



### Year 8 Impromptu Speeches

Pictured, congratulations to: Hugo Darby (3rd), Michael Gealogo (1st) and Brianna Kerris (2nd) in yesterday's impromptu speech competition. Students were given just one minute to prepare on a topic which was picked randomly and then had to speak for one minute. Thank you to the judges, Hamish Crosbie and Annabel Wilson and well done to all who took part.



### PRIZEGIVING CELEBRATIONS

We warmly invite you to join us in our celebration of student success.

The Year 11-13 Prizegiving will take place in the college gymnasium next Friday 27 November at 7.00 pm

This will be followed by the Year 7- 10 Prizegiving on Thursday 3 December at 5.30 pm.

Both events will be a celebration of achievement showcasing the talents of our students. Celebrations are more enjoyable when shared with family and friends so please join us for these special evenings.

### EOTC Forms

Parents of every student in Years 7-10 should have received a four-page form via email which needs to be completed and returned. Our intention is to load this information onto our student database so that it can be referred to for subsequent EOTC trips. In this way we hope to minimize some of the current repetitive form filling.

In order for this to work satisfactorily, we need **everyone** to respond so please return completed forms to the office as soon as possible.

We have paper copies at the office if this is an easier option for you.

### Year 8 Science Fair looking good!



### NEWS FROM THE ILC...

International students who are not sitting NCEA exams have an alternative programme in Term 4. These lucky students have already had two trips away. The first was to Mount Cook and included walks to the Tasman Lake and up the Hooker Glacier. Mrs Lewis accompanied the students on that trip which was extra special because she retires at the end of this year. Thanks for being so great Mrs Lewis – we are all going to miss you! The second trip was to Fiordland, staying at Gunn's Camp. There was plenty of walking and raining which meant that the waterfalls during the Milford Sound Cruise were pretty spectacular. This week the ILC team are doing local based activities but are off to the Catlins on Monday for a surf camp where they will hopefully also sight penguins and Hector's dolphins. It is all go! A huge thank you to Andrea Woolley for all the wonderful organisation and also to Callum Grant and Jude Faircloth

### STICKS 'N' STONES UPDATE

Pictured, Jake Nicholson and Bella Fraser who met with the Governor-General of New Zealand, His Excellency The Right Honourable Sir Jerry Mateparae on Tuesday to talk about Sticks 'n' Stones.



Sticks 'n' Stones have secured a mix of government and commercial funding to take their anti-cyber-bullying message nationwide. We are proud that our students are part of this initiative and would like to thank Carol Bradley for her time and support of the group of MAC students involved.

### Kahu Youth Volunteer Awards

Nominations are open for 2015's Kahu Youth volunteer awards! If you know of any local young person aged 18 and under who has volunteered their time to support a cause, group or individual - get nominating them!

Forms can be found on our website at [Kahuyouth.org.nz](http://Kahuyouth.org.nz) or you can contact us on 443 5880.

Closing date: 25 November, 5.00 pm

### HOMESTAY FAMILIES LEAVER'S DINNER

26 NOVEMBER @ LOT 3

Please get your RSVP's to Brenda on [ilcoffice@mtaspiring.school.nz](mailto:ilcoffice@mtaspiring.school.nz) and tell us what you would like to order - it is going to be delicious. It will be great to see you all to share in this celebration.

### Important Dates

Term 4 (12 October - 14 December 2015)

Week	Dates	Events
Week 7	23 / 24 November	9TC - Meg Hut Trip
	24 / 25 November	9CD - Meg Hut Trip
	25 / 26 November	9SP - Meg Hut Trip
	26 November	Mufti Day
	26 November	ILC Leavers' Dinner
	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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### 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

### WANAKA JUNIOR GOLF OPEN

Sunday 29 November

For more information contact [admin@wanakagolf.co.nz](mailto:admin@wanakagolf.co.nz) or phone 443 7888 ext. 3 or see the poster outside the Sports Hub.

### MUFTI DAY

Thursday 26 November

Theme: Active Wear

\$1 dressed in theme, \$2 if not. Have fun with the last Mufti Day for 2016, raising money for Get To Go participants.

