



NEWSLETTER Panui

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The Christchurch Earthquake Remembered

12:51pm on February 21, 2011 is a time and date etched in the minds of all New Zealanders. Yesterday, one year on, the students and staff of the college paid their respect with a minutes silence. We send our support to the people of Christchurch and we will always be there for you.

Scholarship Success

Yesterday during assembly we acknowledged our scholarship recipients. Six college students received nine scholarships from their 2011 academic studies. To achieve scholarship students must sit an additional examination or submit an in depth workbook supporting their design or graphics boards and recipients represent the top 3% of all NCEA Level 3 students in each subject. Scholarship candidates are expected to demonstrate high-level critical thinking, abstraction and generalisation, and to integrate, synthesise and apply knowledge, skills, understanding and ideas to complex situations.

Elle Scurr gained a scholarship in Economics and we wish her well as she embarks on her university studies at Victoria this year.

Hugh Haworth received scholarships in English and Media Studies and he too is studying at Victoria in 2012.

Jordaine Wilson was awarded a scholarship in Drama and has left for university studies in Wellington.

Samantha Stokes gained scholarships in Design and Graphics and she too will be studying in Wellington.

Eleanor Merton received scholarships in History and Design as a Year 12 student and will begin her university studies at Victoria University.

Jessica Jay received an 'Outstanding' scholarship in History placing her in the top 1% for this subject. Jessica was studying Level 3 History as a Year 12 student and has returned to MAC for further study this year.

These results are tremendous and I offer my congratulations to all of these students. Their dedication and determination, coupled with wonderful support from their families and the staff has been rewarded with scholarship success.

We will share our NCEA results when our final analysis has been completed shortly.

Welcome back to Year 7 students and staff from their camp in Pounaweia last week and thank you to the parents who supported them. We will hope to feature some writing about this camp in a later newsletter but below is one photo of the quintessential Pounaweia experience.

Ka kite, Wayne Bosley



MUSIC LESSONS

Lessons for students learning guitar and bass guitar have now started. The times of lessons are as detailed below (as published on the student noticeboard):

Monday

12.20 - 12.50 pm Blake Alty, Niamh Schmack, Makayla Rasmussen, Reanna Shepherd
12.50 - 1.20 pm Madi Mulqueen, Millie Heine, Gregor Finlay, Lachie Weir, Josh Rogan, Sam Coupland
1.20 - 1.50 pm Ben Hadida, Morgan Allen, Oliver McKenzie, Jesse Mulqueen, Michael Hey, Tom Reaney
1.50 - 2.20 pm Mitchell Collett, Alice Murphy, Poppy Todd, Kate O'Brien, Jed Haig, Leo Munro-Heward
2.20 - 2.50 pm Aly Gibson, Meg Timu, Emily Scott, Ella Maluschnig, Kenzie Findlay
2.50 - 3.20 pm Alex Urquhart, Storm Dalton, James Hey, Matt Pearce

Tuesday

12.20 - 1.50 pm Maia Poilvert, Olivia Ray, Monique Husband, Grace Heather, Caitlin Gibson, Alyssa Pryde
12.50 - 1.20 pm Sarah Millis, Finn Bilous, Daniel Toomey, Louis Jones, Sam Thompson, Caitlin Sanders
1.20 - 1.50 pm Simon Dalley, Dougal Stalker, Luis Munro, Beth Gale, Helena Crawford
1.50 - 2.20 pm Ava Hughes, Miri Hight, Sam Hooper, Samantha Haines, Billie Scurr, Luke Sanders

Wednesday

1.20 - 1.50 pm Connor Moore, Bronnie Ormandy, Madison Parslow, Fin Sinnott, Samantha Fiveash
1.50 - 2.20 pm Bridie Hurley, Josephine Schafer, Tyrin Soanes
2.20 - 2.50 pm Ben Robertson, Levi Vink, April Carter, Lewis Brooks
2.50 - 3.20 pm Tim Weir, Cedric Stephani, Angus McLeod, Luke Jarvie, Max Watt

Others to be placed - see Pete: Aleisha Bunting, Hannah Humphreys, Casey Scurr, Bradley Telfer, Sam Pearce

TEACHER ONLY DAY

The college will be closed to students on Tuesday 27 March. We apologise for any inconvenience which this may cause.

