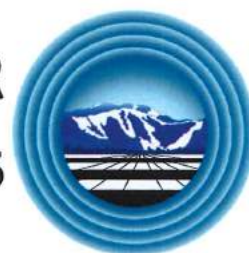


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NEWSLETTER

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From the Principal

Ms Patsy Inder



Kia Ora

I hope everyone enjoyed the holiday break.

Sporting Successes:

A large number of our students experienced significant sporting success over the holidays. Congratulations to Harry McAslan who is playing Under 14 representative Ice Hockey. Congratulations also to Kass Pont, Charlotte Patterson and Peta Smith who have been selected in the Central Otago Year 5 & 6 representative hockey team. Our National Area School's tournament team achieved well with Matthew Neilson and Anton Hood being selected in National Area Schools teams and Tash Whyte, Courtney Smith, Lakita Taylor, Keagan Mulholland, Liam Harrington, Ben Smith, Matthew Neilson, Anton Hood and Reuben Pyle being selected in South Island teams. We are very proud of their achievements and even more delighted with the feedback from organisers on the outstanding sportsmanship and behaviour standards shown by every one of our participants in the tournament. We also congratulate Matthew Neilson, Courtney Smith, Ben Smith and Anton Hood who have been selected to represent New Zealand in the Under 21 Curling Teams. They will be joined by our ex-pupils Simon Neilson, Holly Thompson, Jessica Smith and Hamish Walker so again the strength of curling in our school is very obvious. The high levels of sporting success are a great tribute to the value this community puts on sports and also the great support given by families to transport students to practices and competitions.

Olympic Opening Ceremony:

Thank you to everyone who attended the Year 1-8 ceremony last Friday. It was excellent to have spectators for our colourful event. The classes will be learning a lot about Olympic related topics and the work will culminate in an Olympics Day on 16 September.

Health:

We have a large number of students and several staff away with a variety of winter ailments. We actively encourage good health practices including regular hand washing, covering the mouth and nose when coughing or sneezing, We appreciate it is difficult to tell how unwell your child is, particularly when coughs etc are lasting for a long time but please err on the side of caution and keep your child home when they are unwell.

Board of Trustees:

The Board meeting is on Thursday 4th at 7.30pm. The Board will be discussing the plans for the rebuild of the school.

Ice Week:

It is great to see our students having the opportunity to use our local ice facilities. The skating, curling and luge programme for Years 1-8 is well underway, although the weather has caused some disruption. Thank you to everyone who has been a parent helper on the programme.

Interviews:

Thank you to parents who came to the interviews this week for Year 1 -8 students. Next week the interviews for Year 9 -13 are being held. These are really important, especially for our NCEA students, so please make sure you have appointments on Monday or Wednesday.

SENIOR LEADERSHIP

SPIRIT OF ADVENTURE

On the 13th- 23rd of June, I was privileged enough to be able to attend the Spirit of Adventure with my voyage 718. The Spirit of Adventure was an amazing experience which made us push the boundaries of my comfort zone. During this time I was lucky enough to meet 31 amazing people from around New Zealand, along with the people in my watch, Port A. The Spirit of Adventure was a once and a lifetime experience, so I would like to thank everyone for the support in helping me get there! **Courtney Smith**

OUTWARD BOUND

From the 4th to the 24th of July I went on Outward Bound in Anakiwa. We did heaps of things such as kayaking, sailing, tramping and a lot more activities including running 3.2 kilometres every morning followed by a swim in the sea. At the end of the 21 days, we ran a half marathon too. Thank you to Mr Campbell and the staff for helping me get there! As challenging as it was, Outward Bound was an amazing experience and I made heaps of friends and memories.
Candy Ferdinands

SPORT

NETBALL

Our Year 1-4 Netball finished up at the end of last term after a term of fun netball practices, skill development & games.

The Year 3/4 teams finished with a dress-up Festival Tournament in Alexandra and had heaps of fun and played some fantastic Netball.

