



MOUNT ASPIRING COLLEGE

Te Kāreti O Maunga Tititēa

Enjoy Success!

NEWSLETTER Panui

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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 25 November at 7.00 pm** (students to assemble at 6.40 pm).

This will be followed by the Year 7-10 Prizegiving on **Thursday 1 December at 5.30 pm** (students to assemble at 5.10 pm).

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

Student Code of Dress

Senior Prizegiving: Students in Years 11, 12 and 13 should dress suitably for a formal occasion.

Junior Prizegiving: Students in Years 7-10 are all expected to be in full summer uniform.

Help with Seating

Those of you who have attended ceremonies in previous years will be aware of how crowded this event can be and, as our school role increases, we have more students to seat in addition to their families. For this reason we respectfully ask that any younger siblings who would rather stay at home be allowed to do so.

In addition, any parents with younger children who are unable to find a baby sitter are welcome to drop them at the North Block classrooms where they will be supervised by Year 10 students during the ceremony (no toddlers or babies please). There will be movies to watch and games to play. In the interests of safety your child(ren) will need to remain in the kid-friendly zone for the duration of the ceremony; they will not be free to roam the school grounds.

Please explain this to them if you take up this offer.

An indication of numbers would be helpful so please email shersonm@mtaspiring.school.nz giving names and ages.

Important Dates



Term 4 (10 October - 13 December)

Week 7	25 November	Senior Prizegiving
Week 8	1 December	Junior Prizegiving
Week 9	5-9 December	Year 10 Camps
	6 December	Board of Trustees Meeting, 6.00 pm
	9 December	Year 7-10 reports issued
Week 10	13 December	Last day of Term 4

PLEASE NOTE: There will be no newsletter next week but the final issue for 2016 will be published in two weeks' time and this will feature photos and names from both our Prizegiving ceremonies.

THANK YOU!

We would like to thank the following families and businesses who kindly donated shiny new trophies for the Mount Aspiring College athletics and cross country champions:

Carlson family
Chris Norman Architecture
Jackie Boyd
Findlay family
Longview Environmental Trust, MacCulloch family
Murray family
Neale family
Nigel Smith and family
Pro-Active gym
Schmack family
Staufenberg family

Prizegiving Practice Friday 25 November

A reminder that all students in Years 11 - 13 are expected to attend the Prizegiving practice which will take place at **1.00 pm** on Friday afternoon (meeting on the hardcourts outside the gym).

At the conclusion of the practice students will be issued with their end of year magazine.

Any students who are unable to make either event should email shersonm@mtaspiring.school.nz to give their apologies.

LEAVING MAC?

Then you need to complete a leaving form – come and collect one from the college office ASAP.

We would like to thank our generous 2016 Prizegiving sponsors:



Thanks also to:

- The Upper Clutha Community Arts Council
- The King Family
- The Simpson Family
- The McDougall Family
- The Walker Family
- The James Family and the MAC Student Council for sponsorship
- Mitre 10 for the generous loan of plants
- Entertainment Solutions for providing the sound system.



TeenAg Regional Competition

This is a great opportunity to test skills, increase knowledge and push physical and mental abilities while having fun!

TeenAg members compete in teams of two and a typical regional final will consist of the preliminary round including skills and knowledge based modules.

Entries for school members are \$5 per person and are limited to ten students per school. We will be having a meeting at lunchtime regarding this on **Monday 28 November in URSPACE** for all members (and interested non members) with the TeenAg regional co-ordinator.

ATTENTION Mums / Dads / Grandads / Not So Young Farmers; we need you! If you have a background in the Ag / Hort / Vit industry and would like to support the students, please get in touch with Charlotte Lucas on lucasc@mtaspiring.school.nz or call the school on 443 0499.



DANCE WANAKA PRESENTS

West End to Broadway

**Saturday 26 November
Lake Wanaka Centre
3 pm and 7 pm shows**

Tickets from BASE
Adults: \$15
Children \$10

www.dancewanaka.co.nz

What makes Wanaka geology unique?



