

Maniototo Area School

NEWSLETTER

12th September 2019



BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The staff and students would like to take this opportunity to thank Dave Hutton-Atkins for eight continuous years on the Board of Trustees of Maniototo Area School. We greatly value his calm leadership and guidance over these years. His tenure as Chairman of the Board has witnessed a number of changes for the betterment of our school.

Dave will continue to serve on the Board of Trustees until the next election (November 2020).

We would also like to wish Belinda Colling the very best as she takes up the Chair of the Board of Trustees.

Thanks to Amanda Voice for the contribution she has made to the Board of Trustees during her term as Student Representative. Nominations have been called for a Student Representative for the next 12 months. Nominations close at 12 noon on Friday 13th September.

Areas of Responsibility:

- **Finance**—Craig Paterson, Chair, Principal, Executive Officer
 - **School Houses**—Rose Voice
- **Property/ Health & Safety**—Principal, Staff Rep, Dave Hutton-Atkins, Mike Connell, Craig Paterson
- **School Rebuild**—Chair, Principal, Staff Rep, Craig Paterson, Quinton Smith & Debbie Paterson (co-opted)
 - **PTA**—Quinton Smith, Belinda Colling, Staff Rep
 - **Curriculum**—Principal, Staff Rep & all Board Members
 - **Professional Ethics**—Chair, Principal, Staff Rep
- **Appointments/EEO**—Principal, Rose Voice, Belinda Colling, Staff Rep
- **Policy**—Principal, Staff Rep, Dave Hutton Atkins, Belinda Colling

In the recent Community Survey respondents were asked if they agreed with the following statement: Our P.R.I.D.E values are the cornerstone of our school culture.

Approximately 75% agreed with the statement, 23% were neutral. Positive comments about our values were scattered throughout the survey and it was clear that many parents see P.R.I.D.E as an important part of our school.

"A positive feeling of community and the older children looking out for and after the younger ones is outstanding. I applaud the PRIDE values that the the school has implemented in recent years."

"PRIDE is so embedded in the school culture. Everyone seems to be talking the same language and it has an impact on students and their learning".



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MANIOTOTO AREA SCHOOL SPEECH COMPETITION

Year 1

1st Sam Hore (I am a Pirate), 2nd Leo Finlayson (I am a Pirate) , 3rd Nikita Wilson (Octopus)

Year 2

1st Laura Paterson (My Sky) , 2nd Tayla Smith (A Spider in my Shoe),
3rd= Hugo Paterson (A small ghostie) & Marshall Newth-MacDonald (Apples)

Year 3 (Poems)

1st Peyton Baddock (Truggle tree Monsters), 2nd Nheero Del Mundo (Pet Shopping)
3rd= Tiaan Pieterse (Go, go Jasper Joe) & Lexi McFadyen-Beck (Isabella Gumble)

Year 4 (Character Description)

1st Macy Finlayson (BFG), 2nd Teyah Al Niaami (Simba), 3rd Indianna Hepi (Hagrid)

Year 5 (My Passion)

1st Grace Paterson (Farming), 2nd Amelia Smith (Animals), 3rd Xavier Connell (Hockey)

Year 6 (My Passion)

1st Nicola Kinney (Farming), 2nd Alexie Mackenzie (Swimming), 3rd Charlie Falconer (Cricket)

Year 7 (My Passion)

1st Brooke Huddleston (Global Warming), 2nd Lucy Falconer (Eventing),
3rd Archie McDiarmid (Farm Pollution)

Year 8 (My Passion)

1st Perri Hore (Deforestation), 2nd Abby Ferdinands (Travel), 3rd Peta Smith (Sea Pollution)

Congratulations to all place getters and also big congratulations & thank you to the teachers who prepared them for the competition!

UNIVERSITY OF CANTERBURY ASSESSMENTS

A number of our students participated in the University of Canterbury, English and Maths assessments. The students did really well, especially Perri Hore who was awarded an 'Excellence' award for English!

