



**MOUNT
ASPIRING
COLLEGE**
Te Kāreti O Maunga Tititēa

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Tena Koutou katoa

Snow Day Information

Thank you very much for returning the information, which assists us in ensuring students leave the college safely in the event of a snow evacuation. All we need now is the snow and let's hope that it arrives soon!

MAC Snow Champs

These will be held at Cardrona on Tuesday 12 July, conditions permitting. Information has been posted around the campus, but see Mr Brooks if you have any queries. Entry forms are available from the college office and must be handed in by **Tuesday 5 July**.

MAC's Got Talent

This 'talent quest' organized by the student council will take place on **Wednesday 13 July** so get behind it and prove once again that MAC has indeed got talent (see photos from last year top right).

Congratulations also to the talented Level 2 and 3 Drama students who put on a very powerful and successful festival last week. It was great to see the intimate theatre so well supported by parents, friends and students (see photos bottom right).

Reports and Interviews

All students received reports last Friday and the first of two interview sessions was held last night. Conferencing between home and school certainly assists the learning process and I would like to thank the parents and students who attended interviews yesterday. If you have not yet booked your interviews I urge you to make an appointment for next Tuesday's interview session.

Term Three

We have begun our preparation for 2012 and Year 10-12 students and families will receive our 2012 Curriculum Handbook in Week 2 of next term. An option evening will be held at the college on **Monday 15 August** where staff from each department will be on hand to discuss aspects of their learning area. We will offer support and guidance to all students during this time to assist them in making good choices for next year and beyond.

Examination Week

This will take place in Week 7, **12-16 September** and all Year 11-13 students will be involved. The assessments are very important not only as a guide to NCEA externals in November but also to indicate whether students are on track to meet the prerequisites for further study in that subject in the future.

A reminder of how to download past papers off the NZQA website is detailed on page 3. Study leave for seniors will begin on **Friday 9 September** when the college will be closed for tuition to all students as staff have a professional development day on literacy, numeracy and NCEA Level 2 alignment.

Year 8 Camps

8SD are off to Berwick in the final week of term and the three other classes will have their camp week in Term 3. Thanks to all the parents who have volunteered to assist.

Enjoy your week, ka kite
Wayne Bosley



Mount Aspiring College Formal 2011
Theme: A Winter's Night

Saturday 9 July, 7.00 pm – Midnight, Lake Wanaka Centre
Tickets - \$75 - on sale at the college office

An Invitation to Parents and Caregivers

The students and staff invite parents of students attending the formal to join us in a "reception hour" from 6.30 pm to allow photo opportunities and to witness the formal announcing of the students across the stage (7.30 - 8.00 pm). Parents will then be asked to leave as a formal sit down dinner and dancing commence for the students.

The evening is a wonderful occasion for the staff, students and parents to mix in a social situation with a nice combination of formality and fun.

It is however a college event and as such, all school rules apply regarding alcohol, drugs, smoking and behaviour. To assist the management of the school in ensuring the night is alcohol and drug free, we ask parents to support our stance on alcohol free gatherings before the formal and note that breathalysing will take place at the formal if necessary.

Parent Help

We require parent volunteers to assist staff in a variety of roles during the night of the school formal. If you are willing to assist please contact Karyn Munro as soon as possible (443 9906 / 027 464 0334 / munrok@mtaspiring.school.nz).

'Open and Honest' – How to talk to your children about Sex and Sexuality.

MAC Staffroom, Monday 11 July, 7.00 pm

This informative session will cover: why we need to talk to our children, what topics to discuss, how to answer tricky questions as well as giving parents the opportunity to ask anything they want around sexuality/sex etc.

Guest speaker: Paul Scammell, Health Promotion Area Manager, Kaiarahi Kahui Whakatairanga Hauora, Family Planning - *Postive Sexual Health*

Also attending will be a representative from the Choice Youth Health Clinic who provide a local sexual health service.

Hosted by Friends of MAC and MAC PE Department (responsible for delivering the Health Syllabus)

All parents of any year group are welcome.

