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## Principal's Message

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### Upcoming Events:

- 11th Nov House leaders 2022 speeches
- 12th Nov House leader voting
- 14th-19th Nov Spirit of Adventure
- 15th-19th Nov Aoraki Sports week
- 16th Nov Year 6 Orientation Day / Year 6 Parent evening
- 19th Nov Senior Award Ceremony
- 21st Year 9 Abel Tasman Camp leaves

Ngā mihi o te rā

Current times have the potential to cause significant division within our society. When we feel strongly about a subject it is difficult to not feel an emotional response when a person has a very different belief. These discussions can even be felt as a personal attack.

When it comes to dealing with conflict, current events give us the perfect opportunity to model positive responses for our tamariki. Here are a few suggestions:

- If you're feeling angry during a discussion, it's probably time to discuss a different subject.
- If you're having to raise the volume of your voice to be heard during a discussion, try listening. Silence is not agreement, and it can be disconcerting.
- Listen to an alternative point of view and then ask for the source of their information. There's no need to point out that social media is not a reliable source of good data.
- When it comes to the point where you realise that you're trying to convert a person to your point of view and they're not interested - time to change the subject.
- There are such things as Trolls. They don't necessarily believe what they're saying, they just thrive on creating conflict. Don't feed them.

In all interactions our children need to see adults treating each other with respect. This preserves and raises the mana of everyone involved.

Kia pai te mutanga wiki, have a good weekend.

Jason Reid  
Principal





## Virtual Assembly

Our two PB4L student leaders, Abbi Murdoch and Isaac Ryall, have been developing new skills with our virtual assemblies. These assemblies have been a roaring success with each form class watching in separate rooms together with their form teachers and House Dean. Lisa Holden and Claire Miles are always behind the scenes offering support, whilst Abbi and Isaac are in the spotlight. It seems we may have the future Seven Sharp presenters in our midst... watch out Hillary and Jeremy!



## Congratulations

The new regional Young Enterprise winner is FROSTEASE of Mackenzie College (Amy, Luke, Hamish) !!!

**FROSTEASE** also won:

1. A National Excellence Award (1 of 13 out of 1000 national teams with \$1000 prize)
2. Innovation and Originality Regional award
3. Massey University Scholarships worth \$1000

**Arctic Penguin** (Talen and Maggie) - Won the Sustainability Award.

Well done to these students whose hard work has been well rewarded.





## 2021 Award Ceremony

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Due to Covid Level 2 restrictions the decision has been made for this year's Prize Giving to be run in two sessions. The first of these will be for the senior students on Friday 19th November. Unfortunately, there will be no parents or members of the community able to attend, but the event will be live streamed.

We ask for any remaining trophies to be returned to school as soon as possible to allow for engraving to be completed. Thank you for your assistance in this.



## Congratulations

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Congratulations to Kaia McKenzie who was the captain of the under 15 South Canterbury hockey team this year. The team participated in a mini tournament in Christchurch in the school holidays and won their pool against mid Canterbury, Otago Marlborough and Nelson.







## PB4L Good Sorts

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Congratulations to our first 'Good Sorts' student this year, Phoebe Wilson! We are thrilled to have you in our school!

This is what another student who nominated Phoebe had to say about her:

“Term 3 3DLE Mt Somers tramp: Throughout the whole tramp, Phoebe had a positive mindset towards everything & everyone despite how difficult it was to be walking in tough terrain through snow, with a heavy pack that was probably about half her own size. Phoebe never gave up. She didn't complain when things got difficult, instead she just kept on going with a positive mindset. Her enthusiasm was uplifting & inspiring to me. I believe Phoebe should be acknowledged.”



## Black Badge Recipients

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We are so proud of these students who received their black badges last week. Well done to Jack Cassie, Kaitlyn Hawkes, Charlize McKenzie, Evelyn Holden, Ben Slade, Eshee Pasaol, Dequilla Pearks, Eshaa Pasaol and Carter Wakelin.





## PB4L Badge Recipients 27th October

### Manaakitanga

Luke Mackay  
Greta Pudney  
Maggie Holtham  
Connor McLay  
Kaitlyn Hawkes  
Brisea Lagos  
Eshaa Pasaol  
Grace Anderson  
Josh Boon  
Jess Ryall  
Katrina Guiney  
Caleb Marris  
Ollie Nelson  
Toby Linklater  
Lexie Biggs  
Akeila Tong  
Libby Anderson  
Talen Hignett  
Ananiah Luciano  
Isamu Edmondson  
Millie Howat  
Lizzie Jamieson  
Courtney O'Leary  
Johnny McCabe  
Hannah Bates  
Izzy Miles  
Bella Parke  
Nick Miles  
Elizabeth Bates  
Declan Gardner  
Isabelle Lett  
Taya Livesey  
William Anderson  
Luke Hill  
Riley Slade  
Talon Potter  
George Waymouth  
Olivia Hollows-Booth  
Archie Waymouth  
Evelyn Holden

### Aspire

Phostina Folau  
Katie-Marie Clarke  
Emma Guiney  
Gabriel Lagos  
Eshee Pasaol  
Maggie Holtham  
Connor McLay  
Sam Cassie  
Cameron Dobbs  
Maisy Judd  
Gus Biggs  
Luke Jordan  
Abbigail Murdoch  
Toby Linklater  
Lachlan Hurst  
Amy Hay  
Hamish Ryall  
Ananiah Luciano  
Molli O'Neill  
Bella Parke  
Nick Miles  
Kaleb O'Neill  
Poppy Geary  
Jamela Gorospe  
Renee Sullivan  
Payton Raj  
Annabel Geary  
Oscar Johnson

