

Maniototo Area School

NEWSLETTER

11th November 2019



MANA POUNAMU

Maniototo Area School is fortunate enough to be eligible to send recipients to the Mana Pounamu Awards which celebrates Māori achievement in Otago Secondary Schools. The awards ceremony is an opportunity to celebrate rakatahi Māori and encourages the recipients to participate in tertiary study.

All eligible students from Maniototo applied to the school and a vote was cast by Secondary teaching staff looking at students' achievements in the areas of Cultural, Leadership, Academic, Sporting and Community and students who are positive role models in rakatahi Māori.

This year Reef Becker was our Teina (Junior) recipient, with Madi Pont being our Tuakana (Senior) recipient. Maniototo students were invited to come down to support Madi and Reef by doing the haka as a tautoko.

We were fortunate to have 22 students who attended in support being able to deliver a strong haka. A great evening was had by all listening to fluent Te Reo being spoken, watching the various haka and celebrating our rangatahi.



Our recent International Food Festival was a great example of our PRIDE values.

Participation: It was great to see our whole school, the Year 7 & 8 students from St John's and members of the community participating in the festival. A special thank you to the parents who helped prepare the food.

Respect: One reason we have the International Food Day is for us to learn more about other cultures. By learning more we have a greater chance of showing respect towards others.

Integrity: The preparation of the food was mainly the responsibility of our High School students - they had to do the right thing to ensure everyone was working as a team.

Determination: For some of us cooking and organising an event is challenging - but every student showed great determination to ensure that the end result was a success. What a great job they did - all of the food on offer was cooked to perfection and delicious!

Empathy: It was lovely to see the Seniors showing kindness and patience to our Juniors and visitors to our school. They were excellent role models and we were very proud of them.

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MANIOTOTO PRIMARY SCHOOL SPORTS ASSN ATHLETICS

BOYS

Under 8: 1st Jae McAuley (St John's), 2nd Axel McAuley (St John's), 3rd McKinley Francis (St John's)

Under 9: 1st Eddie Weir (St John's), 2nd= George Dowling (St John's) & Shannlee Fetalver (St John's),
3rd Jonty Russell (MAS)

Under 10: 1st Thomas Helm (MAS), 2nd Callum McSkimming (MAS), 3rd Fred Dowling (St John's)

Under 11: 1st Toby Duncan (St John's), 2nd Ryan Crossan (St John's), 3rd Angus McDiarmid (MAS)

Under 12: 1st Ethan McSkimming (MAS), 2nd Jake Smith (St John's), 3rd Nic Pieterse (MAS)

Under 13: 1st Jock Duncan (St John's), 2nd William Tisdall (Strath Taieri), 3rd William Hutton-Atkins (MAS)

13 Years & Over: 1st Sage Paterson (St John's), 2nd Freddie Hore (St John's), 3rd Robert Hall (MAS)

GIRLS

Under 8: 1st Marley Weir (St John's), 2nd Vanessa Kinney (MAS), 3rd Laura Paterson (MAS)

Under 9: 1st Brooke Atkinson (Strath Taieri), 2nd= Lexi McFadyen-Beck (MAS) & Shaylah Pink (MAS),
3rd Marley Hore (MAS)

Under 10: 1st Ali Leslie (Strath Taieri), 2nd Amelia Smith (MAS), 3rd= Patricia Noi (MAS) & Molly Kirkman
(Strath Taieri)

Under 11: 1st Ruby Hore (MAS), 2nd Tessa Steele (St John's), 3rd= Georgia Gillespie (MAS) & Abby Wilson
(MAS)

Under 12: 1st Isabelle Helm (MAS), 2nd= Sam Roxburgh (MAS) & Georgia Graham (Strath Taieri),
3rd Lucia Russell (MAS)

Under 13: 1st Perri Hore (MAS), 2nd Peta Smith (MAS), 3rd= Isabella de Haas (MAS) & Zoe Simpson (MAS)

13 Years & Over: 1st Ella Gibson (St John's), 2nd Maggie Dowling (St John's), 3rd Anya Pieterse (MAS)



2019 MANIOTOTO AREA ATHLETICS SCHOOL SPORTS RESULTS

McSkimming Cup (Year 7-8)			
1st	Ethan McSkimming	MAS	34
2nd	Sage Paterson	St John's	31
3rd	Ella Gibson	St John's	30



Matchett Cup (Year 3-6)			
1st	Toby Duncan	St John's	36
2nd	Thomas Helm	MAS	34
3rd	Ruby Hore	MAS	32

