

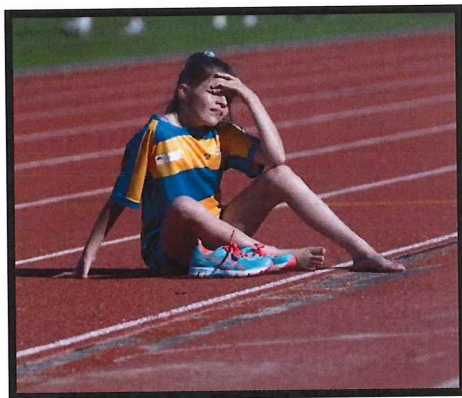
Maniototo Area School

NEWSLETTER

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Libby competing at the Halberg Games



Teacher reading



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From the Principal

Ms Patsy Inder



Kia Ora

Mrs Ann Marie Paterson and Mrs Lisa Bryant started work this week and we welcome them to the team. Mrs Bryant will be teaching in Kowhai and Mrs Bryant is teaching Year 3 in Whero. Mr Stephen Bryant will start work in our senior school team straight after Queen's Birthday weekend. The junior school class changeover will happen at the end of this week and we are pleased to be able to have an extra teacher and classroom. Please feel free to meet with the teachers or with me if you want to discuss any aspect of the changes.

Community Meeting:

We received very exciting news at the meeting that negotiations are going on with the Ministry of Education to completely rebuild the school at a cost in excess of \$8 million. The design and preparation work is likely to take the rest of this year and the redevelopment will be done in phases over the next 4-5 years. We really appreciated the time and input of those who attended the meeting. The architect and the project manager received excellent information on the specific needs of this school and this community. There will be further opportunity for comment when the updated designs are received. During the meeting we also talked about and got feedback on our communication (newsletters, reports & interviews and the website) and also areas of school that are valued and any changes suggested. The co-ordinator of our new initiative Positive Behaviour For Learning (PB4L) also gave some background information.

Area School's Tournament:

Our team is in Lawrence enjoying the annual southern Area Schools' tournament. Students from Catlins, Roxburgh, Twizel, Lawrence and Waiau join with us to form the Southern Area Schools' team for the national Area Schools' Tournament. This year's tournament will be held in Dunedin in the July holidays.

Success at School:

This is a key term for our NCEA students as they aim towards their qualifications. Managing their time well and keeping a focus on their work is an important aspect of setting themselves up for success. We highly recommend attendance at the after school study support sessions scheduled for Wednesday and Thursday afternoons as this gives them opportunities to get individualised support and to focus on their own work. It is also very important that they keep up to date with assessments and the dates they need to submit work. It is also really important for attendance to be at a high level as absences cause difficulty keeping up with classwork and assessments.

Junior Assembly: This will be a great time to see the children's work and to meet our new teachers.

PB4L:

The school has joined a special initiative called Positive Behaviour for Learning which is aimed at supporting all our students develop the self-management skills and attitudes that enable them to interact well with others and develop the habits that support high achievement in school. Lucia Dowling and Gemma Hore are leading our team that is developing our PB4L framework and we will share information and seek your views as we proceed with this. Key aspects of the programme include giving recognition and appreciation for positive behaviours and actions; and agreed, consistent consequences for inappropriate behaviour. A key goal is to ensure all students know and use behaviours that enable them to succeed in learning and social situations.

Finance:

Thank you to those who have paid their fees and donations promptly. We really appreciate your support being able to support extras through the payment of donations and the payment of costs for swimming also really helps. We currently have a lot of fundraising as several classes and groups are fundraising for camps and other special events. Thank you for your support of our fundraising.

ROAD RACE RESULTS

The Road Race was held on the last day of term 1. A good effort from all students who took part.

