



NEWSLETTER Panui

7SC Dunedin Trip

Each Year 7 class has a trip to Dunedin this term. Pictured below is 7SC at the top of Baldwin Street.

Their action packed itinerary included:

- A visit to the Clyde Dam
- A walk up Baldwin Street
- Swimming, sliding and diving at Moana Pool
- A visit to the Otago Museum and Butterfly House (check out the transparent butterfly above)
- A visit to Discovery World (Otago Museum)
- A visit to Lazer Strike
- A visit to the Early Settlers Museum and a transport trail
- 10 Pin Bowling
- Bouncing, flipping and jumping around Leap

Sounds like a lot of fun!

Here are two pieces of writing about the trip.



A MOMENT IN TIME; DODGEBALL

by Connor George

The small round ball is coming towards my head. Then, in mid air the ball freezes and time stops.

My heart pumps, beating against my chest as I realise there is no time to think, I have to act now. The ball continues its journey, approaching my head and I lunge to the side, throwing myself to the ground. I hear the ball whistle by my face.

That was close.
Too close.

END OF YEAR PROCEDURES

CLEARANCE FORMS

Senior students have all been issued with a clearance / leavers form. It is **compulsory** for all senior students to complete this document and return it to the college office by **Tuesday 26 November**, but the sooner the better!

ISSUE OF MAGAZINES

During the exam period students should return text books to the library or office as soon as they have finished with them. The college magazine will be distributed to the eldest child in each family on Friday 27 November. However, it will not be given to any student with unpaid accounts or non-returned books. Extra copies of the magazine can still be ordered at a cost of \$10.

CANTEEN AND PHONE

As the end of the term is approaching please note that there will be no more phone or canteen tabs - make sure that your child has a small amount of change with them at all times. Canteen orders should be placed before school or at interval. There will be a small amount of food available (less choice than usual) for those who don't pre-order.

LEAVING SCHOOL - JUNIOR STUDENTS

Please let us know if your child is not returning to MAC next year.



BALDWIN STREET by Meg Thomas

The steep road lies on ahead
Let's go up we all plead.
Mum shook her head
And then she said
Hold on to your knickers
And off we went.

We drove up at a steep angle
All of us were in a tangle
of excitement and horrible fear.
We got to the top; we let off a cheer
and then we started driving down
We could see the whole town!
We screeched and screamed some more
Until we got to ground floor.
Sighing, with a breath of relief
Glad to have flat ground beneath!



SPRING TIME IS YEAR 8 SCIENCE FAIR TIME

Come along to Rooms 7 and 8 from Tuesday 17 November through to Thursday 19 November.

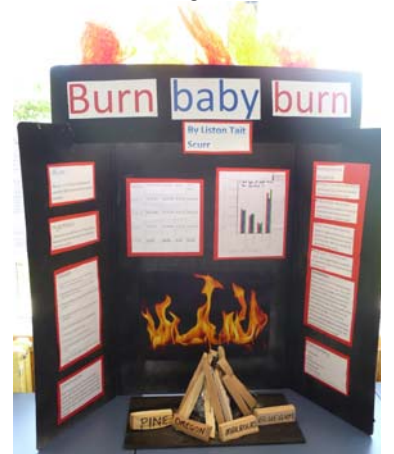
View an amazing display of science projects documented by our budding scientists

Important Dates

Term 4 (12 October - 14 December 2015)

Week 6	Tuesday 17 November	Board of Trustees Meeting, 6.00 pm, Board Room
Week 7	23 / 24 November	9TC - Meg Hut Trip
	24 / 25 November	9CD - Meg Hut Trip
	25 / 26 November	9SP - Meg Hut Trip
	26 / 27 November	9SF - Meg Hut Trip
	Friday 27 November	Senior Prizegiving (Years 11-13)
Week 8	Monday 30 November	Rutherford Tournament of Minds, LWC
	Thursday 3 December	Junior Prizegiving (Years 7-10)
Week 9	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
Week 10	Monday 14 December	Final day of school for 2015

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This zorb pictured here with students from 9CD is just one of the activities laid on by the organisation 'Lab in a Box' which has visited the college this week.



2016 Term Dates

Term 1: 1 February - 15 April
 Waitangi Day: 8 February
 Otago Anniversary: 21 March
 Easter: 25 - 29 March
Term 2: 2 May - 8 July
 Queen's Birthday: 6 June
Term 3: 25 July - 23 September
Term 4: 10 October - 13 December
 Labour Day: 24 October



Thank you all for your great participation in Team green fortnight! It is great to have another 44 trees planted on our field. There was a high participation rate in the quiz and the winning whanau was BAS who earned the Team Green trophy and a block of fair trade chocolate!
 House points:
Barker (4 points), Roy (3), Pisa (2), Iron (1).