Maths Tutorials, Term Two, 2011

Maths tutorials will take place each week this term as follows:

All Year Levels Monday Lunch, Room 9, Annette Ellwood
 Years 10 -13 Tuesday Lunch, Room 12, Warren Judkins
 Year 10 -13 Wednesday Lunch, Room 7, Heather Watt
 Year 12 -13 Thursday Break 1, Room 7, Heather Watt
 Years 7 - 11 Thursday Lunch, Room 7, Rachel O'Connell

All students in the appropriate year levels are welcome to attend these weekly sessions. Note: Teaching staff will be in the tutorial rooms for the first 10 minutes. If no students arrive, the tutorial will be cancelled.

PARENT / TEACHER INTERVIEWS

You can still book an interview for Tuesday 5 July
2.00 pm to 4.42 pm and from 5.45 pm to 8.21 pm

To download full instructions and a map to assist you in planning the best sequence for your interviews please go to the home page of the MAC website (www.mtaspiring.school.nz) and click on the link 'To book your parent interviews...'

MAC PHILOSOPHY CLUB

Room 22, Monday lunchtimes. Come along!

Friends of MAC Student Directory

This Directory contains all consenting pupils' names and home phone numbers by year group. This year the MAC Student Directory will be emailed to all parents on the schools database, hopefully later this week.

Hard copies will be available early next week for those families who wish to collect one from the college office.



It is now time to return or renew all the library books you issued before the beginning of June. Yellow slips showing the overdue books have been distributed to each student. Please look for them and finish reading them over the week-end, then put them in your school bag to drop into the Library RETURN box before Tuesday lunchtime. After that, the books still outstanding will be invoiced and will incur a 50 cents non-refundable fee plus a penalty for your house.

With the opening of the Anne Frank exhibition in Arrowtown today, I have been asked 8 times already about Anne Frank's books. There are indeed 4 copies of 'The diary of Anne Frank' in the library and also several books about her. However, I am afraid that they are all issued already. Here are some websites to quench your information thirst about this heroine:



<http://www.eriding.net/worldinconflict/annefrank/index.shtml>
<http://www.annefrank.com/>
<http://www.annefrank.org/en/>

The exhibition at the Lakes District Museum will run until September 14 and is well worth a visit!

Florence Micoud - Librarian ~ RLIANZA

Important Dates

Term 2 (2 May - 15 July)

Week 9	Friday 1 July	Year 13 Workplace First Aid
Week 10	Tuesday 5 July	Parent Teacher Interviews
	Saturday 9 July	College Formal
Week 11	Monday 11 July	Year 7 Vision tests, Period 6
	Monday 11 July	Friends of MAC Meeting, 7.00 pm
	11 - 15 July	8SD Berwick Camp
	Tuesday 12 July	Board of Trustees Meeting
	Friday 15 July	Last day of Term 2

Term 2 (1 August - 7 October)

Week 1	4 - 5 August	Level 2 Urban Geography Trip
Week 2	8 / 9 / 12 August	Level 2 Snow Caving Trips

Sponsored by:



Owner / Operator: Lindsay & Carol Parry
 20 Dunmore Street, Wanaka
 Phone: 03 4430048
 Fax: 03 4430050
wanaka@newworld-si.co.nz

Does anyone have an old till that they could lend to Mrs Watson-Taylor and Avon. Please call 443 8380 or 443 4558. Your till will be well looked after!

TERM DATES 2011

Term 3: Monday 1 August - Friday 7 October
Term 4: Tuesday 25 October - Friday 9 December
Labour Day - Monday 24 October

MAC Netball Draw

MAC Proactive	v	Snow Park MAC	30/06, 6.45 pm
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MAC Aspiring Engineers	v	MAC Wellman Electrical	30/06, 4.00 pm
MAC Blue	v	Everest Fencing Hawea	30/06, 5.00 pm
MAC Year 10A	v	Treble Cone Pioneer	01/07, 9.10 pm
MAC Year 9A	v	Bye	
MAC Wellman's Electrical	v	MAC Aspiring Engineers	30/06, 4.00 pm
MAC Lakeland Flooring	v	Silver Threads	01/07, 5.30 pm
MAC Wanaka Marine	v	Cardrona Pioneer	01/07, 6.25 pm

