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He aha te mea nui o te ao? He tāngata, He tāngata, he tāngata!

What is the greatest thing in the world? It is the people, it is the people, it is the people!

Whakanuia te wiki o te reo Māori - Celebrate Māori language week

The kaupapa for Te Wiki o te Reo Māori 2015 is 'Whāngaihia te reo Māori ki ngā mātua.' We aim to encourage and support the language development of parents who can then whāngai the language to their children.

Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou katoa. Greetings to you all.

Te Wiki o te Reo Māori /Māori Language Week takes place this year between Monday 27 July and Sunday 2 August. This special week provides an opportunity to celebrate and learn te reo Māori, helping to secure its future as a living, dynamic, and rich language.

Fortnightly Reports Update

Students throughout the college have responded very positively to these reports which are designed to give both students and parents an indication on their engagement and behaviour in class as well as a snap shot on their progress. The Grade Point Average or GPA is derived across all subjects and when introduced we challenged all students to receive a GPA of 6.5 or better. As you can see from the graphs below for Term 2, students across all Year levels are performing well above this level and have been improving throughout the term.

I am very pleased with these results and congratulate the students for their positive approach to learning.

Wanaka Future Schooling Survey

As mentioned last week in the newsletter this link is available on the college web site and Facebook page. I encourage everyone to complete the survey before the **Sunday 2 August** deadline.

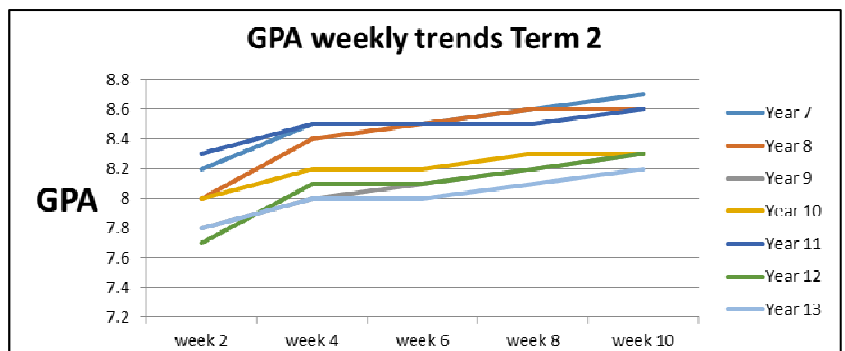
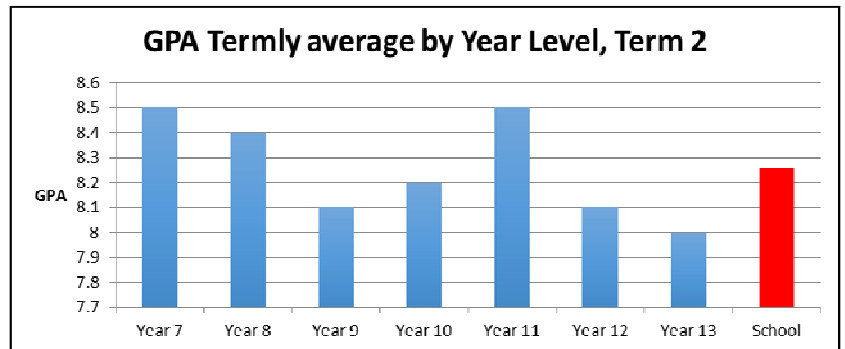
ERO visit and Term 3

The Education Review Office will be at the college in week 5 of this term, 17-21 August to carry out an independent audit. We will welcome the team in the college gymnasium on Monday (17 August) afternoon. Term 3 includes 2016 option choices later in August and Assessment Week from 10-16 September

Have you visited the Parent Portal lately?
Enjoy your week.

Tena koutou katoa

Wayne Bosley



2015 Library Festival

A month of events to celebrate books and reading

29th July- 28th August

Library Festival is all go!

The Scholastic BOOK FAIR is set up in the library from today until next July to Tuesday 4 August. Students can bring money or get you to fill in a 'Wish List Slip' to purchase their book. All the books were on display in the gym foyer last night during parent teacher interviews and they will be displayed there again next Tuesday. Think about encouraging or congratulating your children with a new book! All profits from book sales go to the library... to buy more books!

For the book exchange week, students are encouraged to bring one of their own books (with parent approval) which they would like to exchange for new books. Books must be in good condition. Students will be given tokens to spend on other books when the book swap starts next week.

See macliv.wordpress.com for more details

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Kaitiakipukapuka ~ Librarian

NZQA Fees

A reminder that the 14 August deadline for paying NZQA fees is fast approaching. If your child is sitting any scholarship papers the fee is more than the standard \$76.70.

Please check your account via the parent portal or refer to the invoice which was emailed to you last week to check whether this fee is still outstanding.