End of Season Prize Giving Awards were presented to: Chevy Menzies-Cook (Player of the Year), Brooke Huddleston (Shooter of the Year), Alexie McKenzie (Most Improved) and Ruby Hore (Defender of the Year). Well done to ALL the girls who participated (and improved so much over the term!) and to all parents for their support. **Belinda, Jenna & Gemma.**



CURLING

New Zealand Nationals (7th-10th of July) were held in Naseby and it was a big step up from our normal week to week competitions and school tournaments. It was good to play against lots of new faces, and made for a good competition. Even with the low number of teams in both the Men's and Women's sections there was a large youth presence stealing Silver and Bronze in the Men's pool and providing tough competition in the Women's pool. Matthew Neilson and his team (Simon Neilson, Ben Smith and Dylan Boulton-Voice) came up against a firing Peter de Boer's team losing 7-3 in the final to take Silver. Anton Hood's team (Josh Fogo, Hamish Walker and Hunter Walker) beat Ian Ford's Auckland team 10-1 to take Bronze. Courtney Smith and her team fought hard in every game to give the Women's pool plenty of tough Competition!

The Under 21 tournament (15th-17th July) held in Dunedin had a disappointing number of teams entered, however, the Maniototo boys and girls had some great games against the Otago boys team and the local team of boys, Anton Hood, Josh Fogo, Emmett Dowling and Johan (Auckland). The girls Jessica Smith and Holly Thompson (both ex MAS students) Courtney Smith and Eloise (Auckland) played the Otago girls team and came out with a gold medal. Matthew Neilson and Ben Smith, along with Simon Neilson and Josh Whyte (also ex MAS students) took a gold medal against the Otago boys team in the final. Overall it was a good curling tournament for MAS students, topped off by 4 of our Year 12 students being selected for the NZ Under 21 team.

REPRESENTATIVE SPORTING SELECTIONS

Hockey

On Sunday the 31st of July **Kass Pont, Peta Smith and Charlotte Paterson** went on a long trip to Cromwell to trial for the Central Otago Year 5 & 6 Rep Hockey. The two selectors were: Craig Paterson and Julie Flanagan. The trials ran for 45 minutes. First we did some pushes then we did some drills after that we did three 8 min games. We found out who made the team that night on the Central Otago Hockey Facebook page.

When we found out we made the team we all screamed and jumped up and down!!!!

Congratulations to **Madi Pont** who has been selected for the Central Otago Under 15 hockey team.

Tash Whyte & Paris Anderson are playing hockey for East Otago High School in the South Island Secondary School tournament to be held in Gore later this month. Good luck!

Rugby

Hello my name is Josh Smith, I play for the Maniototo under 11's. This year I was selected for the Central Otago under 38 kgs rugby team. I played in the position of number 8 and we played in an Otago competition where we play against Metro gold, Metro blue and South West. We play each team twice and we won all our games so that means we won our competition and won the trophy as well. We also played a team from Sydney, Australia and we drew with them, 19 all. Also Billy Dougherty and Hayden Becker from Maniototo made the Central Otago team. We had a really good season because we had a good group of guys that played well together as a team. I now have also been chosen for the Otago Country under 38 kg team. We will be playing games against Otago Metro and Southland Country and a game against North Otago under 11's.

Josh Smith. Year 7

We have a number of senior boys that have made Otago Country teams. Well done to:

Otago Country Under 13 team: Dante Devitt & Damian Carson

Otago Country Under 14 Squad: Doug Smith, Jotahn Croawell & Te Ariki Tapatu.

Curling

Congratulations to the curlers who have been selected to represent New Zealand at the Junior B World Championships in Ostersund, Sweden in January. Junior Men's team: Matthew Neilson (MAS), Simon Neilson (ex MAS), Ben Smith (MAS), Hamish Walker (OBHS) and Anton Hood (MAS). The Junior Women's team: Jessica Smith (ex MAS), Holly Thompson (ex MAS), Emma Sutherland (ex OGHS), Courtney Smith (MAS) and Eloise Pointon (Auckland).

