

Maniototo Area School



NEWSLETTER

17 November 2017

Kia Ora Koutou,

We are now well into the final term of the academic year. The pace, if anything, is even more frenetic. The Junior School teachers and students are busy with assessments and report writing. At the other end, the NCEA students are away sitting external exams these days. We wish them all every success.

As we look forward to 2018, the Board of Trustees is pleased to announce that Ms Lucia Dowling has been appointed Deputy Principal (Primary) from the new academic year. She will oversee Years 1 to 8. Mr Alec Campbell remains Deputy Principal (Secondary) and Ms Nikki Meyer stays on as Senior Dean for Years 9 to 13. The Board has also appointed Mrs Heather Dowling as the teacher for Year 3 on a permanent position.

We do have great plans ahead for the new academic year. There will be changes, but I'm sure they are changes for the better. As the new year unfolds we shall keep you informed regularly. We have previously mentioned last term, the NCEA students will need to move to BYOD. Unfortunately, the school is unable to provide digital devices to the senior students as mentioned in the September Newsletter. There are several retail outlets such as Noel Leeming, Harvey Norman, Warehouse Stationery, and PB Technologies, to mention just a few, which have some good deals on laptops, and keep a lookout for interest free terms. There is no need to buy top of the range and expensive ones. If you are considering buying a device for your child, a Windows-based laptop, running Windows 10, with a basic processor (Celeron etc.) will suffice. The School has student licences for Microsoft Office and this can be installed on the laptop. This means you do not need to purchase Microsoft Office. Ex-Lease units are also available at good prices from several re-sellers.

If your child is in Year 9 or 10, there is no harm in considering the above for them.

The Year 5 and 6 students are excitedly preparing for their camp next week. Thanks to Mrs Hore for the planning and preparation and to the parents who have volunteered to help out. The Year 9 & 10 EOTC activities will be held later in the term. This will be different to previous years.

Our Prize Giving Ceremony is on Tuesday 12th December at 7:00 p.m. We would love to have you join us that evening.

Regards,

Joe Ferdinands—Principal

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2017 Maniototo Primary Schools Sports Assn Athletics Day Results

Boys

7 years : 1 Thomas Helm (MAS) 35, 2 Callum McSkimming (MAS) 28, 3 Fred Dowling (St Johns) 22

8 years : 1 Ryan Crossan (St Johns) 34, 2 Toby Duncan (St Johns) 32, 3 Hunter Sutherland (Strath Taieri) 22

9 years : 1 Ethan McSkimming (MAS) 36, 2 Justin Pink (MAS) 19, 3 Nicolaas Pieterse (MAS) 18

10 years : 1 Jock Duncan (St Johns) 28, 2 William Tisdall (Strath Taieri) 26, 3 Charlie Anderson (MAS) 19

11 years : 1 William Helm (MAS) 34, 2 Sage Paterson (St Johns) 23, 3 Hayden Becker (MAS) 18

12 years : 1 Andrew Fetalver (St Johns) 32, 2 Patrick Reid (MAS) 20, 3= Todd Duncan (MAS) 19, 3= Billy Dougherty (St Johns) 19

13 years : 1 Josh Smith (MAS) 29, 2 Tom Duffy (MAS) 25, 3 Jack Mathews-Dowd (Strath Taieri) 14

Girls

7 years : 1 Amelia Smith (MAS) 26, 2 Chloe McAuley (St Johns) 26, 3 Patricia Noi (MAS) 19

8 years : 1 Ruby Hore (MAS) 33, 2 Tessa Steele (St Johns) 27, 3 Georgia Gillespie (MAS) 19

9 years : 1 Lily Blakely (MAS) 28, 2 Annie Dowling (St Johns) 24, 3 Isabelle Helm (MAS) 23

10 years : 1 Peta Smith (MAS) 27, 2 Perri Hore (MAS) 25, 3 Zoe Simpson (MAS) 21

11 years : 1 Briar Duncan (St Johns) 36, 2 Anya Pieterse (MAS) 20, 3 Sandee Baroga (St Johns) 20

12 years : 1 Hannah Cormack (St Johns) 35, 2 Kate Kinney (St Johns) 21, 3 Hope Devitt (MAS) 17

13 years : 1 Harmony Devitt (MAS) 27, 2 Ashleigh Cameron (St Johns) 20, 3 Lena Hawthorne (MAS) 15

Otago Primary School Sports Assn Championship Athletics

We have a number of students that have been selected to represent the Maniototo at the OPSSA event on Tuesday 21st November in Dunedin. Good luck everyone!

