



MOUNT ASPIRING COLLEGE

Te Kāreti O Maunga Tititēa

Enjoy Success!

NEWSLETTER Panui

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Kia ora and welcome to the final term of 2016.

This term, like much of the college year, will fly by and in fact sees our Year 13 students going on study leave in preparation for NZQA external assessments in 12 days' time. The first assessment involving Mount Aspiring College students is Scholarship Drama on Friday 6 November followed by Level One Mathematics on the Monday.

Yesterday's assembly featured a wonderful presentation from each of the five Year Eight classes of their Berwick camp experience. The mud, the laughter, the teamwork was wonderful to see and I would like to congratulate each and every student for rising to the challenge and thank the staff and the parent helpers for their support. You can get an idea of the 'flavour' of these camps by watching the following video link: <https://goo.gl/zRkEX6>

Many of our Year 13 students have been awarded scholarships from tertiary providers and various groups so far to the value of \$125,000. The photograph on this page features some of those talented students. They have been rewarded for not only their academic success but also for their participation, leadership skills and service to the college and wider community. They are positive role models to us all and deserve their success. They can shine because of the support they receive from home, each other and the college and proves that young men and women of this community are highly valued in a provincial and national setting.

Finally, this week may I ask everyone to be more aware of the safety of all students when dropping your children off or picking them up before and after school. Please refrain from using the swimming pool carpark or the campus for this purpose. I would ask all parents to drop off or pick up their children on Plantation Road please and allow the cyclists or pedestrians to move about the campus safely. I appreciate your support with this issue as we strive to keep our campus as safe as possible for everyone.

Thanks again and enjoy your week.

Wayne Bosley



A Wilde Romp

Oscar Wilde

Scenes from:
The Importance
of Being Ernest
&
A Woman of No
Importance

Performance Room
MAC

==== Gold Coin ====

Year 11 Drama

22nd

Thursday/Friday
OCTOBER

23rd

7 pm

"In matters of grave importance, style, not sincerity, is the vital thing."

PPTA UNION MEETING

Due to a scheduled PPTA meeting in the afternoon next Monday 21 October there may be some disruption to Period 6 classes. We will email details home once the arrangements have been finalized. We apologise in advance for any inconvenience this may cause.

Year 13 Leavers Dinner at Edgewater

Thursday 29 October, 6.30 pm start
Tickets (\$55.00) on sale at the college office now!

MAC Team Green

Thanks to our school's paper recycling efforts this year, MAC has earned 31 native trees through the Paper For Trees scheme. We will get an additional 13 trees kindly donated by Te Kakano nursery so that all whanau groups at MAC can plant a tree again this year.



Planting sessions will be held during long whanau for the next two weeks, as follows:

Friday 16 October (Week 1), 8:35-9:00 am

All whanau from Pisa and Barker houses will plant a tree each. Meanwhile Roy and Iron house whanau will complete a Team Green Quiz.

Friday 23rd October (Week 2), 8:35-9:00 am

Roy and Iron houses will plant trees whilst Pisa and Barker whanau will complete the quiz.

The quiz is a **house competition**. And the winning whanau (most correct answers) will receive a prize.

Team green, <http://macteamgreen.wordpress.com>

WORLD VISION SCHOLARSHIP

I was lucky enough to be selected to represent Mount Aspiring College at the World Vision and Sanitarium Senior Scholarship Programme in Auckland during the second week of the holidays.

Mount Aspiring was awarded this scholarship for 'The most money raised in the lower South Island'. Well done to all of you who took part in this year's famine and collected your sponsorship money - we can be proud of our achievement!

Along with 30 other students from different schools all over New Zealand I was challenged over the course of the week with some of the biggest social justice issues prevalent in our world today, as well as being educated and empowered to become a better leader.

During the week we heard from lots of different speakers such as World Vision, former refugees, Amnesty International, MP's, leadership specialists and different businesses who are trying to help the social justice cause. We also learnt about how World Vision works as an aid organisation and we were allowed to go and visit the AUT refugee rehabilitation centre and speak to former refugees. This was the highlight of the trip for me.

Finally there was an awards dinner on the last night where I accepted the award on behalf of the college. Overall it was an incredible trip filled with inspiring and passionate people.

I would just like to say a huge thank you to Mr Turnbull (who has steered the 40 Hour Famine Committees at MAC for many years) and to all the World Vision Staff for giving me the opportunity to be part of this programme. **Nina Bowley**



Alpine Tech Junior Incubator @ The Cell in Wanaka

We are looking for tech-savvy volunteers for our mind blowing STEM workshops for our community kids. Volunteer or enjoy our workshops in Robotics, Science, 3D printing, Little Tech Entrepreneurs, Coding ... Challenge based learning.

