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### Upcoming Events:

- Wed 11th May Yr 13 Geo Trip  
Tues 17th May Albury Cottage Meeting  
Wed 18th May Cross Country / BOT Meeting  
Fri 20th May Teacher Only Day



## Principal's Message

Kia ora whānau,

At the end of term 1, parents were notified that I had been appointed as principal of Kaiapoi High School starting from the beginning of term 3. Leaving such fantastic students, staff and community was a very hard decision, and not one taken lightly.

However, this means that an exciting opportunity has opened up for an awesome new leader for our fantastic school. Thank you to all the students, staff and community who were able to respond to the survey on "What do we want to see in our new principal?" last term. These requests have gone into producing a list of very specific desirable traits for a new principal. The interview panel will use this to select the very best candidates for interviews.

Due to our positive community, outstanding achievement rates and engagement in diverse activities, Mackenzie College has no trouble recruiting high-quality staff. At the end of the term, I look forward to passing the role of principal, which I have been privileged to hold for 5 years, to a leader who will take this outstanding school and make it even better!

Ngā mihi nui

Jason Reid



## Covid Orange Update

With the move to Orange some of the restrictions have been removed. Here's a quick update on the most important things we need to know:

- Students that are 12 years old or over must still wear masks on the school buses.
- Masks in the rest of the school are highly recommended but optional.
- Students must stay home if they're sick.
- Let the school know as soon as possible if students test positive or are isolating with your household.
- Work will still be provided for those students forced to isolate.
- We are starting to have our whole-school assemblies in large groups again.

If you have any questions do not hesitate to contact the school office.

## New Staff Members

On Monday we welcomed two new staff members and their whānau in a Pōwhiri.

Mr Ethan Smith joins us full time this term as Deputy Principal and teacher of the Social Sciences.

Mr Steve Onyett joins the Physical Education department and brings with him a stack of outdoor education training experience. He also takes over the Year 9/10 Dean role from Mrs Holden.

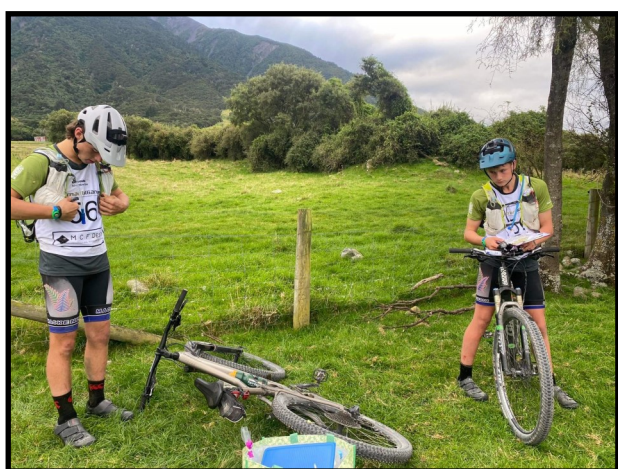






## Kaikoura 12 Hour Adventure Race

Hamish Ryall and Luke Jordan entered the Kaikoura 12hr Adventure race on the 24th April. The boys did extremely well for their first 12hr race, placing 2nd in the Open Schools Category, finishing the race in 10hrs 22 mins. The race started with a 400m swim in the ocean to get to the first check point. It then continued with a 16km and 8km Rogaine with a 40km mountain bike ride in between. Thanks to Kelly Eason for coming along for the weekend to help support the boys.





## Adverse Weather

This winter there is a chance that snow may affect the running of the school. All bus students will shortly receive 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 from 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 to 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. If you have changed any of your contact details in the last 6 months, please ensure that the school has up to date records of these changes.

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 radio (Breeze FM - 89.9FM or 92.3FM).

### **Maths Tutoring**

Individual Maths tutoring available, here in Fairlie.

Please contact Christine at 021 065 4041 or 685 8280





# A Message from the Art Captains

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## About us:

Hi, I'm Nathan Clarke. I am a co-captain in the Arts Committee this year. These days, I hail from the great township of Albury, but I was born in Kettering, England and I moved to New Zealand when I was 5 years old. I like listening to music, with some favourite bands of mine being 'The Smiths', 'The Beatles', 'Queen' and 'Pearl Jam'. I am very excited about my role as Arts captain, we have some exciting activities and events planned for this year!

Hi, I'm Abbi Murdoch. I am this year's co-captain for the Arts and Magazine committees. I too live in the glorious township that is Albury, but I was born in Dunedin. I like riding horses and watching thriller movies. I am enthralled with what is to come and cannot wait to begin putting into action the plans we made earlier this year!

## Coming up:

This year, we are reintroducing the fun lunchtime club, Arts Club. Starting week 3 Thursday lunch times, students of all ages will be invited to join us in the art room for some art related activities, challenges, and games. We are hoping that the students involved could even work together on a massive, marvelous masterpiece that would be put on display in the school! Art club is for students of all ages and abilities, so whether you're a seasoned professional or have never touched a paintbrush in your life, come on down to Arts Club every Thursday lunchtime for lots of fun, laughter and of course... ART!!!

We are looking forward to hosting our annual house singing event. Always lots of fun and very competitive, this is a highly anticipated competition where **Godley**, **Dobson**, **Tasman**, and **Macaulay** will be battling it out for house points with their musical talents.

On another exciting note, this year is Lip Sync year! We are planning to make this an awesome night for students, teachers and the community. More information will be given about this fun night later in the year.







## Geography Trip

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On the first day of term the Year 13 Geography class went to Caroline Bay and South Beach to conduct research into coastal processes and patterns. They measured wave heights, speed, and angles as well as using tennis balls to measure longshore drift. A big thank you to Mr Simon Taylor for sharing his knowledge and expertise with us. We will return next Wednesday to work with the museum educators learning the history of the port and how its construction has changed the coastline around Timaru."





## 2022 Ball

This year the school ball will be held on the 3rd of June in the Fairlie community center. The students have chosen the theme 'Summer Holiday'. The walk in will commence at 6:30pm at the Gall Street car-park.

Senior students can put their name down for tickets at the school office for \$70 and a formal invitation to Year 13 parents will be sent very soon.



## Teacher Only Day -Friday May 20th

On Friday May 20th, our teachers will be taking part in an NZQA mandated Teacher only Day. The purpose of this is for staff to plan and work towards the implementation of the upcoming changes to NCEA.

School will be closed for all students on this day.







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