MAC Rugby Draw - 25 June

U18	Upper Clutha	v	Kings	Showgrounds, 1.00 pm
U16	Upper Clutha	v	St Kevins	St Kevins, Oamaru, 1.00 pm
U14	Upper Clutha	v	St Kevins	Showgrounds, 1.00 pm

CONGRATULATIONS

to **Tim Herbert, Gracin Meyer-Budge, Elliott Mason and Finn and Hank Bilous** who have all been selected as part of the 2012 Youth Olympic Games development squad.

WANAKA JUNIOR BASKETBALL CLUB MEETING

Monday 4 July, 7.00pm in Room 20 at Mount Aspiring College.

Agenda:

- Miiniball season from Year 3-6
- Intermediate basketball from Year 7-10

All parents / community members interested in supporting junior basketball in Wanaka most welcome – we need new members. For further information call Leane Turner on 443 9358.

NETBALL NEWS

Mount Aspiring College Netball hosted Australian school Townsville Grammar yesterday. The Snowpark MAC team played exceptionally well in very brisk conditions and won 55 -3. The MAC Proactive team drew a large audience and a fast flowing game ensured that the score was tight right to the last whistle. Unfortunately for MAC the final score was 27 – 26 to Townsville. This game gave the girls an excellent taste of quality schoolgirl netball in preparation for the South Island Secondary Schools Tournament which is now only 7 weeks away.

NAMED SCHOOL UNIFORM MISSING

Please check your child's uniform to make sure that they have not inadvertently picked up someone else's by mistake.

RED NOSE DAY

Friday 15 July

Red noses, wrist bands, badges and car noses all available from Paper Plus.

Support Cure Kids today!

Using past NCEA papers in your study

To access the exam papers go to

www.nzqa.govt.nz

Grey task bar

Click **SEARCH** (far right hand side)
Click **Search NCEA Standards** (fifth option on drop down)

Search Results

Search Standards & Assessment
Enter subject, eg **SCIENCE**

All National Standards
Select **Exams & exemplar**

Level 1

Change NCEA Level if necessary

Then click **SEARCH**

This will list all the past exam papers. Note that these may be separated into different aspects of the subject, eg biology, chemistry, physics for science.

To use the papers to test yourself

- 1) Select a paper, eg Examination Paper 2009 and double click on the PDF symbol to open it.
- 2) Print the exam paper and use it to test yourself.

To check your answers

Search Results

Search Standards & Assessment
Enter subject, eg **SCIENCE**

All National Standards
Select **Reports and Schedules**

Level 1

Change NCEA Level if necessary

Then click **SEARCH**

This will list all the past exam answers indicating how detailed the results need to be to get an achieved, merit or excellence. Just click on the appropriate PDF to access the information.

SUCCESS FOR CLAY TARGET SHOOTERS

Congratulations to Callum Carbon and Holly Ansley (pictured below) who took part in the Intercollegiate Clay Target Shooting Competition in Timaru last Sunday. Callum came away with the Highest Overall Trophy for Ten Bird Single Barrel – 100%.

Holly, in her first competition, was 2nd in the Female Ten Bird Single Barrel – 90%. Well done!



Money Management Course

20 weeks, Thursday evenings. **Fully funded**, starts in July

Understand the financial world, demystify the jargon

The ability to manage money is an essential life skill, regardless of age or income level. The Certificate in Money Management (Level 3, offered through Te Wananga o Aotearoa) is designed to develop this ability in a relaxed environment, enabling you to make decisions that will help you reach your personal financial goals in life.

During the course you will learn about:

- Money and debt management
- Wealth creation and protection
- Property investment
- Equity and other investments

Spaces are limited – enrol now. Contact Mylrea Bell, 443 1738, 027 443 9942, myl@xtra.co.nz

Alexandra Winter Ice Tri

Sunday 10th July 2011
Starts 10am
IcelnLine Rink

Running, Mountain Biking, Skating
For further information please contact e.alabaster@xtra.co.nz

WAIHOLA WINTER CAMPS

Camps running from 18-21 July and 25-29 July. Activities include canoeing, go-carting, horse-riding, crafts, archery, flying fox and much more.