LOST PROPERTY BIN

The bin in the student foyer is once again full of bursting! Please get students to come and look for lost items as soon as possible. All non-uniform and un-named items will be taken to the Recycling Centre during the next holidays.



No more book borrowing ...sorry. All books to be returned by Wednesday 25 November please.

Florence Micoud ~ Librarian

IMPORTANT!

Students: If you have any data files of significance stored on the school network drives (P: / W: / G:) please ensure that these are backed up before the end of the year. These drives will be cleared of data early in 2016.

If you are leaving MAC at the end of this term any information on the school's google drives will also disappear. **Don't delay - back up today!**

TRUSTPOWER COMMUNITY AWARDS

Congratulations to Connor Moore who was the runner up for the QLDC Trustpower Youth Community Spirit Award and also to Sticks 'N Stones who won a high commendation award for their work at the same event.

WANAKA JUNIOR GOLF OPEN Sunday 29 November

For more information contact admin@wanakagolf.co.nz or phone 443 7888 ext. 3 or see the poster outside the Sports Hub.

Trinity College London Piano Exams

Congratulations to the following students who successfully sat and passed their piano exams:
 Merit at Grade 5: Ngaio MacLeod and Kahu Nepia
 Distinction at Grade 4: Estelle Norman
 Distinction at Grade 3: Stellar Nepia
 Merit at Grade 2: Alexander Plimmer



Wanaka Sticks 'N Stones are holding their very own **Random Acts of Kindness Day** on **Friday 20 November**.

Sticks 'N Stones members will be randomly gifting MAC students and the Wanaka community with cupcakes, vouchers and other goodies in the hope that it will start a ripple of kindness throughout Wanaka. Local businesses have been very generous in donating gifts to help Sticks 'N Stones achieve their goal of spreading some kindness, including Mitre 10 Wanaka who have donated heaps of toys for the activity packs we are creating for the children's ward in Dunedin Hospital. We hope that you all get involved in our event and enjoy the day. **Emilie Barnett, Sticks 'N Stones Wanaka**



DEFENSIVE DRIVING COURSE

The next AA New Zealand Defensive Driving Course will be held in Alexandra on 12 and 13 December from 9.00 - 11.00 am and 1.00 - 3.00 pm (each day). For further information please contact Kaye Rowell Lakes Driver Training on [027 623 3534](tel:0276233534) or email: krowell@xtra.co.nz.

TENNIS SUCCESS

Congratulations to Ines Stephani who played in the Boroondara Tennis Tournament in Melbourne last week with good results in the Girls 14 & under:

- winner of the consolation final in the Girls Singles
- winner of the final in the Girls Doubles

Year 6 Orientation Day at Mount Aspiring College

Tuesday 8 December
 9.00 am - 12 noon

ENQUIRIES: 443 0499

UPPER CLUTHA JUNIOR RUGBY FUNDRAISER Sports Café

Friday 4 December. Doors open at 6.00pm

* Rugby legends * Bar / EftPos * Auction * Spot Prizes * Buffet
 Tickets \$75 per person - contact Kerri 027 338 5793

Important Sporting Dates

13-14 November	Otago Junior Volleyball Champs, Dunedin
17 November	Otago Primary Schools Athletics, Dunedin
28 November	SISS Track Cycling Champs, Invercargill
5 December	NZSS Athletics Champs, Timaru
6-11 December	Get 2 Go Final (Great Barrier Island)
10 February	MAC Swim Champs
18 February	SS Triathlon, Cromwell
20 February	Otago Junior Tennis Champs, Dunedin
21 February	Otago Southland Waterskiing Champs, Miller's Flat
3 March	COPSSA Swimming, Cromwell
4 March	SISS Tennis Champs, Timaru
6 March	SISS Triathlon / Duathlon, Oamaru
7 March	MAC Athletics Champs

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

COPSSA ATHLETICS

Congratulations to the Year 7 and 8 athletes who competed at the Central Otago champs last week. A special mention to Ryan Schmack for significantly breaking the discus record. The following students all placed in their age groups:

Meg Breen, Zach Smith, Tom Colbourne, Annie Timu, Jack Findlay, Jack Colbourne, Anika Fouchee, Rhys Hughes, Emma Smith, Hannah Barham, Hugo Cochrane, Ryan Schmack, Fergus Read, Marcus Hetherington, Sam Knight.

The U13 and over 13 girls' and the boys' U12 relay teams all placed 2nd and the U13 and over 13 boys' teams both won their relays.

Fun Climbing Competition

Sunday 13 December
Top Rope: 10.00 am - 2.30 pm
Lead Climbing: 1.00 - 4.00 pm



All welcome from beginner through to experienced ... Lots of age groups and lots of fun!
 Entry is \$20 (top rope and / or lead)

Enquiries and registrations: call Basecamp: 443 1110 or email wanakaciffhangers@gmail.com.