



**MOUNT
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Te Kāreti O Maunga Tititēa

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Prizegiving Approaches.....

Kia Ora - Our spirit summed up in our song.
Please come and join us as we celebrate our successes
at our two Prizegivings on Wednesday 1 December
Years 7-9) and Friday 3 December (Years 10-13).

MAC SONG

*We're on our way to fortune.
We're on our way to fame
We've got to find our future
And it's no longer a game
But if you want to get there
We know the road is long,
But we can make it if we're strong*

**Mount Aspiring College,
Giving the best we can,
Mount Aspiring College of Wanaka.
Always moving forward,
Making our strongest stand.
You'd better believe
We'll leave a mark on this land,
Yes, you'd better believe
We'll leave our mark on this land.**

*I want to be an All Black.
I want to be a chef.
I want to fly my jumbo
Higher than anyone else.
But if we want to get there,
We know the road is long
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The MAC song was written by a group of six Year 8 students participating in an extension music class under the guidance of Lynne Christie in 1994.
Our thanks to: Dianne Whitford, Hannah Curwood, Nick Chillman, Melissa King, Shandi Gray and Phillip North.

Wayne Bosley

CONGRATULATIONS TO:~

Suzannah Schwarz and Jessica Jay who recently sat their Advanced Foundation Royal Academy Dance Ballet exam and passed with Merit. This level was achieved by less than 40 students in the whole of Otago and Southland. In addition, Suzannah sat her Contemporary Level 1 exam and passed with High Honours (90-94%)

Finlay Woods (and his brave band of stuntmen) whose film entitled 'Wanaka is' was the winner at the Wanakafest film competition which was screened at Lonestar last Thursday night. Finlay has won an amazing prize. He will be flown to Wellington and taken round Weta Workshops and will get a chance to show his film to Peter Jackson.

All the students who were models for Passion for Fashion or entertained / competed in Wanakafest events over the weekend - it is great to see you getting involved!

ART DISPLAY

Students and Parents are invited to view a selection of Senior Art Folios in the East Common Room on Friday 5 November. The display will be on view from 2.00pm until 4.00pm. All welcome.

YEAR 10 MUSIC CONCERT

**4 November
6.00 pm
Performance Room**
*Come and listen to
these talented students.*

NZQA EXAM NEWS

Exams begin for our students on Monday 15 November. Morning exams start at 9.30 am and students should be at school by 9.10 am. Afternoon exams begin at 2.00 pm and students should be there by 1.40 pm. It is very important to be on time - if a student is more than 30 minutes late for an exam they cannot enter and will forfeit the exam.

What to bring into exams:

- exam admission slip (these will be handed out to students this week). Look after it! If you lose it contact Ms Ashton immediately.
- a clear plastic bag with pens (blue and black), ruler, pencils and rubber (note you should not write your final answer in pencil), approved calculator.
- a drink in a plastic water bottle.

What not to bring:

- paper or books of any kind.
- correction fluid.
- crunchy, noisy food items.
- cell phones, ipods, electronic dictionaries, bags.

If there are any problems leading up to exams such as illness, injury or personal circumstances which pose difficulties for study or completing the exam effectively, you must **contact Ms Ashton immediately**. In almost all cases, the advice will be to attempt the exams and then put a process called "Derived Grades" into action. Study hard and you won't need any good luck to get you through!

STRUCTURE FOR MEN

is offering 15% off for all students wanting to look smart for the Leavers Dinner

UNIFORM REVIEW – CLARIFICATION

Please note that the information printed in a recent newsletter regarding the uniform review was to let parents know the recommendations put forward as a result of the survey by the Friends of MAC. However, because there were so few responses to the survey (only 37 out of a parent body of over 400 families) the Board has not yet made a decision to change the uniform, and there will be no changes to the summer uniform for the start of 2011.

The Board has however agreed to:

- Replace the current coloured PE tops with the black and gold sports top (customised with each student's surname on the back).
- Ask the uniform shop to stock girls' white ankle socks for summer, and to investigate whether a cooler version of the grey sock is available for the boys' summer uniform.

TUTORIALS

Maths

These will continue at lunchtime this term as follows:
Tuesdays WA - Room 7 SI (L2MMD) - Room 8
Thursdays JD - Room 7 OC (L1 Mat) - Room 8

Please arrive promptly or the teacher will leave!

Science with Natalie Whyte

Year 11 Science Wednesday lunch time
Year 12 Biology Tuesday lunch time
Year 13 Biology Friday Period 6
Requests also considered for after school sessions.