'Dusk Bridal to Evening'

is pleased to host the first Ball Gown Bonanza in 2012
Saturday 3rd March, 8.00am - 3.30pm
 Edinburgh room, Kings Gate Hotel
 10 Smith Street, Dunedin

Do you have ball gowns you would like to sell? Items can be sent to Dusk (22 Plantation Road, Wanaka), by Thursday 1 March. There is no limit to the number of garments which may be sold per person but each item will incur a sellers fee. To find out more check us out on Facebook or email duskbridal@hotmail.com or drop in and see us in Dusk on Ardmore Street.

Book Care Tips

Keep books dry and clean:

carry them in a plastic bag inside your school bag
 keep away from food and drink
 read with clean hands
 no writing/scribbling/doodling/highlighting in library books

Use a bookmark to keep your page

(available from the library issue desk):
 Please, no folded page corners, nor clips
 Don't leave books face-down open, this breaks them

Assign a shelf space for your library books

(ask the librarian for a sticker):

away from young children and pets
 in a clean space not in direct sunlight
 Thus you will always find your library books!

And remember to **always record your book loan at the issue desk** and to return or renew it within 3 weeks.

Respect the books and enjoy reading!

Florence Micoud,



Mindfulness Meditation Course for Year 12/13 Students

Learn the complete practice of mindfulness meditation over 3 nights and discover how to overcome stress and live a balanced healthy life

Tuesdays, 20 / 27 March and 3 April, 6:30 - 9:30pm,

To register and find out more please text Liz Maluschnig on 027 4334 520 or call 443 1955 or email: lizmaluschnig@gmail.com

Missing on return from Pounawea Camp: Fila white/purple gym shoes, size 5, and Black and white "Wet & Wild" Beach towel belonging to Alicia Stock. Has someone got these items at home by mistake?

PROJECT MUSICAL

21-24 June 2012

Don't forget: Backstage and choreography meeting today after school in the Performance Room and auditions next week! Come and be part of the fun!

Attention all you creative people

Check out the design competition on Impact Queenstown's facebook page. They have 20 tees up for grabs printed with your own design!

Entries close at midnight on the Wednesday 29 February 2012.

Go to www.facebook.com/ImpactQueenstown for all the details, or check out the posters in the MAC art rooms.

TERM DATES 2012

Term 2: 23 April - 29 June, Anzac Day: 25 April, Queen's Birthday: 4 June

Term 3: 16 July - 28 September, Provisional Teacher Only Day: 24 August

Term 4: 15 October - 10 December (provisional finish date), Labour Day: 22 October

Important Dates

Term 1 (30 January - 5 April)

Week 4 Thursday 23 February Team Up Conferences
 Friday 24 February Level 3 OP Kayak, Makarora

Week 5 Wednesday 29 February Athletics Day

Week 6 8/9 March Level 3 OP Kayak, Shotover

Week 7 12 March ERO review commences
 15/16 March Summer Quad

Week 8 Monday 19 March Year 8 HPV Vaccination
 19-21 March 9SP Camp
 21-23 March 9TC Camp

Week 9 Monday 26 March Otago Anniversary Day - college closed
 Tuesday 27 March Teacher Only Day - college closed to students
 28-30 March 9CD Camp

Week 10 Monday 2 April Level 3 Geography Field Trip
 2-4 April 9SF Camp
 Thursday 5 April Last day of Term 1

Forest and Bird present "Gardening for Skinks"

A highly entertaining illustrated talk by Jan Kelly on the skinks in her specially adapted garden, with invitation to visit the Kelly garden the following day.

Friday 2 March, 7:15pm, St Johns Rooms, Link Way, Wanaka.

