### **NEWSLETTER**

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#### **Upcoming Events:**

Mon 20th June—Tues 21st June Yr 12/13 OE Trip

Tues 21st June BOT Meeting

Wed 22nd June Aoraki Junior Girls Basketball / School Social

Thurs 23rd June Yr 7 Vision testing

Fri 24th June Matariki Public Holiday

Mon 27th June—Fri 1st July Creativity Week PB4L

Wed 29th July Aoraki Junior Boys Basketball

Fri 1st July Yr 7/8 EOTC Day

### Principal's Message

Kia ora, e whānau ma.

With only two newsletters left at Mackenzie College, I am choosing to review my top themes for newsletters and assemblies over the last few years. Keen observers would have noticed that I keep on returning to themes around self-talk and self-belief.

On that same note at assembly this week, our head students concluded their excellent two-week presentation on perseverance (grit) and positive thinking when the going gets tough. They must be congratulated for their very creative methods and teamwork in effectively delivering a very important message to the students of Mackenzie College.

When discussing the assembly message with your whānau I encourage you to raise the following questions:

- What are the benefits of optimism and positive thinking?
- When faced with a challenging situation, what messages do I tell myself? Am I encouraging or discouraging myself?
- What messages do I hear from my peers in challenging situations?
   Also, what is my response to positive, or negative messages?
- What is the end result of being faced with a challenge? Do I look at the problem with the aim of overcoming it, do I give tackling it a quick go or do I give up without trying?

Critically analysing our approach to tough situations is key to understanding what barriers stand between us and success. Kia tutuki, e hoa mā (strive to reach that place of ultimate potential).

Jason Reid







### **School Social**

The first school social for 2022 will be held on the 22nd of June from 7pm until 9pm, with entrance by gold coin. The theme is horror and students are encouraged to dress to the theme! This event has been planned by members of the student forum and student council and will take place in the school hall. The student leaders have organized games, music, awards and food for the event. There is an information sheet available from the office, this includes a slip that should be returned to school if your child is attending. This will give us an indication of numbers for the evening.



### **Admin Block Building Work**

For the remainder of term two we will have Colin Shore Building on site completing renovations for our admin block. This work includes new carpet, wall linings and a revamp of the toilets. It is scheduled for completion during the school holidays. This work should result in minimal disruption however it is important to note that:

- Colin Shore Building will be using some car parks in front of the school for their vehicles and resources. There may be cones out restricting access to some parks.
- Later in the term, we may need to move our administration staff. This will result in reception moving to another area of the school. If this needs to happen during the term time it will be communicated in a future newsletter and on the school Facebook page.

Although this work may result in some disruptions in the short term it will be well worth it to see the entrance point for our school revamped!





# **Pink Shirt Day and Activities**

Not too long ago, around the end of May, we had an anti-bullying week to raise money for the Mental Health Organization in an attempt to reduce bullying. To kick off the week we started colouring in with a competition. Congratulations to our winners: Staff Winner: Mrs Cutler! Student Winner: Lilley Johnson! With an honourable mention to Ceara Harris!

On the Tuesday we had a wonderful kindness wall, where the students could write positive messages and draw pictures to be on show for the whole school to see.



To top the wonderful week off, we had a pink shirt mufti day, which raised over \$170. All up it was a very successful week, and we are VERY proud of all the students who came together and supported this cause in multiple ways.



## Year 7/8 Science "Save the Penguin" project.

Our heat transfer unit has come to a close, but not before we enjoyed an exciting and engaging project that taught us about the problem that climate change is causing our beloved penguins! Over the course of about 2 weeks, we learnt about the 3 forms of heat transfer and insulation. Our goal was to build an igloo that would stop our ice penguin from melting, so we applied our knowledge by using the engineering process to plan, design, build and evaluate igloos. We bought our materials using Monopoly money, making sure we spent our money wisely. While we tested our igloos, we watched live penguin webcams across the world. We even saw penguin chicks huddling under a momma penguin! It was such a fun project where we worked collaboratively to reach our goal.



### **Online Safety - Tips for Parents**

During Cottage meetings over the last few weeks, we've heard that parents struggle to find good information on keeping their children safe online. We have produced a quick reference document to give parents rapid access to answers to the top requested questions regarding online safety.

You can access this information (and more) here: https://bit.ly/MackOnSafety





### **PB4L Awards**

Over the last two weeks, our PB4L focus has been on our school family and what we can do to make it more comfortable and welcoming for both teachers and students. We have had some great ideas from everyone. It really has made us all reflect on how we treat others.