Check out the website: www.cycwaihola.org.nz
Or find out more information by emailing kidscamps@waihola.org.nz or calling 03 4177120.

MAC SKI / SNOWBOARD CHAMPS

Tuesday 12 July

Open to students in Years 9-13 (a year 7/8 student can also compete if they are in a recognised ski racing programme).

Pick up an entry form from the office, but BE QUIET—the cut-off for entering is the end of Tuesday 5 July.

Important Sporting Dates

5 July	Lane Cove, Australia v U14 Rugby at MAC, Wanaka
8 July	Upper Clutha (Year 7/8) v Mosman, UC Showgrounds, Wanaka
12 July	MAC Ski / Snowboard Champs, Cardrona
14 July	Special Olympics Swim Meet, Wanaka
8 August	Otago Ski / Snowboard Champs, Cardrona
20 August	South Island Secondary Schools Moto X, Pleasant Point

See **Kellie** (baileyk@mtaspiring.school.nz) at the Sports Hub for more details

Holiday Clinics at the Wanaka Swimming Pool

Stroke Clinic in the first week of the school holidays from 10.30 - 11.30 am. \$15.00 per session.
Monday - Freestyle, Tuesday - Backstroke, Wednesday - Breaststroke, Thursday - Butterfly, Friday - Starts and Turns

Rookie Survivor Certificate. Life saving and survival skills, \$50.00, 18-22 July, 9.00 - 10.00 am.

Call 443 9334 or email averil@lakesleisure.co.nz

SMOKEFREE ROCKQUEST IS COMING TO TOWN!

Friday 15 July, Lake Wanaka Centre
Tickets will be on sale from BASE very soon.

In the meantime, come along and get a 'taster' of all the
MAC bands entering the conquest.

Rockquest Practice Performance
MAC Music Room, TODAY from 4.00 pm

Here are some facts about smoking from the Smokefree
Rockquest website:

- Overall, smoking rates in New Zealand are going down.
- The majority of New Zealanders choose to be non-smokers.
- The majority of smokers wish they could quit. Smoking kills more people in NZ each year than road crashes, alcohol, other drugs, AIDS, suicide, murder, drowning and earthquakes - all put together!
- There are 4.8 million deaths worldwide from smoking each year. Every 6.5 seconds someone in the world dies from a smoking-related disease.
- Tobacco kills over 5000 new Zealanders each year (that's around 13 deaths a day!). These deaths can be prevented!
- The average smoker will die 14 years younger than a non-smoker.
- Smoking is pretty selfish. Not only does it harm the smoker and all those around them, but it also:
 - Costs the country money by smokers taking more sick days, dying early, etc
 - Damages the environment through the millions of cigarette butts that make their way into waterways.
 - Kills nearly 5 million hectares (600 million trees) of forest each year along with heaps of plants and animals through fires caused by throwing cigarettes out of car windows!
 - Stinks! Smoking makes clothes, hair, cars and houses stink. It's not just smokers that have to put up with the smell.

FORMAL MATTERS.....

Formal Dresses

Dresses made to measure plus alterations. To discuss further contact Bernadette on 443 2006.

Formal Suit Hire

Call into Structure for Men to order your formal suit. Contact Sandy on 443 5854 / 021 585452

Suit Hire Prices: Suit, shirt and tie \$125

Individual items: Suit \$90, Jacket \$65, Trousers \$60,
Shoes \$20, Waistcoats \$25

All items will be available for collection in the afternoon on Friday 8 July.

Beautiful Formal Dresses for Sale

Both in Excellent condition. To view please contact Jaimie Tucker on 0273152018 or 443 2412.

The Green Room Flower Company Formal Special

Girl's corsages, boy's buttonholes, single roses (white, pink, red) all less than half the usual price! Orders by 5.00 pm Thursday 7 July. Call 443 2324.