Gold Coin donation. Queries: Anne Steven 03 443 6766

Our very own radio station: **MAC 107 FM**

Sponsored by:



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

You can now listen to
MAC on air on 107.0FM!

This low-power transmitter has a limited range around Wanaka but the programme is worth tuning into (your radio might work best with some wire in the aerial socket.) Student and staff interviews and music live from 8:00 - 8:30am, repeated throughout the day. You can also hear the whole week's worth over the weekend.

Year 7 - 10 Science Extension

All Year 7-10 students have the opportunity to be involved in an out of class science extension programme offered by the Science Award Trust. To find out more email ian.mcnaabb@mtaspiring.school.nz

TENNIS NEWS

Well done to Caitlin Gibson (pictured) and Cedric Stephani who competed in Southland last weekend.

Congratulations to Caitlin who won the ILT Southland Tennis Association Girls 12 Championship and was also a runner up in the Girls 12 Doubles.

The previous weekend there was a quad tennis tournament in Wanaka playing teams from South Canterbury, North Otago and Southland. Southern Lakes 12 Girls team (Meg Timu, Olivia Ray, Caitlin Gibson and Queenstown's Emila Price) went undefeated all weekend, playing 24 games between them and winning every one! Thanks to the boys team winning several matches as well, the Southern Lakes 12's won the tournament.

Special congratulations to Meg and Olivia who have made the Southern Team to attend the Junior Nationals in Albany in April.



Fantastic Money Raising Opportunity!

Friends of MAC are operating a major fundraiser for the college. All money raised by this venture will be put towards the transformation of the upper quadrangle into an outdoor performance area.

We need about 40-50 people to do 2.5 hour slots manning the A & P Showground gates on either Friday 11 or Saturday 12 March. After your stint you are welcome to go in and enjoy the show.

All that is required is to take money from people entering the showgrounds - it is a very sociable thing to do! Why not team up with a friend and ask to be on the same gate together at the same time?

Your support would be hugely appreciated. Please email Sandy on 5limos@wave.co.nz as soon as possible. Alternatively you can call 443 5452 after hours (or leave a message).

Your help would be MUCH appreciated!

Mount Aspiring College Netball Club

A registration and information evening is being held on Thursday 1 March, 5.30 to 6.30 pm in the college gym. All parents are welcome to come along to this evening. Please bring along with you \$80-00 for fees and of that a \$20-00 bond will be refunded back to you at the end of the year when your uniform is returned.

We are needing more coaches to help out with the Year 7 & 8's, Year 9 & 10's and the seniors. If anybody is interested please get in contact with Kellie Bailey on 443 1866 or contact her at the college Sports Hub on 443 9901 x831.

The Mount Aspiring College Netball Club AGM will be held on Tuesday 20 March, 7-00 p.m. in Room 20 at the college. Please come along.

Well done to **Max Schikker** (pictured right) on his way to placing second in the Otago Southland Secondary Schools U16 Boys water ski slalom competition.



Run off your feet?
Stuck for a yummy quick dinner?

World famous Otago Markets fresh Gourmet Family Pies

Handmade by an Artisan baker. Venison, Chicken, Beef, Salmon, Vegetarian and even apple options.

To place an order, or for more information go to www.cofa.org.nz or ring Clare on 03 4436041 or txt 027 4436041.

FUNDRAISER FOR FINN, GABRIEL AND CONNOR WHO ARE HOPING TO PLAY AT THE PRESTIGIOUS FOOTBALL MILK CUP IN IRELAND THIS JULY .

CLIFFHANGERS CLIMBING CLUB

Every Monday after school. Instruction, coaching, competitions and fun! New and existing members contact Base Camp on 443 1110 for more information.

UPPER CLUTHA JUNIOR RUGBY CLUB Annual General Meeting

Monday 5 March 2012

At the rugby clubrooms at 7.00pm Please would all intending coaches from U7 up, committee members and helpers attend. Come along & support your local junior rugby.