C. O. CURRENT EVENTS QUIZ

On Tuesday 20th August Georgia Gillespie, Nicola Kinney and Vanessa Paterson competed as a team alongside Charlie Falconer, Lachlan Mackenzie and Charlie Hore as another team in the 5 and 6 competition. We were only able to bring one Year 7 and 8 team: Keisha MacFadyen, Lucy Falconer and Nic Pieterse. There were ten categories with ten questions in them (except the Who am I? which had 5 clues).

The promised technology and arts and crafts activities for after the quiz were not there, instead there were chess games (which some people didn't know how to play) and more current events. It was also raining so we couldn't play on the playground but when the current events were over, it stopped raining and we got 5 minutes out in the playground. Other than that...it was fun and the Remarkables Park School was AWESOME!!!!

We didn't like the two-hour travel and hope it goes back to Cromwell, because quarter of the schools that normally come pulled out and it's less travel for us. Overall the Year 5 and 6 girls team came 4th, the boys came 8th and the Year 7 and 8 Mixed team also came 8th.

By Georgia Gillespie and Vanessa Paterson



MANIOTOTO PRIMARY SCHOOLS SPEECH COMPETITION 2019

Year 3

- 1st Peyton Baddock (MAS)
- 2nd Josie Herlihy (St John's)
- 3rd= Sophie Groundwater (Omakau)
- 3rd= Nheero del Mundo (MAS)



Year 6

- 1st Alexie Mackenzie (MAS)
- 2nd Toby Duncan (St John's)
- 3rd Kate Williams (Omakau)



Year 4

- 1st Teyah Al Niaami (MAS)
- 2nd Macy Finlayson (MAS)
- 3rd Marie Cavanagh (Omakau)



Year 7

- 1st= Archie McDiarmid (MAS)
- 1st= Brooke Huddleston (MAS)
- 2nd Annie Dowling (St John's)
- 3rd Alivia Steele (St John's)



Year 5

- 1st= Amelia Smith (MAS)
- 1st= Fred Dowling (St John's)
- 2nd Rosa Herlihy (St John's)
- 3rd Chloe Paterson (Omakau)



Year 8

- 1st Abby Ferdinands (MAS)
- 2nd Perri Hore (MAS)
- 3rd Maia Macdonald (St John's)



Thank you to the Judges Denise Baddock & Joyce Greer and Emcee Stephen Dunn.

HOCKEY SUCCESS

On Monday 2nd September Kass Pont and I travelled to Cromwell to participate in the Hockey Tournament for the Jenny McDonald Cup. We won all three of our pool games which automatically put us into the top four; meaning we qualified for a semi-final. We even beat the highly fancied Ashburton Girls team in pool play, who were thought to take out the Tournament. We won our semi-final against Roncalli very convincingly, winning the game 4-1 to make it into the final. Our oppositions for the final were last years winners, St Kevins. We knew we were in for a tough game but ended up beating them 2-0 winning us the gold medal. It was a very surreal moment at the end of the game and the girls were stoked. We were even lucky enough to have Jenny McDonald present us our medals. Kass and I had a fun week with a great group of girls and were ecstatic with the outcome. **Paris Anderson (Year 12)**



Madi Pont also played in the Dunstan Mixed hockey team at the South Island tournament in Blenheim and their team came second. A huge thank you to Dunstan High School, the coaches and managers for providing such a great opportunity for our students.

OTAGO CROSS COUNTRY

Nine Maniototo Area School students qualified to compete in the Otago Cross Country, their names were: Ruby Hore, Isabelle Helm, Vanessa Paterson, Nicola Kinney, Abby Ferdinands, Zoe Simpson, Thomas Helm, Justin Pink, and Ethan McSkimming. It was held on Friday 30th August in Dunedin at Kaikourai Valley College. It was a tough competition and it got very muddy in some parts of the course. There were over 300 kids from Year 5 to 8 competing from all over Otago.



Overall we had a fun time and the placings were: Ruby Hore got 2nd and Isabelle Helm got 4th in the Year 6 category. Everyone else tried their hardest and in the end got in the top 50 or better in their age groups. We are very proud of everyone who competed it was a very big achievement and you should be proud of yourself. **By Ruby Hore and Isabelle Helm**

RUGBY

Doug Smith is currently in Palmerston North playing in the NZ Barbarians Area School rugby team. We are very proud of Doug's selection in this team, and the honour of being named Vice-Captain. We look forward to hearing all about it!