Makeup

Need help with your makeup for the formal? Check out 'Kelly Anderson Makeup Artist' on Facebook, or go to www.mimikmakeup.co.nz, or text 021434164.

Reasonably Priced Buttonholes / Corsages

Check out www.wanakaweddingflowers.co.nz
Mens buttonholes, ladies buttonholes, corsages, wristsprays. Money with order, no later than Monday 4 July.
enquiries@wanakaweddingflowers.co.nz

Bubble Dome School Holiday Programmes

Have you ever wondered how 3D movies like Toy Story and computer games are made? Learn the latest in 3D Computer Animation and Games Design on a Bubble Dome School Holiday workshop these July holidays. For students aged 6 to 18 years. Book online at: www.bubbledome.co.nz or email: info@bubbledome.co.nz for more information.

Congratulations to Jeannie Pattison who has been invited to be a member of the Dressage New Zealand Young Rider Talent group for 2011/2012.

MAC Team Green Snippet

Fifty acres of rain forest are destroyed every minute of every hour of every day. Half the world's rain forests have already been destroyed. So please think about where your products have come from and what they have been through to reach you.

SHAPING OUR FUTURE

is a community led partnership to unite residents and organisations in a common future. An economic futures forum will be held at Edgewater this Thursday from 4.00-6.00 pm, repeated from 7.00-9.00 pm. Everyone welcome.

Join the conversation at
www.shapingourfuture.org.nz

MUSIC LESSONS

Music students who have not paid for Terms 1 and 2 will need to do so to continue their lessons in Terms 3 and 4. If your attendance has been irregular, your lesson space will be given to a student on the waiting list. New timetables will be on the notice board in Week 11. Guitar students who have had regular attendance and have paid, will be included in next term's timetable. If you do not want to continue please inform Ms Mote by next week. At this stage the waiting list is long and we cannot take additional enrolments. moteandrewsa@mtaspiring.school.nz

INCREDIBLY SHORT STORIES

Write a story in 50 words? Impossible? Here are some quirky, original and innovative short, short stories from 10CD which prove that this can be done. Enjoy!

Screams of pain from different directions. Sick moaning figures stumbling about. I've been spotted. They charge towards me. The exit is just ahead. I'm almost free of this infected hellhole. I feel a sharp pain in my arm. Hands dragging me back. So much for escaping hospital. (Jamie Orton)

The Siren

I hear the siren. I run, frantically scrambling. The vehicle accelerates vigorously. I don't know what to do. Do I hide or confront the strange, menacing man? He steps out and then asks, "Do you want an ice cream?" (Angus Ford)

I pushed my car towards his hotel. When I arrived I paid him fifty dollars. I then handed him the dice and it was his turn in Monopoly. (Corey Fothergill)

He walks up to me, slowly pulls out his gun and shoots me straight through the heart. "Aaargh!" I scream. "Cut! Great acting, guys. Let's do it one more time," the director says. (Fraser Hannon)

Drip

I feel the water slowly rising past my feet. The shiver follows up the rest of my body. I panic. Is the temperature ever going to rise? It fills up more and more every second. I sit up. Time to turn off the tap. (Hailee Humphrey)

The zombie pulled down the barricade as Fred stabbed him with a knife. Another one charged around the corner and bit Fred, who died. Too bad he only made it to Round Two on Black Ops Zombies. (Hugo Ayre)

Silence. No words to say. Her steady heartbeat advancing in pace as the figure advanced towards her. Nearer, closer, paralysed by fear. Unknowing, anticipating, right in front of her now. He firmly grabs her, pulling her. Their lips meet. (Kirsten Jongsma)

The Hunting Trip

Human hunter, deer.
Deer, human hunter.
BANG!
Bullet flying forward to land in between the eyes.
The thud of a body hitting the ground.
Classic revenge.
Who knew deer had such good aim? (Hadon Smith)

The group was hiding in the tunnel. They looked out into the light as they heard a loud roar. They were really scared, but still ran out into the light. The crowd screamed as the All Blacks emerged. (Caleb Nicol)