### THANK YOU CARPET COURT!

Carpet Court Wanaka have kindly donated a huge piece of carpet for our new drum riser. Not only has it improved the aesthetics, but it has improved the sound quality dramatically.



All books must be returned by Wednesday 25 November in order to be in the draw for a Samsung tablet, provided that you've paid all your accounts by then as well.

Students have been sent an email with the list of books they need to return. On Friday, parents will be sent an email showing the remaining books to look for over the weekend and returned by Wednesday. If you don't receive an email from "librarymessage" then all your books have been returned, thank you.

You can still read ebooks from the e-library on <https://maclib.wheelers.co/>. You first need to register (in the sign in menu) and download the App you need for your device. Once approved by the librarian (can be overnight), you can browse the catalogue and download up to 2 ebooks for 3 weeks.

Happy e-reading!

Florence Micoud, Kaitiakipukapuka ~ Librarian

### EMPTY YOUR LOCKERS

All Year 10 lockers must be emptied by **Thursday 3 December**. Year 7-9 lockers must be emptied by **Thursday 10 December**. After these dates locker bays will be checked and any remaining padlocks will be cut off and their contents removed.

### LOST PROPERTY

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

### WANAKA CLIMATE MARCH

Team Green is supporting Wanaka Climate March! Climate is changing, but solutions exist. Hours before the United Nations climate summit in Paris, we'll join a worldwide movement to tell our leaders to tackle climate change.

We are busy preparing the banner and many of us will participate next Sunday. Come along and add your voice!

### WANAKA CLIMATE MARCH DINOSAUR PARK SUNDAY 29TH NOV 1PM

For information or to volunteer 021 027 92 481



### MAC MAGAZINE

Extra copies of the MAC Magazine can be requested at the college office for a cost of \$10. Please place your order as soon as possible.

### MT ASPIRING NETBALL CLUB 'A' NETBALL COACHING POSITION

The Mt Aspiring Netball Club are seeking applicants for the two positions of coach (or co-coach) and manager of the College 'A' netball team for the 2016 season. Please contact Vicki Ashton for an information package: [ashtonv@mtaspiring.school.nz](mailto:ashtonv@mtaspiring.school.nz)

### 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 [wanacliffhangers@gmail.com](mailto:wanacliffhangers@gmail.com).

### Year 6 Orientation Day

Tuesday 8 December, 9.00 am - 12 noon

### WANTED!

The International Language Centre is looking for warm caring families to host international students in Term 1 2016. This is a wonderful opportunity to learn about cultures, customs and places far beyond New Zealand and can result in life-long friendships and opportunities to visit the other side of the world. It can be great fun to "show off" everything that our local area has to offer and often leads to a new appreciation of how lucky we all are to live where we do.

For providing a supportive, caring environment hosts are paid \$250.00 a week. However, many host families would agree that their lives are made richer by the presence of their homestay student than by the extra cash in hand. If you would be interested in finding out more, especially if you are a family with students at the college, please call 443 0466 or email [homestay@mtaspiring.school.nz](mailto:homestay@mtaspiring.school.nz).

### 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

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ENQUIRIES: 443 0499

### VOLLEYBALL SUCCESS

Two girls' and one boys' team travelled to Dunedin for the Otago Junior Volleyball Champs last week. The teams faced tough opposition against schools who play weekly in the Dunedin tournament, but competed really well.

Mel Telford reports on the girls' games: "On Friday we travelled to Dunedin and began our first volleyball games at the Edgar Centre, with one MAC team at the



top of their pool and the other team second in theirs. Saturday was a challenge against hard competition but both teams did well coming away with 4th and 8th places out of fifteen teams. Overall the tournament was a blast, everyone played so well and I'm proud of all my team-mates"

The year 10 boys team finished 2nd in the tournament, making the finals against Otago Boys. MAC were in the lead after the first half, but unfortunately the more experienced OB's came back to win at the end.

Opposition coaches were impressed with our players' skill level and MAC coaches Alistair Hose and Jessica Zeestraten were impressed with the captains for their great leadership at the tournament.

### Important Sporting Dates

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
9 March	MAC Athletics Finals
11 March	Otago SS Athletics Champs, 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](mailto:sports@mtaspiring.school.nz)