Lily Blakely (sprint, long jump, relay), Isabelle Helm (sprint, relay), Ruby Hore (sprint, long jump, relay), Perri Hore (sprint, high jump, discus), Anya Pieterse (sprint, relay), Tayla Munro (sprint, relay), Hope Devitt (sprint, discus, relay), Kass Pont (shotput, discus), Harmony Devitt (relay), Ethan McSkimming (sprint, long jump, high jump, relay), Nic Pieterse (sprint, relay), Hayden Becker (sprint, 800m, relay), William Helm (hurdles, high jump, discus, relay), Patrick Reid (sprint, long jump, shotput, relay), Todd Duncan (sprint, hurdles, high jump, relay), Hayden Clarke (sprint, relay), Tom Duffy (hurdles, relay), Mark Smith (800m), Phoenix Tapatu (discus, shotput), Bailey Lowrey (shotput)

MPSSA Awards & Records

McSkimming Cup

	Name	School	No. Points
1st	Briar Duncan	St Johns	36
2nd	Hannah Cormack	St Johns	35
3rd	William Helm	MAS	34

Matchett Cup

	Name	School	No. Points
1st	Ethan McSkimming	MAS	36
2nd	Thomas Helm	MAS	35
3rd	Ryan Crossan	St Johns	34

House Shield

	House Names	School	No. Points
1st	O'Neill	St Johns	16.76
2nd	Danseys	MAS	15.92
3rd	McAuley	St Johns	15.13

House Points

Danseys	15.92
Garibaldi	11.55
Hamiltons	13.5
Serpentine	12.96
McAuley	15.13
O'Neill	16.76
Rocky Pillar	10.65
Taieri Ridge	8.78



Records Broken

7 year Boys	High Jump	Thomas Helm	1.07m	MAS
9 year Boys	Long Jump	Ethan McSkimming	4.13m	MAS
11 year Girls	High Jump	Briar Duncan	1.30m	St Johns
12 year Boys	Long Jump	Andrew Fetalver	4.92m	St Johns
12 year Boys	Distance	Andrew Fetalver	2.33	St Johns



ATHLETICS DAY

Athletics Day is my favourite day of the year, first the 7 year old boys first did High Jump. The best part was when I drew the 7 year old boys record. It has been held for 33 years! I jumped 1 metre 7cm.

Then we did Sprints and Hurdles, I won again! I was having a really good day! My best jump at long jump was 3 metres, I came second. Lucky I had enough energy for the throwing and long distance when I also came first!

I came second out of all the children in the Juniors. Next year I am going to beat that sneaky Ethan McSkimming! He beat me by only one point! Well done to Ethan though.

By Thomas Helm

BIKE & ROAD SAFETY

From the 6th to the 13th of November we had bike safety. Mr Milford taught us hand signals, road rules and about road signs and what they mean. The second day that we had bike safety we went out on the netball courts and learnt how to do u turns, how to ride in a straight line, how to stay in one spot for ten seconds and how to zig zag.



On the last day we rode around the school block and did some more safety on the road but... some of us didn't succeed and we had to do it again, but this time we followed Jaco around a different block and we all succeeded YAY!!!! I had so much fun learning about bike safety, Thanks Jaco and Mr Milford.