Senior:

1st	Keagan Mulholland	25m 12s	1st	Rina Watt	30m 31s
2nd	Reuben Pyle	25m 48s	2nd	Candy Ferdinands	36m 51s
3rd	Anton Hood	27m 15s	3rd	Lakita Taylor	37m 56s

Intermediate:

1st	Doug Smith	28m 28s	1st	Madi Pont	40m 58s
2nd	Will Becker	29m 15s	2nd=	Chelsey Cromb	45m 56s
3rd	Levi Menzies	29m 49s	2nd=	Keith Nabor	45m 56s

Junior:

1st	Josh Smith	16m 26s	1st	Jade Shepherd	22m 37s
2nd	Harry McAslan	16m 36s	2nd	Huntah Menzies-Cook	23m 02s
3rd	Mark Smith	17m 38s	3rd	Amy Simpson	23m 18s

MANIOTOTO/DUNSTAN RUGBY



Several of our senior students are playing rugby this year for Dunstan in various grades. Pictured are the Under 14 boys Left to Right: Fletcher Dowling, Damian Carson, Jotahn Croawell, Te Ariki Tapatu, Dante Devitt, Blake Anderson, Doug Smith, Peter Cheesmur (absent Zac Howell).

CURLING

Free curling coaching has started on Friday nights at MCI in Naseby. From 5.30pm – 6.30pm. All welcome.

Enquiries to the Rink 444 9878.

Any Year 9-13 students interested in taking part in the Secondary Schools tournaments this year (to be held in Naseby in September), please register your interest at the school office so we can begin to make a plan.

HEALTHY FOOD CHALLENGE

The junior school received a certificate, tea towel and apron as a token of appreciation for taking part in the 5+ a day school challenge (our pita pocket picnic).



BAKE SALE

Year 3 and 4 Bake Sale happening this Friday 13th May outside More Than Books from 3:00 - 4:00pm to raise money for their camp to Dunedin later this year.

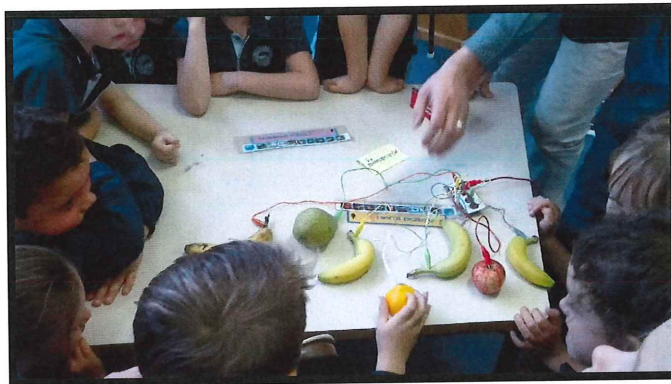


WHY BOOKS?

As part of our inquiry into the purpose of books in 2016 the teachers were reading books after morning tea. Teachers would put the book they were reading on display and year 0-8 students got to choose which book they wanted to listen to. It was lovely seeing the mix of ages listening to the teachers reading. (See some of the photos on the front page of this newsletter).

MICHAEL TRENGROVE

We were very fortunate to have the head of Code Club NZ visit us on Monday. Coding is the language that makes computerized things work. This ranges from irrigation machines to phones to animated movies. Michael talked to some of the students about careers that use coding skills and companies in NZ that employ people with these skills. He showed Kowhai and Kahurangi how to use code to make fruit play music! In Kakariki he started teaching the year 5&6 children how to write code. All the students were fascinated with how easy it is to do awesome stuff with code. Very soon Mrs Feron will start a code club at Maniototo Area School during lunchtimes. More information will follow soon.



