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### Upcoming Events:

- 16th Aug Aoraki Snowsports / Maths Week (all week)
- 17th Aug Agrilearn day out
- 17th - 20th Aug Science Fair
- 23rd - 27th Aug Yr 10 Exams
- 23rd - 27th Aug Yr 11-13 Exams
- 26th Aug Student Leaders Applications open



## Principal's Message

Kia ora te whānau,

Three Day Learning Events (3DLE) have made this a very eventful week. For those unaware of what this is, Mackenzie College runs two of these events per year. For three days students get to work on specific learning projects that could not occur inside the traditional classroom structure. This term events have included snowsport training, culinary projects, renovation projects, tramping, exploration of te ao Māori, outdoor pursuits, stop-motion animation, golfing masterclass and movie production. Once again, these events would not be possible without the outstanding support and dedication of staff, parents, businesses and of course - engaged students.

Although we have had cause for celebration this week, we must also acknowledge those members of our wider community who are grieving due to the deaths of the young men in Timaru. Our hearts go out to the schools, students, teachers and whānau who have suffered such a tragic loss.

If you or someone you know is finding things difficult (for this reason or any other), check out the article on seeking help later in this newsletter.

Ngā Manaakitanga  
Jason Reid





## Maths Department News

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So far this year, our juniors have completed a series of projects, making stained glass windows and presenting a talk on Matariki Maths.

The seniors are busy working towards their NCEA's. They have practice externals coming up in the next two weeks and I am sure they are all studying hard.

Thanks for all your support and encouragement of our students with their Mathletics homework. Talking of Mathletics, a special mention goes out to Carter Wakelin, Eshaa Pasaol and Briannah Hadfield-Broatch for achieving a gold certificate in Mathletics, an outstanding achievement.

Term 3 is a busy time of year for our Mathematics students. This week we had the Aoraki Maths competition. Mackenzie college was represented by:

### Year 7 and 8

Liam Brown, Thomas Crawford, Rewan Hignett, Payton Raj, Ikai Katsuto, Lilley Johnson, Blake Jordan and Isaac Scott

### Year 9 & 10

Jack Cassie, William Gorospe, Eshaa Pasaol, Eshee Pasaol, Lachlan Hurst, Oscar Johnson, Tarn Peake and Rhiley Reid.

Thank you to the students and parents for giving up their evening to attend.

Next week is the best week of the year - Maths week !

On Thursday at 10.10am, Year 7 & 8 students will be participating in the MMC ( Mackenzie Maths Competition in the gym). Each day the house competition questions will be in the school notices, so watch out for these. A guess the weight competition at the office will be running and of course, the newsletter competition below.

### Maths week question

Using the digits 1 to 9 ( once only) write the nine digits in a calculation so that the result of your calculation is 100. Good luck

To enter the competition, write your name and contact details along with the answer and pop it in to the office. All correct answers will be put in a hat and the winner drawn in a few days.





## NCEA Exams

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To be ready for your digital exams you need to have done the following:

Signed into NZQA and set up your password etc. If you are not sure how to do this check with your teacher. The school does not have access to your NZQA account so it is up to you to do this and remember your password.

Checked that your device works with the NZQA software any problems with this you need to tell your teacher straightaway.

## Race Tekapo

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Race Tekapo is an exciting destination race located in the heart of Tekapo, where you can indulge in stunning lake and mountain views, relax and soak in local hot pools, play up the snowy mountains and be blown away by the serenity of the international dark sky zone. Race Tekapo prides itself in providing unique courses, a great race environment and fun for all! All finishers will be presented with a beautiful medal that has been designed to reflect the heart of Tekapo.

The organisers are offering students a 30% discount off the 12km, 5km and Kids Dash events.

Check out the website <http://www.racetekapo.com/> for more details.







## Don't Struggle Alone - Talk it over

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Events can easily overwhelm any of us - young or old. Sometimes the cause is plainly obvious, sometimes we can't even identify why things seem really hard to deal with.

Don't struggle alone - seek help. Here are some of the options available:

- Students - talk to your parents.
- Adults - see if your employer has EAP services available.
- Anyone - talk with your GP (doctor) about support services available.
- Students - book an appointment with our guidance counsellor Mrs Steele ([guidance@mackcollege.school.nz](mailto:guidance@mackcollege.school.nz)). She has access to a wide range of additional support networks.
- The 1737 text and phone helpline has trained counsellors available for all ages.
- Youthline - 0800376 633.
- Students - talk to a teacher/adult that you trust. They could also support you in seeking advice from the experts listed above.

Finally a message primarily for students: if you have a friend who is struggling with their mental wellbeing, encourage them to talk to an adult. If you're finding it tough coping with what a friend is telling you, or you are worried about their safety then insist that they talk to an adult. Like with all first aid - we need to watch out for our own safety first so that we can continue to provide help to others. Also on the theme of first aid - we get the experts involved as soon as possible, they know what they're doing.





3DLE







## PB4L Assembly Awards

Well done to everyone who received a badge! It's great to see so many of you showing MAGIC!

### Manaakitanga

Annabelle Gibson  
Ayla Hendry  
Carys Lloyd-Forest  
Cass Willets  
Hope Herrick  
Isaac Ryll  
Phostina Folau  
Will Gorospe  
Leighton Murrell

### Aspire

Archie Holden  
Carter Wakelin  
Kaia McKenzie  
Libby Anderson

### Grit

Archie Holden  
Chris Guiney  
Katie-Marie Clarke  
Katsuto Ikai  
Nathan Kirkbeck  
Riley Slade  
Will Gorospe  
Larissa Hannagan  
Will Anderson

### Integrity

Porter Karton

### Creativity

Archie Waymouth and Briannah Hadfield-Broatch





## Aoraki Maths Competition



**Year 7 Team - Payton, Rewan, Thomas and Liam**



**Year 8 Team - Ikai, Isaac, Blake and Lilley**







**MACKENZIE COLLEGE**

ARA O TE TIKI - THE PATHWAY TO WISDOM



**MĀNĀAKITĀNGA**

KINDNESS AND RESPECT



**ASPIRE**

WAWATA



**GRIT**

NIWHA



**INTEGRITY**

TIKA



**CREATIVITY**

AUAHA

**MANAAKITANGA - ASPIRE - GRIT - INTEGRITY - CREATIVITY**