Anyone that requires financial assistance for their NZQA fee and fits within the set criteria can email fees@mtaspiring.school.nz requesting a form and we will email that to you. These need to be completed, paid and processed by the deadline above.

Well done to Olly Larkin and Daisy Thor-Poet who placed 1st and 3rd respectively in the youth section of the Mountain Film Festival photography competition.

WANAKA YOUTH VOCAL GROUPS

For anyone who wants to sing in a group. Wednesday afternoons at the Wanaka Primary School. Heaps of fun and awesome songs. To find out more email : jenn.shelton@gmail.com.

Exciting Work Experience Opportunity

A local roofing company is looking for a senior student who is ready to try hard work and is good with heights. This could develop into full-time work for the right person. Catch up with Marcus or Amanda at URSpace to find out more.

BILLETS NEEDED

The Auckland Grammar Big Band will be visiting the college to perform on Thursday 28 August.

Are you able to take one or two billets (especially if you are a music student) for the previous evening? They will already have eaten dinner so it is literally a bed for the night and then a lift to the college the following morning. If you can help please email doylem@mtaspiring.school.nz.

SHAVE FOR A CURE

It's going to be very cold having a bald head! Come and watch several brave students who are shaving for a cure at lunchtime in the gym next Monday.

This entertaining event is for such a worthy cause so make sure that you bring your \$\$\$\$ with you. All money raised helps patients and families suffering from Leukemia and Blood Cancer.

Apprenticeship Opportunity

CLAAS Havest Centre here in Wanaka have an opening for a Mechanical Apprentice. They would love to employ a local person and would be willing to hold the position open until the end of the year for the right person.

Interested? Phone Steven on [021 558885](tel:021558885) or have a chat to one of the team at URSpace.

Future Schooling Survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Wanaka2>

NO SAFE LIMITS

A Dunedin-based 'Nosafelimit' campaign has resources and strategies to help address alcohol-related issues in teens.

Check out the following website: www.nosafelimit.co.nz

Whooping Cough Alert

Public Health South have announced that New Zealand is currently experiencing an outbreak of whooping cough. Students who have been vaccinated within the past 10 years are likely to be protected, but immunization does wear off with time. Whooping cough is a highly infectious disease. For more information you can go to <http://www.southernhdhb.govt.nz/pages/whoopingcough/>

Important Dates

Term 3 (20 July - 25 September 2015)

Week 3	Monday 3 August Tuesday 4 August Wednesday 5 August	Level 1 Outdoor Pursuits Ski Tour Parent / Teacher Interviews Mufti Day
Week 4	10-14 August 12-14 August Friday 14 August	Ski Week (Years 7 - 10) Level 3 Franz Josef Trip Last day for NZQA payments
Week 5	17-21 August 17-20 August 18 August 21 August 21-22 August	8SD Camp Berwick Level 2 Snow Caving Trips Option Evening MAC Cross Country Level 2 Drama Performance
Week 6	24-28 August 24-25 August Tuesday 25 August Wednesday 26 August Thursday 27 August Friday 28 August Friday 28 August	8AH Camp Berwick Year 7/8 Kavanagh Sporting Exchange Board of Trustees Meeting, 6.00 pm, Boardroom Magazine Sports Photos MAC's Got Talent Auckland Grammar Big Band Performance Final day to hand in Option Choices
Week 7	31 August - 4 September 31 August - 4 September	8SL Camp Berwick Winter Tournament Week
Week 8	7-11 September	8LB Camp Berwick

TERM DATES 2015

Term 4: 12 October - 14 December
Labour Day: 26 October



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Rugby Results

Williams Hotel MAC 1st XV lost to Kavanagh College, 34 - 20
Upper Clutha U15 lost to OBHS, 38 - 3
Upper Clutha U14 beat West Otago, 59 - 22

Rugby Draw

Williams Hotel MAC 1st XV v West Otago, Heriot, 1.00 pm
Upper Clutha U15 v Kings, Dunedin, 12.30 pm
Upper Clutha U14 v South Otago, Balclutha, 1.00 pm

NETBALL DRAW (* = outside)

MAC A	v Pioneer B	30/07	9.10 pm
MAC B	v Cromwell A2	31/07	6.25 pm
MAC 10A	v MAC C	31/07	7.20 pm
MAC Wellman	v MAC Infinity	31/07	4.35 pm
Senior Social	v New World Gals	31/07	8.15 pm
Year 11 Social	v Aspiring Engineers	30/07	4.35 pm
MAC Gold	v Year 12 Social	30/07	4.35 pm *

International Ski Federation (FIS) Australia New Zealand Cup

Freeski and snowboard athletes competed in this competition at Cardrona last weekend. For several NZ athletes it was their first experience of FIS level competition and an opportunity to earn the qualification points needed to compete at the World Cup events being staged as part of next month's Audi Quattro Winter Games.