Last week, Patrick, Bailey, and I were away to play for the Under 15's Dunstan rugby club in the Under 15's rugby tournament in Christchurch. On Sunday 1st September, the Dunstan rugby team drove to Ranfurly in 2 school mini vans to pick us up to travel to Christchurch.

When we got to Christchurch we arrived at the North South Holiday Park, where we stayed for 5 days, there we met EJ a former student of our school.

On Monday we played our first 2 games for the week, we had to play a 40 minute full game for every game including the semi-finals and finals. On our first game we played against Roncalli and won 10 - 6, our second game against Gore we won 42 - 5.

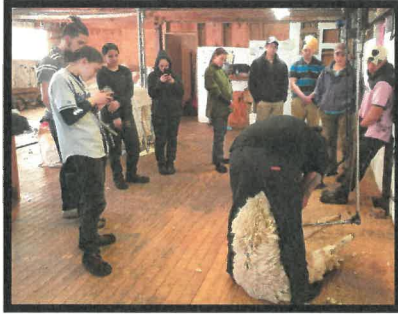
On Tuesday we played our third game against Rangiora and won 21 - 5, and the fourth match we played against Lincoln we won 31 - 17 and made it in the semi-finals.

On Wednesday we played Darfield in the semi-finals and won 23 - 21. We played against St Andrew's in the final game, unfortunately St Andrew's was a better team and we lost 24 - 0.

Andrew Fetalver (Year 10)

SHEARING SCHOOL

We have just had 4 of our senior students attend a shearing school. It was held at Willie Dowling's woolshed from Monday to Thursday 26-29 August. Damian, Dante, Te Ariki and Doug had to shear 3 sheep in half an hour, they all did this and achieved their Blue Seal which means they can successfully shear a sheep unaided. This course was run by Elite Shearing training.



OUTWARD BOUND

Congratulations to Sam Flanagan who is heading to Outward Bound from the 23rd September until 13th October for the 21 day **Mind, Body & Soul course**. Sam is the third student we have been able to send this year. He is being sponsored by the *Otago Community Trust*.

Amanda Voice and Peter Cheesmur attended Outward Bound in July, sponsored by *Mayors Taskforce for Jobs* (a nationwide network of New Zealand's Mayors, working together towards the vision of all young people under 25 being engaged in appropriate education, training, work or other positive activity in their communities).

Our school was also offered another student placing this year but we had no more interest from other eligible students. It is open to students 16 years and over. I would be very keen for parents to talk to me about it if they think their student would be interested as sometimes the kids sell themselves short.

Nikki Meyer (Senior Dean)

SKI TRIP

MAS School Ski trip for 2019 was a great success with one of the two days being clear skies and sunshine!

Cardrona is such a fantastic field for families and first-timers, and offers heavily discounted rates when booking as a school group.



Thanks to Mrs McSkimming for organising the Ski Trip.



2020 Term Dates

There will be a “staggered” start for 2020

Teacher Only Day – Monday 27th January

Year 11-13 will start on Tuesday 28th January

Year 9-10 will start on Wednesday 29th January

Year 1-8 will start on Thursday 30th January

Term 1: Tuesday 28th January – Thursday 9th April (100 half days)

Waitangi Day – Thursday 6th February

A & P Show (1pm close) – Wednesday 19th February (TBC)

Teacher Only Day - Friday 20th March

Otago Anniversary – Monday 23rd March

Term 2: Tuesday 28th April – Friday 3rd July (96 half days)

ANZAC Day Observance—Monday 27th April

Queen’s Birthday – Monday 1st June

Term 3: Monday 20th July – Friday 25th September (100 half days)

Term 4: Monday 12th October – Wednesday 9th December (84 half days)

Labour Day – Monday 26th October

Last day for NCEA students – Wednesday 4th November

Wednesday 9th December (1pm close)

Thursday 10th December – Teacher Only Day

DEFENSIVE DRIVING COURSE

The next AA New Zealand Defensive Driving Course is to be held at Dunstan High School on 3, 6, 10 & 13 October from 6.30-8.30pm(inclusive)

Further information please email kaye@lakesdrivingschool.nz or txt 0276233534.