By Molly-Jo Munro

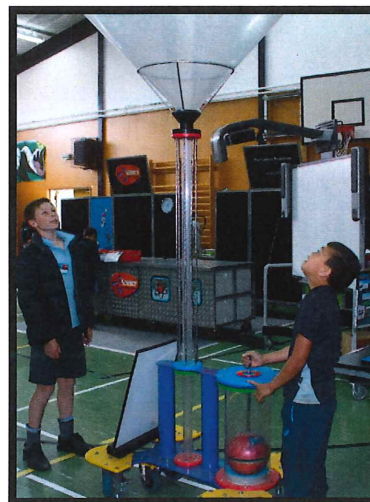
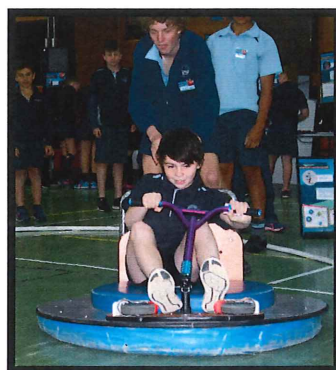
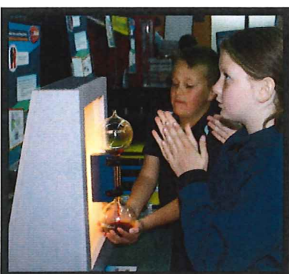


SCIENCE ROADSHOW

On Thursday the 9th of November the Science Road Show came. They did two shows the first show was on microscopes and x-rays They taught us about microscopes, and they showed us what the first microscopes looked like. They also showed us what things looked like under a microscope and how much life there was in a single drop of water.

The second show was about physical changes and chemical changes. They did experiments that involved evaporation and with evaporation you can sometimes get back your original products that is called a physical change, but you can't always do this there are other ways of getting your original products back but when you can't it's called a chemical change. As well as this they also had lots of experiments the we got to do, the year 10 students helped.

By Perri Hore



OUTWARD BOUND

Congratulations to Rina Watt who has been selected for the Outward Bound 'Mind, Body & Soul' 21 day experience. We are sure that Rina will embrace this experience and we look forward to hearing all about her time there.

LUGE

There are exciting times ahead for a couple of our senior students Ben Voice (Year 9) and Sam Flanagan (Year 10) who are travelling to Italy to represent New Zealand in the Junior World Cup over the summer holidays. We hope you have an awesome time and do us proud.

Art Blast Pool Mural

When: This Saturday 18th & Sunday 19th November

Time: Between 10.00am - 5.00pm both days.

Who: Everyone welcome- adults and children. (Young children must be accompanied by an adult)

Come along to the playground in Ranfurly for a free weekend of colour, fun and creativity.

Artists Aroha Novak and Maxine Williams will guide and help us to paint the new swimming pool mural, designed recently by our Art Blast planning team. Guidelines and colour codes provided.

Come and contribute when it suits you and your family. (You are not expected to stay for the whole time if unable to.) Bring some snacks, drink, sun hats, sunscreen and old clothes you don't mind getting paint on.

For further information and to register your interest please ring Kim 4449652 or visit Art Blast Facebook page.

An opportunity not to be missed.

See you there.



2018 TERM DATES

There will be a “staggered” start for pupils in 2018

Year 11-13 students will start on Tuesday 30th January, Year 7-10 students will start on Wednesday 31st January and Year 1-6 students will start on Thursday 1st February

Term 1: 30th January – 13th April

Waitangi Day - Tuesday 6th February

A& P Show (1pm close) - TBA

Otago Anniversary - Monday 26th March

Easter - Friday 30th March - Tuesday 3rd April

Teacher Only Day—Friday 6th April

Term 2: 30th April - 6th July

Queen’s Birthday - Monday 4th June

Term 3: 23rd July – 28th September

Term 4: 15th October – 14th December

Labour Day – Monday 22nd October

There will be 2 Teacher Only Days in 2018 (dates to be advised)

Maniototo Area School PTA

Christmas Hamper

The annual PTA Christmas hamper is happening again this year and the PTA are asking that each family please provide a grocery item or 2 for this

Items can be given to your class teacher

Many thanks for your support

GRAHAM LAING SWIMMING LESSONS

27th to 31th December 2017

Bookings to Margo Hall 021 0528 255

IMPORTANT DATES

17 November	Board of Trustees nominations close at 12 noon Junior School assembly 2.30pm
21 November	Otago Primary Athletics Championships (Dunedin)
21-23 November	Year 5-6 Camp (Cromwell)
27-28 November	Year 9 & 10 Exams
12 December	Prizegiving 7pm in the Gym
13 December	PRIDE day Year 1-6 / Year 7/8 Fieldtrip
14 December	Last day of school (1pm close)