Finn Bilous signalled he is one to watch, posting the second highest score on the first run, and finishing in 3rd place overall.

Zoi Sadowski-Synnott (pictured) exceeded her own expectations for her very first FIS competition, winning the women's snowboard competition. "Zoi stomped every trick and had a really smooth run," explained head snowboard judge Mike Hijgemann.

Well done to both students!



World Champs Swimming Summary

Hamish McLean competed at the 2015 Para (IPC) Swimming World Championships in Glasgow, Scotland 13 - 19 July. Hamish was the youngest of eight New Zealanders selected to represent the country. In order to prepare for the competition and to learn how an International Meet of this level operates he went to a two week training camp in Orlando, Florida with his team mates plus three coaches, one physio, one bio mechanic and a manager. It was hard work at the camp with a lot of training but this helped in improving and adapting his freestyle stroke. The fun was being away from home and jobs for a month.

At the Worlds there were 68 countries represented and 700 swimmers. The atmosphere was incredible - competitive, focused, exciting and tense, but fun. At the Worlds he swam in three events (100m Free, 200m IM and 400m Free) gaining all personal best times. In his main event, the 400m Freestyle, he qualified through the heats and into the finals and came eighth in the world. It was a great experience and next year he will go to the Nationals and try to qualify for the 2016 Paralympic Games in Rio De Janeiro, Brazil.

Hamish McLean

SPORTS TEAM PHOTOS FOR THE MAC MAGAZINE 2015

These will be taken on Wednesday 26 August. Timetable to follow.....

MAC SKI AND SNOWBOARD CHAMPS

The annual MAC Ski and Snowboard Champs, hosted by Cardrona were held last Wednesday on a bluebird day. Over 100 students took part in the event, which comprises a giant slalom and skier (or boarder) cross race. Congratulations to all the students who competed. Full results will be published in next week's newsletter, but here are a couple of fantastic photos of the event taken by teacher, Andrew Sloan.



MAC SPORTS website: sports.mtaspiring.school.nz

CLIMBING NEWS

Charlotte Coupland and Jessa Bennett travelled to Auckland for the final of the NZ Cup Climbing Series. In the very competitive Youth A U18 age group Charlotte made the finals in both lead climbing and bouldering, placing 6th in the bouldering. Jessa Bennett had a close competition in the Youth B U16 category, finishing 4th overall. This result means that Jessa has placed 3rd overall in the National Cup series. Next up for the climbing team is the South Island SS Champs in September.

Important Sporting Dates

31 July	St Phillips College (Australia) netball and football v Year 10 MAC
3 August	Otago SS Ski / Snowboard Champs, Cardrona
10-14 August	MAC Snow Week (Years 7-10), Wanaka
15 August	Merino Muster, Snow Farm
16 August	Highland Events Rogaine, Lowburn
21 August	MAC Cross Country Champs, Lismore Park
24-25 August	Kavanagh College Sporting Exchange (Years 7/8)
25 August	COPSA Cross Country Champs
28 August	MAC Sports team photos (at school)
29 August	Wanaka Intercollegiate Trapshooting Champs, Wanaka
30 August	Winter Tournament Week
- 4 September	Netball, Timaru; U15 Rugby, Nelson; Hockey, Greymouth; Football (Girls), Invercargill; Football (Boys), Christchurch
4 September	Otago PS Cross Country Champs, Dunedin
5-6 September	SISS Climbing Champs, Christchurch
10 September	Otago SS Duathlon, Taieri
12 September	Highland Events Rogaine, Bendigo
12-13 September	SISS Ski / Snowboard Champs, Cardrona
16 September	Get-2-Go Challenge, Dunedin

For more information, to register your interest, or to list an event, please contact Jacky at the Sports Hub, or email: sports@mtaspiring.school.nz

DID YOU KNOW?

MAC students have the opportunity to join the Futsal training session which takes place in the gym on Saturday mornings. For more information contact Peter Waters on 443 2767.

TRIP PAYMENTS

Please make sure you have not only handed your forms in on time for trips and events, but also PAID in full by the due date. We appreciate it if you can help staff save time by not having to chase up late forms/ payments- thank you!

NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL ACHIEVEMENT FOR MAC MAGAZINE 2015

The school magazine committee are now collating a list of 2015 sporting, cultural and academic achievements. As well as taking results from the newsletter, we rely on you to keep us informed of the achievements of the students.

For sporting achievements please email: sports@mtaspiring.school.nz with concise details of the sporting event, podium place and age category.

Detailed information about cultural and academic achievements should be emailed to: breslinl@mtaspiring.school.nz

We hope to be able to publish all national and international achievements, depending on the space available. It is wonderful that we have so many students recognised in so many areas that space should even be an issue!