You can find us on Facebook or <https://chalkle.com/alpine-tech-junior-incubator>

Parenting4Life Calendars

Parenting4Life have produced a calendar as a fundraiser. The calendars go through until the end of 2016 and each month has a photo of a snowman from around Wanaka. All photos are taken by local families. The calendars are very cute, are only \$5 each and would make great Christmas presents! All proceeds will go to Parenting4Life. Email linda@wanakacomputers.co.nz to order yours.

Important Dates

Term 4 (12 October - 14 December 2015)

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| Week 1 | Thursday 15 October | National Shake Out Day |
| Week 2 | Monday 19 October | Meeting for incoming (2016) Year 9's, Staff room 7.00 pm |
| | Monday 19 October | Rutherford Tournament of Minds training day |
| | Tuesday 20 October | Scholarship applications close at 9.00 am |
| | Tuesday 20 October | Senior Prizegiving Auditions |
| | Tuesday 20 October | Board of Trustees Meeting, 6.00 pm, Board Room |
| Week 3 | Wednesday 21 October | Junior Prizegiving Auditions |
| | Wednesday 21 October | PPTA Union Meeting - Period 6 |
| | Monday 26 October | Labour Day |
| Week 4 | Thursday 29 October | Jazz Concert, Gin & Raspberry |
| | Friday 30 October | Mufti Day |
| | Tuesday 3 November | Year 13 students commence study leave |
| Week 6 | Wednesday 4 November | Meeting for incoming (2016) Year 7's, ECR, 7.00 pm |
| | Thursday 5 November | Year 12 students commence study leave |
| | 2-4 November | Year 10 Exams CHECK |
| | Friday 6 November | NCEA exams begin (finish Friday 4 December) |
| Week 7 | Tuesday 17 November | Board of Trustees Meeting, 6.00 pm, Board Room |
| Week 8 | Friday 27 November | Senior Prizegiving (Years 11-13) |
| Week 9 | Monday 30 November | Rutherford Tournament of Minds, Lake Wanaka Centre |
| | Thursday 3 December | Junior Prizegiving (Years 7-10) |
| Week 10 | 7-11 December | Year 10 Expedition Week |
| | Tuesday 8 December | Board of Trustees Meeting, 6.00 pm, Board Room |
| | Tuesday 8 December | Orientation day for incoming 2016 Year 7 students |
| | Monday 14 December | Final day of school for 2015 |



Term 4 in the library is all about mustering books back but there is still plenty of time to keep reading. So, here is the plan:

Senior students (Year 11 to 13) can borrow books until Friday 23 October. Junior students can borrow books until Friday 6 November.

All the books issued to students will need to be returned by Wednesday 25 November. As in previous years, students (families) who have returned all their books and have paid all their accounts by this important date (**25th November**) will be entered in our prize draw. This year the prize is a Samsung Tablet.

A reminder that the MAC magazine is withheld from students until outstanding books and/or accounts have been settled.

2016 Term Dates

Term 1:
1 February - 5 April
Term 2:
2 May - 8 July
Term 3:
25 July - 23 September
Term 4:
10 October - 13 December

MAC MAGAZINE

One MAC magazine is issued to each family at the end of the term. Extra copies can be requested at the college office for a cost of \$10. Please place your order as soon as possible.

South Island Secondary Schools Mountain Bike Champs

Despite the wild weather sixteen students from Mount Aspiring College competed in this event in Dunedin and came away with the overall schools trophy for the first time ever with their excellent overall team performance.

In the cross country, Paul Wright, Julius Staufenberg and Phoebe Young all won their age groups, Campbell Wright and Leo and Janus Staufenberg placed 2nd and Oliver Prince 3rd.

Unfortunately the high winds forced a curtailment of the downhill race, but seeding runs were completed providing final standings and again MAC students took podium positions: Phoebe winning her age group and Wilfred Spearing and Campbell Wright coming 3rd.

UC Primary Schools Ski and Snowboard Race

It was another bluebird day at Cardrona for this event which was held at the end of last term. Mount Aspiring College fielded nine teams of skiers and two teams of snowboarders. Thanks to the race organisers and Snow Sports NZ for putting on such a great event.

Well done to the following podium place-getters:

Boys Ski: 1st - Jin-Wook Hong, 2nd - Leo Staufenberg, 3rd - Jimin Lee
Girls Ski: 1st - Phoebe Garland, 2nd - Emma Smith, 3rd - Molly Thomsson
Boys Snowboard: 1st - Quinn Curtis, 2nd - Oliver Prince, 3rd - Thomas Masters
1st Boys Team: Jimin Lee, Jin Wook Hong, Aden Cassaidy, James Suddaby
1st Girls Team: Phoebe Garland, Emma Smith, Rata Horan, Estelle Norman

MAC students had more success at the final event of the NZ Junior Freeride World Tour at Turoa:

1st: Alastair Garland and Craig Murray
2nd: Ben Harrington
3rd: Manu Barnard and Megan Blackley

HOCKEY SUCCESS

Congratulations to Will Gerrard, Mitchie Maluschnig, Brad Jackson, Tristin Weastell, Oscar McLaren and Daniel Edwards who were members of the Upper Clutha Men's Hockey team who took out the 2015 Central Otago trophy beating teams from Wakatipu, Cromwell and Dunstan in an extremely tough field of competition. The whole season was full of nerve-racking and exciting games and the team are delighted with the win!



NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS FOR THE MAC MAGAZINE 2015

The final deadline for letting us know any cultural, sporting or academic achievements since the beginning of September 2015 is Monday 19 October. Please email: sports@mtaspiring.school.nz with concise details of the sporting event, podium place and age category. For **cultural and academic** achievements detailed information should be emailed to: breslin@mtaspiring.school.nz.

NZ and North Island Trap Shooting Champs

Well done to Tim and Lachie Weir and Ruth Bennie who recently competed at this event in Hamilton against over 300 other shooters. Congratulations to Tim who placed first in the Boys Single Barrel and to Ruth who did exceptionally well winning the National Title of High Overall Ladies (this is the best lady over all the competitions at the National Champs). This is a great achievement as 13 year old Ruth was competing against 17 -18 year olds for the title.

In addition, Ruth placed second in the Ladies Point Score and Single Barrel at the National Champs and was the top-scoring member of the South Island three-person ladies team who beat the North Island. Ruth also competed in the open Otago Regional five-person team shooting against all other regions in New Zealand and received another medal for 1st Ladies Individual Score in the teams match.

Many thanks to coach, Ewan Bennie, for the hours he has dedicated to getting MAC students to this national level.

South Island Junior Football Championships

Congratulations to all the MAC Central Otago representative football players that recently played in the various South Island tournaments in the holidays. The players and teams showed true determination and sportsmanship. Special congratulations to the Queenstown 13th Grade Boys who placed third.

Karate Success

Holly Wigg (Year 10) has recently returned from India where she represented New Zealand at the Commonwealth Karate Championship. Holly competed in Kumite (fighting) and Kata (form) and got silver in both disciplines. This is a career best for Holly - congratulations!

New Zealand Ski Champions

In ski racing, **Ben Richards** (U16) and **Blake Hartley** (U14) have both won their age groups in the overall 2015 NZ Youth Series Champs. Both boys have worked hard to earn their top spots in NZ, committing to training at home and overseas every year. **Kate Richards** (U14) came third in the Super G and got three bronze medals in the Cardrona Series races.

At the recent NZ Junior Freeski and Snowboard National Championships, Mount Aspiring College won the **Overall Secondary Schools trophy** and had some outstanding individual performances. Over 200 competitors from New Zealand and Australia competed at the event, which provides a pathway to further international competition for these upcoming athletes.

NZ champions are: **Finn Bilous, Maggie Little, Molly Thomsson and Zoi Sadowski-Sinnot**
Runners up are: **Alexa McKay, Ben Harrington, Craig Murray and Briar Hight**
3rd: **Luca Harrington, Megan Blackley, Emily Scott, Hank Bilous and Ronan Thompson**



SO MUCH AWESOME SPORTING SUCCESS!

Equestrian News

Hawea Wanaka Pony Club hosted the Central Otago Dressage and Jumping Day at the end of last term. Over 60 riders came from around the district to compete for two trophies, (dressage and jumping). Hawea Wanaka entered three teams in each category and, for the second year in a row, came away with both.

Rowing Success

Congratulations to Riley Bruce who won the U18 Single Sculls race at the R2K regatta in Twizel, recording the fastest time of the day and a pretty smart one for so early in the season (7:31). Well done also to Riley Homan who won the girls U18 Single Sculls B final.

Tennis Success

MAC tennis players travelled all over the country to compete in several tournaments over the holidays. At the Otago Junior Spring Open, Ines Stephani won the Girls' 16/18 and under combined and Jake Nicholson was runner up in the boys 14/16 and under combined. At the Auckland Junior Championships, Ines won the G14 and under final - an impressive result at a big tournament. Congratulations to both students!

Important Sporting Dates

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| 20 October | Year 7/8 Athletics Exchange, Cromwell College |
| 22 October | Wanaka Miniball Tournament starts, Wanaka Primary |
| 29 October | Year 9/10 Central Otago Touch Tournament, Cromwell |
| 1 November | Gore Pony Club Secondary Schools Show Jumping, Gore |
| 3 November | Year 7/8 COPSSA Athletics, Cromwell |
| 17 November | Otago Primary Schools Athletics, Dunedin |
| 23-26 November | SISS Junior Volleyball Champs, Christchurch |
| 28 November | SISS Track Cycling Champs, Invercargill |
| 6 December | NZSS Athletics Champs, Timaru |

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

PRIZEGIVING CELEBRATIONS

Senior Prizegiving (Years 11-13)

Friday 27 November.

