# Maniototo Area School

## NEWSLETTER

**30th November 2016**

# Taking PRIDE in Giving back to our Community

## Food bank Collection

We collected over 100 items for our local Maniototo Foodbank.

## Canterbury Earthquake

A mufti day and sausage sizzle raised over $380 for the Canterbury Earthquake Relief fund.

School will be finishing at 1pm on 14th December

Buses will leave at 1pm

## IMPORTANT DATES

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| 1 December | Cake Stall outside More than Books 9.30am |
| 1-2 December | Whero / Kahurangi Class Camp to Dunedin |
| 5-8 December | Outdoor Education Year 9 & 10 (Falls Dam) |
| 7 December | Board of Trustees Meeting 7.30pm |
| 9 December | Year 8 Graduation 12pm / Junior Assembly 2.10pm / Reports & Classes for 2017 go home |
| 13 December | Prizegiving commencing at 7pm in the School Gymnasium |
| 14 December | Last Day of School (now finishing at 1pm) |
| 2 February | First Day of School for 2017 |


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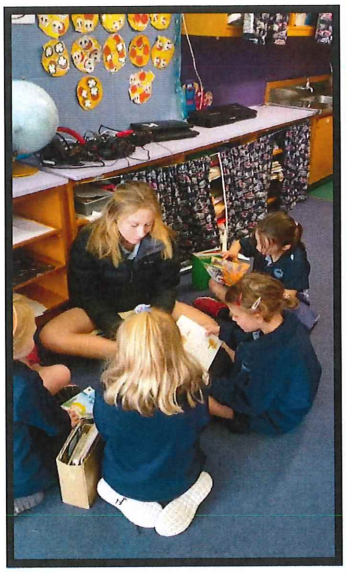
## DEAR TIME



This term the Year 10s have been spending DEAR (Drop Everything and Read) time in the junior school. Tuesday with Kakariki, Wednesday with Whero and Thursday with Kowhai. This has been an amazing experience and something that is enjoyed by the students in all 4 classes. Each Year 10 student works with 2-3 students who take turns reading and discussing books or their own writing. In Whero the Year 10s proof read the juniors' writing and suggest ways in which they can improve their stories. Without doubt this is my favourite time of the week. All students are benefiting and it is so inspiring to be a part of. The juniors need to be commended for their excellent reading and writing skills and the Year 10s for the great mentoring and leadership qualities they have shown.

Here are some photos from DEAR last week in Kowhai.

## Cake Stall

Thursday 1st December

9.30am

Outside "More than Books"

Fundraising for the Social Science trip to Rotorua 2017.

## Maniototo Area School PTA Christmas Hamper

We are doing our annual Christmas Hamper Raffle again this year.

*We are asking that each family please provide a grocery item(s) for this.*

These can be left NOW at the school office.

Tickets are selling now. Many thanks for your support

## SPIRIT OF NEW ZEALAND

On the 20th of October I left for Auckland to go on a ten day voyage upon the Spirit Of New Zealand. Once I made it to the boat the nerves had fully kicked in as I had no idea what I was in for. I had to meet 39 other teenagers aged between 16 to 18 from all around NZ. But it turned out that I had nothing to be anxious about as everyone was so friendly and by the end of the trip we were like one big family. We set sail out of the Auckland Harbour and headed all the way up towards the Bay Of Islands. We were unlucky as we ran out of time to make it the whole way there. The weather was on our side as we only got one out of the ten days with rough seas. Most of our activities we took part in were based around leadership and team building skills, these were challenging but I got a lot of helpful knowledge out of them. Each person had to take a turn to be the leader of their watch as we did our morning colours (boat clean up) and when we set the sails, this was important because it helped those who would usually lack the confidence to stand up and be a leader. Every day we were assigned duties we had to do, night watch was one duty and it is where for two hours of two nights on the trip we had to stay up and look after the ship. Every morning we were woken up at 6:30 am and had to jump into the sea . Overall I had the most amazing time and really learnt a lot about myself and many leadership skills from this experience. I definitely recommend the trip to anyone who is given the chance to go . Thank you so much MAS for giving me this once in a lifetime opportunity.

**Tash Whyte**

## ICE HOCKEY SUCCESS

Harry McAslan and the under 14 Kiwi Force team played in the International Pee-Wee tournament in Adelaide recently and got 2nd overall. Well done Harry and team!

## UNIFORM SHOP

Jan Mackenzie will have the uniform shop open on Tuesday 17th January from 12.30—2.30pm for any families wanting to try on or to order school uniforms.
Orders placed by the 20th January will be delivered to the school in time for the start of the 2017 school year.

## CLASS STATIONERY LISTS FOR 2017

Stationery requirements for 2017 are available on the school website with a direct link to order from our supplier OfficeMax. Classes for 2017 will be sent home with reports on Friday 9th December.

## WORK DAY

There are still some students that need to return their work day money. Please return by the end of next week.

## FACEBOOK PAGE

The school is launching a Facebook page in the new year...we are looking forward to boosting communication and celebrating our school successes.