GARDEN VOLUNTEERS

The school would like to hear from any members of the local community that are interested in helping to get our school gardens flourishing. We really appreciate the work of Denise Baddock and Kay Watt who have been helping out. We would appreciate any cuttings from plants that could be added to the gardens as well—especially plants that can be easily transferred when we have the rebuild completed. Thanks to Bev Helm for her offer in this regard.

OTAGO/SOUTHLAND CHILD CANCER FOUNDATION THANKS

Thank you so much for your generous support of the Child Cancer Foundation. You have raised an amazing \$2050 through your head shaves and mufti day. We really appreciate this amazing support, especially that of those amazing 6 students who selflessly shaved their hair. The money that you have raised will be used locally to support local families.

A child having cancer is probably one of the toughest things a family will ever go through. But thanks to generous New Zealanders like you, we can continue to give families the support they need—helping with the initial shock of diagnosis and providing a shoulder to lean on through months or years of treatment.

From one-on-one personalised support, to counselling for siblings, or assistance with travel costs and household bills—the support Child Cancer Foundation provides all helps a family navigate a challenging time in their lives.

Once again, thank you for your ongoing support of children with cancer and their families—the work we do would not be possible without your generosity

Robyn Kiddle (Chief Executive Child Cancer Foundation)

FUNDRAISING

Reminder about the fundraising for the Secondary Curling teams to attend the NZSS Champs.

Pasta Vera & Spicecraft Orders close on 17th September. Pasta will be delivered to the school on Wednesday 25th September. See any of our secondary school curlers to place an order.

IMPORTANT DATES

16-18 September	NCEA Mock Exams
18-20 September	Year 7 & 8 Camp (Dunedin)
18 September	Year 7/8 Technology (last day for Semester 3)
19-20 September	Barista course for Year 11-13 (interested students)
23 September	First Aid course (all day) - Year 11-13
24 September	Food Safety Course (Year 11 & others)
24 September	Kiwisport Inter-school Curling Tournament (Years 5-8)
25 September	Year 7/8 Technology (Semester 4 starts)
26 September	Volleyball Tournament in Queenstown (Year 9)
27 September	End of Term 3
4-6 October	NZSS Curling Tournament (Naseby)
14 October	Term 4 commences
15 October	Exit interviews for Year 13 students and parents
16 October	2020 Option Evening (Year 11 & 12)
17 October	2020 Option Evening (Year 10) & International Food Day
23 October	Careers Night (EOHS)
24 October	PTA Meeting
1 November	Primary Athletics
10 December	End of Year Prizegiving
11 December	Last Day of school for 2019. (SCHOOL CLOSSES @ 1pm)

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October

Holiday Programme 2019

During the school holidays Central Otago Libraries are celebrating the Spring season with a focus on Nature. We'll be planting seeds, creating flower bombs and making other animal crafts.

Alexandra - 11am - 12pm

Monday 30th Sept	Flower bombs and Agamograph
Wednesday 2nd Oct	Owl and Duck
Monday 7th Oct	Seed head in tin can
Wednesday 9th Oct	Frog and bookmark

Roxburgh Library 2pm - 3pm

Tuesday 1st Oct	Flower bombs and Agamograph
Thursday 3rd Oct	Owl and Duck
Tuesday 8th Oct	Seed head in tin can
Thursday 10th Oct	Frog and bookmark

Maniototo Library 2pm - 3pm

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Thursday 3rd Oct	Owl and Duck
Monday 7th Oct	Seed head in tin can
Thursday 10th Oct	Frog and bookmark

Cromwell Library 3pm - 4pm

Tuesday 1st Oct	Flower bombs and Agamograph
Wednesday 2nd Oct	Owl and Duck
Monday 7th Oct	Seed head in tin can
Tuesday 8th Oct	Frog and bookmark

Bookings are essential and under 5s are to be accompanied by an adult



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