7SC WORLD VISION DONATION

In 2014 7SC held a bake sale to subsidise their camp cost. This bake sale was such a success that we had \$475 left over and we had to make a decision about what to do with it. There were two options; the class could either have a massive class party, or donate to a charity.

After much debate we finally had an answer, as a class we chose to donate to a charity. After a daunting decision of which charity to choose, we decided to look into it more. After lots of research we decided to donate the extra money to the World Vision Smiles program.

With the money we trained a teacher to educate the youth, and we also gave a school in need a water tank, so the children can drink clean fresh water.

It was a bit of a hassle to put the money through, but with a persistent teacher like Clare Scurr (and a little help from Kay McFarlane) the money finally got through mid-2015.

To find out more about the smiles program go to <https://www.worldvision.org.nz/Portal/smiles/Default.aspx>

By: Campbell Wright, Jono Watson, and Jack Findlay

Wanaka Showcase Entertainers Present:

Back to the 70's Party! LWC - 7 / 8 August

A fundraiser for our amazing bar staff and catering team - The Hawea Netball Teams and Aspiring Preschool.

Premium tickets can be purchased online at:

<http://www.wanakaphoto.com/boxoffice/index.html>

Downstairs tickets can either be bought online or for \$45 cash from Kirsten at Jim & Libbys. Dress up and get a picture taken at our Photo booth!! See you there!



INFLUENZA IS HERE

This year the prevailing influenza strain in the South Island is the "B" variety, which can affect people of all ages but tends to hit children particularly hard. The current influenza vaccine contains both A and B strains and therefore should provide good protection against the illness for those who are vaccinated. The Government has extended its influenza vaccine programme until the end of August, which means the vaccine is free for people over 65, pregnant women, and people with chronic health conditions and lowered immunity. To find out if you or your child will be eligible, phone your practice nurse or look up the Ministry of Health's website (www.moh.govt.nz). Anyone else can still receive the flu vaccine through their GP or some pharmacies, but will need to pay for it.

A Reminder: To limit the spread of the flu, please:

- ◆ Keep your child home from school/day care if they are sick, and don't send them back until they are well.
- ◆ Remind your child to cover their mouth or nose with a tissue when they cough and sneeze and to then put the tissue into a lined bin.
- ◆ Remind your child to wash their hands regularly, particularly after coughing/sneezing.

For more information please contact your public health nurse:

Pip McLean 03 440 4309, 027 283 9395

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CONGRATULATIONS

To Dougal Stalker who has been awarded an AFS Language Immersion Award. Dougal will travel to a Spanish speaking country, fully funded in 2016!

During this time he will live with a Spanish family and attend school. Bien hecho, Dougal!

MUSIC SUCCESS

Congratulations to Regional RockQuest winners **Near Armageddon** who heard earlier this week that they are amongst the top 20 bands in New Zealand.

They will learn on Friday whether they are through to the finals. Good luck!

40 HOUR FAMINE

In assembly yesterday Harley from World Vision and the 40 Hour Famine Committee announced the winners associated with this event. As a school MAC raised over \$7000 for World Vision. The spot prizes were won by Meg Thomas and Ruth Bennie and 7BW picked up the pizza prize. Alice Howard was congratulated for single-handedly raising an amazing \$528!

House points as follows:

1st: BARKER, 2nd IRON, 3rd ROY, 4th PISA

ATTENDANCE CODES DISPLAYED IN PARENT PORTAL

A few queries have arisen regarding attendance codes within the parent portal.

Although absences are coded according to the reason, (for example sickness, dentist appointment, overseas holiday), it is the Ministry of Education who decides whether the reason is justified or unjustified. On the Parent Portal all absences will be displayed as either a 'J' (justified) or 'U' (unjustified). Where supplied the office is still able to produce reports detailing the actual reasons for absence from school, but this is how it is shown on the portal.

In Ministry terms the only absence codes which are justified are doctor and dentist appointments, medical absences, exam study leave and bereavements. Even if you have called and explained why your child is late or absent the code will still display as 'unjustified' unless the reason for absence is amongst the above list.

This is a nation-wide Ministry directive.

Year 12 Mount Aspiring College Presents

NEW ZEALAND PLAYWRIGHTS **PLAYMARKET** DRG.NZ
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"O Frailty, thy name is man!"
A comic romp that dissects masculine archetypes while satirizing 1970's radical feminism. A delicious laugh out loud script.

Revenge of the AMAZONS

By Jean Betts

friday 21st & saturday 22nd August

Lake Wanaka Centre
doors open 6.30pm for 7pm start
tickets available MAC office
Adults \$10 Students \$5
content suitable for 15 years and over
MATURE THEMES