## COMPUTER KEYBOARDS

The school has some Computer Keyboards that are surplus to requirements...available for a small donation. Contact Mr Robertson for details.

# OTAGO CHAMPIONSHIP ATHLETICS REPRESENTATIVES

Congratulations to the students chosen to represent the Maniototo at the Otago Championship Athletics recently : Back Row—Phoenix, Mark, Max, Josh S, Todd, Hayden C, Hayden B, Robert, Charlotte, Kass, Loche. Front Row—Lily (obscured), Ethan, Perri, Zoe, Peta, Anya, Brooklyn, William H, Chase. Absent - Harmony, Mia & Hope,

## 2016 OTAGO CHAMPIONSHIP ATHLETICS RESULTS

We achieved some amazing results with so many students making it into the finals for their events, we are so proud of all the students who took part. Well done to these overall placegetters from MAS!

Phoenix Tapatu 1st in Under 12 Discus (4cm off the record)

Ethan McSkimming 2nd in Under 10 60m Sprint (he is only 8 and will compete in this age group next year!)

William Helm 2nd in Under 11 70m Hurdles & 5th in Under 11 High Jump

Perri Hore 5th in Under 10 Long jump

Chase Moir 4th in Under 11 Discus

Brooklyn Harrington 3rd in Under 11 Discus

Hope Devitt 6th= in Under 12 Discus

Under 12 Boys Relay 2nd Max Hore, Todd Duncan, Hayden Clarke & Andrew Fetalver (St Johns)

Under 11 girls Relay 2nd Anya Pieterse (MAS), Charlie Charles (Strath Taieri), Briar Duncan & Sandy Barroga (St Johns)

GRAEME LAING SWIM SCHOOL

27TH TO 31ST DECEMBER AT THE RANFURLY POOL

BOOKINGS TO MARGOT HALL 034447868 / 0210528255 / hallzy@vodafone.co.nz

# GREAT WRITING FROM THE JUNIOR SCHOOL

### Our Horses

Our horses, our horses, 1,2,3,4.
Our horses, our horses will appear at our door.
When we call they will come and appear at our aid,
Never to be treated like a slave or a maid.
My loyal black horse, whose name is Snip,
Will do anything for me, there's no need for a whip.
I have another whose name is Holly,
Although she's wild she isn't a wally.
Misty is Sienna's, she's trusty and kind,
over time her heart has shined.
Of our collection of four Summer's another,
A beautiful grey, who is now a mother.
Cute and adorable is Summer's foal Starlight,
Cheeky and loving, her potential shines bright.
Sneaky and funny is Anzac's way, Lulu would die for him any day.
Our 4 horses, or five should I say,
Have saved our lives in many ways.
We love them so much they are apart of our hearts,
And that part has been there, right from the start.

**Lucy Falconer (Kahurangi)**

### The Scared Giraffe

Thick, cloying fog filled into the distance. Bramble and trees covered the safari land. Wild animals scampered around the near bushes. A frightened giraffe clutched a fat tree trunk with all its might.
Step by step the panicking giraffe slid up the tall leafless tree, clinging its hooves around the heavy log. Finally it reached the summit of the tree.
The surrounding safari visitors cheered and chanted at the lovely sight. Camera's flashed, flickered, snapped.
As the safari truck roared off down the road, dusty gravel filled into the air. The giraffe safely slid back down once the safari truck had disappeared. It raced its parents and had a happy life from then on.

**Emma Kinney (Kakariki)**

### Pets

Sometimes adults get to take pets to work and children don't get to take their pets. Elle-Mae's dogs get to go with Dad to his work on the farm. Maisie's Dad gets to take his dogs out farming and he gets to always feed them. Children miss their pets when they leave home to go to school and childcare.

In our opinion children should be allowed to take pets to school and childcare.

If children took their pets to school they could come and see them at morning tea and lunchtime. They wouldn't miss them and feel sad at school.
When children were feeling sad they could go and see their pets who would make them feel happy.

We could have a pet playcentre right next to the classrooms. One classes pet could go together and the other classes could go together. Cats and dogs can go in different pens so they don't fight. We need a field for horse and pens for pet lambs.

We could put our pets in a pet case and bring them to school. When we get there we can put them in the pens.

**By Maisie Hore & Elle-Mae Lunam (Kowhai)**

# Music Tuition In School

Peter Kesha Music

Composition / Chord Charts / Musical Director / Performance / Production / Recording / Tuition / Workshops

*Peter and Linda are pleased to announce they will be coming to Maniototo Area School to provide Music Tuition for Students every Friday starting in Term 1 2017.*
*Option available for adult students during day*

- Quality music lessons with great resources and excellent mentors!
- We offer Professional Tuition for Piano, Keyboard, Drums, Vocals, Electric, Acoustic & Bass Guitar, and Ukulele.
- Registered ABRSM Music School that delivers Practical and Theory Curriculum for Grading Exams.
- Peter Kesha is an International Musician who has over 20 years experience in Music Education, Composition and Performance.

*We also have Band Mentoring and Song Writing Programs available !!*

Contact Linda Kesha : 021 498 764 : 03 476 3441 : peterkeshamusic@xtra.co.nz

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