Ice Hockey

We wish Rina Watt all the best for the upcoming NZ Under 18 tournament being held next week in Gore. Also Harry McAslan has been busy playing representative Ice Hockey. We wish them both well for the rest of the season and look forward to hearing of their progress.

ST JOHN YOUTH COMPETITIONS

A very pleasing result from the Central Otago St John Youth competitions held last weekend.

Junior Team—Amy Simpson, Zoe Simpson, Kass Pont, Maia McDonald (St Johns). 1st in First aid, Communication and Pairs First Aid, 3rd in Drill and Overall

Intermediate Team—Lucy Neilson, Madi Pont, Nathan Feron, Jotahn Croawell. 2nd Drill, 3rd Pairs First Aid and Communication



WINTER ACTIVITIES

Weekend at Cardrona! A bit of rough weather in the forecast didn't put us off and our perseverance on Saturday was rewarded with clear skies and even greater skiing on Sunday! The snow conditions are awesome at the moment and there is more snow in the forecast so please let me know if you're keen to come on the September trip. If the notice didn't make it home to you last term, there are some spares in the office.

Kylie McSkimming



In the weekend I went ice skating. It was freezing and my friend Toby was there. Me and Toby were racing. I was pushing Sam on the chair. Then after the race, me and Toby were scraping the chilly snow. Then later Lucia came and me and Lucia and Toby all had a race. **Charlie Hore**

In the chilly weekend Lucy, Mum, Dad and I went to Cardrona. The first day it was snowing so heavy that the snow was around a foot deep! The second day we went down Captains (a track) and I fell over lots. I was proud when we finished Captains. I was cheerful and I wanted to go again. **Charlie Falconer**

Yesterday it was an icy cold day. I got to snowboard. It was so fun when we got there, I was so excited. I like snowboarding because I have super good balance. I went up McDougalls two times. After a while, I switched to skis. Skis are easy to control. We were going up the chairlift but it was closed. **Angus McDiarmid**

On Saturday the 30th of July we went skiing at Cardrona Ski Field, on top of steep, freezing, exciting hill. The main track, slow as a tortoise, chilly chairlift was closed for the dark morning. Everyone had a lesson. Since the boring, wooden chair was closed we had to use the fast, long, warm magic carpet to get up the hill.

It got very windy and started to snow hard and strongly for a very long time. We went outside to play in the cool snow. Ethan, Charlie, Charlotte and I made a small three layered snowman.

Vanessa Paterson

In the horrible, snowy weekend I went to Cardrona. When I got there it was freezing! We went into rentals to find the rest of the class and to get our skis and ski boots. The first ones I tried on were too big. Then I tried on other ones, they were just right. Then I went with my instructor. She was very nice to me. First we practiced turning and then I went over the jumps. I went into the freezing cold air. **Ethan McSkimming**

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CROSS COUNTRY

The combined Maniototo schools Cross Country will be held on Monday 15th August beginning at 12.30pm at the Maniototo Stadium. This will be followed by a Prizegiving.

Postponement date is Friday 19th.

We require parent helpers to help marshal during the event. If you are able to help with this please contact the Sports Co-ordinator Rowan Feron or any of the Junior School teachers.

Thank you.



Picture of the Year 4 kids on the luge in Naseby.

PTA CITIZENSHIP AWARD

The PTA award for citizenship in the junior school for Term 2 was awarded to Reef Becker.

Reef is an extremely motivated, dedicated member of Kakariki class. She is a diligent student who always produces work to the best of her ability. As a result her work is always of a high standard. Reef is keen to take on new challenges and this has a positive effect on those around her. She works well independently or in group situations, settling quickly, finishing work on time and inspiring others.

Reef is a caring and considerate member of the junior school. She is always looking out for others whether its in class or out on the playground. Reef displays strong negotiation skills and often tries to solve problems between her peers or other members of the junior school.

Reef demonstrates fair leadership skills. She ensures everyone's views are heard and that they feel respected. Reef always includes others and motivates them to work to the best of their ability.