Staff busy at work developing the Positive Behaviour for Learning programme (PB4L)

Kakariki class kitchen tour
Be Inspired while exploring some of Ranfurly's newest kitchens



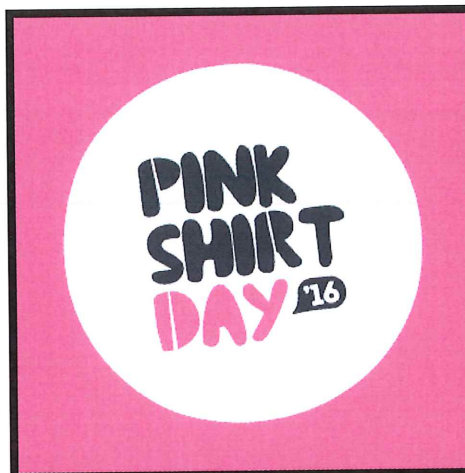
Sunday 29th of May
2pm until 4pm
Afternoon tea provided
Cost \$15 per ticket
Tickets can be purchased from the Maniototo area school office
Green balloons signal houses on the tour, maps are also provided.
Fundraising towards Kakariki Class ski Camp.
Thank you for your support.

STICKS N STONES

The Sticks n Stones group at MAS are promoting Pink Shirt Day on Friday 20th May. Make a stand against bullying and dress in your brightest and boldest pink colours. There are prizes for the best dressed male and female.

They are also selling "cupcakes with compliments". For \$2.50 you can choose one of the Sticks n Stones messages or create your own small positive message to have written on your cupcake.

Order forms have been distributed to students and need to back to teachers by Friday 13th May with the money.



SIGN LANGUAGE WEEK

Michelle Sinclair and Rebecca Aitcheson from Deaf Aotearoa visited our school on Monday to run some taster sessions as part of National Sign Language Week. Pictured here is Huntah Menzies-Cook and Libby Francis.

HALBERG GAMES

On the 22nd of April I flew up to Cambridge near Auckland for the Halberg Disability Games for 2016.

I entered the 100,200,and the 400 metres for running where I got placed between 1st and 4th. I swam in the freestyle and also did backstroke where I got 1st.

I also entered the long jump where I got 2nd. For the duathlon I was the second girl in. I got a chance to go horse riding and got the most promising horse rider. It was so much fun. I'm looking forward to next years games.

Libby Francis (Year 9)

WELCOME TO OUR NEW TEACHERS

Welcome to Mrs Paterson and Mrs Bryant who will be teaching in the Junior school from next week.



SOUTHERN AREA SCHOOL TOURNAMENT RESULTS

DAY 1:

Touch—Boys : MAS 1st, Girls: MAS 2nd

Golf—MAS 2nd

Basketball—Boys: MAS 1st, Girls: MAS 1st

Indoor Bowls—MAS 1st

Orienteering—MAS 1st

Quiz 1—MAS 1st, Quiz 2—MAS 2nd

Technology Challenge—MAS 1st

Mixed Football—MAS 3rd

Dodgeball—MAS 2nd

Chess—MAS 2nd

DAY 2:

Badminton—MAS 1st

Netball—MAS 5th

Rugby—MAS 1st

Squash—MAS 2nd

Ultimate Frisbee—MAS 2nd

DAY 3:

Still in progress....Results will be published in the next newsletter.

IMPORTANT DATES

11-13 May	Southern Area Schools Tournament (Lawrence)
13 May	Junior Assembly 2.15pm / Kahurangi class Bake sale after school
18 May	Board of Trustees Meeting 7.30pm in the Staffroom
19 May	History trip (Timaru)
20 May	Pink Shirt Day...Sticks n Stones Cupcakes (see info in this newsletter)
20 May	Nominations close at 12noon for Board of Trustees election
20 May	Senior Netball team Raffle night
22-24 May	L3 Biology Field Trip (Portobello)
25 May	Rippa Rugby Tournament
27 May	Sticks n Stones Sleepover (Year 7/8)
29 May	Kitchen Tour 2-4pm (Kakariki class fundraiser)
30 May	NYLD in Dunedin / Year 9 Field Trip (Otago Museum)
2 June	Year 7 & 8 Field Trip (Orokonui Sanctuary)
6 June	Queens Birthday Holiday observance (School is closed)
10 June	House Dance Competition
20-24 June	Junior School Book Week