How did the rocks around Wanaka form?

Come along to a FREE interactive experience taking part in some hands-on geology.

**Tuesday 29 November
6.00 - 7.00 pm
Lake Wanaka Centre**

A History of Life on Zealandia in 100 Fossils

FREE Public Talk

**Tuesday 29 November
LWC, 7.30 - 8.30 pm**

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

- * **Maye Hall**, for her dance results - Hip Hop Honours with Distinction.
- * **Will Pryor** for winning the 10-12 year old Kids Run in the Queenstown marathon.
- * **Finn Bilous** for coming 2nd in the 16- 19 year olds in the Queenstown half marathon (1 hour 31 mins!)
- * **Phoebe Young** for her selection into the newly formed mountain bike national performance hub in Rotorua. The hub is designed to increase the number and quality of riders feeding into the national high performance programme.

350 Library books and 171 textbooks to return... before... yesterday!!



All students and parents have now received emails listing the books to return. Look for them and return them immediately please.

Florence Micoud,
Kaitiakipukapuka ~ Librarian

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 / unnamed items will be taken to the Recycling Centre during the next holidays.

APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN FOR UPPER CLUTHA JUNIOR SPORTS ACADEMY

Will you be in Year 9, 10 or 11 in 2017? Do you want to be the best you can be at your chosen sport? Then you're invited to apply for a place in the Upper Clutha Junior Sports Academy.

Join like-minded athletes from all sports disciplines and get support and guidance in areas such as mental skills, nutrition and recovery techniques. Sessions are interactive and designed to be informative and fun.

For more information and an application form, please go to the school website under Students and Families and click on Communication.

Applications close Friday 2nd December.

EMPTY YOUR LOCKERS

All Year 10 lockers must be emptied by **Thursday 1 December**. Year 7-9 lockers must be emptied by **Thursday 8 December**. After these dates locker bays will be checked and any remaining padlocks will be cut off and their contents removed.

\$3 fudge on sale in the quad on Thursday

Important Sporting Dates

21 - 25 November	SISS Volleyball Champs, Nelson
2 - 4 December	NZSS Athletics, Auckland
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8 February	MAC Swim Champs
19 February	Otago / Southland Waterskiing Champs, Millers Flat
1 and 3 March	MAC Athletics and Finals
5 March	SISS Triathlon / Duathlon, Oamaru
9 March	CO Primary Schools Swimming, Cromwell
11-12 March	Otago Secondary Schools Athletics, Dunedin
11-12 March	SISS Rowing Champs, Twizel
18 - 19 March	Otago / Southland Secondary Schools Athletics, Dunedin
27 March	Maadi Cup Rowing, Karapiro
27 March	SISS Sunburst Sailing, Dunedin
29 - 31 March	NZ Secondary Schools futsal champs
30 March	NZ Schools Triathlon Champs, Wanganui
31 March - 2 April	South Island Secondary Schools Athletics Champs, Timaru
1 April	SISS Adventure Race, Cromwell
6 April	Student Coaches Workshop, Cromwell
8-13 April	NZSS Kayak Champs, Kawarau
9 April	Netball v Rockhampton High School, MAC
12 April	MAC Mountainbike Champs, Deans Bank

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

MAC Team Green



Thanks to everyone who bought our cakes at the fair-trade bake sale. By using fair-trade products, you really make a difference to the farmers who grow the fair-trade sugar, cocoa etc. as they are paid a fair salary, which enables them to live a fair life. And fair-trade ingredients are yummy too!

Year 6 Orientation Day at MAC

Tuesday 6 December, 9.00 am - 12 noon
ALL ENQUIRIES TO 443 0499

2017 TERM DATES

- Term 1:** 30 January - 13 April
Waitangi Day: 6 February
Otago Anniversary: 20 March
- Term 2:** 1 May - 7 July
Queen's Birthday: 5 June
- Term 3:** 24 July - 29 September
- Term 4:** 16 October - 8 December
Labour Day: 23 October