bus Controller, Michelle on 027 421 8900 or Principal, Jason on 027 329 8919. The earlier we get the information the better - don't worry about waking us up!
2. If school is already in progress, a decision is made in consultation with all Fairlie schools and buses may be called in early.
3. Parents of bus students are immediately notified by the school office and by the phone tree. A message is also sent to parents of all students via SMS (text message), Facebook notifications and on the school website.
4. Bus students whose parents have been successfully contacted by the school office are released as each bus arrives.
5. Fairlie based students remain at school until the end of the school day unless collected by a caregiver.

Please note that no bus student will be sent home in adverse weather conditions unless specific permission has been obtained by a caregiver. Also, students can only be collected by a registered caregiver unless specific permission has been obtained for another person to pick them up. Students cannot give permission for other families to drive them home.

Please contact the office if you require a replacement copy of the Adverse Weather Bus Procedures and associated phone tree.

School closure before the start of the school day will be notified via phone tree (bus students only), SMS (text), Facebook, the College website and by radio (Breeze FM - 89.9FM or 92.3FM).





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MĀNĀAKITĀNGA

KINDNESS AND RESPECT



ASPIRE

WAWATA



GRIT

NIWHA



INTEGRITY

TIKA



CREATIVITY

AUAHA

MANAAKITANGA - ASPIRE - GRIT - INTEGRITY - CREATIVITY