The recipients of MAGIC badges are the following:

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Phostina Folau (Black)
Emily Foote (Black)
Eli Taylor (Black)
Hayato Ikai (Green)
Damian Roughton
(Green)
Maggie Hessell (Green)
Ananiah Luciano

(Black) Emma Habraken

(Green) Stefan Gardner

(Green)
Thomas Herrick

(Green)
Elizabeth Bates (Black)
Brock Potter (Green)

Lacia Lamborn (Green) Vince Westland (Green)

#### **Aspire**

Phostina Folau (Black)

Sam Cassie (Silver) Emily Foote (Black)

Avita Lal (Green)

River Lang (Green)

Greta Biggs (Green) Ananiah Luciano

(Black) Emma Parke

(Green)

Kayde Whistler (Green)

Lacia Lamborn (Green)

Vince Westland (Green)

Xavier Story (Green)

#### Grit

Briannah Hadfield-Broatch (Black)

Phostina Folau (Black)

Sam Cassie (Black) Gracie Hellmrich (Black)

River Lang (Green)

Akela Tong (Black) Annabelle Gibson

(Black) Rewan Hignett

(Black)
Blake Jordan
(Black)

Matthew Hunter (Black)

Tarn Peake (Black)

#### Integrity

Maisy Judd (Black) Avita Lal (Green)

Lachlan McKerchar (Green)

Damian Roughton (Black)

Fletcher Hurst (Black)

Cooper Hessell (Green)

Toby Linklater (Black)

Archie Holden (Black)

Matthew Hunter (Black)

Seth Whitehead (Green)

Lacia Lamborn (Green)

Vince Westland (Green)

#### Creativity

Maggie Foote (Green)

River Lang (Green)

Cooper Hessell (Green)

Damian Roughton (Green)

Emma Habraken (Green)

Cecilia Schaefer (Black)

Vince Westland (Green)

Xavier Story (Green)







### **Art Trip**

On Tuesday 7th June the year 11, 12 and 13 Art students, Mrs Linklater and Ms Mitchell headed to Timaru for a day of gallery visits, art making and art viewing.

Our first stop was Aigantighe Gallery and Sculpture Gardens. Students explored the sculpture garden by completing a scavenger hunt in groups - looking at the different materials, shapes, designs and ages of the sculptures. We were lucky enough to be there at a time when 100s of Monarch butter-flies were resting in the trees before flying off for the day.

Then we moved inside the gallery to hear from Petrena, the Collection Curator, about the history of Aigantighe House, the work being done and about the current photographic exhibition 'Aigantighe House' by Adrienne Martyn.

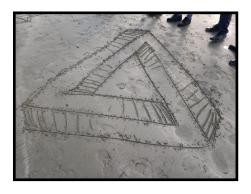
Students got a behind the scenes tour of the gallery storeroom where over 1000 pieces of art are kept in a temperature and climate controlled space. Before leaving we were treated to a beautiful piano performance from Mackai in the main gallery space.

After this we had an early lunch down at Ashbury park, followed by a land art sculpture and sand drawing competition at Caroline Bay.

Our next stop of the day was Craighead Diocesan School to view top level excellence NCEA folios and Scholarship work. Students separated out into their year levels to look at a variety of folios, ask questions and talk through ideas related to their year's work.

Then we were back in the vans on our way back to school, with a wee ice cream pitstop in Pleasant Point of course!

Senior students have come back to school energised, full of amazing ideas and inspiration, jumping straight into planning and making work for their own external folios.







# **Effort Grades Term 2 Weeks 5-6**

Well done to the following students who gained an average effort grade of 4.25 or above:

Dobson	Godley	Macaulay	Tasman
Jack Cassie	Cassidy Anderson	William Anderson	Aaliyah Ayers
Sam Cassie	Greta Biggs	Elizabeth Bates	Annabel Geary
Thomas Crawford	Gus Biggs	Hannah Bates	Poppy Geary
Erik Dunphy	Lexie Biggs	Stefan Gardner	Alain Giquel
Phostina Folau	Rebecca Boon	Emma Habraken	Evelyn Holden
Emily Foote	Archie Drummond	Hope Herrick	Matthew Hunter
Maggie Foote	Annabelle Gibson	Lizzie Jamieson	Lilley Johnson
Emma Guiney	Ceara Harris	Ananiah Luciano	Sophie Kerr
Briannah Hadfield-Broatch	Cerys Hawkins	Jack McCabe	Nathan Kirkbeck
Gracie Hellmrich	Cooper Hessell	Johnny McCabe	Lacia Lamborn
Billie Heslip	Maggie Hessell	Nick Miles	Kaia McKenzie
Maggie Holtham	Rewan Hignett	Te Mighty Mita	Talon Potter
Hayato Ikai	Fletcher Hurst	Courtney O'Leary	Payton Raj
Maisy Judd	Lachlan Hurst	Kaleb O'Neill	Cecilia Schaefer
Brisea Lagos	Luke Jordan	Bella Parke	Xavier Story
Gabriel Lagos	Toby Linklater	Emma Parke	Archie Waymouth
Kaleb Lagos	Carys Lloyd-Forrest	Dequila Pearks	George Waymouth
Avita Lal	Caleb Marris	Ben Slade	Vince Westland
Damien Malcolm	Abbigail Murdoch	Riley Slade	Mackenzie-May Woodrow
Lachlan McKerchar	Meg Murdoch	Dezmon Whistler	Catelin Weaver
Eshaa Pasaol	Ollie Nelson	Kayde Whistler	
Eshee Pasaol	Courtney O'Neill		
Eli Taylor	Eden Prosser		
Marcus Wilson	Damian Roughton		
Phoebe Wilson	Pippa Russek		
	Hamish Ryall		
	Jessica Ryall		
	Ted Simpson		
	Akeila Tong		
	Cass Willets		





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**GRIT** NIWHA



INTEGRITY



CREATIVITY AUAHA

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