### Grit

Luke Mackay  
Phostina Folau  
Briannah Hadfield-Broatch  
Kaitlyn Hawkes  
Sam Cassie  
Stella Lang  
Zayden Slocombe  
Eshaa Pasaol  
Grace Anderson  
Josh Boon  
Jess Ryall  
Damian Clements  
Ceara Harris  
Toby Linklater  
Lexie Biggs  
Kieran Harris  
Isamu Edmondson  
Millie Howat  
Lizzie Jamieson  
Courtney O'Leary  
Dequila Peaks  
Sam Mehrtens  
Bella Parke  
Elizabeth Bates  
Hayden Divers  
Avish Dutt  
Cubin Heslip  
Ashlynn McOsker  
Talon Potter  
Catelin  
Archie Waymouth  
Payton Raj  
Annabel Geary  
Oscar Johnson  
Sophie Kerr  
Hamish O'Connor  
Cecilia Schaefer

### Integrity

Katie-Marie Clarke  
Cassie Anderson  
Damian Malcolm  
Eshee Pasaol  
Jack Cassie  
Maggie Holtham  
Brisea Lagos  
Emily Foote  
Kaitlyn Hawkes  
Eshaa Pasaol  
Grace Anderson  
Josh Boon  
Damian Clements  
Isaac Ryall  
Akeila Tong  
Lachlan Hurst  
Ciaran Guiney  
Carter Wakelin  
Isamu Edmondson  
Millie Howat  
Lizzie Jamieson  
Courtney O'Leary  
Johnny McCabe  
Hudson Berge  
Dequila Peaks  
Ben Slade  
Bella Parke  
Elizabeth Bates  
Declan Gardner  
Isabelle Lett  
Taya Livesey  
Kaleb O'Neill  
Maya Edmondson  
John Habberfield-Short  
Poppy Geary  
Harry Woodrow  
Payton Raj  
Sophie Kerr  
Hamish O'Connor  
Tarn Peake  
Brock Potter  
Evelyn Holden  
Charlize McKenzie

### Creativity

Cassie Anderson  
Thomas Crawford  
Eshee Pasaol  
Maggie Holtham  
Connor McLay  
Sam Cassie  
Emily Foote  
Eshaa Pasaol  
Grace Anderson  
Katrina Guiney  
Gus Biggs  
Luke Jordan  
Ceara Harris  
Fletcher Hurst  
Carys Lloyd-Forrest  
Rekko McCambridge  
Amy Hay  
Ciaran Guiney  
Carter Wakelin  
Annabelle Gibson  
Meg Murdoch  
Courtney O'Neill  
Bella Parke  
Nick Miles  
Kaleb O'Neill  
Maya Edmondson  
George Waymouth  
Harry Woodrow  
Kaia McKenzie  
Willow Peake  
Payton Raj  
Annabel Geary  
Cecilia Schaefer



## PB4L Silver Badge Recipient

We are thrilled to announce that Eshaa Pasaol has moved on to collecting her silver PB4L badges!

This means that she has received all her green badges, and all her black badges. What a way to start Term 4! Congratulations to Eshaa for displaying our school values so consistently.

Remember, to earn a green badge you need 10 points, 30 points get a black badge, 60 points for a silver badge and 100 points for a gold badge. You are well on your way Eshaa.



## Secondary School Sport

Last week we received the information that Term 4 inter-school sport has been cancelled. In the words of School Sport NZ:

*School Sport NZ, in consultation with its sport partners, announces the cancellation of the Term 4, 2021 School Sport NZ Calendar of Events.*

*We appreciate and empathise with all students, families, and schools who will be affected by this decision. School Sport NZ thanks its sport partners for their ongoing support and relationships in these very difficult times.*

## Mandatory Vaccinations

From 15 November all volunteers for school activities will be asked to provide evidence of their vaccination status. No unvaccinated volunteers will be allowed access to students during school activities. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact the school office. Anyone unwilling to provide evidence of their status must be classed as non-vaccinated.







## Student Planners

*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:*

Students can seek help from peer groups, friends, parents, teachers, Circle of Champions and outside groups such as Reachout or Kids Helpline. Knowing who is best to ask for different problems, and then asking, is a key skill in maintaining a healthy state of wellbeing. The strengths judgement, trust, courage and hope for the future, will empower students to ask when they need to seek help for learning and personal problems.

Another key factor for a healthy state of wellbeing is for them to have at least two supportive peer groups who they can share things with. It is inevitable that they will have problems with one of their peer groups, and having another one to turn to for support, will ensure that they will not slide into pessimistic thinking or feel social isolation. Too much electronic leisure time also detracts from their feelings of being connected. We need to encourage students to meet new people in places such as, sports and arts groups, choirs, life saving, debating, church or leisure pursuits.

Healthy peer groups understand shared and clear expectations of each other, to speak up if they don't want to do something and have empathy for each other. Seeking help is a key resilience skill of reaching out for social connectedness.

## Vaccine Register for Students

Currently, we are collecting evidence of vaccination status of students over the age of 12. This is a "Direction issued by the Secretary for Education under the Education and Training Act 2020 Schedule 25, Clause 3."

Students will be asked to provide evidence of their status in the form of:

- a screenshot of their vaccination record on My Covid Record (for those 16 and over)
- a vaccination certificate (which can be requested from the Ministry of Health)
- a letter from their GP.





**MACKENZIE COLLEGE**

ARA O TE TIKA - THE PATHWAY TO WISDOM



**MĀNĀAKITĀNGA**

KINDNESS AND RESPECT



**ASPIRE**

WAWATA



**GRIT**

NIWHA



**INTEGRITY**

TIKA



**CREATIVITY**

AUAHA

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