House Shield

1st	Serpentine (MAS)	16.1
2nd	Hamiltons (MAS)	15.9
3rd	O'Neill (St John's)	15.6

Congratulations to these MAS students who were selected for the Otago Athletics on 19th November:

Thomas Helm, Callum McSkimming, Rhys Wilson, Max Gregan, Ethan McSkimming, Nic Pieterse, Justin Pink, Robert Hall, Amelia Smith, Lexi McFadyen-Beck, Shaylah Pink, Ruby Hore, Lucia Russell, Isabelle Helm, Sam Roxburgh, Molly-Jo Munro, Perri Hore, Isabella de Haas, Zoe Simpson, Peta Smith, Anya Pieterse



Thank you to everybody who helped with the sports day.

We really do appreciate all the organisation and effort that goes on behind the scenes and also on the day.



It appears that some of the Dad's were even trying out their high jump skills! Maybe this is the start of a new competition.

Unofficial results...1st Quinton Smith, 2nd Simon Paterson, 3rd Logan Dowling.



YEAR 7/8 DUNEDIN CAMP

Year 7 & 8 class of 2019 travelled to Dunedin early in the morning on Wednesday 18th September. Our camp was filled up with fun and exciting activities that even pushed some of us to try something new.

Some of the highlights from the camp included: Going to the Museum, Archery, Orienteering, The Monarch Cruise and Larnach's Castle.

The Monarch Cruise was an adventure that had all of us quite excited about! We got to see many seals and the albatross. We even go to see little penguins! There was a little patch on the boat when we were out of the harbour and it was a bit too rough for some of us!

We were so lucky to go out for dinner on Wednesday night to Tokyo Gardens. This was an experience not many of us had had before and it was such a lot of fun to go out for dinner with all of our friends!

Dunedin Camp was an experience that many of us will remember for a long time.



Molly-Jo Munro

ST JOHN

A huge thank you to our local St John committee who very kindly donated first aid kits to our school as part of their Community Initiative Programme.

The local committee are also supporting first aid training for our students and staff.

Over the next couple of days all students in Years 0-8 are doing First Aid training.



PRIMARY ASSEMBLY

There is a special primary assembly on Tuesday 12th November at 1.10pm (on the courts outside the junior classes) to present the Sports Day certificates.

All parents are welcome to attend.

UNIVERSITY OF OTAGO

MATHS PROBLEM SOLVING CHALLENGE

Congratulations to all the Year 8 students and Lucy Falconer who have completed the University of Otago Maths problem solving challenge.

Special mention to Perri Hore who achieved an Excellence grade.

INTERNATIONAL FOOD DAY

On the 6th November, we had the International Food Day, the countries were USA, Russia, Philippines, Hawaii, Mexico, Japan, India, Russia and NZ.

The food was so delicious, the favourites with Whero class were the Butter Chicken and the Japan Mochi.



These are some of the favourable comments that Whero class had to say:

- * It was so good, the flavour was so good I nearly screamed!
- * I heard a tonne of people say "mmm, yummy, that's good!".
- * Everyone had a lovely smile on their face, having a good time.
- * I heard lots of "ooh, this is yummy and sooooo good!"
- * All of the food looked amazing and I really liked how I could taste new food.
- * I can't wait until the next International Food Day.
- * We have International Food Day so we can learn about other cultures food.
- * The amazing Butter Chicken was so good, it was definitely worth the long waiting in the queue. Yummy!
- * The fluffy mochi ice-cream was so freezing on my teeth!
- * I found it really interesting to try new foods.



Thank you very much Seniors, we all really appreciate the hard work you put in for us!

They made 'perfecto' food!

We hope you will do it again next year.



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

IMPORTANT DATES

11-12 November	St John First Aid in schools (Years 1-8)
12 November	1.10pm Primary Assembly
18-19 November	Year 9/10 Exams
19 November	Otago Primary Athletics Champs (postponement date 21st Nov)
20-22 November	Year 5/6 Camp
26 November	Year 1-3 trip to Dunedin
6 December	Year 8 Graduation
10 December	End of Year Prizegiving 7pm
11 December	Last Day of school for students (SCHOOL CLOSSES @ 1pm)

PTA CHRISTMAS GROCERY HAMPER

The PTA are once again doing their Christmas Grocery Hamper raffle

Class Raffle cards are being circulated around the students to sell.

Could each family please provide 2 grocery items for the hamper.