Level 1 Music with Angela Mote

Tuesday 16 November - Period 4
Thursday 18 November - Period 6
Tuesday 23 November - Period 4
Thursday 30 November - Period 4

Level 1 Food Technology

Ms Rule is happy to provide tuition as required during the course of the school day.

Attention all Students

Have you competed at a national level in any sport or cultural activity this year? If so, please speak to or email Mandy at the office (shersonm@mtaspiring.school.nz) as soon as possible so that we can recognise your achievements in the MAC Magazine.

FOR SALE:

Red mountain bike. Hardly used and in perfect condition. Call Vivien on 443 8345 or 0210 2601572

DANCE WANAKA SHOWCASE 2010

New York, New York ...
Backcountry to Broadway

Lake Wanaka Centre
5 November, 7.00 pm
6 November, 3.00 / 7.00 pm
Tickets @ Hamills

PRIZEGIVING

Would all prize-winners from last year please return their cups and trophies (bright and shiny!) to the college office as soon as possible.

ACT's 2010 Production "Pirates and Genies"

30 October, 7.00 pm / 31 October, 5.00 pm
Lake Wanaka Centre

Door sales only – \$15 Adults \$10 students

WANTED: NETBALL COACH

The Mount Aspiring Netball club is seeking a coach for the A netball team for the 2011 season. Interested people should contact Vicki Ashton through the college office, or email ashtonv@mtaspiring.school.nz

URSPACE NEWS

CAREERS

- **Year 13 reminder;** all intending 2011 students must apply to enrol in their proposed tertiary courses by the 5th November. Check in with us if you are unsure of the process.
- Otago Polytech is holding a student showcase in Dunedin from 11-26 November called "excite". If you are down that way it would be well worth a look. Details are on our noticeboard or visit www.otagopolytechnic.ac.nz.
- Sir George Seymour College of Airline, Travel and Tourism in Dunedin have upcoming OPEN DAYS. See their website or contact us for more information.
- The interactive Navy Bus was a hit last Friday particularly with the Year 9 and 10s.
- We have many students transitioning into work just now and have been delighted to receive some direct job offers from local employers for Mt Aspiring College school leavers. This is great as the number of local students looking for local full time employment and training continues to rise.

GATEWAY

- The Gateway Programme is winding down for 2010 with a celebration afternoon tea next Tuesday at 4 pm in Room 20 for students, parents and employers.
- The 2011 Gateway Programme is gearing up with a record number of applicants and interviews being held on the 11 / 12 November for students hoping to get on the programme.

CONTACTS

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South Island Secondary School Mountain Bike Champs

At the beginning of October a team of 5 MAC students headed up to Timaru to take part in this competition. The weekend started with 2.5km hill climb at the Taiko Mountain Bike Course and we then got the chance to inspect and practice the downhill section of the race. Day two was downhill race day with a practice and seeding run in the morning. The final day was the cross-country race day, which was a lap race held in Centennial Park in the middle of Timaru. The results are detailed below:

Phoebe Coers (U15 girls) placed 3rd in the hill climb, 2nd in the downhill, 4th in the cross country and she placed 3rd overall. Hannah Lane raced in the U19 girls and finished 4th in the hill climb but crashed in the downhill practice and was sadly not able to compete for the rest of the weekend. Alex Dodds raced in the U19 boys placing 10th in the hill climb and cross country and 31st in the downhill, gaining 10th overall. Adam McClintock and Greg Cochrane both raced in the downhill gaining 15th and 9th respectively. When all the results were added MAC came 8th overall under the schools title. **Hannah Lane**

Important Dates

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Term 4 (11 October - 10 December)

Week 4	4 November	Year 10 Music Concert, 6.00 pm, Performance Room
	5 November	Senior Art Portfolio Display, ECR, 3.30 pm
	5 November	Year 12 /13 students leave for study
	5 November	No more library borrowing
Week 5	11 November	Year 11 students commence study leave
	11-12 November	Year 10 Exams
Week 6	15 November	NCEA Exams begin
	17 November	All library books to be returned
Week 7	23 November	Board of Trustees Meeting, 6.00 pm, MAC Boardroom
Week 8	1 December	Junior Prizegiving
	3 December	Senior Prizegiving
	3 December	Year 9 / 10 reports issued
Week 9	6-10 December	Year 9 and 10 Camps

TERM DATES 2011

Term 1: Tuesday 1 February - Friday 15 April
Term 2: Monday 2 May - Friday 15 July
Term 3: Monday 1 August - Friday 7 October
Term 4: Tuesday 25 October - Friday 10 December
(provisional finish date)

COLLEGE MAGAZINE

Would your family like a second copy of the college magazine at the end of the year? Extra copies will cost \$10 - place your order as soon as possible.