Reef we are honoured to have you in our class. We look forward to seeing your achievements over the years to come.



TERM 2 EXCELLENCE AWARDS



From left to right:

Bevan Clark, Rina Watt,
Reuben Pyle,

Anna Stuart, Josh Smith,
Jae MacDonald,
Luca Forbes-Williams,
Marley Hore, Nic Pieterse,

Candice Ferdinands,
Keith Nabor, Kyle Nabor,
Kass Pont,

Inset: Ben Smith, Robert Hall.

CLASS ACT AWARDS

Congratulations to Reuben Pyle and Courtney Smith on their selection for the Class Act Awards. Both Reuben and Courtney are excellent ambassadors for our school and both have been involved in various activities and sports with great success.

SOCIAL SCIENCES TRIP TO ROTORUA

In June 2017 senior Geography, History and Tourism students have the opportunity to travel to Rotorua to experience tourism and undertake research towards NCEA. We will be visiting a wide variety of tourist attractions, museums and listening to guest speakers. Some of the sites/attractions we are considering visiting are: Te Puia, Polynesian thermal pools, Waiotapu thermal wonderland, the night markets, zog, Skyline gondola and luge, buried village, Tamiki tours, Hobbiton and/or White Island. On the way home we have a 10 hour layover and we will visit Te Papa, the national holocaust museum and the WWI memorial exhibition.

If your child is interested in the trip and you were unable to attend the parent meeting, please contact me for further information. **Sandy Murphy**
smurphy@maniototo.school.nz

OLYMPICS

The Junior school classes enjoyed a fun Olympics Opening Ceremony. House groups dressed up to represent different countries (Brazil, Kenya, Japan & Australia). Each group prepared a dance, chant, flag and mascot for the ceremony.



SCHOOL PRODUCTION 2016

At the end of this term the Junior and Middle School are performing in the Production - Make the Dream Work. Our talented students will be singing, acting and dancing. This story has been developed by our own teachers and will complete the study focusing on the Olympics.

We are planning two performances on Wednesday September 21st at 11:00am and at 7:15pm.



Critics from the future have already travelled back in time to tell us what an amazing show this will be. "Great singing!" "What a talented bunch of children they have!" "I wanted to get up and Dance with them." "My sides are sore from laughing." "Possibly the greatest show ever!" "I will never forgive myself for missing this show."

Don't miss the best show you'll see next month. Tickets on sale soon. Watch this space for exciting updates.

Stephen Bryant



IMPORTANT DATES

1-5 August	Junior School Ice Programme (Years 1-8). Postponement date 9th August
4 August	Board of Trustees Meeting 7.30pm (note change of date)
5 August	Raffle Night @ Ranfurly Hotel (Kakariki Class)
8 & 10 August	Parent Teacher Interviews (Years 9-13)
15 August	Maniototo Cross Country 12.30pm @ Maniototo Stadium (to be followed by Prizegiving). Postponement Date is Friday 19th.
18 August	Class Act presentation
23-25 August	Kakariki Class Camp
2 September	Raffle Night @ Ranfurly Hotel (Kahurangi Class)
2-4 September	SISS Curling Tournament (Naseby)

STICKS N STONES

The Maniototo Sticks 'n Stones team are interested to find out if there is interest from parents for an evening 'Navigating Life Online' workshop to be held during Term Three. This would be an opportunity to learn about topics like Social Media, Settings, Reporting tools, support available if your child is being affected by bullying behaviours etc

Please take 2-3 minutes to visit tinyurl.com/sns-MASparents and fill in the short survey so that we can hear your thoughts and what you would like to see covered.

Our Maniototo team are:

Courtney Smith - Y12

Candice Ferdinands - Y12

Matthew Neilson - Y12

Dylan Voice - Y12

Rina Watt - Y11

Chelsey Cromb - Y10

Lucy Neilson - Y9

Madi Pont - Y9

Paris Anderson - Y9

Amanda Voice - Y9

Sam Flanagan - Y9

Yasmin Christian - Y9

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