APOLOGIES TO: Sue Weir – 443 8468

MAC MAGAZINE - A GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR CREATIVE STUDENTS

Calling all writers / journalists, photographers (with their own digital camera) and graphic designers. We need students of all ages for this year's **MAC MAGAZINE**. Be a part of this awesome project and get your work out there - a great way to start building a portfolio.

Keen? Meet on **Thursday 1 March in Room 23 at the start of lunch.**

Special Olympics Meeting

Monday 12 March from 7.00—8.30 pm in room 7 at Mt Aspiring College.

Come along and find out more about the Special Olympics programme.

Soccer boots WANTED, Size UK 7.5 - 8.5 Soccer boots FOR SALE Mizuno Size UK 7 in excellent condition. Call 443 6110

YOGA FOR TEENS

Classes are on Tuesdays from 3:30 - 4:30 pm in the East Common Room. \$10 per class. Contact Shannon: 0210-2972705

Expressions of interest are called for inclusion into the **Central Otago Junior Basketball U17 and U19 girls and boys teams.**

Please contact Robyn on 027 599 6103 or Jackie on 027 545 2170. All prospective team members welcome.

Important Sporting Dates

24 February	Otago Tennis (finals), Dunedin
29 February	AWD (athletes with disabilities) Swimming, Dunedin
3 March	Otago/Southland Triathlon / Duathlon Champs, Oamaru
7 March	Central Otago Primary School Swim Sports, Cromwell
9 / 10 March	Otago Athletics, Dunedin
10 / 11 March	South Island Secondary Schools Rowing, Ruataniwha
13 March	Golf - Balclutha Junior Open, Balclutha
16 March	Intercollegiate Golf, Taieri
16 March	South Island Secondary Schools Tennis, Timaru
16 / 17 March	Otago / Southland Athletics, Invercargill
17 March	Otago Secondary Schools Rowing, Dunedin
17 March	South Island Secondary Schools Adventure Race, Cromwell
28 March	Central Otago Primary Triathlon, Cromwell
25-30 March	Futsal Tournament, Wellington
25-30 March	Maadi Cup Rowing, Twizel
30/31 March	Otago Secondary Schools / Primary Swim Champs, Dunedin
31 March	Otago Primary Schools Swim Champs, Dunedin
31 March / 1 April	South Island Secondary Schools Athletics, Nelson
31 March / 1 April	NZ Secondary Schools Mountain Bike Champs, Levin
1-5 April	NZ Secondary Schools Slalom Champs, Murchison

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

ATHLETICS DAY TIMETABLE ~ Wednesday 29 February

Could any parents who would like to assist with time-keeping and marshalling during the day please contact Rob Bruce on 443 9901 or [email brucer@mtaspiring.school.nz](mailto:brucer@mtaspiring.school.nz).

All parents are warmly invited to share this special day with us - come along and support your child(ren)!

Time	BOYS	GIRLS				
		Year 7	Year 8	Under 14	Under 16	Seniors (over 16)
8.35 - 8.45	Whanau meet on the school field for a roll to be taken					
8.45 - 9.15	100 m	Long Jump	Shot	High Jump	Discus	Javelin
9.15 - 9.45	400 m	Throw	Long Jump	Shot	High Jump	Discus
9.45 - 10.15	200 m	Discus	Throw	Long Jump	Shot	High Jump
10.15 - 10.45	800 m	High Jump	Discus	Javelin	Long Jump	Shot
10.45 - 11.15	100 m / 200 m Finals	Shot	High Jump	Discus	Javelin	Long Jump
11.40	House meeting to confirm the mid event change over.					
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		Year 7	Year 8	Under 14	Under 16	Seniors (over 16)
11.45 - 12.15	100 m	Long Jump	Shot	High Jump	Discus	Javelin
12.15 - 12.45	400 m	Throw	Long Jump	Shot	High Jump	Discus
12.45 - 1.15	200 m	Discus	Throw	Long Jump	Shot	High Jump
1.15 - 1.45	800 m	High Jump	Discus	Javelin	Long Jump	Shot
1.45 - 2.15	100 m / 200 m Finals	Shot	High Jump	Discus	Javelin	Long Jump
2.15 - 3.10	HOUSE 4 x 100 Relays (Years 7 - 13) Whanau roll check to be completed at the conclusion of the day.					