Junior Prizegiving (Years 7-10)

Thursday 3 December.

If you would like to donate money towards a prize, or group of prizes, please contact Maxine Bird on 443 0499.

Dr Vicky Jones visits the college every Monday lunchtime to provide a **free confidential medical service** to all students.

Drop into URSpace any time during Monday lunchtime.

Interested in Orienteering?

Training sessions will be held on Tuesdays at 6.00 p.m.

For details on venues, visit: www.maptalk.co.nz/events.

Registrations are required as maps need to be printed in advance; so please contact: fraser@orienteering.co.nz

Fun rogaine in Arrowtown on Saturday 17 October (3 / 6 / 9 hour options): www.epicnavigation.co.nz

PRIZEGIVING AUDITIONS

Senior: Tuesday 20 October

Junior: Wednesday 21 October

A reminder that absences can be emailed through to:

absences@mtaspiring.school.nz



NEW ZEALAND QUALIFICATIONS AUTHORITY

MANA TOHU MĀTAURANGA O AOTEAROA

QUALIFY FOR THE FUTURE WORLD
KIA NOHO TAKATŪ KI TŌ ĀMUA AO!

Less than one month to go before this year's NZQA examinations commence.

Here is a timetable to stick on your fridge ...

2015 Examination Timetable

| Day | Date/Time | Level 1 | Level 2 | Level 3 | Scholarship |
|------------------------------------|--------------|---------|--|--|--|
| Day 1 | Fri 6 Nov | 9.30am | | | |
| | | 2.00pm | | | Drama |
| Weekend | | | | | |
| Day 2 | Mon 9 Nov | 9.30am | Mathematics | | Te Reo Māori |
| | | 2.00pm | | English | |
| Day 3 | Tues 10 Nov | 9.30am | Science | Earth and Space Science | Making Music |
| | | 2.00pm | | Mathematics | |
| Day 4 | Wed 11 Nov | 9.30am | Music | | English |
| | | 2.00pm | Te Reo Māori | Home Economics | Chemistry |
| Day 5 | Thurs 12 Nov | 9.30am | Geography | Te Reo Māori | Home Economics |
| | | 2.00pm | Social Studies | Economics | English |
| Canterbury Anniversary Day Weekend | | | | | |
| Day 6 | Mon 16 Nov | 9.30am | English | Biology | Health |
| | | 2.00pm | | Media Studies | Music Studies |
| Day 7 | Tues 17 Nov | 9.30am | Japanese | Physics | Classical Studies |
| | | 2.00pm | Media Studies | | Drama |
| Day 8 | Wed 18 Nov | 9.30am | French | Dance | French |
| | | 2.00pm | | Spanish | Economics |
| Day 9 | Thurs 19 Nov | 9.30am | Physics | Samoan | |
| | | 2.00pm | Health | French | Statistics |
| Day 10 | Fri 20 Nov | 9.30am | Dance | History | Physics |
| | | 2.00pm | Biology | Accounting | History |
| Weekend | | | | | |
| Day 11 | Mon 23 Nov | 9.30am | | Chemistry | Te Reo Rangatira |
| | | 2.00pm | Home Economics | Agricultural and Horticultural Science | Biology |
| Day 12 | Tues 24 Nov | 9.30am | Chemistry | Classical Studies | Earth and Space Science |
| | | 2.00pm | History | | Business Studies |
| Day 13 | Wed 25 Nov | 9.30am | Drama | Japanese | Geography |
| | | 2.00pm | Economics | Drama | Calculus |
| Day 14 | Thurs 26 Nov | 9.30am | | Geography | Japanese |
| | | 2.00pm | German | Latin | Art History |
| Day 15 | Fri 27 Nov | 9.30am | Business Studies | | Media Studies |
| | | 2.00pm | | Art History | Chinese |
| Weekend | | | | | |
| Day 16 | Mon 30 Nov | 9.30am | Agricultural and Horticultural Science | Music | Agricultural and Horticultural Science |
| | | 2.00pm | Chinese | Health | Accounting |
| Day 17 | Tues 1 Dec | 9.30am | Accounting | | German |
| | | 2.00pm | Classical Studies | Business Studies | Te Reo Māori |
| Day 18 | Wed 2 Dec | 9.30am | | Chinese | Spanish |
| | | 2.00pm | Spanish | Education for Sustainability | Dance |
| Day 19 | Thurs 3 Dec | 9.30am | Samoan | Te Reo Rangatira | |
| | | 2.00pm | Te Reo Rangatira | Social Studies | Samoan |
| Day 20 | Fri 4 Dec | 9.30am | Latin | | Social Studies |
| | | 2.00pm | Art History | German | Latin |