EXAM INFORMATION FOR SENIOR STUDENTS

Students in Year 11-13 studying NZQA Qualifications.

All students will receive a copy of a Student Regulations Handbook which covers the key rules and procedures that they must follow during the year. It is important that both the students and you, the caregiver, understand these procedures.

NCEA fees: These are \$76.70 for domestic students (includes 3 scholarships) and \$383.30 for International students and these will be invoiced in April. Families are able to apply for financial assistance - please contact the office.

Students requiring special assessment conditions:

We have a record of students from last year who received assistance for NCEA and they will be contacted soon. New students to the college who think they may qualify for this assistance should contact Dawn Bosley as soon as possible. Please contact Vicki Ashton, the NZQA contact person at the college if you have any queries.

Introducing new members of MAC staff

Ms Jessica Struthers BSC (Hons), Grad Dip Tch

Ms Struthers grew up in Merrickville, Canada, a small town similar to Wanaka in that it is a very tight-knit community. After completing secondary school she travelled to Australia before completing her Under Grad in Kinesiology at the University of Ottawa.

After this the travel bug hit again with a tour of India, Canada, as well as parts of Europe. It was after these travel experiences that Ms Struthers decided to try a completely new avenue and enter the world of fashion, studying for two years before starting her own fashion design business, 'memoi'. However, after a couple of years there was still something missing and "itchy feet" hit again with a move to New Zealand!

On arrival she studied at Canterbury University, completing her Graduate Diploma in Secondary Teaching focusing on Physical Education and Biology and then moved to Wanaka to attempt the near impossible.... she was looking for work in this lovely, sought after school, Mount Aspiring College. 2012 has started out very well with a part-time position within the Physical Education Department at the college - a true accomplishment for the new teacher. She is very excited to join this all-star team.

Jessica is now living with her partner, Tim, in Wanaka who is starting a lavender farm. That normally helps answer the question "will you be here for a while?". The answer: "Lavender doesn't grow over night!"



Mr Jan Bailey BA (English & Philosophy), PGCE (English with Drama)

Ko Moel Famau te Maunga.
Ko Afon Dee te Awa.
Ko Mōr Iwerddon te Moana.
Ko Clwydau te whenua.

Originally from the UK, Mr Bailey worked in retail management and then construction management after leaving school. Returning to education, he attended the University of Liverpool where he read English and Philosophy as an undergraduate. He undertook his teacher training qualification at the University of Liverpool and taught English in the Wirral area before moving to New Zealand. Most recently, he has taught at Wakatipu High School.

Apart from his enjoyment of literature and the arts, he is a keen participant in a range of sports. He is married and has two children.



MAC SWIM CHAMPS HOUSE POINTS

**Pisa 941, Roy 911,
Iron 735, Barker 518**
Photos and champion results in next week's newsletter

HPV Vaccinations

All Year 8 girls have now been issued with vaccination consent forms to take home for parents to sign. Please take the time to read the form, as it contains important information regarding the human papillomavirus, and the vaccination being offered. **Whether you consent to your daughter taking part in the campaign or not please fill in the form and return it to school by Friday 24 February.**

For more information you can contact Paula McHugh on 03 4404309

STUDENT ACCOUNTS

Student invoices have been posted out today. Please note that if it is too much to pay all at once school accounts can be paid in installments. If you have any queries regarding this, please contact the school office.

In some cases we have not yet received the enrolment form for new Year 7 students and for other students we do not have a copy of their proof of residency or citizenship. Where either of the above is the case, there will be a letter / enrolment form enclosed with the invoice. Please help us by complying with Ministry requirements and supplying the necessary paperwork as soon as possible. Thanking you in anticipation of your help with this.